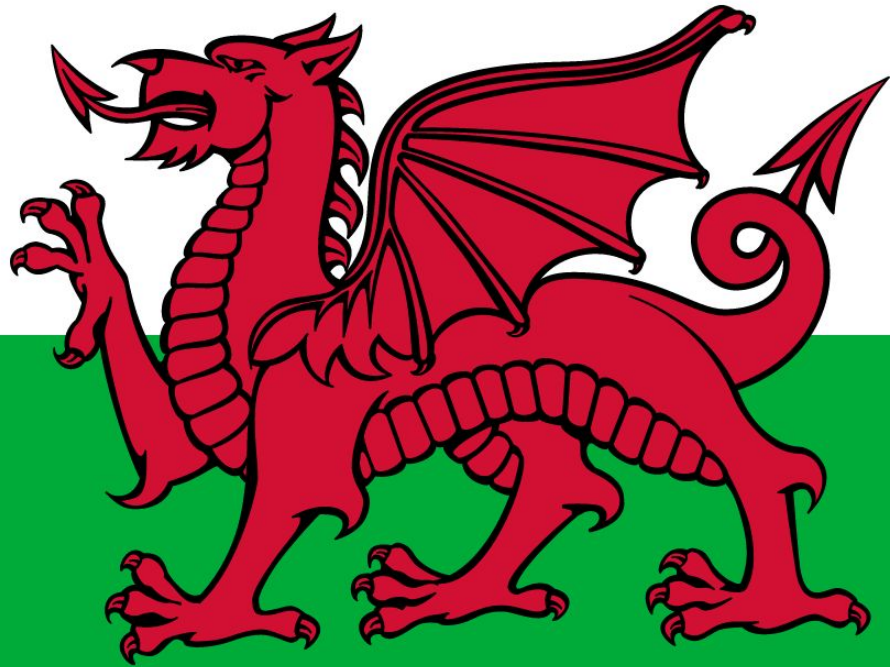


Traditions of Wales



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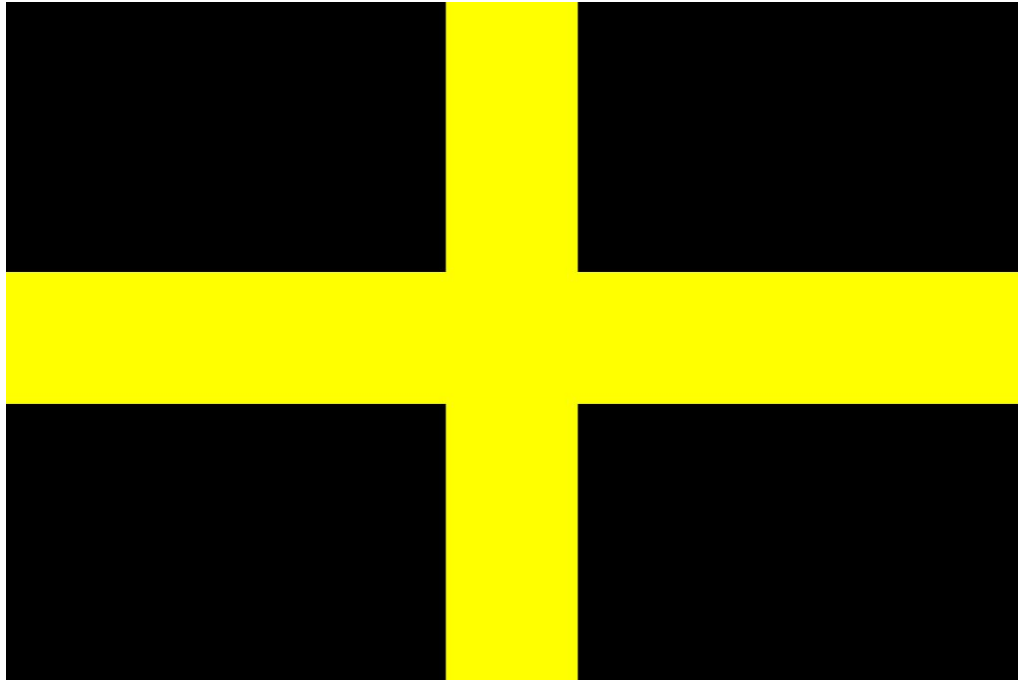
The flag of Wales



The significance of the dragon in Welsh culture is believed to date back to Arthurian legend when Merlin had a vision of a red dragon fighting a white dragon.

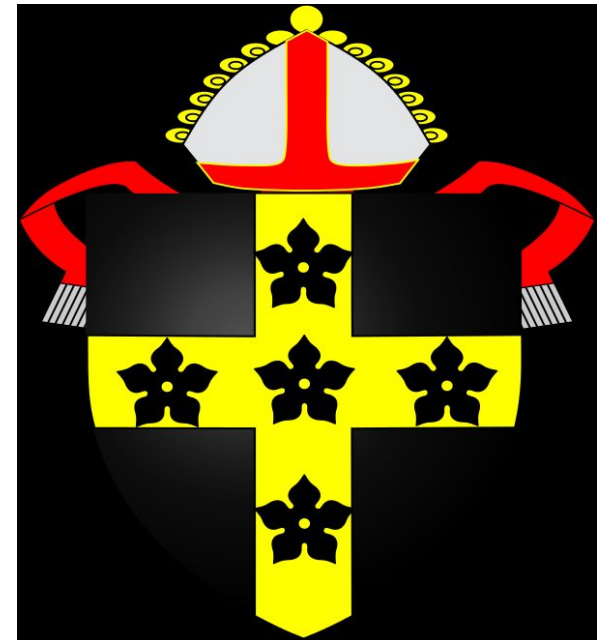
It was officially recognised as the Welsh national flag in 1959.

The Flag of Saint David



is sometimes used as an alternative to the national flag and is flown on St David's Day.

Arms of the Diocese of St. David's



The Prince of Wales's Feathers



This is the emblem of the Prince of Wales, the Heir Apparent to the British.

Prince Charles



The Royal Badge of Wales



Crown proper, an escutcheon quarterly and gules four lions passant guardant counterchange armed, encircled by a wreath alternating of leek, thistle, clover, leek and rose.

The motto which appears on the scroll, PLEIDIOL WYF I'M GWLAD ("I am true to my country")

The leek



According to legend the patron saint of Wales, Saint David, ordered his Welsh soldiers to identify themselves by wearing the leek on their helmets in an ancient battle against the Saxons that took place in a leek field



The daffodil



The Welsh Harp



The Sessile Oak



The red kite



Traditional Welsh costume



The Welsh hat and bedgown, is now recognised as the national dress of Wales. Today it is worn by women at events such as Royal visits, by choirs, at church and chapel, for photographs.

The Welsh hat



The Welsh love spoon



A handcrafted gift made of a solid block of wood, the tradition of a male admirer crafting a love spoon for a young woman.



Bilingual road signs

All modern signs feature directions in both the Welsh and English languages with the Welsh language first in many areas.



Saint David's Day



St David's Day is the unmissable highlight of spring in Wales. The National St David's Day Parade sends a red and yellow carnival across the centre of Cardiff, featuring all sorts of fiery performances from giant dragons and theatrical groups.

The National Eisteddfod



The National Eisteddfod is the national festival of Wales, its language and culture. Its origins date back to the 12th century, although it was established as an annual event during the 1860s.

Special pink pavilion





Thank you for your attention

