


# Wales – basic information

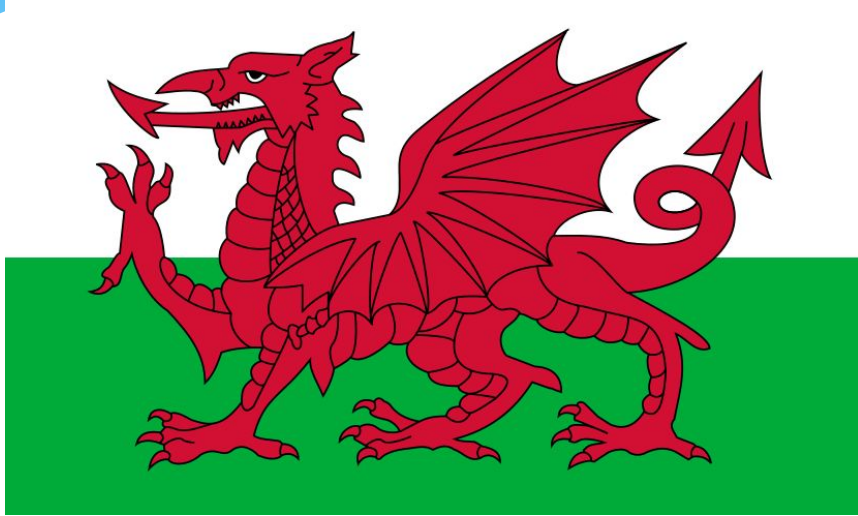
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# General facts

Wales is a part of the United Kingdom. The country borders on England in the east and is washed by the Atlantic Ocean and the Irish Sea in the west. Wales is not a very big country with a population of about three million people. There are two official languages in Wales – Welsh and English, both of which are taught in schools.



# Wales symbols



The country is represented by the symbol of the red Welsh Dragon, which is depicted on the national flag. Other symbols of the country are leeks and daffodils.

# St. David is the patron saint of Wales.



- \* St. David is the patron saint of Wales. On the 1-st of March, St. David's Day, patriotic Welsh people wear a leek or a daffodil, both symbols of Wales.



# Cambridge



Roman castle and a modern shopping centre in the city as well as a cathedral and university.

# The national game of Wales



- \* Rugby is the national game of Wales. The rules of the game are quite difficult. A team consists of fifteen players. The game is played with an egg-shaped ball.



# The national dress of Wales



The folk costume of Welsh, now obsolete, reminded people's clothes and especially Irish, but there were also some specific features.



# Beautiful places in Wales



- \* One can visit a number of beautiful places in Wales. There are three national parks: Snowdonia, Brecon and Pembrokeshire Coast. Wales has also four Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. So, Wales is a really nice country to visit.



Many thanks for your attention!