



Today in History

December 31, 1759

▲ Irish entrepreneur Arthur Guinness began brewing ales at the St James's Gate Brewery in Dublin. By his death in 1803 it was producing 20,000 barrels a year

1687: The first Huguenots set sail from France for South Africa, where they helped to create the wine industry

1981: Ghana's civilian government was overthrown in a military coup led by Flight Lieutenant Jerry Rawlings

1991: A peace deal was reached at the UN to end the civil war in El Salvador

1992: The European Single Market came into being, to bring down trade barriers, create more jobs and increase overall prosperity in the EU