

CUSTOMS, TRADITIONS AND PEOPLE OF WALES

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Symbols of Wales

Official symbols of Wales include the Welsh Dragon, daffodil(Narcissus) and leek.



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Both symbols (Red dragon and leeks) were popular with Tudor kings, with Henry VII of England adding the white and green background to the red dragon standard. It was largely forgotten by the House of Stuart, who favoured a unicorn instead. Later the symbol of the red dragon became a national Wales's flag.



Welsh English

Welsh English or Anglo-Welsh is the distinct form of English used in Wales. Aside from lexical borrowings from Welsh there exist distinctive grammatical conventions in vernacular Welsh English. In South Wales the word "where" may often be expanded to "where to", as in the question, "Where to is your Mam?". The word "butty" is used to mean "friend" or "mate".

Music of Wales

Wales has a strong and distinctive link with music. Singing is a significant part of Welsh national identity, and the country is traditionally referred to as "the land of song". This is a modern stereotype based on 19th century conceptions of Nonconformist choral music and 20th century male voice choirs. Music in Wales is often connected with male voice choirs, and enjoys a world-wide reputation in this field.



Music of Wales

There are also different styles of Welsh music:

- **Traditional music**
- **Folk music**
- **Pop and rock**
- **Electronic music**



Sport in Wales

The most popular sports in Wales are rugby union and association football. The Millennium Stadium is the largest stadium in Wales. Located in Cardiff, it is the home of the Wales national rugby union team. Wales is represented by four regional teams that also take part in the European Rugby Champions Cup, the European Rugby Challenge Cup, and the Anglo-Welsh Cup.

Sport in Wales

Football developed in the late 19th century, and currently claims the most participation of any sport in Wales. The most successful teams are Cardiff City, Swansea City, Newport County and Wrexham. Cardiff City are the most successful, having won the **The Football Association Challenge Cup** in 1927.



Thanks for wathing!