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Hello and welcome to another issue of our lovely fanzine, which we hope you will enjoy and find really useful on your journey to Luxembourg! We've packed it full fun facts and some tips on how to navigate yourself around the place. Plus, and most importantly, we have filled it lots of propaganda to tell you how great we are. If you're a business that wants to give us LOTS of money to show how great YOU really are, well give us a shout!

The Lansdowne Roar Team!

Window Timetable

Thursday 5th: Ireland v Senegal Preview Friday 6th: Pre-Game / Aftermath LIVE Monday 9th: Luxembourg v Ireland Preview Tuesday 10th: Pre-Game / Aftermath LIVE! Wednesday 11th: Window Review LIVE!

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Editor's Message

Hello dear reader! Or Moien as they say in Luxembourg. Although the only people I've met from Luxembourg have stronger Irish accents than myself. So I think Google Translate has played a "Chicago" Move as my dear Uncle Willie used to say. However, lit is absolutely lovely to be back on the road with the Boys in Green and of course the ROAR! Faitfhul.



After our successful March window, where we managed to stave off relegation (again) from League B in the Nations League, things are looking up. We hope. This has been written before the Senegal game, so that you know! Senegal is an excellent side; however, Luxembourg is the one that should garner the most interest. Nothing against Senegal, it's just that we're hoping that the manager goes with an experimental side for this one. Hopefully, we'll see the likes of Andy Moran or John Patrick start and show us what they can do!

It's been an excellent few weeks for the podcast, and things are only going to get better. We've upped our content on all platforms, and we've got some exciting guests lined up over the next few days. Of course, you can see us LIVE in London on the 20^{th} when we interview the wonderful David Forde at the Claddagh Ring in North London. The former Ireland stopper will be signing copies of his book, and for GBP£30 you get a book and free grub on the night! Proceeds go to charity, and if you can't make the event, you can order the book and we'll get it to you! Just DM any one of us on our social media platform.

This is our second go at a Fanzine, and I have to say James has done a bang-up job, yet again. Martin and Conor couldn't be f**ked with getting involved, but that's ok, we all know I'm your favourite anyway. Sorry lads!

James Agnew, the head writer, is just like you and me. An Ireland fan. James travels all the way down from the Six Counties to follow his beloved Ireland for every game. And he loves to write about them, too. And you catch his brilliant articles (and the rest of our team) over at www.lansdowneroar.ie. So go NOW. I'll wait.

Anyways, here's to two (maybe) wins for the Boys in Green. Thank you for reading you lovely people!



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Capital: Luxembourg City

Flag: Red, white and blue horizontal stripes.

Area: Luxembourg ranks as the 7th smallest country in Europe and has a surface area of 2,586 km²

Population: 672,050

Language: German, French & Luxembourgish

Economics: Luxembourg is the second-richest country in the world and has the highest minimum wage in the EU

Time zone: UTC+1 (Central European Time)

EU Membership: Luxembourg is one of the 27 members of the EU. They joined in 1993.

Currency: Euro

Public transport: All public transport in Luxembourg is free

Government & Politics: A parliamentary democracy headed by a

constitutional monarch

Religion: 73.2% Christianity, 23.4% no religion, 3.2% other

Most watched TV channel: RTL Télé Lëtzebuerg

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You can travel from Luxembourg Airport to the city centre by bus, taxi, or private transfer, with public transport being free of charge.

Transportation Options

By Bus:

Bus Lines: Two main bus lines, 16 and 29, operate from the airport to the city centre. These buses run every 10 to 15 minutes and take approximately 20 minutes to reach the city centre.

Free Public Transport: Since March 2020, all public transport in Luxembourg, including these buses, is free of charge.

By Taxi:

Taxi Services: Taxis are available 24/7 outside the main terminal. A taxi ride to the city centre takes about 10 minutes and costs around €30. Both Uber (or Webtaxi) and Bolt operate in Luxembourg.

Convenience: This option is the most convenient, especially if you have luggage or arrive late at night when buses may not be running.

Private Transfer:

Comfort and Convenience: For a more comfortable experience, you can book a private transfer service. This option provides door-to-door service and can be arranged in advance.

How to get to the Stadium

By bus

Stade de Luxembourg is served by the following bus routes - 5, 18, 20 & 27

By tram

The following tram line calls at the Stade de Luxembourg - T1

By car

Stade de Luxembourg is located close to the Croix de Gasperich interchange and can be reached from the Al, A3, A4 and A6 motorways.

Parking at the stadium

You can park at the Park and Ride Stade de Luxembourg (less than 5 minutes from the stadium on foot) or at the Park and Ride Kockelscheuer (less than 10 minutes from the stadium by bus).

By bike

The stadium can be easily reached by bicycle via the cycle path that extends along the Boulevard de Kockelscheuer. Bike bollards are available on-site, located between stadium entrances 1 and 2 on Route d'Esch.

Persons with reduced mobility

43 parking spots at the Park and Ride Stade de Luxembourg are reserved for persons with reduced mobility. The Stade de Luxembourg and the nearby Park and Ride are accessible for people with reduced mobility. Simply follow the signs for accessible parking and seating.



Luxembourg - What to see

Luxembourg city is one of Europe's most scenic capitals. With its gorge splitting the centre in two, its UNESCO listed old town has ancient fortifications, palatial historical buildings, and museums. The picturesque Grund area lies by the riverside.





The Bock Casemates were a subterranean defence system made up of a network of tunnels and, is today one of the most important visitor sites in Luxembourg. These underground galleries were initially carved in the 17th century, under Spanish rule, and subsequently twice extended. These are a must visit whilst in the city.

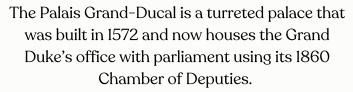


Fort Thüngen is a historical fortification built in 1733 and later expanded. It is named after Baron Adam Sigmund von Thüngen, who was the commander of the fortress. The fort offers impressive views and is significant for its role in Luxembourg's history. Today, it houses the Dräi Eechelen Museum, which focuses on the history of Luxembourg's historical defences.

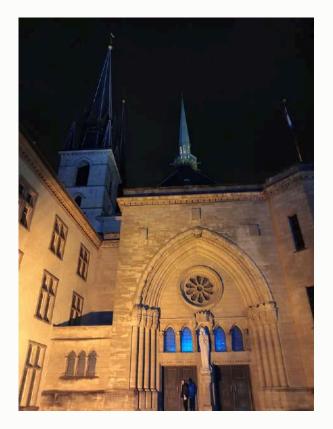
Luxembourg - What to see

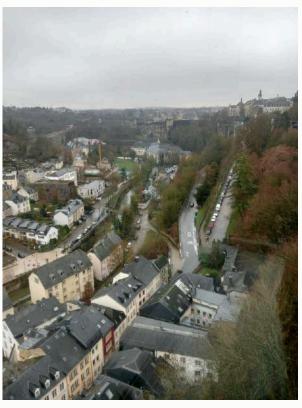
The Cathedral Notre-Dame was built between 1613 and 1621, it has columns decorated with anabesques, stained glass from the 19th and 20th centuries, neo-Gothic confessionals, modern sculptures in bas relief, and bronze gates.





For those who want to travel further afield, a trip to Vianden in the Éislek region, north-eastern Luxembourg, is definitely worth it. There lies Vianden Castle, which was constructed between the 11th and 14th centuries on the foundations of a Roman 'castellum' and a Carolingian refuge. It is one of the largest and most beautiful feudal residences of the Romanesque and gothic periods in Europe.





The Chemin de la Corniche is hailed as Europe's most beautiful balcony and the promenade winds along the course of the 17th century ramparts. It is definitely worth a stroll.

The Good Stuff!

Irish Bars in Luxembourg

These locations have been carefully selected by our in house expert James Agnew

Eirlux Irish Pub and Restaurant

Address: 40 Rue Des Bruyères, 1274 Howald, Luxembourg 1274 Howald



ÉireLux Irish Pub serves a large selection of Irish Craft Beers, Irish ciders & Whiskeys that cannot be found elsewhere in Luxembourg. Their Guinness is considered by many as one of the best pints in Luxembourg. The restaurant prides itself in serving homemade, authentic and tasty food including a Classic Breakfast with real Irish sausages!

The Black Stuff Address: 15 Val de Hamm 1714 Luxembourg

The Black Stuff is an authentic Irish Pub.
Complete with blackened rafters, a log fire, saw
dust on the floor, a warm welcome and a cool
pint.





The Pyg Irish Bar Address: <u>19 rue de la tour Jacob, Clausen</u>

The Pyg is the oldest Irish pub in
Luxembourg. It is a friendly family place
during the day and a loud hotspot at the
weekends and during sporting events.
Crowds will spill into the street when it gets
busy as the place itself is very small. Offers a
good selection of draught products, including
Guinness, Kilkenny, Murphy's, Caffrey's, cider
and the local Mousel brew.

The Good Stuff!

What to Eat

James Agnew

Editor's Note: James wanted to choose somewhere a little bit more sophisticated (silly James). Instead, your editor demanded James gives YOU, dear reader, what you really want. Somewhere that doesn't break the bank (which you never know in Luxembourg) and won't give you the two-bob bits. You're Welcome.

*Editor's Note / Disclaimer: We take no responsibility if you do, I'll be going to McDonalds or BUrger King.





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Burger, fries and a drink - €5
Link: Quick - Notre Quick. Notre Goût.



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SCALES Liam (Glasgow Celtic)
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☐ BRADY Robbie (P.N.E.)
☐ HONOHAN Joshua (Shamrock Rovers)
□ PHILLIPS Killian (Crystal Palace)
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Stade de Luxemburg



The Stade de Luxembourg meets all the specifications for a UEFA category 4 stadium and has a seating capacity of 9,471 – 8,708 standard seats, 512 VIP sets, 27 VVIP sets, 174 press seats and 50 seats for people with reduced mobility. It is possible to organise music events for 15,000 spectators.

Instantly recognisable owing to its distinctive architectural design, the stadium is a prominent feature in the skyline of the newly developed "Cloche d'Or" district.

The playing field features a hybrid surface, serving as both a football pitch and a rugby pitch. It has an automatic sprinkler system, with water supplied by a rainwater collection tank.



To ensure a high-quality playing surface during the winter months, an electric heating system is built into the pitch's foundations.

Seats of the single-tier stands are spread across 15 rows, arranged in a mosaic reminiscent of the Luxembourg flag. The main stand is on the south side.

In the basement are press areas, dressing rooms and a mixed zone. The ground floor holds the spectator's concourse as well as part of the media facilities. The first floor houses the stadium's command centre and 2 TV studios. There are two business clubs at the back of the main stand, offering 900 square metres for VIPs. Technical rooms are located on the second floor.

The arrangement of the metal panels in the façade allows light to shine through, creating a bright, vibrant environment in the stands during daylight hours. At night, the façade is lit up in different colours, to create a range of atmospheres.

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Ireland v Luxembourg

Head-to-Head Record



O9 May 1936 Luxembourg v Republic of Ireland 1-5 International Friendly
28 Oct 1953 Republic of Ireland v Luxembourg 4-0 FIFA World Cup
O7 Mar 1954 Luxembourg v Republic of Ireland 0-1 FIFA World Cup
28 May 1987 Luxembourg v Republic of Ireland 0-2 UEFA European Championship
O9 Sep 1987 Republic of Ireland v Luxembourg 2-1 UEFA European Championship
27 Mar 2021 Republic of Ireland v Luxembourg 0-1 FIFA World Cup

14 Nov 2021 Luxembourg v Republic of Ireland 0-3 FIFA World Cup

Ireland v Luxembourg

Form Guide



Luxembourg (Last six games – 1 win, 3 draws, 2 defeats)

Lost 1–3 vs Switzerland (A) 25th March 2025 (International friendly)

Won 1-0 vs Sweden (H) 22nd March 2026 (International friendly)

Drew 2-2 vs Northern Ireland (H) 18th November 2024 (UEFA Nations League Group C3)

Lost O-1 v Bulgaria (H) 15th November 2024 (UEFA Nations League Group C3)

Drew 1-1 v Belarus (A) 15th October 2024 (UEFA Nations League Group C3)

Drew 0-0 v Bulgaria (A) 12th October 2024 (UEFA Nations League Group C3)

Ireland (Last six games – 4 wins, 0 draws, 2 defeats)

Won 2-1 vs Bulgaria (H) 23rd March 2025 (UEFA Nations League Relegation Play-offs)

Won 2-1 vs Bulgaria (A) 20th March 2025 (UEFA Nations League Relegation Play-offs)

Lost 0-5 vs England (A) 17th November 2025 (UEFA Nations League Group B2)

Won 1-0 vs Finland (H) 14th November 2024 (UEFA Nations League Group B2)

Lost O-2 vs Greece (A) 13th October 2024 (UEFA Nations League Group B2)

Won 2-1 vs Finland (A) (UEFA Nations League Group B2)



Flashback

Luxembourg v Ireland Flashback - 14th November 2021

Ireland ended a mixed World Cup qualifying campaign on a high, and in third place in Group A behind Serbia and Portugal.

Luxembourg goalkeeper Ralph Schon was pressed into action in the ninth minute when he palmed away Callum Robinson's strike. Soon after, Adam Idah and Chiedozie Ogbene had early penalty appeals waived away by the Hungarian referee Tamas Bognar.

The pace of Ogbene caused Luxembourg real problems, although Gavin Bazunu had to react quickly to save Olivier Thill's attempt from distance after it had deflected off Josh Cullen. Schon then reacted quickly to divert Ogbene's rasping drive over the bar five minutes before the break, and then shortly after he clawed away John Egan's header.

In the second half, Idah flicked a cross wide, before Jeff Hendrick missed the target after receiving Matt Doherty's through-ball. Doherty himself then blasted high and wide from long range.

Luxembourg's Danel Sinani thought that he had given Luxembourg the lead when he thumped Laurent Jans' cross beyond Bazunu. However, the goal was ruled out because of a foul on Shane Duffy by substitute Maurice Deville in the build-up.

The introduction of Jason Knight for Idah midway through the second half gave Ireland fresh impetus and Duffy opened the scoring 22 minutes from time with a point-blank header from a Cullen free kick.

Ogbene then got on the scoresheet after 75 minutes, when Hendrick brilliantly picked out Knight's run into the box, and he backheeled it for Ogbene to lift the ball over the despairing Jans and into the goal.

Robinson sealed the win with two minutes left when he turned Knights lovely cross into an empty net after excellent work by McClean on the left, to seal an emphatic win at the Stade de Luxembourg.

A look at Luxembourg

By James Agnew

Nicknamed "The Red Lions", the Luxembourg national team has participated in every <u>FIFA</u> <u>World Cup</u> qualifying campaign since those for the 1934 World Cup and in every <u>UEFA</u> <u>European Championship</u> qualifying campaign since those for Euro 1964. They have never qualified for a finals tournament.

Luxembourg is currently ranked 91 in the FIFA rankings. Their highest ever placing was 82nd in September 2018 and their lowest was 195th in August 2006. The Luxembourgers biggest win came in 26th July 1948 when they defeated Afghanistan 6-0. Their heaviest defeat came against Germany on 4th August 1936, a match that they lost 9-0.

Their most capped player (with 112 appearances) and current Captain of the national side is Laurent Jans. Their highest ever goal scorer is Gerson Rodrigues with 23 goals.

The Luxembourg squad is made up of players plying their trade in the likes of Germany, France, Portugal, the Netherlands, Belgium and Austria.

The national team play games at the recently renovated Stade de Luxembourg in Luxembourg City.

In the most recent Nations League campaign, Luxembourg played in League C, Group 3 which also contained Northern Ireland, Bulgaria and Belarus. With a record of no wins, three draws and three defeats, Luxembourg finished bottom of the group and entered the promotion/relegation play off against Malta, to determine who will play in Nations League C next campaign.



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Useful Information

General Travel Advice

Irish citizens need a valid passport or passport card to enter Luxembourg. Irish passports do not have a minimum validity requirement while travelling to the UK or within the EU. When travelling within Europe with an Irish passport, it should be valid for the duration of your stay.

Emergency Assistance

The best help is often close at hand so if a problem arises, try talking to local contacts, tour operator representatives or hotel management. Visitors can contact the Emergency Services in Luxembourg or in any other European country, dial II2. The emergency number for the Police is II3.

Driving

If planning to drive in Luxembourg, take the same precautions as in Ireland but remember cars drive on the right-hand side of the road. If driving, bring your international driving license and ensure you have adequate and appropriate insurance.

European Health Insurance Card

Irish residents are entitled to get healthcare through the public system in countries of the European Union (EU), European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland if you become ill or injured while on a temporary stay there. Ensure that you get or renew your EHIC (the new name for the EIII) before travel. The EHIC is not a substitute for proper travel insurance provided by a reputable insurer. It does not cover medical repatriation, ongoing medical treatment, or treatment of a non-urgent nature. Some private hospitals may not accept the EHIC, so check with the hospital administrator beforehand.

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