

Highlights From Welsh History Opening Some Windows On Our Past

From the seaside resort of Llandudno to Cardiff's awesome Millennium Stadium, the Rough Guide to Wales tells you all there is to know about this beautiful and varied country. The 24-page, full-colour section introduces all of Wales' highlights, from the world-famous Valleys and Welsh male voice choirs to the trendy bars of Cardiff Bay and the suprisingly tasteful delight of Welsh Laverbread. In addition, there are two, brand-new, 4-page, full-colour inserts: "Literary Wales" and "The Battle for Wales". The guide includes hundreds of listings of the all the top places to eat, drink and stay, whatever your budget, plus brand-new "author picks" to highlight the very best. There is plenty of practical advice on outdoor pursuits, including some of the best mountain and coastal walks, and activities from surfing on the Gower to rock-climbing in Snowdonia. The guide takes a detailed look at Wales' history and culture, from the Celts and druids to modern post-devolution politics. The guide comes complete with maps and plans for every region.

This book analyses narratives that center on, construct, or comment on black British history. Outlining the emergence of black history in Britain and shifts in the politics of history, it principally focuses on recent narratives that engage critically with the historical culture surrounding black Britain.

This book discusses issues of Welsh literature, history and the vernacular language of the devolved region of Wales (as a part of the United Kingdom of Northern Ireland and Great Britain). In this context, the volume sheds light on various aspects of the identity construction of a small nation with an endangered language, which is a P-Celtic tongue, known for exhibiting many features alien to Indo-European and SAE languages. All the issues tackled here are presented in diachronic and synchronic perspective, allowing for correlations to be drawn with similar problems faced by other cultures. As such, the volume will be of interest to anyone promoting Wales and Welsh culture within and outside the country, as well as journalists, politicians, linguists, literary scholars, historians, and those interested in areal studies focusing on the UK.

The Welsh in Iowa is the history of the little known Welsh immigrant communities in the American Midwestern state of Iowa. Dr. Walley's book identifies what made the Welsh unique as immigrants to North America, and as migrants and settlers in a land built on such groups. With research rooted in documentary evidence and supplemented with community and oral histories, The Welsh in Iowa preserves and examines Welsh culture as it was expressed in middle America by the farmers and coal miners who settled or passed through the prairie state as it grew to maturity in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. This work seeks to not only document the Welsh immigrants who lived in Iowa, but to study the Welsh as a distinct ethnic group in a state known for its ethnic heritage.

This 25-hour free course explored teaching and learning resources for understanding Welsh history and the way it is studied.

Shakespeare's Princes of Wales examines a dynamic political and theatrical moment in the history of one of the most famed royal titles in the world--'prince of Wales'. Marisa Cull explores how the plays of Shakespeare and his contemporaries re-staged the dramatic transition from the principedom's Welshness to its English incarnation, and

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argues that the principality became, and remains, an English cultural touchstone on matters of royal bloodline and succession, native strength, and the anxieties associated with British union.

In this volume, E. Wyn James, an expert on Welsh hymnology, draws together H.A. Hodges' published work on William Williams, Ann Griffiths, and the Welsh Hymn. With previously unpublished translations, notes, and letters.

A book full of fascinating, little-known facts about Wales. Stories about the huge contribution of this small nation to the world are presented, such as the most advanced laws in the Middle Ages, Britain's only effective royal dynasty and its most effective prime minister.

In 2000, the Labour party, which has dominated Welsh political life for much of the past 100 years, celebrates its centenary. This collection of essays highlights ideas on its development and operation within Wales and its impact on Welsh society.

In September 1914 a proposal was put forward by Lloyd George to form a Welsh Army Corps consisting of two divisions. The base on which to build this corps was no more than the three Welsh regiments - Royal Welsh Fusiliers, South Wales Borderers and the Welsh Regiment, and although permission was at first given to go ahead with the proposal it was eventually dropped in April 1915 and just the one division took the field, the 38th (there was already a Welsh Territorial Division, the 53rd). All the discussions concerning the formation of the corps are contained in the publication *Welsh Army Corps 1914-1919* described elsewhere in this book list. The division was raised as the 43rd in December 1914 but following the break up of the Fourth New Army in April 1915 to supply reinforcements to the first three New Armies, the division was renumbered 38 and went to France in December 1915 and served on the Western Front for the rest of the war. Its divisional sign was the Red Dragon of Wales and its first GOC was Ivor Philipps, something of a political appointment, who was given the heave-ho in July 1916 during the division's fight for Mametz Wood. In all it suffered 29,380 killed, wounded and missing - the dead numbered 4419. Honours and Awards amounted to 2,664 including five VCs. Its first major battle was for Mametz Wood in July 1916 in which the casualty figures reached 4,000 but there was some criticism of the division's performance, reflected in the commander's removal in the middle of the battle. But whatever the merits of that criticism the division went on to prove its fighting abilities, acknowledged by Haig in the introduction to this History in which he highlights two outstanding examples of soldierly achievement: Pilckem Ridge on 31 July 1917 when the Welsh met and broke to pieces a German Guard Division, and the operation against Pozieres in August 1918 which he describes as a most brilliant operation. Although this is the shortest divisional history after that of the 30th it does provide a picture of the division's part in the fighting during the three years it was on the Western Front. It is particularly good in the Order of Battle particulars including the roll of commanders (down to battalion COs) and staff (down to BM and G3) with dates and changes. This book explores how culture and citizenship are theorised, promoted and learned throughout schools in Wales. Following a brief history of Welsh education and a discussion of how contemporary cultural identity is theorised through citizenship education curricula, it illustrates how archaic approaches to understanding cultural identity continue to undermine the development of culturally relevant curriculum in Wales. Smith also analyses how young people discuss their orientations to Welshness,

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how teachers engage with the requirements of the Curriculum Cymreig and how these reactions develop within educational settings. Ending with a recommendation for a more sophisticated framework for conceptualising identity and a critical approach for discussing citizenship and cultural identity in schools in Wales, this book highlights how the critical pedagogy can progress further.

Help students get the most out of studying medieval history with this comprehensive and practical research guide to topics and resources. * Covers 100 significant events across four continents, between 410 C.E. and 1485 C.E. * Offers an easy-to-use chronological organization that facilitates research and saves time for students, faculty, and librarians * Includes an annotated bibliography of primary source materials for each topic

Marks the centenary of the Church in Wales and critically assesses landmarks in its evolution.

Nest of Deheubarth was one of the most notorious women of the Middle Ages, mistress of Henry I and many other men, famously beautiful and strong-willed, object of one of the most notorious abduction/elopements of the period and ancestress of one of the most famous dynasties in medieval Ireland, the Fitzgeralds. This volume sheds light on women, gender, imperialism and conquest in the Middle Ages. From it emerges a picture of a woman who, though remarkable, was not exceptional, representative not of a group of victims or pawns in the dramatic transformations of the high Middle Ages but powerful and decisive actors. The book examines beauty, love, sex and marriage and the interconnecting identities of Nest as wife/concubine/mistress, both at the time and in the centuries since her death, when for Welsh writers and other commentators she has proved a powerful symbol.

The relationship between nation and queer sexuality has long been a fraught one, for the sustaining myths of the former are often at odds with the needs of the latter. This collection of essays introduces readers to important historical and cultural figures and moments in queer life, and it addresses some of the urgent questions of queer belonging that face Wales today.

This volume tells a story of Welsh industrial history different from the one traditionally dominated by the coal and iron communities of Victorian and Edwardian Wales. Extending the chronological scope from the early eighteenth- to the late twentieth-century, and encompassing a wider range of industries, the contributors combine studies of the internal organisation of workplace and production with outward-facing perspectives of Welsh industry in the context of the global economy. The volume offers important new insights into the companies, the employers, the markets and the money behind some of the key sectors of the Welsh economy – from coal to copper, and from steel to manufacturing – and challenges us to reconsider what we think of as constituting ‘industry’ in Wales.

This absorbing collection of archive images provides a comprehensive glimpse into the history of Cilfynydd during the last 120 years. Compiled with over 200 images, this selection highlights the history of this industrial Welsh village, one that would witness one of the worst colliery disasters in mining history, only to be further decimated by an incredible tornado some years later. Cilfynydd was also the birthplace of two of the world's leading opera singers - one of whom received a knighthood - along with leading academics, a Peer at the House of Lords and

numerous other first-class musicians and sportsmen. Capturing snapshots of bustling streets and local industries, including an in-depth history of the Albion Colliery that shaped the village we see today, this book also provides an insight into all aspects of the community, from religion and education to sport and leisure. It will delight all those who want to know more about this area of South Wales and evoke memories of a bygone time for those who have lived here. The book explores the complex and shifting geographies of rural Wales in the twenty first century. It draws on a broad range of recent academic and policy research to provide the most comprehensive and critical account of the spaces, places and environments of rural Wales to date. The book highlights recent processes of change as well as important continuities with the past. It also indicates the ways in which the contemporary geographies of rural Wales are bound up with rather complex connections between society, culture, economy and environment. The book consists of 16 specially commissioned chapters written by human geographers and sociologists with considerable expertise in rural studies. It is structured around five main themes. The first is concerned with society and community and explores changing rural demographics, the cultural impacts of in-migration, alternative communities and community action in rural Wales. The second theme is economy and employment, with chapters on labour markets, the eco-economy, migrant workers and market towns. The focus of the third theme is farming and food and the changing agri-food agenda in Wales. Welfare and services constitutes the fourth theme of the book with attention given to poverty and community responses to service provision in rural areas. The final theme of the book is environment, which is explored through discussions of environmental sustainability and the post-productivist turn in forestry. The book uses these accounts of the social, economic and environmental geographies of rural Wales to provide a broader critique of rural geography and rural studies in the UK and other developed countries.

Features a collection of resources on Welsh culture, presented by Chris Grooms. Highlights Welsh history, linguistics, literature, manuscripts, maps, names, periodicals, rhetoric, and more. Provides Welsh and English versions of the Web site.

Seals and Society arises from a major project investigating seals and their use in medieval Wales, the Welsh March and neighbouring counties in England. The first major study of seals in the context of one part of medieval Western European society, the volume also offers a new perspective on the history of medieval Wales and its periphery by addressing a variety of themes in terms of the insight that seals can offer the historian. Though the present study suggests important regional distinctions in the take-up of seals in medieval Wales, it is also clear that seal usage increased from the later twelfth century and spread widely in Welsh society, especially in those parts of Wales neighbouring England or where there had been an early English incursion. Through a series of chapters, the authors examine the ways in which seals can shed light on the legal,

administrative, social and economic history of the period in Wales and its border region. Seals provide unique insights into the choices individuals, men and women, made in representing themselves to the wider world, and this issue is examined closely. Supported by almost 100 images gathered by the project team, the volume is of great interest to those working on seals, their motifs, their use and developments in their usage over the high and later Middle Ages. This journey through history takes us from the earliest Celtic settlers to the opening of the Welsh Assembly's Senedd building in 2006. It features lords and leaders, like Owain Glyndŵr (Glyn dŵr) and tells of events, like the Rebecca Riots, that shaped a nation.

This book is the first overview of Wales in the period from the Second World War to the early years of devolution. Drawing upon in-depth research, it offers an incisive account of an important phase in British history from the perspective of a nation that is too often overlooked, including topics ranging from the Aberfan disaster, the miners' strikes and the flooding of Tryweryn to the impact of consumerism, rugby and popular music.

The first of two volumes on the social history of Wales in the period 1870–1948, *People, Places and Passions* concentrates on the social events and changes which created and forged Wales into the mid-twentieth century. This volume considers a range of social changes little considered elsewhere by studies in Welsh history, accounting for the role played by the people of Wales in times of war and the age of the British Empire, and in technological change and innovation, as they travelled the developing capitalist and consumerist world in search of fame and fortune.

This is the first intellectual biography of John Edward Lloyd (1861–1947), widely regarded as the founder of the modern academic study of Welsh history. Indeed, the compliment that pleased him most was that he had 'created Welsh history'. Published to mark the centenary of Lloyd's most important book, *A History of Wales from the Earliest Times to the Edwardian Conquest* (1911), the study reassesses Lloyd's significance by setting his work in its multiple contexts. Part One gives an account of his life, with particular emphasis on his upbringing, education and subsequent career as a historian, viewed against the background both of efforts to give expression to Welsh nationhood through educational institutions and of wider developments in the professionalization of historical scholarship. In Part Two the focus shifts from the biographical to the thematic and examines why Lloyd privileged the early and medieval Welsh past and how he depicted this in his 1911 *History*. These chapters investigate key themes in Lloyd's interpretation with reference not only to previous accounts of Welsh history but also to the broader intellectual and scholarly context of his own time. Through its reappraisal of Lloyd the book provides a case study of how the past of a small, stateless nation was reconfigured, at a time of self-conscious national revival, through deploying modern canons of scholarship that served to legitimize a new narrative of national origins. It thus offers a fresh and distinctive

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perspective on issues of broad significance in modern European historiography and intellectual history.

Traces Welsh history from prehistoric times to the present, and discusses Welsh culture and politics

Andrew Green chooses the hundred most significant objects in Welsh history. *Wales in 100 Objects* brings history to life, evoking key moments in Wales' past through tangible, physical artefacts.

Gerald of Wales (c.1146–c.1223), widely recognized for his innovative ethnographic studies of Ireland and Wales, was in fact the author of some twenty-three works which touch upon many aspects of twelfth-century life. Despite their valuable insights, these works have been vastly understudied. This collection of essays reassesses Gerald's importance as a medieval Latin writer and rhetorician by focusing on his lesser-known works and providing a fuller context for his more popular writings. This broader view of his corpus brings to light new evidence for his rhetorical strategies, political positioning and usage of source material, and attests to the breadth and depth of his collected works.

This study is the first thorough analysis of the extent of the opposition to the Great War in Wales, and is the most extensive study of the anti-war movement in any part of Britain. It is, therefore, a significant contribution to our understanding of people's responses to the conflict, and the difficulty of mobilising the population for total war. The anti-war movement in Wales and beyond developed quickly from the initial shock of the declaration of war, to the civil disobedience of anti-war activists and the industrial discontent excited by the Russian Revolution and experienced in areas such as the south Wales coalfield in 1917. The differing responses to the war within Wales are explored in this book, which charts how the pacifist tradition of nineteenth-century Welsh Nonconformity was quickly overturned. The two main elements of the anti-war movement are analysed in depth: the pacifist religious opposition, the Fellowship of Reconciliation, and the Nonconformist dissidents who were particularly influential in north and west Wales; and the political opposition concentrated in the Independent Labour Party and among the radical left within the South Wales Miners' Federation. Between Wales and England is an exploration of eighteenth-century anglophone Welsh writing by authors for whom English-language literature was mostly a secondary concern. In its process, the work interrogates these authors' views on the newly-emerging sense of 'Britishness', finding them in many cases to be more nuanced and less resistant than has generally been considered. It looks primarily at the English-language works of Lewis Morris, Evan Evans, and Edward Williams (Iolo Morganwg) in the context of both their Welsh- and English-language influences and time spent travelling between the two countries, considering how these authors responded to and reimagined the new national identity through their poetry and prose.

Features a collection of resources on Wales and the Welsh language. Highlights Welsh history, cuisine, culture, art, music, and literature. Links to online Welsh language courses.

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This is the first book about the historian John Edward Lloyd (1861 - 1947), whose *A History of Wales from the Earliest Times to the Edwardian Conquest* (1911) marks a turning point in the writing of Welsh history.

This guide covers everything, from Wales' pumping nightlife and rural cosmopolitanism to its crags and castles. Critical reviews are given on accommodation and restaurants suiting all pockets, from budget to luxury. There are detailed descriptions of numerous walks, from gentle lakeside strolls to serious mountain scrambles, and water sports, including surfing and the locally pioneered sport of coasteering.

This reference work aims to provide sports enthusiasts, journalists, librarians, students and scholars with an authoritative source of information on a comprehensive range of subjects covering the history and organization of football in Britain. Over 250 entries focus on key organisations or individuals, famous clubs, major competitions, events, venues and incidents, institutions and organisations as well as key issues such as gender, racism, commercialization, professionalism and drugs, alcohol and football.

Cardiff is the capital of Wales and is a vibrant, attractive city of interest to tourists who are interested in Welsh culture and history. During the summertime the city hosts some fun outdoor festivals and makes the most of the better weather with a fun al-fresco dining and bar scene.

This study considers Welsh Jewry as a geographical whole and is the first to draw extensively on oral history sources, giving a voice back to the history of Welsh Jewry, which has long been a formal history of synagogue functionaries and institutions. The author considers the impact of the Second World War on Wales's Jewish population, as well as the importance of the Welsh context in shaping the Welsh-Jewish experience. The study offers a detailed examination of the numerical decline of Wales's Jewish communities throughout the twentieth century, and is also the first to consider the situation of Wales's Jewish communities in the early twenty-first, arguing that these communities may be significantly fewer in number and smaller than in the past but they are ever evolving.

When has Wales been able to describe itself as an independent nation and will it ever be able to do so in the future? The question of national identity has affected the Welsh throughout their history. Drawing on myth, legend and poetry and on the talents and ambitions of soldiers, labourers, politicians and churchmen the author tells the story of the Welsh with an understanding of his fellow countrymen.

This is a book that tells of the Welsh Mining Strike that occurred in the 1980s and had a momentous impact on the United Kingdom.

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