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Newgrange is a Stone Age monument in Ireland. Newgrange was constructed over 5,000 years ago during the Neolithic period, which makes it older than Stonehenge and Great Pyramids of Giza.



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Newgrange is a large circular mound with a stone passageway and chambers inside. The mound is ringed by 97 large stones.



Archaeologists classified Newgrange as a passage tomb. However, Newgrange is now recognized to be much more than that.



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Ancient Temple is a more fitting classification. It was a place of astrological, spiritual, religious and ceremonial importance.



Newgrange is part of a complex of monuments. The other two principal monuments are Knowth (the largest) and Dowth, but throughout the region there are 35 smaller mounds.



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