**Here are some common Irregular verbs in the Preterite:**

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|  | **Yo** | | **tú** | | **él, ella, usted** | | | **nosotros** | **ellos, ellas, ustedes** | |
| ***Andar*** | anduve | | anduviste | | anduvo | | | anduvimos | anduvieron | |
| ***Conducir\**** | conduje | | condujiste | | condujo | | | condujimos | condujeron | |
| ***Decir\**** | dije | | dijiste | | dijo | | | dijimos | dijeron | |
| ***Estar*** | estuve | | estuviste | | estuvo | | | estuvimos | estuvieron | |
| ***Hacer*** | hice | | hiciste | | hizo | | | hicimos | hicieron | |
| ***Poner*** | puse | | pusiste | | puso | | | pusimos | pusieron | |
| ***Poder*** | pude | | pudiste | | pudo | | | pudimos | pudieron | |
| ***Querer*** | quise | | quisiste | | quiso | | | quisimos | quisieron | |
| ***Saber*** | supe | | supiste | | supo | | | supimos | supieron | |
| ***Tener*** | tuve | | tuviste | | tuvo | | | tuvimos | tuvieron | |
| ***Traer\**** | traje | | trajiste | | trajo | | | trajimos | trajeron | |
| ***Venir*** | vine | | viniste | | vino | | | vinimos | vinieron | |
| ***Hacer*** in the third person singular changes out the "c" for a "z" to reflect the correct pronunciation.  Irregulars which use a "J" in the Preterite only add "-eron" (NOT "-ieron") to the third-person plural | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Other verbs which are irregular in the Preterite** | | | | | | | | | | |
| ***Dar*** | | *di* | | *diste* | | *dio* | *dimos* | | | *dieron* |
| ***Dar*** is often humorously referred to as the "cross-dressing" verb, because in the Preterite ***Dar*** takes on the ***-Er/-Ir*** preterite verb endings rather than -***Ar*** verb endings. | | | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Ver*** | | *vi* | | *viste* | | *vio* | *vimos* | | | *vieron* |
| Verbs with only 2 or 3 letters, such as ***Dar, Ser, Ir*** and ***Ver***, also do not wear accent marks in the Preterite.  [Remember that Spanish only uses accent marks when required for pronunciation or differentiation](http://www.drlemon.com/Grammar/pronounce.html). | | | | | | | | | | |
|  | | | | | | | | | | |
| ***Ir & Ser*** | | *fui* | | *fuiste* | | *fue* | *fuimos* | | | *fueron* |
| Notice that ***Ir*** and ***Ser*** share the same forms in the Preterite. This is not as confusing as it may appear. Since ***Ser*** refers to existence and identification, it is nearly impossible to use this in the Preterite which handles only completed actions. This preterite conjugation form will nearly always be ***Ir*** (an action verb) rather than ***Ser*** (a descriptive verb) which is usually conjugated in the [Imperfect Past tense](http://www.drlemon.com/Grammar/imperfect.html).  Also the context of a sentence or a conversation will let you know which is being used. For example:   * ***Fui*** *al supermercado* clearly means "I went to the supermarket," not ***\*"I was*** to the supermarket." | | | | | | | | | | |