

WAYS OF LIFE

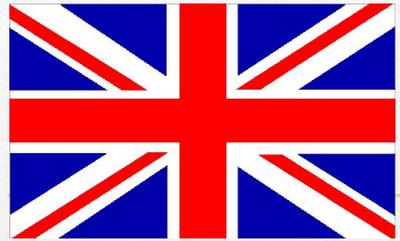
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Every nation and every country has its own customs and traditions.

In this work, we are going to talk about the ways of life in the United Kingdom, Austria and Portugal.

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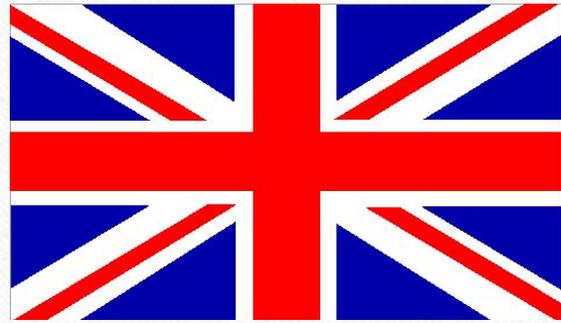
United Kingdom



Austria



Portugal



United Kingdom



Languages

- ↳ English is the official language of the UK.
- ↳ In Wales, around 20 per cent of the population also speak Welsh, and most official communications, including road signs, are in English and Welsh.

People in the United Kingdom

- ↳ The UK has always welcomed immigrants.
- ↳ Britain has also welcomed many refugees.



Family life

- ↳ Two-thirds of mothers of young children go out to work in the UK, often part-time.
- ↳ On average, women marry at nearly 30 and men at 32.



The working day

- ↳ The usual working day starts at 9am and finishes by 5pm.
- ↳ Most people work a five-day week.
- ↳ The working week is, on average, the longest of any country in Europe.



Media and communications

- ↳ The British media is dominated by the public service broadcaster, the BBC.
- ↳ National newspapers range from the serious to the sensational. British people love word jokes – puns – and this is reflected in the headlines of all newspapers.

Getting around

- ↳ Transport links are good.
- ↳ it is possible to get to most places by:
 - ↳ plane
 - ↳ car
 - ↳ bus and train.



Eating and drinking

- ↳ Eating out in the UK, is often very good as Britain now has:
 - ↳ some of the world's top restaurants
 - ↳ an excellent range of cheaper ones.
- ↳ It is possible to sample food from all over the world.



Pubs are popular social meeting places

- ↳ Pubs are an important part of British life.
- ↳ Pubs often have two bars, one usually quieter than the other.



Tea

- ↳ Since the 18th century, the UK has been one of the largest consumers of tea in the world.
- ↳ Tea in the UK can be enjoyed anywhere



Sightseeing and culture

- ↳ London has some of the world's top museums and art galleries, as well as leading orchestras, opera and theatre companies.
- ↳ Outside the major cities there is beautiful countryside.



Sports

- ↳ Sports play an important part in life in Britain. Sport is a popular leisure activity.
- ↳ Many of the world's famous sports began in Britain.





Sports

- ↳ England's national sport is cricket.
- ↳ Football is their most popular sport.



Music

- ↳ The UK is proud of its influence over the music Industry.
- ↳ Britain celebrates its love for music across the country.





Austria

Languages

- ↳ The national language in Austria is German.
- ↳ This German is more or less the same as the one used by the Germans. The only differences are accent and some vocabulary.

People in Austria

- ↳ Although Austria during the Habsburg Empire was made up of many ethnic groups, the strongest group remained the Germans.



Family life

- ↳ Austrians, whether married or not, receive a special government payment each month to help provide for children.
- ↳ The family is generally small
- ↳ Austria's education system is one of the world's best



The working day

↳ The standard working hours are 8 hours per day, five days per week.



Media and communications

- ↳ Austria has one of the most consolidated press markets of Europe.
- ↳ The national public broadcast is ORF.





Eating and drinking

- ↳ Austrian cooking is one of the most varied in Europe.
- ↳ A typical Austrian's day begins with a light breakfast.





Sightseeing and culture

- ↳ With opulent palaces, art galleries, and trendy cafés on just about every corner
- ↳ Located in Central Europe, Vienna is a historic city





Sports

- ↳ Austrians have a great love for winter sports.
- ↳ They also love sports like football and rugby.





Music

↳ Austria has been the birthplace of many famous composers.





Portugal



Languages

- ↳ The 10-million population of Portugal speaks Portuguese.
- ↳ Galician and Mirandese, which are technically classed as separate languages.

People in PORTUGAL

- ↳ The family is the foundation of the social structure and forms the basis of stability.
- ↳ The extended family is quite close.
- ↳ Portuguese are traditional and conservative.





The working day

↳ The normal working period may not exceed eight hours per day or 40 hours per week.



Media and communications

- ↳ The written press has endured a deep crisis throughout the last years.
- ↳ A new media conglomerate, Ongoing, has suddenly emerged within the media owners “club”, holding important assets in television and economic press.





Eating and drinking

- ↳ Eating and drinking is one of the pleasures of a visit to Portugal.
- ↳ Food plays an important role in Portuguese culture.



Sightseeing and culture

- ↳ Portugal is a fascinating country with a rich cultural heritage,
- ↳ charming old cities,
- ↳ picturesque landscapes,
- ↳ dreamlike beaches.



Sports

- ↳ Sports are important in Portugal.
- ↳ Football is the most popular sport in Portugal.





Music

- ↳ The music of Portugal includes many different styles and genres, as a result of its history.
- ↳ In traditional/folk music, the *fado* has had a significant impact, with Amália Rodrigues still the most recognizable Portuguese name in music.





Conclusion

- ↳ Portugal is the country where there is greater difficulty in balancing work and personal life.
- ↳ Austria is the country where this difficulty is smaller.

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