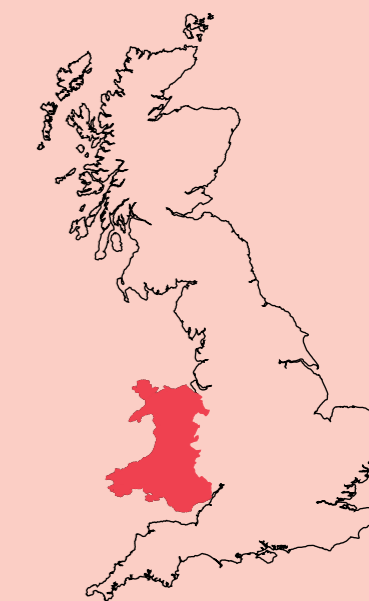
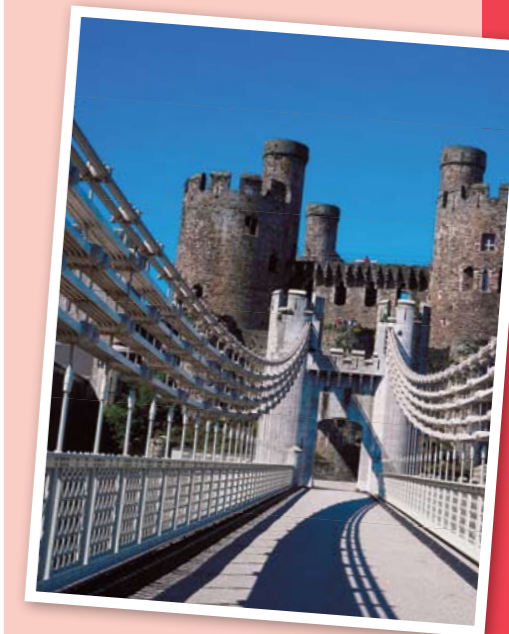


Wales

It may be small in size, but Wales is Herculean in spirit. It's a place where history comes alive and tradition never dies. You'll still find male voice choirs and unpronounceable place names, ancient ruins and time-honoured teashops. But Wales has plenty of 21st century attractions too, and is now recognised as one of the world's foremost locations for adventure sports.

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SEE. DO. EAT.



SEE. Pop into **St. David's** – the UK's titchiest city and a place of pilgrimage for more than 1,500 years



DO. Hop aboard the **Vale of Rheidol Railway** to Devil's Bridge and relive the golden age of steam



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