



OzLeisure Traveller episode 5

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Hosts

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Guests

Jonathan Jones, Director of Tourism and Marketing in the Welsh Assembly government's administration and former chief executive of the former Wales Tourist Board.

Topics covered

Wales is a country steeped in history with an abundance of wide, open spaces and attractions for young and old alike. The country is part of the United Kingdom, and situated to the west of the mainland. Occupying an area of only 20,770 sq km, it is packed with things to see and do.

We talk to Jonathan Jones who has a vast knowledge of the country, and he tells us about some of the very best activities and attractions that Wales has to offer, and gives us a fascinating insight into how the country has changed from industrial heartland to thriving tourism centre.



Region covered



Wales is part of the UK and on the mainland but has its own government called the Welsh Assembly

Products mentioned

Welsh National Assembly	http://www.wales.gov.uk
Welsh Assembly government	http://new.wales.gov.uk/?lang=en
Official Visit Wales website	http://www.visitwales.com
Official Visit Wales backpackers website	http://www.godowales.com
Welsh language	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Welsh_language
Youth hostels	http://www.yha.org.uk/find-accommodation/wales/index.aspx
Farm houses	http://www.walestouristsonline.co.uk/farmhouses_wales.htm
Public transport timetables	http://www.traveline-cymru.org.uk/
Great little trains of Wales	http://www.greatlittletrainsofwales.co.uk/
Welsh museums	http://www.museumwales.ac.uk/
Museum of Welsh life	http://www.museumwales.ac.uk/en/home/
National waterfront museum, Swansea	http://www.museumwales.ac.uk/en/swansea/
European Blue flag beaches	http://www.blueflag.org/
European Green flag beaches	http://www.keepwalestidy.org/english/default.asp?Category=Tourism&NewsID=15&Menu=0.26.12.64
Oakwood theme park, Pembrokeshire	http://www.oakwoodthemepark.co.uk/
Folly farm, Pembrokeshire	http://www.folly-farm.co.uk/
Welsh castles	http://www.castlewales.com/

Tourist information centres	http://www.aboutbritain.com/tourist-information-centres/wales-tourist-information-centres.asp
Walking trails	http://www.welshwalks.info/
Welsh National parks	http://www.nationalparks.gov.uk/
Areas of outstanding natural beauty	http://www.nationalrural.org/Search.aspx
Cardiff	http://www.visitcardiff.com/
Penarth pier	http://www.penarthpier.com
Upcoming festivals	http://www.walesindex.co.uk/pages/301.html
Mountain Bike magazine	http://www.bicycling.com/channel/0,6609,s1-6-0-0-0,00.html
Abseiling	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Abseiling
Ryder Cup 2010	http://www.rydercupwales2010.com/
Welsh golf courses	http://www.welshgolfcourses.com/
Celtic Manor golf course	http://www.celtic-manor.com/
Hand gliding	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hand_gliding
Parasailing	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Parasailing
Parachuting	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Parachuting
St David's city	http://www.stdavids.co.uk/
Centre for Alternative Tech	http://www.cat.org.uk/index.tpl?refer=index&init=1
Greenwood centre	http://www.greenwood-centre.co.uk/

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