

Ireland



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Geography

1. The Republic of Ireland is a country belonging to the European Union. It is located in the Atlantic Ocean in the west of Britain.
2. The capital of Ireland is Dublin.
3. The official languages are Gaelic and English.
4. Its area is 70,273 sq km and has 360 km border.
5. In the north, it is bound by the Atlantic Ocean and the United Kingdom, and in the west it is bound by the Atlantic Ocean.

In the south, it is bound by the Celtic Sea, and in the east, it is bound by the Irish Sea and the Strait of Saint George.



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Currency

1. In Ireland, the official currency is the Euro.
There are bank notes of € 5, € 10, € 20, € 50, € 100, € 200 and 500 €.
The coins are 1c, 2c, 5c, 10c, 20c, 50c, € 1 and 2 €.



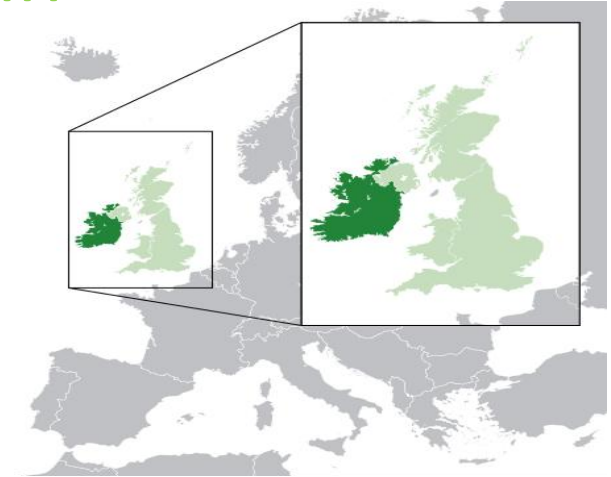
2. In the Northern Ireland, the currency is the sterling pound.
One pound consists of 100 pence.
There are £ 5, £ 10, £ 20, £ 50 and £ 100.
Coins are 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p, £ 1 and £ 2.

Why Ireland was divided in north and south?

The island is divided into Ireland and Northern Ireland.

The war between the Irish and the English begins in 1919 and finishes in 1921, and the British were in Ireland for eight centuries. In 1921, they won the Irish part of Ireland.

Northern Ireland



Flags

Northern Ireland



South Ireland



National



Culture

The Irish culture has had a significant influence on other cultures, especially in literature.

Alongside mainstream Western culture , a strong indigenous culture exists , as expressed through Gaelic games, Irish music, and the Irish language. The culture of the island has also many features shared with Great Britain, including the English language, and sports like football, rugby, horse racing and golf.

The Three Biggest Celebrations in Ireland

• **St. Patrick's Day:** Named after Ireland's patron saint. Celebrates the country's rich culture and heritage with parades, dancing, music, food and plenty of pints of beer. What started as a one-day holiday on March 17.

• **Christmas:** Christmas in Ireland is a big celebration, lasting from about Dec. 24 to Jan. 6, though many count Dec. 8 as the official start of the season.

• **Bloomsday:** Honors James Joyce, one of Ireland's most famous literary masters. This event is held each year on June 16, the day in which Joyce's classic novel "Ulysses" takes place.



Christianity in Ireland

Christianity is and has been the largest religion in Ireland. Most Christian churches are organised on an all-Ireland basis including both the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland,. The 84.2% of the population adheres to the Roman Catholic Church. In Northern Ireland, the various branches of Protestantism collectively form a majority of the population but the single largest church is the Roman Catholic Church which accounts for some 40.8% of the population.



Blarney Castle

Sure, thousands of tourists swarm Blarbey Castle in southern Ireland every year. Here, you can kiss the notorious Blarney Stone and, as a legend says, you can get the gift of the gab. The best part of this castle are the floral gardens.





Bunratty Castle

This fortress sits on Folk Park, an ancient Viking trading camp dating back to AD 970, just 7 miles from Shannon Airport in southwest Ireland.

It is the fourth castle to be built onsite.

Today, it's the best place in Ireland to enjoy a traditional medieval feast.

Doe Castle

Doe Castle is in County Donegal in northwest Ireland. It's surrounded on 3 sides by water, and was built on a peninsula with a moat cleaved into the rock of the landward side. In short, Doe Castle looks like it's floating. While the interior isn't technically open to the public. It's one of Ireland's more rustic castles.



National Park	Photo	Region	Land area	Established
Ballycroo		The Burren	110 km ² (42 sq mi)	1998
Connemara		The Burren	30 km ² (12 sq mi)	1990
Glenveagh		The Burren	170 km ² (66 sq mi)	1984
Killarney		County Kerry	105 km ² (41 sq mi)	1932
The Burren		County Clare	105 km ² (41 sq mi)	1991

The Cliffs

The cliff is a high steep rock, especially one facing the sea. On the west coast of Ireland are the highest cliffs in Europe. A majestic setting that will make you feel like a tiny being authentic while watching the rough Atlantic Ocean. You really have the sensation of being at the end of the world. In the past, these cliffs were used by the Celts as a place of vigilance against the Viking invasions.



THE BEACHES

Ireland beaches are well known for their waves.

The most important beaches are Ireland is:

- 1 Inchydoney, Clonakilty, Co Cork**
- 2 Derrynane, Caherdaniel, Co Kerry**
- 3 Inch, Dingle, Co Kerry**
- 4 Lahinch, Co Clare**
- 5 Rossbeigh, Glenbeigh, Co Kerry**
- 6 Curracloe, Co Wexford**
- 7 Banna Strand, Co Kerry**
- 8 Kilmurvey, Inishmore, Co Galway**
- 9 Salthill, Co Galway**
- 10 Portmarnock, Co Dublin**

