

Welcome to North Wales / Croeso i Ogledd Cymru

The magical Welsh language, many microbreweries, Welsh festivals, home to the worlds longest zip wire, huge underground trampolines, countryside to die for with miles and miles of beautiful coastline to explore... What more could you ask for?

North Wales is the northernmost unofficial region of Wales. We are bordered to the south by the counties of Ceredigion and Powys in Mid Wales, and to the east by the counties of Shropshire in the West Midlands, and Merseyside and Cheshire in North West England. North Wales was traditionally divided into three regions: Upper Gwynedd (north of the River Dyfi and west of the River Conwy), Lower Gwynedd also known as the Perfeddwlad (east of the River Conwy and west of the River Dee), and finally Anglesey otherwise known as Ynys Môn (a large island off the north coast).



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Located in North Wales and famous for its magnificent mountains is the **Snowdonia National Park**. The National Park offers one of the most remarkable outdoor experiences in the UK, with plenty of peaks for the more adventurous. If hiking isn't your cup of tea... you can always take the **Snowdon Mountain Railway** up to the top and enjoy the spectacular views once you have reached the summit.



Half a million people in Wales can speak Welsh, which is around 19% of the population. It's a living language used in conversation by thousands throughout Wales. North Wales is also home to the longest place name in Europe: **Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantysiliogogoch** which translates to: Saint Mary's Church in the hollow of the white hazel near the rapid whirlpool and the Church of Saint Tysilio of the red cave. Also known as Llanfair Pwllgwyngyll, it is a large village/community on the island of Anglesey.

Unusual facts about North Wales

- **Did you know** that the **Pontcysyllte Aqueduct** near Wrexham is both the longest and highest aqueduct in Britain? It is a cast iron trough more than 1000 ft long, held 128 ft above the ground.
- **Did you know** that Lewis Carroll is believed to have had the idea of writing Alice in Wonderland while staying in **Llandudno**?
- **Did you know** that in 1170 the legendary Prince Madoc is said to have sailed from Borth-y-Gest near **Porthmadog** on his way to discover America?
- **Did you know** that the wettest place in Britain is **Crib Goch**, a mountain ridge near Llanberis?
- **Did you know** that **Bala Lake** is the largest natural lake in Wales and is home to a white fish called the **Gwyniad** - found nowhere else on the planet?
- **Did you know** that when it was completed in 1289, **Harlech Castle** in West Wales was right on the coast, whereas now it is a mile or more inland?
- **Did you know** that the smallest house in Britain is in **Conwy**? The last resident was a fisherman 6' 3" tall who house was a red-painted Quayside one-up-one-down property is just 10 feet deep and 6 feet wide, and 10 feet two inches high.

