

## A brief guide to Newport, Wales

Newport is a city in Wales that stands on the banks of the River Usk and is located roughly between Bristol and Cardiff. The city has a population of 140,100 which makes it the third largest city in Wales. There are many redevelopment plans currently underway for Newport, including a £210 million shopping complex in the city centre called Friars Walk will be finished in time for the 2010 Ryder Cup being held in the City. Also set to be completed in 2010 is a new sports and entertainment stadium, that will be 15,000 capacity and will become the new home to Newport RFC and Newport Gwent Dragons rugby teams.

Transport lines to Newport are provided by Newport high street railway station which provides access to and from the rest of the country and for air travel, the closest airport in Cardiff International Airport which provides access to the rest of the world. Road access comes in the form of the M4 and A48 providing east and west directions and the A467, A4042, and A449 for north and south destinations.

Education wise, Newport is home to the University of Wales, Newport which has two campuses in the city, one in Caerleon and one in Allt-yr-yn. The city also is home to the Newport School of Art is a prestigious art school which is highly regarded in many fields including Documentary Photography.

Newport has many attractions for visitors and residents to enjoy. The Riverfront Arts Centre is on Kingsway Boulevard on the West bank of the Usk, and is home to an art gallery and a 493 capacity theatre which has a mix of drama, comedy and dance performances held there. Newport has two major museums: Newport Museum and the Roman Legionary Museum at Caerleon. In July each year an Arts festival is held in Caerleon and Roman Military re-enactment in the amphitheatre, the largest restored amphitheatre in Britain. The remains of the Roman baths and barracks can be seen at Caerleon.

The city is also known for its night life, containing lots of popular pubs, nightclubs and bars. One of the most famous is T.J's, an music club where Kurt Cobain apparently proposed to Courtney Love. The spot was also voted by FHM one of the top 50 big nights out in the world. Many large worldwide acts play gigs and concerts in the city's venues, Newport Leisure Centre and Newport City Live Arena.

The city has many of interesting things to do and see if you want to [rent property in Newport](#).

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