

SNOWDONIA ADDRESS BOOK

Photography by Jerry Rawson

The Snowdonia National Park – *Parc Cenedlaethol Eryri in Welsh* – was designated as a National Park in 1951, and lies in the north-west corner of Wales. It contains some of the most spectacular and tightly packed mountain scenery in the United Kingdom.

It is a land of heather moors, lakes, wooded valleys, rivers, waterfalls and brooding, craggy mountain ranges. Within the boundary of the 827 square miles (2142 sq km) of the national park there are 23 miles (37 km) of coastline with beaches, sand dunes, and great sweeping bays, such as Tremadog and Mawddach. This means that it is difficult to escape the sea, and from many mountain tops you can catch glimpses of it.

Snowdonia offers great opportunities to landscape photographers and each season has its own beauty, from the colourful display of wild flowers in the valleys during springtime; the purple-clad heather moors above in high summer; the golden autumnal colours of ancient woods; to the vast Arctic-like winter plateau of the Carneddau, the rugged Glyderau and especially majestic Snowdon (Yr Wyddfa), at 1085m/3560 feet, the highest summit in England and Wales. All these bristling summits look especially spectacular when cloaked in snow. Patience to simply sit and wait for the ideal moment is essential – and that is what master photographer Jerry Rawson demonstrates again and again in the collection of superb images reproduced here.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Although Jerry Rawson lived in the Peak District, he had a strong association with Snowdonia and regularly produced illustrated articles for various outdoor magazines. His photographic work has featured in calendars, cards, advertising materials, numerous magazines and books. Jerry's published and acclaimed photographic books include *A Vision of Snowdonia* and *Snowdonia Moods*. His other best selling books include *Discovering the Moors and Dales of the Peak District*, *Discover the Yorkshire Dales* and *Discover the Lake District* also for Halsgrove.

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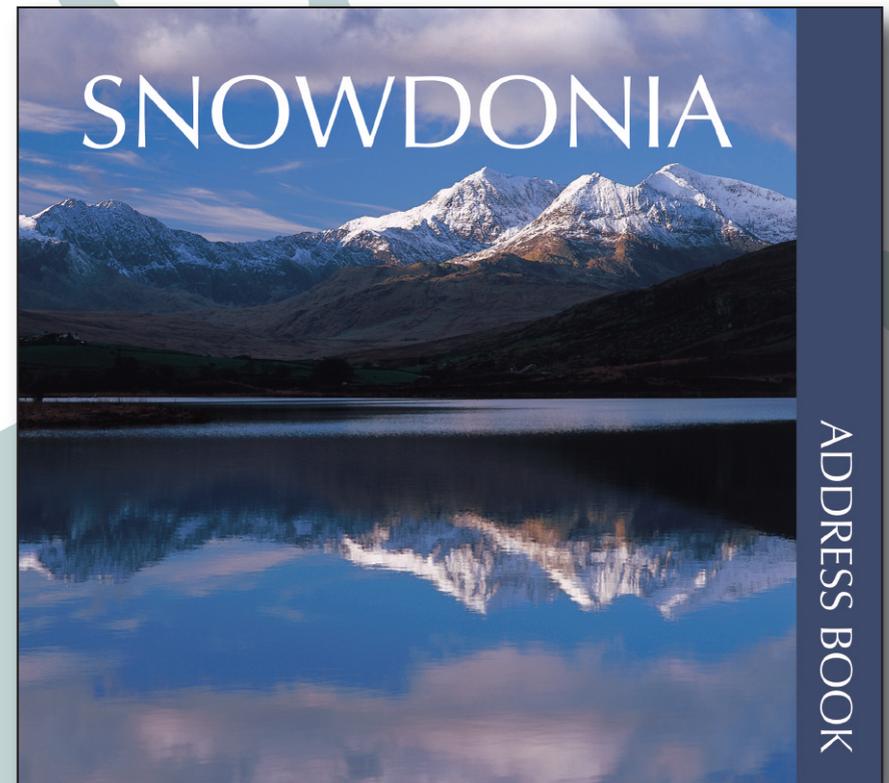
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