

NORTHERN IRELAND



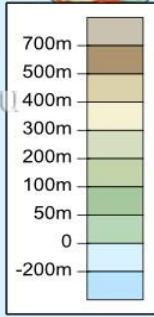
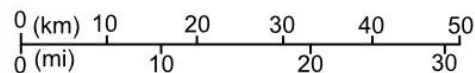
- **BELFAST** Capital of Northern Ireland
- **Omagh** County towns
- **Dromore** Other towns
- **Carnlough** Villages
- Motorway
- Other important route
- Railroad



— Border of Northern Ireland (UK)

DOWN County name

--- County limit



Northern Ireland also known as Ulster is a part of the United Kingdom. It is made up of six parts: Antrim, Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, Londonderry, Tyrone.

The total area is $13,843 \text{ km}^2$. The capital of Northern Ireland is Belfast. Relief of the country is quite diverse.

The highest point is the draining of the country Donard in the Mourne Mountains. Its height is 848 metres.

In the central part of the country is a lake Lough Neagh (392 km^2). It represents the largest lake in the British Isles. The main rivers of the country are Foyle, Bann .

Flag adopted 29 May 1953.



The image of the "red hand" comes from a legend. It is about how one of aged ruler's sons cut off his hand and threw it on the beach during a competition in rowing boats with a condition "whose hand first touched the shore - and he will own this land. "



The population of Northern Ireland is more than a half million people. State languages in Northern Ireland are English, Irish and Gaelic.

Shamrock is an informal national emblem of the ancient folk of Northern Ireland.





Belfast is a lively, cultural center, where there are excellent museums and galleries, as indeed, in many cities in the UK, as well as pubs, bars, theaters, parks, restaurants and other entertainment.



Of the natural attractions of Northern Ireland can be identified "Road of Giants" is rock formation on the northern coast, consisting of several thousand multi-faceted basalt columns up to 6 metres in height. According to legend, this building was built by giants as part of the way from Ireland to Scotland.

Northern Ireland has some of the finest castles on the island.



The Monea Castle



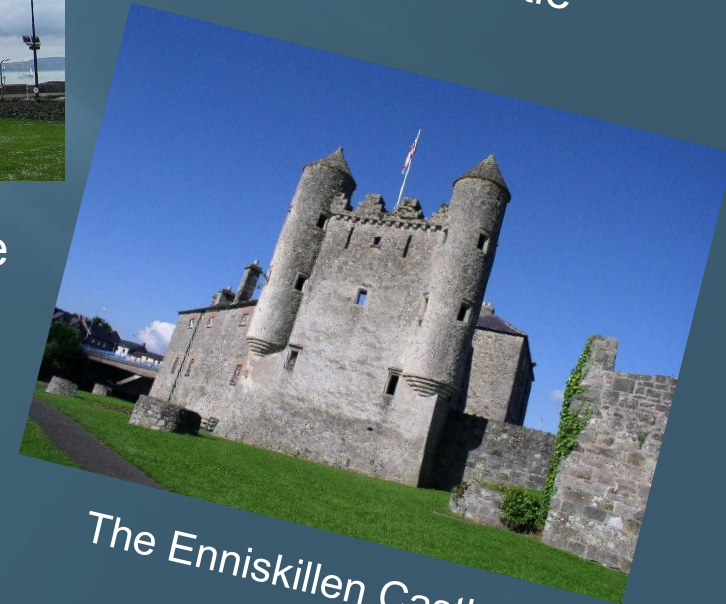
The Carrickfergus Castle



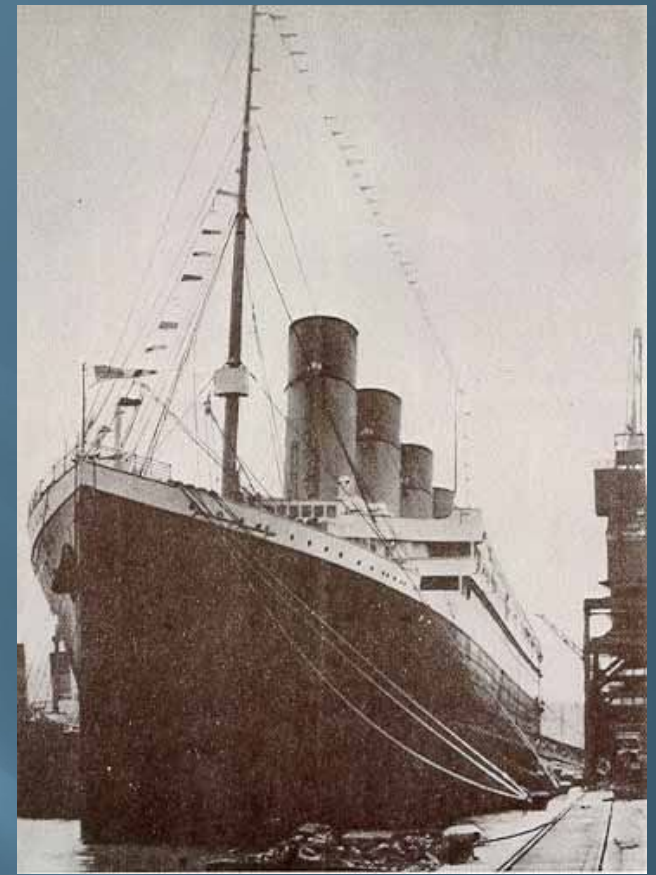
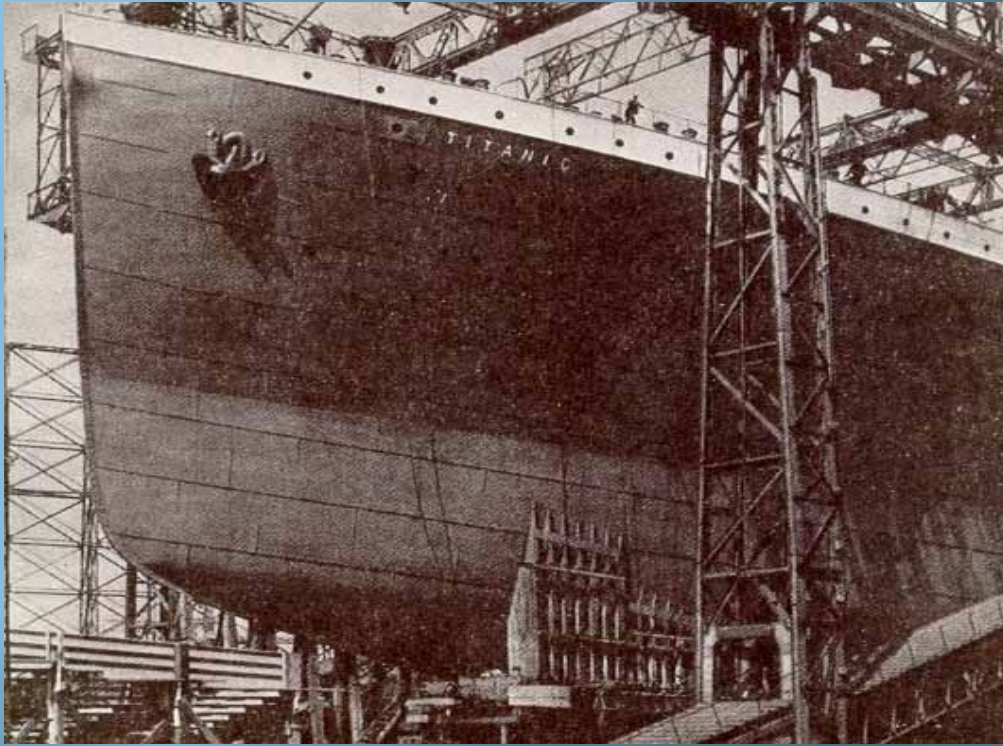
The Dunluce Castle



The Dundrum Castle

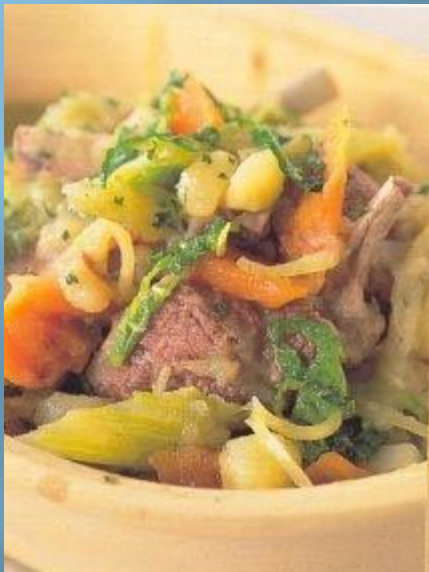


The Enniskillen Castle

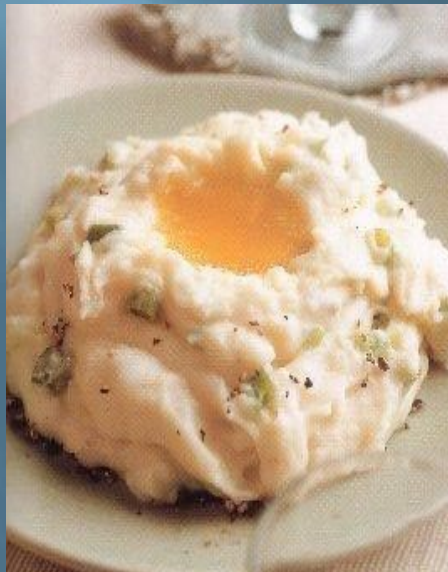


When Titanic sailed away on her maiden voyage on April 10th, 1912, she was hailed as 'the new wonder of the world'. A remarkable feat of engineering, she was the largest and most luxuriously appointed ship ever seen and, despite her tragic sinking five days later, she remains a source of enduring pride in the city where she was built - Belfast.

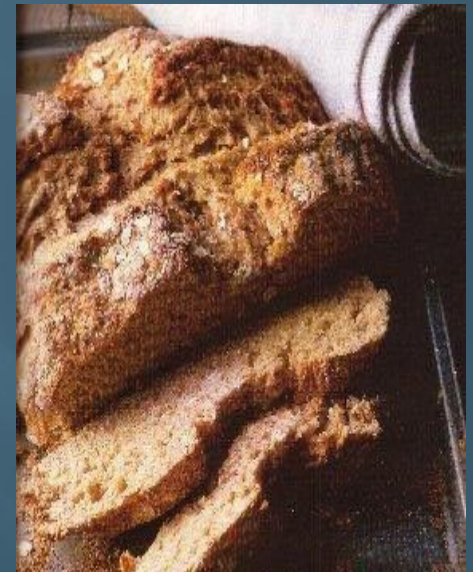
The national taste of Northern Ireland is quite interesting. One of the traditional dishes is the famous Irish lamb stew. Potatoes is the second bread in Ireland. Northern Ireland is famous for its delicious traditional pastries. They are: soda bread, potato bread, fruit bread.



Irish lamb stew



Champ



Soda bread



The national holiday is Saint Patrick's Day, because St. Patrick is a patron saint of Ireland. There are many meetings and parades are held in that day.



A deep sense of love for the Irish horses are widely known outside the country. Set of stables and special teams can be another attraction of the country. In addition to the amateur riding in Ireland and you can enjoy the spectacle of professional horse races - one of the essential components of sports and social life of the country.

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