

# The Emerald Isle

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Every were you look all you see is green. This is how many travelers explain their reaction to this island. Ireland is a place many people would like to live.



Ireland is a little bigger then West Virginia. Rugged coastal hills and low mountains surround the island, the plains, many lakes ,and the bogs. No part of the country is more then 70 miles (112 kilometers) from the coast.

The winters are mild only on a few days. It snows in the winter then it melts fast. The summers are cool. The warmest month is July and it's below 65 F (18 C). It usually humid and about half the time it's overcast.

Ireland makes lots of vegetables but they are famous for their potatoes. They also make something called colannon which is a cooked mixture of potatoes and cabbage. They also eat seafood. Smoke salmon is an Ireland specialty and they eat a dish called crubeens which is pig's feet.

The Irish language is Irish-Gaelic (also known as Irish), and 88% of the people are Roman Catholic. The Irish are fast thinkers and are able to laugh at themselves. They are light hearted, easy going, polite, and, cheerful. The Irish word claic (crak) means "good atmosphere", or "fun". Traditional Irish values, are having a good education, having a home, having a secure job, and, possessing a good sense of humor.

Tourists visit Ireland. Many people will enjoy the sense of humor of the Irish people. If you want to have a good time, you can visit this unique island.

