

# ABOUT : The Celts

## Origins

The Celts were a loose collection of tribes, existing over much of central and northern Europe, all speaking a similar language. The Celts that moved to Britain, later on became known as Britons.

## Dress

They bleached their hair blonde, using lime and wore it long and often used woad, a blue colouring to adorn their bodies and faces for decoration and to look fierce in battle.

## Houses

Celts lived in round houses comprising a woven wooden base, covered in straw and mud (wattle and daub) with a large thatched roof. They were dark inside as they didn't have any windows.

## Iron Age

References for the Celtic people can be traced back 2500BC and they were very much linked with the iron age and utilized this new material to make tools and weapons.

## Spread

By 275BC the Celts had spread widely and occupied large parts of France, Germany, Poland, Spain, Portugal, northern Italy and Turkey and of course Britain and Ireland.

## Language

Still spoken today are Irish and Scottish Gaelic, Welsh, Cornish, Manx and Breton. These languages are all Celtic in origin.

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## FURTHER INFORMATION

If you want to find out even more about the Celts, use the links below.

### Further information :

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Celts>

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/celts.htm>

<http://www.livescience.com/44666-history-of-the-celts.html>

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