UNITED KINGDOM



Name: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Capital: London

Total area: 242,514 sq. kilometers

Population: 63,742,977

Religions: Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism

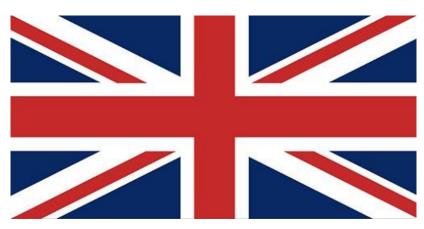
Currency: Pound

Other Cities: Manchester,

Birmingham, Liverpool, Glasgow,

Newcastle, Edinburgh...

Rivers: Severn, Thames, Tyne Mountains: Ben Nevis, Skiddaw, Helvellyn... Lakes: Loch Ness, Loch Lomond



Flag of the United Kingdom

Climate

Summers are rainy and winters are also rainy with strong winds.

Traditions

At Christmas the English decorate their houses with bright red poinsettias and their tables include turkey, pies and Christmas pudding for good luck.

SIGHTS IN UK

✤ Big Ben

- The Tower of London and Tower Bridge
- ✤ Westminster Abbey, London
- St Paul's Cathedral, London
- The British Museum
- Madame Tussauds
- ✤ Buckingham Palace
- ✤ Brighton Pier
- ✤ Stonehenge, Wiltshire



The Tower of London



The Tower Bridge





Stonehenge, Wiltshire



Buckingham Palace



Westminster Abbey



Brighton Pier



- > Fish and Chips
- > Roast beef
- > Baked beans
- English breakfast which includes eggs, bacon, mushrooms, bread with coffee or tea.



Roast beef and Yorkshire pudding



Fish and Chips



English breakfast

Panagiotis Katsigiannis

FINLAND



Name: Finland

Capital: Helsinki

Total area: 338,145 sq. kilometers.

Population: 5,325,115 people

Religion:

Lutheran National Church 84.2%, Greek Orthodox in Finland 1.1% ...

Currency: Euro

Other Cities: Espoo, Tampere, Vantaa, Turku, Rovaniemi ...

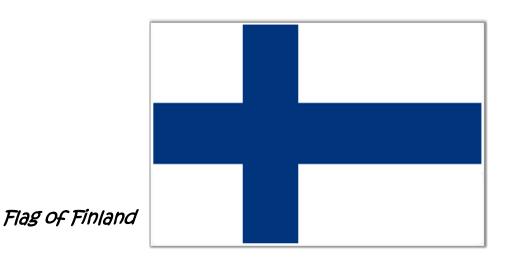
Rivers: Kemijoki, Tenojoki , Oulujoki ...

Lakes : Finland has 187,888 lakes. One of these Saimaa is the fifth largest in Europe.

Climate

The winters are very cold. Winter is the longest season of the year.

Finland has a lot of snowfall. The summers are warm but short.



Sights

- The Rock church
- The Helsinki Senate square
- The Helsinki Cathedral
- Santa Claus Village and Santa park in Rovaniemi
- Ranua Wildlife Park

Traditional musical Instruments

• The kantele

The kadele is similar to a harp in some ways.





Traditional food

KARJALANPIIRAKKA or Karelian pies: They are pies with a thin Crust filled with potatoes, rice or Carrots.

An Easter Tradition

On the Sunday before Easter young Children (especially girls) dress up as Easter witches. The little witches then go from door to door, bringing willow twigs decorated with Colourful feathers and Crepe paper as blessings to drive away evil spirits, in return for treats.



A twig for you, a treat for me!" Easter witches appear on doorsteps in Finland on Palm Sunday or Easter Saturday.

Despina Batha



The Rock Church, in Helsinki





Santa Claus Village, Rovaniemi, Lapland

