



FUN FACT

Wales

- The Welsh village of Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantysiliogogoch is the second longest place name in the world – do you know the first?
- The national symbols of Wales are the humble Daffodil and the Leek.
- Welsh is spoken by $\frac{3}{4}$ million people across England, the US, Canada and Argentina. Welsh speakers of Wales benefit from legally enshrined bilingual road signs.
- Dylan Thomas, the world renowned poet and writer of 'Under the Milk Wood', was born in Wales in 1914 – but with a name like Dylan you may have guessed that!
- Why not indulge in some 'half and half' (rice and chips; a Welsh staple!) for your tea.
- The corgi dog (the Queen's favourite) originates from Wales; it means dwarf-dog or cor-ci.
- For St David's Day 2014, residents in Bala, North Wales, cooked the world's largest Welsh cake. The fruity griddled flat-bread measured an astonishing 5ft (1.5m) wide and weighed 48lbs (21.7kg)
- Some famous singers from Wales include Dame Shirley Bassey, Sir Tom Jones and Cerys Matthews.
- And we don't fall short in the acting stakes either – Sir Anthony Hopkins, Richard Burton CBE and most recently the hilarious Rob Brydon & Ruth Jones from the nation's favourite Gavin & Stacey filmed in Barry Island, South Wales.

