

MAREDUDD ap GRUFFYDD ap RHYS (1130 or 1131 - 1155), prince of Deheubarth

Name: Maredudd ap Gruffydd ap Rhys
Date of birth: 1130
Date of death: 1155
Parent: Gwenllian ferch Gruffudd
Parent: Gruffydd ap Rhys ap Tewdwr
Gender: Male
Occupation: prince of Deheubarth
Area of activity: Military; Politics, Government and Political Movements; Royalty and Society
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Eldest son of [Gruffydd ap Rhys](#) by Gwenllian, daughter of [Gruffudd ap Cynan](#). Six years old when his father died in 1137, he came into prominence at 16 assisting an older half-brother, [Cadell](#), in freeing southern Ceredigion of the Normans, and in defending the recently captured fortress of Carmarthen. In 1151 he took a leading part in driving the men of Gwynedd back beyond the Dovey, and in the same year the burden of leadership in the south fell on him owing to the incapacitation of [Cadell](#). Four years later he died at the early age of 25, having already earned a noble reputation in both peace and war, and passing his burden on to a younger brother, the future '[lord](#)' [Rhys](#).

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