

Northern Ireland



Capital: Belfast

Population: 1,810,863

Language: Irish/English

Currency: Euro



Geography

The British Isles has two islands. The largest island is called Great Britain. The smaller one is called Ireland. The southern part of Ireland is the Republic of Eire. The Northern part is a part of Great Britain. Ireland is separated from Britain by the Irish Sea.

About 15,000 years ago, Ireland was completely covered by thick glaciers.



Nowadays Ireland is known for its green fields. In fact, its nickname is the Emerald Isle.



There are mountains on the south-east of the Northern Ireland. **Slieve Donard** is the highest point in Northern Ireland (850 metres) Belfast's most prominent peak is **Cavehill**.



Lough Neagh, is the largest freshwater lake both on the island of Ireland and in the **British Isles**.



Symbols of Northern Ireland



The Shamrock

The harp is widely used. It appears on Irish coins, uniforms, and official documents.