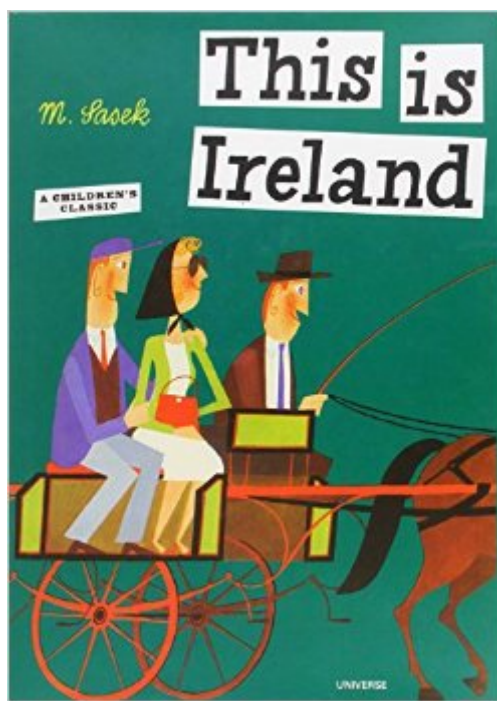


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# This Is Ireland



## Synopsis

On the heels of the runaway bestsellers *This is New York* and *This is Paris*, Universe is pleased to reissue another title from M. Sasek's beloved and nostalgic children's travel series. Like the other Sasek classics, *This is Ireland* is a facsimile edition of his original book from the 1960s and is still timely and current in every way. The brilliant, vibrant illustrations have been meticulously preserved, remaining true to his vision more than 40 years later and, where applicable, facts have been updated for the twenty-first century, appearing on a "This is...Today" page at the back of the book. The stylish, charming illustrations, coupled with Sasek's witty, playful narrative, makes for a perfect souvenir that will delight both children and their parents, many of whom will remember this book from their childhood. *This is Ireland*, first published in 1964, brings the Emerald Isle to life, where the shamrock grows and a leprechaun stands at the end of every rainbow, guarding a crock of gold. There's Dublin with its bustling crowds, tall steeples, and Trinity College; there's Clonmacnois, the burial place of kings; there's the Blarney Stone to kiss for eloquence, and much, much more in this verdant, friendly land filled with enchanted lakes and mountains that fall steep to the sea.

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## Customer Reviews

The illustrator, M.Sasek, lives up to his reputation with wonderfully illustrated images of Ireland both in the city and the countryside. (Be wary of 's packaging. I ordered a new book and part of the cover

was dog eared)

This is a great "vintage" looking book inside and out. My daughter (10) liked the content and I think it told her everything she expected to learn about Ireland and more. It is not too much information. I thought maybe the illustrations would be too dull, but they kept her interest. We also bought This is Rome. The books are good for older children because they are not too grown up and not too childish.

sasek's books are all visually lovely, no doubt about it, however they are also incredibly informative, which i quite appreciate. this book is littered with amazing images and interesting facts. i would definitely say this entry has some of the more whimsical and delightful images present in sasek's books. the endpapers are smile-inducing, and as with all the updated printings of sasek's books, there is a welcome list of "this is the country...today!" at the end of the book with changes listed since the original printing. it is great to see both the way the country WAS as well as the present day differences. i highly recommend this book if you are interested in either ireland, or simply in wonderful illustration.

Great book for my grandchildren for St. Pat's Day. Well written, good pics and terrific information about Ireland.

This is a great book series and such a special way to share your favorite places with children. This is the third book in the series I have purchased: This is San Francisco, This is Paris, and This is Ireland. All filled with beautiful classic illustrations and facts about the areas, some even I didn't know! This would make the perfect gift! I highly recommend these books!

The Sasek series of books is beloved because of the sensitive, beautiful drawings/illustrations, the charming text made especially interesting which is never tiring, and because we are all enchanted by places we long to visit. 'This is Ireland' is an ideal gift for any child learning to appreciate and understand their Irish heritage, and it is also a thoughtful present to those lucky travelers who will or have visited The Emerald Isle. If you are new to Miroslav Sasek keep in mind that all of his books are equally beloved, and it is impossible to stop with just one!

I love the art in this book, but it's a bit wordy for a kid's book. I purchased this, hoping to use it for St.

Patrick's Day with my 9, 7 and 5 year old. They all lost interest in this book quickly because of vocabulary and other ideas being over their head. In a few years I'll pull this book out again.

Last summer I enjoyed a trip to Ireland with a my sons and 2 of oldest son's children a boy and girl ages 3 and 6 years. It was a whirlwind trip and the only fixed plans for sure, were our stays set up by my daughter in law via the net, Every aspect of our trip to Ireland was a pleasant surprize and a wonderful memory. MY parents were natives of this beautiful land. When a friend showed me a copy of this book, I knew I had to gift the children. So many of the spots represented in the book's pages were indeed places we had roamed. The water color renditions were simple and sweet. Sincerely,  
Maureen Braun

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