

Presentation

"The symbols of Great Britain"

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Symbol Wales



The red rose is the symbol of England

- It comes from the history of the country. This symbol goes back to the War of the Roses, which was the war within the country. In the 15th century two Houses were struggling for the English throne—the Lancastrians and the Yorkists. Red rose was the emblem of the Lancastrians and the white rose was that of the Yorkists. Their rival ended when King Henry VII, the Lancastrian, married Princess Elizabeth, the daughter of the Yorkist. Since that time the red rose has become the national emblem of England.



National Animal-The Lion



Because the lion is symbolic of bravery, it was frequently used to medieval England. Today, it remains the national animal of the country, appearing in names, logos, icons, and so on.

The Flag



The flag of England is represented by a red cross on a white background. The cross has its origins in the Crusades (12th and 13th centuries) when knights wore red-coloured crosses on their white tunics. St George was claimed to time, so the cross became associated with him.

National Tree-The Oak Tree



The oak tree represents strength, beauty and survival through trials representation of this enduring country. King Charles II escaped paexecuted and hid in an olk oak tree. Since then, this escape has bewell-known account for many locals.

- For many centuries the purple thistle has been Scotland's national emblem. There is a legend that explains why it became the Scottish emblem. According to Norsemen wanted to plunder the land of Scotland and settle there. So, they landed. The Scots gathered their army to defend the land. They assembled behind the thistle after a long march. The Scots were sleeping and did not expect the enemies. When the Norsemen decided to attack the Scots, they took their shoes off not to make noise. That sudden and sharp pain made him scream. So the Scots heard this "alarm" and fought the Norsemen. That is how the thistle became the emblem of Scotland.





- Wales has got two national symbols. These are the daffodil and the leek. They are both connected to the Patron Saint of Wales. According to the legend, during a battle against the Saxons, St. David advised that they could easily be distinguished from their enemies. Another link between the leek and St. David is the belief that he had to live on However, today each year on St. David's Day the leek is worn in the cap badges. But outside the army, many other Welsh people have substituted the leek by the attractive and certainly smells a lot better. The daffodil is also associated with St. David's Day, due to the fact that it breaks into blossom of the many Welsh names for a daffodil is "Cenhinen Bedr" which means "Peter's leek".

The Royal Arms of England

With much the same design as the Royal Banner, this is a coat of arms of the country as well as of its monarchs.



Scotland Bagpipes



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