

FOYNES PORT AND AUGHINISH

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MAP OF SHANNON ESTUARY

- FOYNES SEAPORT IS ON THE SHANNON ESTUARY.
- RUSAL AUGHINISH IS ALSO SITUATED ON SHANNON ESTUARY.



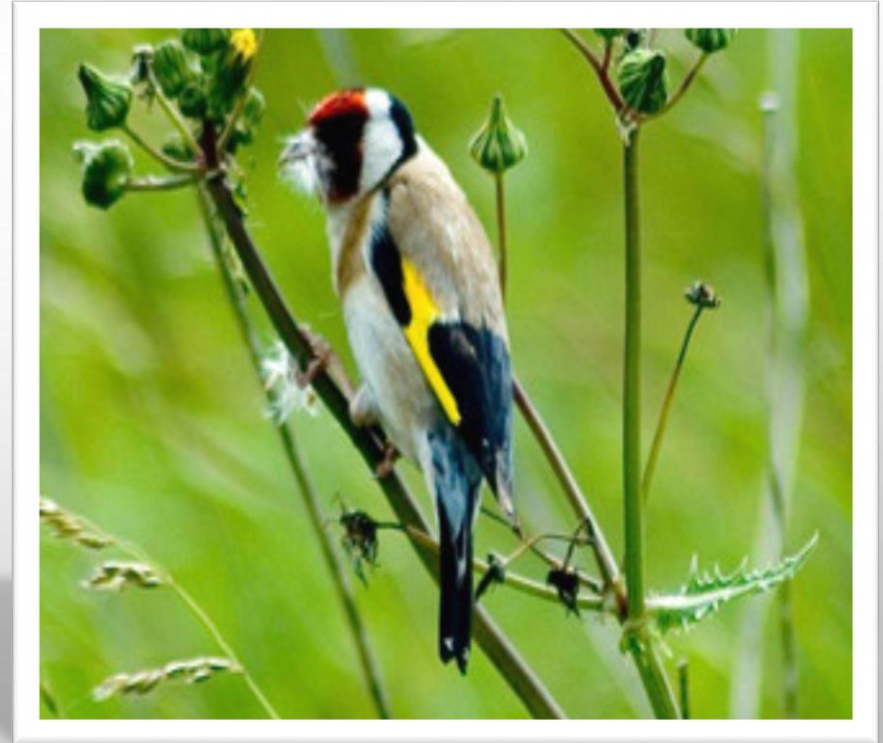
RUSAL AUGHINISH ALUMINA

- AUGHINISH IS THE LARGEST INDUSTRIAL PROJECT EVER UNDERTAKEN IN IRELAND
- IT'S MAIN EXPORT IS ALUMINA WHICH IS USED TO MAKE ALUMINIUM
- THE CURRENT ANNUAL CAPACITY OF THE REFINERY IS IN EXCESS OF 1.9 MILLION TONNES OF ALUMINA.
- OVER 450 WORKERS ARE EMPLOYED FROM TOWNS AND VILLAGES SUCH AS RATHKEALE, NEWCASTLE WEST AND FOYNES.



AUGHINISH BIRD SANCTUARY

THE RUSAL AUGHINISH ALUMINA REFINERY AND ASSOCIATED WITH BRDA HAVE A “SPECIAL AREA OF CONSERVATION,” AND “AUGHINISH ISLAND DESIGNATED BIRD SANCTUARY,” ARE LOCATED ON THE LOWER RIVER OF THE SHANNON.



FOYNES PORT

- FOYNES PORT IS LIMERICK'S ONLY SEA PORT.
- FROM 1937 TO 1945 IT OPERATED THE FLYING BOATS.
- IT'S MAIN EXPORT IS ALUMINA HYDRATE.
- IT ALSO EXPORTS ANIMAL FEED, FERTILISER, COAL, STEEL, AND WIND TURBINES.
- THE GREAT NATURAL ASSET THAT FOYNES HAS IS THE DEEP WATER ANCHORAGE IT CAN PROVIDE.



FOYNES FLYING BOATS

- FOYNES WAS THE TERMINUS FOR THE FIRST WATER-BASED TRANSATLANTIC AVIATION.
- THE TERMINUS AT FOYNES ACTED AS A VITAL LINK BETWEEN EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES.
- MANY FAMOUS PERSONALITIES PASSED THROUGH FOYNES INCLUDING MAUREEN O'HARA, A FAMOUS FILM STAR AND CHARLES LINDBERGH WHO WAS THE FIRST MAN TO FLY NON-STOP SOLO CROSSING OF THE ATLANTIC IN HIS PLACE "THE SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS."



IRISH COFFEE

A FAMOUS DRINK, IRISH COFFEE, WAS INVENTED IN 1943 BY CHER JOE SHERIDAN. IT CONSISTED OF COFFEE, WHISKEY AND TOPPED WITH CREAM.

