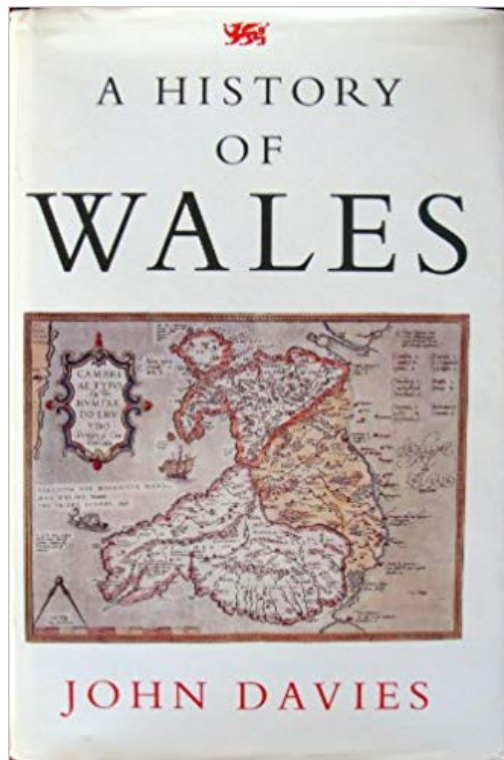


## A History of Wales *by* John Davies



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Traces Welsh history from prehistoric times to the present, and discusses Welsh culture and politics



## Reviews of the *A History of Wales* *by* John Davies

Mr.Bean

If I have any pet peeves about the many history books I read, it is a history book where the author wishes to name a plethora of historians with which to argue or agree. There are enough names in Welsh history to wrap one's head around without mentioning all these other non-historical, non-Welsh names. Mentioning these other people is fine for footnotes, etc. Also, this is a turgid read. I am still looking for a great book on Welsh history that is not quite so turgid and difficult to follow. Recommendations welcomed!

Zavevidi

I learned on ancestry.com that so many of my people are from Wales! I found this book, and a BOATLOAD of my ancestors are in there. Very, very interesting book. The writing flows pretty well too. The amount of barbaric stuff that happened throughout history is just shocking, wow.

Taur

The Author's credentials are impressive and reviews tout the work highly. The book is comprehensive in the timeline and written by an academic--not a narrative for entertainment and requires interest in these remarkable people and their unique country. First few pages very informative and basis for understanding Welsh historical progression to contemporary time.

Nea

Good info. Too broad a survey. There were lots of historical characters and incidents I wanted a lot more detail on that the author glossed over to keep the chronology moving along. Good if you're looking for a survey of Welsh history.

Clever

Bought the book to get in touch with my Welch heritage. Apart from being a long kind of dry history book, which I expected, the big problem is that it is specifically written for the Welsh reader. My understanding is that it was originally written in Welsh and this edition is just a direct English translation of the Welsh version. I felt like the author expects the reader to have a decent hold on elementary Welsh history and geography already. As an American, I don't have that background and as a result I found it to be a difficult read.

Kulasius

I have checked out this book from the library many times and finally bought it. It is an excellent, thorough history of Wales.

Falya

A surprisingly well written history of a fascinating region. Davies cannot, of course, cover the entire history in any depth but what he chose to highlight was, well, well chosen. So good I've read it twice!

Easy to read, informative, comprehensive, and more entertaining than you would think considering it is a history book. I got it as a reference, but it has proven to be an enjoyable read as well.

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