

Symbol of Ireland



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Shamrock is a symbol of Ireland.

History

Saint Patrick used this plant to illustrate the idea of Trinity. Three leaves of the shamrock symbolized the Holy Trinity.

St. Patrick's day

The most important holiday in Ireland is St. Patrick's day (17th March). People associate this day with the national symbol of Ireland – a shamrock.



Traditions

There is a funny tradition in Ireland. On St. Patrick's day people put a leaf of shamrock in the glass of beer and then drink it. They believe that this tradition brings happiness and luck.

Other interesting traditions are connected with Leprechauns and four-leaved clover.

Leprechauns

Leprechauns are magical creatures. People believe that leprechauns keep their gold in small pots under the rainbow.



Four-leaved clover



People in Ireland believe that four-leaved clover brings good luck. That's why they try to find it on St. Patrick's day

Shamrock today



Today shamrock is a popular symbol in Ireland. It is used as a national trade mark.