

## GRIFFITHS, ROBERT (1805 - 1883), engineer and inventor

**Name:** Robert Griffiths  
**Date of birth:** 1805  
**Date of death:** 1883  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** engineer and inventor  
**Area of activity:** Business and Industry; Engineering, Construction, Naval Architecture and Surveying  
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Born 13 December 1805, at Llewenny farm in the vale of Clwyd, Denbighshire. As a youth he was apprenticed to a carpenter. He was subsequently employed in engine works at Birmingham. In 1845 he went to France, and, in conjunction with M. Labruère, founded engineering works at Havre. These, however, closed down in about three years. Both on his own, and in collaboration with others, he took out patents for many engineering devices. His best known contribution to engineering was an amended method of screw propulsion for ships. He died in June 1883.

### Author

Griffith Milwyn Griffiths

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