

WELCOME TO WALES



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General facts

Wales is part of Britain and the United Kingdom.

It's situated to the west of England and is around 256 km long and 96 km wide.

It covers just over 20,720 km² - that's about the same size as Massachusetts in the USA or half the size of Switzerland.



Motto: Cymru am byth
(*English: Wales for ever*)

Flag



National anthem

Land of My Fathers

Hen wlad fy nhadau

Welsh National Anthem

Piano

Oh! land of my fath-ers the land of the

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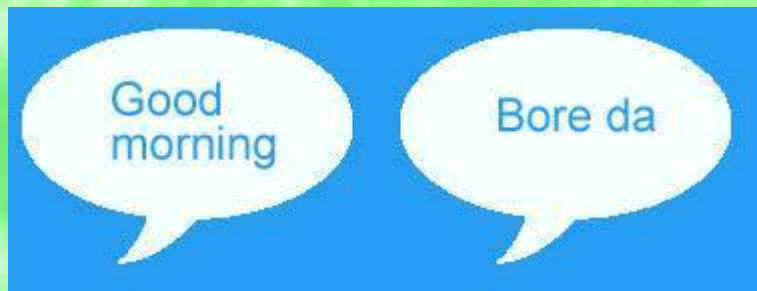
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Cardiff - the capital



The Welsh language



St David – Patron Saint of Wales



On the **1st of March** the Welsh celebrate the life of their patron saint, St David, who died on that day in 589AD.

The Cathedral of St David's in Pembrokeshire, where his remains are buried, became a popular place of pilgrimage.

St David's Day



To mark the day, Welsh people wear one or both of their national emblems - a **daffodil** or **leek** - and celebrate at special concerts and processions. Some people wear traditional costumes.



Landscape



Snowdonia



Mount Snowdon



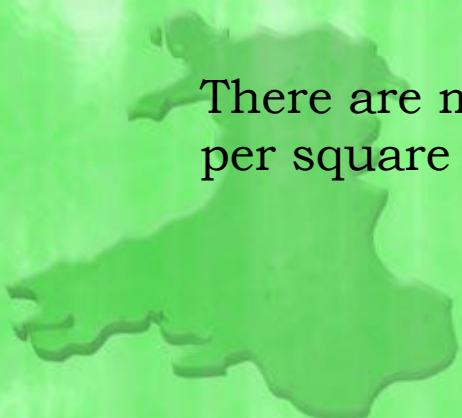
National Parks



Castles



There are more than 600 castles in Wales. That's more castles per square mile than any other country in the world.





Amazing Welsh animals



Dog breeds originating in Wales

The Welsh terrier is much favoured by farmers and huntsmen.



The Welsh Corgi, a short-legged dog that was developed to herd the cattle.

Traditional food



Welsh cakes



Welsh Cawl

National sport

Rugby



A scenic photograph of a pond with yellow daffodils in the foreground. The pond's surface is calm, reflecting a building with a series of arched windows. The daffodils are in full bloom, with bright yellow petals and green leaves. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and serene.

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