

## OWAIN ap GRUFFYDD (died 1236), prince of Deheubarth

**Name:** Owain ap Gruffydd  
**Date of death:** 1236  
**Child:** Maredudd ap Owain ap Gruffydd  
**Parent:** Matilda Braose  
**Parent:** Gruffydd ap Rhys  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** prince of Deheubarth  
**Area of activity:** Politics, Government and Political Movements; Royalty and Society  
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joint heir with Rhys Ieuanc of Gruffydd, eldest son of the 'lord' Rhys. His mother was Matilda, daughter of William de Breos. Though at times temporarily in opposition to Llywelyn ap Iorwerth, he and his brother found in the prince of Gwynedd a powerful patron and defender against their uncles - Rhys Gryg and Maelgwn. Originally endowed with land in Cantref Bychan, the re-division of the 'lord' Rhys's dominions in 1216 gave him lands north of the Aeron, which were extended to cover the greater part of northern Ceredigion when Rhys Ieuanc died in 1222. He died at Strata Florida on 18 January 1236 and was buried there alongside his parents and brother. He was succeeded by one son - Maredudd.

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