

Survivor Guide To Living In Ireland 2021 Edition



Living in a foreign country can be an exciting and challenging experience. If you are considering moving to Ireland, this survivor guide will provide you with essential information and tips to navigate through your new life in the Emerald Isle in 2021.

1. Finding a Place to Live

Ireland offers a range of accommodation options, including apartments, houses, and shared living spaces. Start your search on popular property websites and consider the location, cost, and amenities that suit your needs. Dublin, Cork,

Galway, and Limerick are some of the major cities with a high demand for housing.



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When attending property viewings, be prepared to act quickly as the rental market can be competitive. It's advisable to have your references, employment details, and deposit ready to secure your desired rental property.

2. Navigating the Public Transportation System

Ireland has an extensive public transportation network that includes buses, trams, and trains. The Dublin Bus service connects various parts of the capital, while Irish Rail provides train services across the country.

Consider getting a *Leap Card*, a rechargeable smart card that offers discounted fares on public transport. It can save you time and money, especially if you plan to travel frequently.

3. Embracing the Irish Culture

Ireland is known for its rich cultural heritage, friendly locals, and lively traditions. Take the time to immerse yourself in Irish culture, whether it's attending traditional music sessions in pubs, exploring ancient castles, or joining local festivals and events.

Additionally, familiarize yourself with the Irish language, Gaelic. While English is widely spoken, learning a few introductory phrases or taking language lessons can help you connect with the local community on a deeper level.

4. Weathering the Irish Climate

Irish weather is notoriously unpredictable, with rain and clouds being common occurrences. Be sure to pack a variety of clothing suitable for both sunny and rainy days.

Invest in a good raincoat, waterproof shoes, and an umbrella to always be prepared for sudden showers. Don't let the rain dampen your spirits; instead, take the opportunity to explore cozy cafés, museums, and indoor attractions.

5. Exploring the Beautiful Landscapes

Ireland is renowned for its breathtaking natural beauty. From the Cliffs of Moher to the Ring of Kerry, there are numerous stunning landscapes to discover.

Plan trips to explore the countryside and take advantage of hiking trails, national parks, and coastal walks. Capture the picturesque scenery with your camera and create lasting memories of your adventures in Ireland.

6. Nourishing Your Taste Buds

Irish cuisine has evolved over the years, combining traditional flavors with modern influences. Be sure to try some classic dishes like Irish stew, fish and

chips, and soda bread.

Explore local farmers' markets to taste fresh produce and support small-scale producers. Don't forget to indulge in the famous Irish pub culture, where you can enjoy a pint of Guinness and lively conversations with locals.

7. Navigating Healthcare and Insurance

As an international resident, it's important to understand the Irish healthcare system. In Ireland, healthcare is provided through both public and private sectors.

If you are employed, your employer may provide private health insurance. However, if you are not covered, you should register with the *Health Services Executive* (HSE) to access public healthcare services.

8. Making New Friends

Building a network of friends and acquaintances is essential to overcome homesickness and embrace your new Irish life. Join local community groups, sports clubs, or hobby-based organizations to meet people with similar interests.

Take advantage of social media platforms and expat forums to connect with fellow expatriates living in Ireland. Attend social events, festivals, and meetup groups to expand your social circle and create meaningful connections.

Surviving and thriving in Ireland is an exciting adventure for anyone who decides to call it their home. By following this survivor guide, you'll be well-equipped to tackle the challenges and embrace the wonders of living in one of the most welcoming countries in the world.

Get ready to embark on a memorable journey filled with Irish culture, stunning landscapes, friendly faces, and plenty of craic!



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Since first published in 2005, Richards has updated this book of essential reading almost annually to reflect the ever-changing tapestry of Ireland. In this edition, he explores how the current pandemic, as well as Brexit, has affected Ireland and its citizens, while noting the growing light of optimism as vaccines roll out here and across the world.

For those dreaming of living and working in Ireland, he provides a practical guide to immigration as well as pinpointing skillsets in demand that could be the brass ring to gaining a work permit and employment in this country.

In the 2021, and final, edition of A Survivor’s Guide to Living in Ireland, Richards shows how he has survived and prospered in a country much different to the culture of his birth. In doing so, he answers a number of practical questions many pose as they consider embarking on a similar journey:

Am I entitled to an Irish Work Visa? If so, how can I get one? Is Ireland really the land of my dreams? If I've thought of staying for a prolonged visit, establishing residency, or creating an Irish business, how do I do it? What would it really be like to live in Ireland, anyway?

Find out in this rich volume of over 90,000 words devoted to the ever-changing tapestry of living and working in Ireland. This fun, easy to read book contains (among other things) a brief history of Ireland, the opportunities present here for would-be immigrants, and tips on how to get a work permit, become a citizen, buy a home, cope with taxation and the cost of living, and enjoy this amazing country for yourself. As an added bonus, a fun Dictionary of Irish Slang and Phrases coaches you to talk like the Irish do.

In 1982, American Tom Richards, fresh out of UCLA, took a four-week holiday to Ireland. He's been here ever since. Witty and insightful, Richards tells how he overcame the culture shock of living in the Auld Sod, learning to twist his middle-class American thinking into a more European point of view while managing to pay his bills at the same time. Along the way, he's learned some practical lessons that he now shares: From how to understand the Irish to how to drink a perfect pint; from finding a job to how to get a work permit; from purchasing your first dream home to learning to take soaking walks on a soft Irish day.

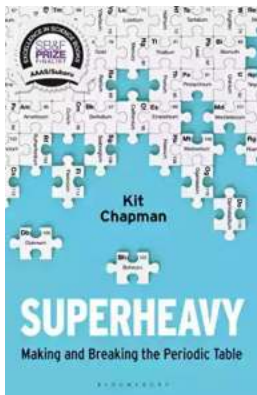
In short, he reveals that to survive in Ireland, all you have to do is discover the magic of this wonderful country for yourself.

A Survivor's Guide to Living in Ireland has sold over 20,000 copies. In this final edition, you can learn to Talk like the Irish, Drink like the Irish, Work like the Irish, and Live like the Irish. Essential reading for anyone considering a visit or move to this fabulous country.



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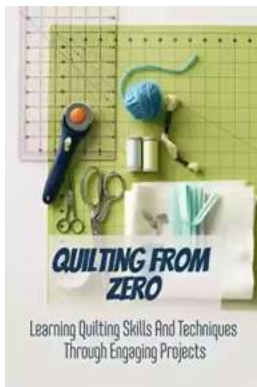
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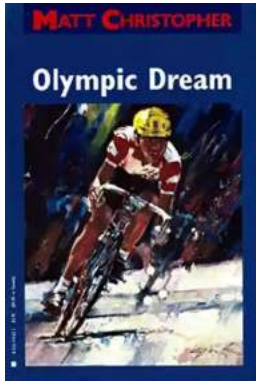
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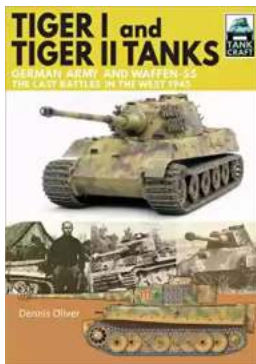
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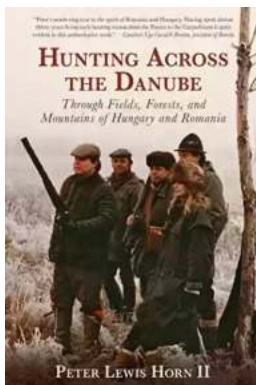
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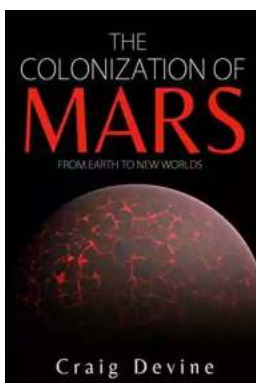
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