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Welcome to the March Newsletter!

As you may have guessed from the banner above, it's that time of year where we pay tribute to our Irish kin or even the Irish within us! So, along with listings all of the upcoming Highland Games and Festivals for March, we'll also be featuring St. Paddy's events and showing love to the beautiful Emerald Isle!

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all!

Slàinte Mhath!



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Upcoming March Highland Games & Festivals:

**Please check with events directly to confirm dates and times*

USA

March 1 - March 3

[Phoenix Scottish Games](#)

Phoenix, AZ

March 2

[Panama City Beach Scottish Festival](#)

Panama City Beach, FL

March 2

[SE Florida Highland Games](#)

Plantation, FL

March 8 – March 10

[Calaveras Celtic Faire](#)

Angels Camp, CA

March 9 – March 10

[St. Augustine Celtic Music & Heritage Festival](#)

St. Augustine, FL

March 9

[Hill Country Hyeland Games](#)

Fredericksburg, TX

March 22 – March 23

[Ceili at the Roundhouse Celtic Festival](#)

Evanston, WY

March 23

[7th Annual Sherman Celtic Festival & Highland Games](#)

Sherman, TX

CANADA

March 16 – March 17

[CelticFest Vancouver](#)

Vancouver, BC

AUSTRALIA

March 9

[The Hayland Gathering](#)

Hay, New South Wales

March 24

[Melbourne Highland Games & Celtic Festival](#)

Croydon, Victoria

March 29 – March 30

[The 119th Maclean Highland Gathering](#)

Maclean, New South Wales



Shake Your Shamrocks!

While it would be impossible to list every St. Patrick's parade across the globe, here are some of the largest!

March 10th

[St. Patrick's Day Parade, Philadelphia, PA](#)

March 10

[St. Patrick's Day Parade, Detroit, MI](#)

March 14–17th

[St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival, Sydney, AU](#)

March 16th

[St. Patrick's Day Parade, Chicago, IL](#)

March 16th

[St. Patrick's Parade and Festival, San Diego, CA](#)

March 16th

[CelticFest Vancouver, BC](#)

March 16th

[St. Patrick's Day Parade, New Orleans, LA](#)

March 16th

[St. Patrick's Day Parade San Francisco, CA](#)

March 16th

[St. Patrick's Day Parade, Savannah, Georgia](#)

March 16th

[St. Patrick's Day Parade, Pittsburg, PA](#)

March 16th

[St. Patricks' Day Parade, New York City](#)

March 17th

[St. Patrick's Day Parade Dublin, Ireland](#)

March 17th

[St. Partick's Day Parade, Belfast, Ireland](#)

March 17th

[St. Patricks Parade, Toronto, Canada](#)

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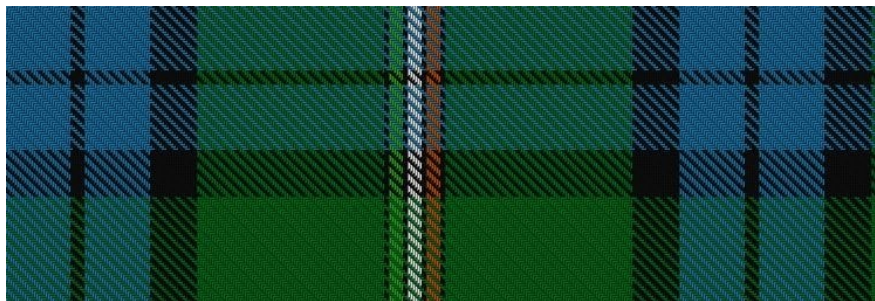
[Boston St. Patrick's Day Parade, Boston, MA](#)

March 17th

[St. Patrick's Festival, London](#)

March 17th

[I love Ireland Festival & St. Patrick's Day Parade, Tokyo, Japan](#)





Tartan Feature: Irish Diaspora

This asymmetric tartan was designed by Erica Randall of The House of Edgar in Perth for all of those with Irish descent at home in Ireland and around the world. The central stripes incorporate the colors of the Republic of Ireland flag.



Pipeband Spotlight: St. Laurence O'Toole Irish Pipeband

The St. Laurence O'Toole Pipe Band is a Grade 1 pipe band based in St. Mary's Hospital Campus, Phoenix Park, Dublin, Ireland and is one of the country's premier pipe bands. The band was established in 1910, and won the World Pipe Band Championships in 2010.

Watch them perform their Big Yin medley at The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association's UK Pipe Band Championships in 2023 by [clicking here for the YouTube video.](#)

Are you going to be in Dublin and want to watch them practice? [Visit their website](#) to find out how!



Castle Feature:

Ross Castle - a lakeside citadel steeped in legend!

Ross Castle perches in an inlet of Lough Leane. It is likely that the Irish chieftain O'Donoghue Mór built it in the fifteenth century.

Legend has it that O'Donoghue still slumbers under the waters of the lake. Every seven years, on the first morning of May, he rises on his magnificent white horse. If you manage to catch a glimpse of him you will enjoy good fortune for the rest of your life.

Ross Castle was the last place in Munster to hold out against Cromwell. Its defenders, then led by Lord Muskerry, took confidence from a prophecy holding that the castle could only be taken by a ship. Knowing of the prophecy, the Cromwellian commander, General Ludlow, launched a large boat on the lake. When the defenders saw it, this hastened the surrender – and the prophecy was fulfilled.

Buy tickets for admission on [Heritagelreland.ie](https://www.heritagelreland.ie)

5 Ways to Celebrate St. Paddy's like a local when living abroad:



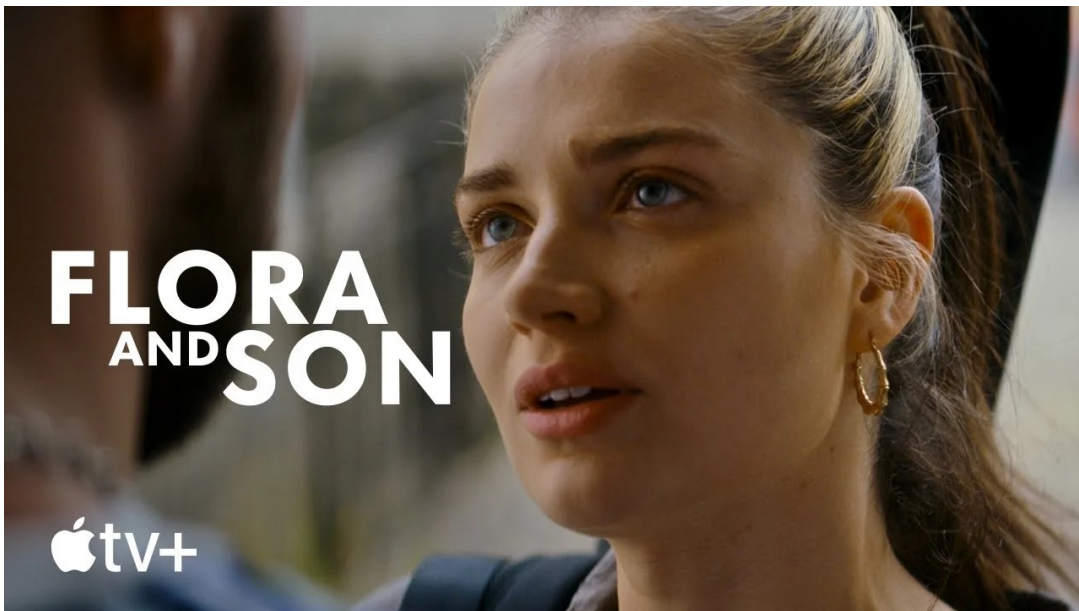


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Make a Traditional Irish Dish to Enjoy

Whether you're into Bangers and Champ, or Corned Beef and Cabbage...Delish.com has you covered with a collection of over 50+ recipes to make for your St. Paddy's celebration!

[Click here to view them!](#)



2

Enjoy an Irish Movie Marathon!

Cosmopolitan magazine has compiled a list of 55 movies that are

set in beautiful Ireland. So, if you can't be there in person...take a day trip via your TV!

Click here to view them!



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Have a cocktail with Irish Whiskey such as the Paddy's Punch Bowl!

Perfect for your St. Paddy's party or a small group of friends!

- 2 parts Jameson
- 1 part cloudy apple juice
- 1 part apple
- 1 part lemon juice
- $\frac{3}{4}$ parts rhubarb honey syrup

Pour all ingredients into an icy punch bowl and garnish with sliced lemons and apples.

Watch the Youtube Video from Jameson



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Listen to Irish music and/or Irish artists

Bring the sounds and musicians of Ireland to you by listening to the 80 songs selected by [Spotify for your St. Patrick's Day](#) for free!

Play on Spotify



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And don't forget to wear green!

Slainte



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