

United States Military History



Army



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Birthday
14 June 1775

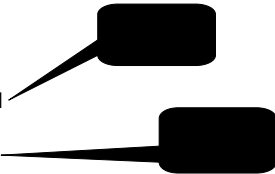
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Since its birth on 14 June 1775 - over a year before the Declaration of Independence-the United States Army has played a vital role in the growth and development of our nation. Soldiers have fought 10 wars, from the American Revolution through the Cold War, the Gulf War, to the current War on Terrorism.

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The Army is composed of an active duty component, also known as the "Regular Army" and the Reserve Components of the Army National Guard and U.S. Army Reserve

Army's Components



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History of Army Campaigns

The Army Flag and Its Streamers was originally prepared in August 1964 by the Office of the Chief of Military History, with the Office of the Chief of Information, and the U.S. Army Exhibit Unit, to provide general summaries of each of the campaigns.

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History of Army Campaigns

The 175 streamers attached to the Army Flag staff denote campaigns fought by the Army throughout our nation's history.

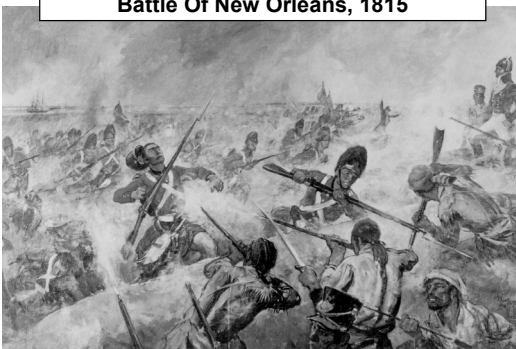
The Revolutionary War 1775-1781
Lexington, Massachusetts, April 19, 1775



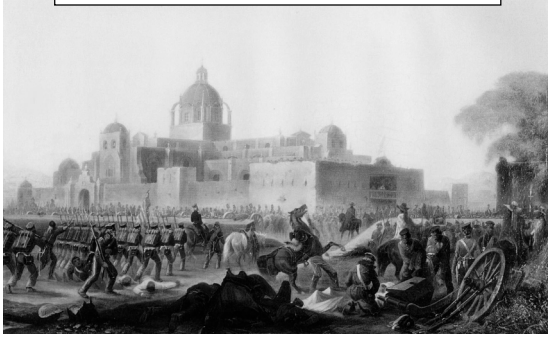
The Revolutionary War 1775-1781
Yorktown, 14 October 1781



The War of 1812 (1812-1815)
Battle Of New Orleans, 1815



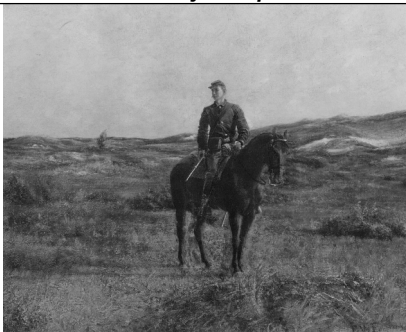
The Mexican War 1846-1847
Churubusco, Mexico

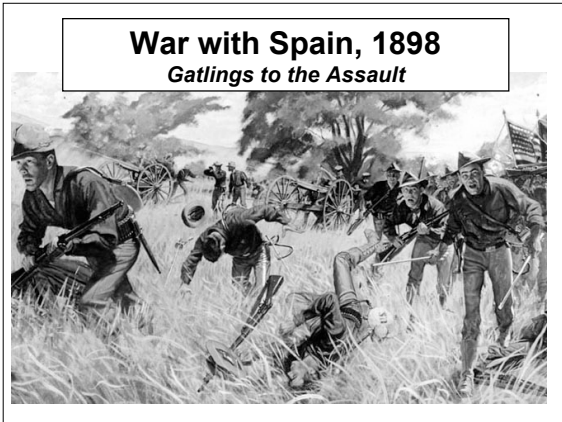


The Civil War, 1861-1865
First at Vicksburg

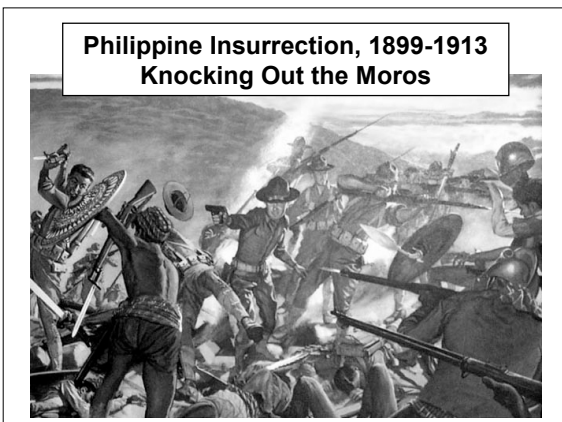


Indian Wars, 1790-1891
Cavalry Trooper

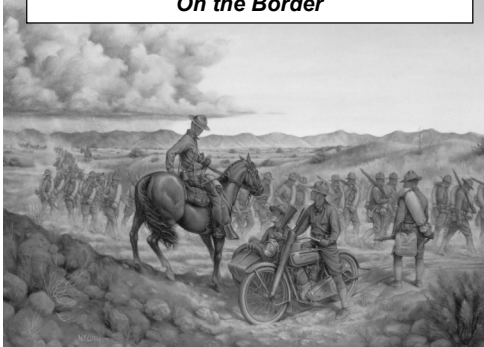




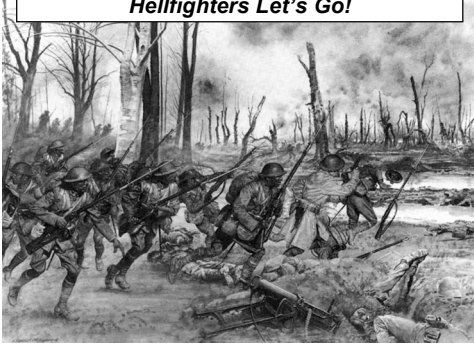




Mexican Expedition, 1916-1917
On the Border



World War I, 1917-1918
Hellfighters Let's Go!



WW II, Asiatic-Pacific Theater,
Dec. 1941-Sep. 1945



WW II, European-African-Middle Eastern Theater, June 1942-May 1945



Korean War, June 1950-July 1953
Breakthrough at Chipyong-ni



Vietnam, Mar. 1962-Jan. 1973



Armed Forces Expeditions

Dominican Republic, April 1965-September 1966
Grenada, October-November 1983
Panama, December 1989-January 1990



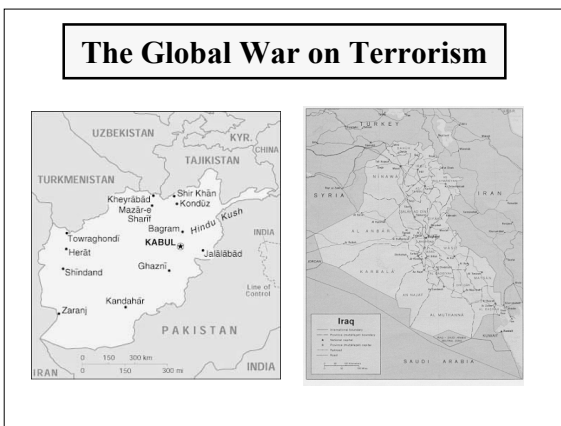
Southwest Asia, 1990-1995

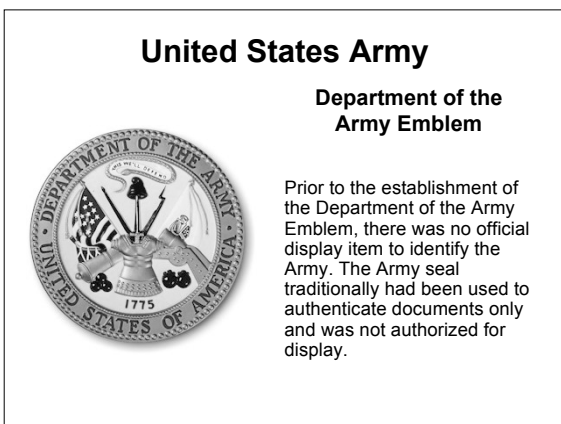


Southwest Asia, 1990-1995









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Department of the Army Emblem



In recognizing the need to provide a display item, The Secretary of the Army approved the design as the official emblem to represent the Army on 29 January 1974.

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Department of the Army Emblem



The symbolism for the elements of the Army emblem is the same as for the Army seal with the above deviations and additions: The colors of the design elements are those traditionally associated with the ideals of the U.S. and of the Army. The flags are in proper colors.

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Blue

Symbolizes loyalty, vigilance, perseverance & truth.

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Red

Denotes courage, zeal and
fortitude.

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Alludes to deeds worth of
remembrance.

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Black

Is indicative of determination
and constancy.

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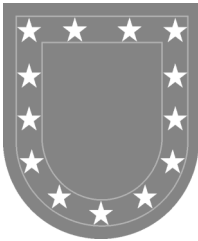


Gold

Represents achievement, dignity and honor.

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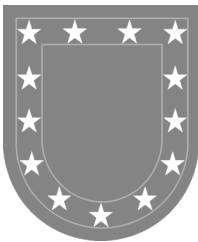
Army Beret Flash



The Army flash is based on the National colors, white stars on a blue field, which were carried by the Continental Army through the Revolutionary War and present at the victory of Yorktown.

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Army Beret Flash



According to historical references, the flags used by the Continental Army were "blue." The field flag of the Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army was light blue with thirteen stars. Other flags of the same time period were dark blues with thirteen stars.

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Army Beret Flash

The blue background is symbolic of the union of the United States flag and the thirteen stars represent the original colonies.

The beret flash was approved on 20 Nov 2000.

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"The Army Goes Rolling Along" Official Song Of The U.S. Army

The song was written by field artillery First Lieutenant (later Brigadier General) Edmund L. Gruber, while stationed in the Philippines in 1908 as the "Caisson Song." The original lyrics reflect routine activities in a horse-drawn field artillery battery. The song was transformed into a march by John Philip Sousa in 1917 and renamed "The Field Artillery Song."

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It was adopted in 1952 as the official song of the Army and re-titled, "The Army Goes Rolling Along."

The "Army Goes Rolling Along" is played at the conclusion of every U.S. Army ceremony and all soldiers are expected to stand and sing.

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"The Army Goes Rolling Along" Official Song Of The U.S. Army

Intro: March along, sing our song, with the Army of the free
Count the brave, count the true, who have fought to victory
We're the Army and proud of our name
We're the Army and proudly proclaim

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"The Army Goes Rolling Along" Official Song Of The U.S. Army

Verse: First to fight for the right,
And to build the Nation's might,
And The Army Goes Rolling Along
Proud of all we have done,
Fighting till the battle's won,
And the Army Goes Rolling Along.

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"The Army Goes Rolling Along" Official Song Of The U.S. Army

Refrain: Then it's Hi! Hi! Hey!
The Army's on its way.
Count off the cadence loud and strong (TWO! THREE!)
For where e'er we go,
You will always know
That The Army Goes Rolling Along.

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"The Army Goes Rolling Along" Official Song Of The U.S. Army

Verse: Valley Forge, Custer's ranks,
San Juan Hill and Patton's tanks,
And the Army went rolling along
Minute men, from the start,
Always fighting from the heart,
And the Army keeps rolling along.
(refrain)

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"The Army Goes Rolling Along" Official Song Of The U.S. Army

Verse: Men in rags, men who froze,
Still that Army met its foes,
And the Army went rolling along.
Faith in God, then we're right,
And we'll fight with all our might,
As the Army keeps rolling along.
(refrain)
