



# The American Revolution

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This pathfinder will be useful in finding information about the American Revolutionary War.

For an introduction to the topic, see:

- “Revolutionary War” [Compton's Encyclopedia 2004](#) vol. R

## Key Resources at a Glance:

- [American Eras: The Revolutionary Era, 1754-1783](#), edited by Robert J. Allison (1998) (R 973.8 Ame v.02)
- The American Revolution Website, <http://www.theamericanrevolution.org>

## Reference Background

- [The Encyclopedia of Colonial and Revolutionary America](#) (1990) (R 973.303 Enc)
- [The American Revolution: An Eyewitness History](#), by David F. Burg (2001) (R 973.3 BUR)
- [The Encyclopedia of The American Revolutionary War: A Political Social, and Military History](#) (2006) (973.303 Enc)

## Resources

### Books

- [The American Revolution: Writings from the War of Independence](#) (2001) (973.3 Ame)
- [Revolutionary War Records: Virginia](#) (R 973.3455 Bru)
- [The Unknown American Revolution](#), by Gary B. Nash (2005) (R 973.3 Nas)
- [The War That Made America](#), by Fred Anderson (2005) (R 973.26 And)
- [Revolutionary America, 1763-1800](#) (1995) 973.3 Pur

### Journals

- *Journal of American History* Available through EBSCO Host
- *American History* Available through EBSCO Host

## Search Aids

### Search Terms

(Use for computer searches)

- Revolutionary War
- American Revolution
- Colonial America
- Declaration of Independence
- War for Independence
- British-American War

### Subject Headings

(Use in card catalogs and print indexes)

- United States--History--Revolution, 1775-1783

### Call Number

- 973.3 (Dewey Decimal)

### Indexes and Abstracts

- EBSCO Host  
<http://search.ebscohost.com>
- First Search  
<http://firstsearch.oclc.org>

### Library catalogs

- Urbandale Public Library  
<http://www.urbandalelibrary.org>
- SILO – (Iowa Locator) state-wide catalog  
<http://z3950.silo.lib.ia.us/cgi-bin/zform.CGI?SILO>
- World Cat – world-wide catalog  
<http://worldcat.org>

## Web Pages and Web Portals

- The History Place  
<http://www.historyplace.com>
- The American Revolution  
<http://www.americanrevolution.com>

## Organizations and Special Collections

- American Historical Association  
<http://www.historians.org>
- Organization of American Historians  
<http://www.oah.org>
- Smithsonian National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C.  
<http://www.americanhistory.si.edu>

## Multimedia Resources

- [\*The American Revolution\*](#) (Greystone Communications, 1994) [VHS] (VR/C 973.3 Ame)
- [\*Liberty! The American Revolution\*](#) (PBS Home Video, 1997) [VHS] (VR/C 973.3 Lib)

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<http://www.THEpathfinderproject.org/evaluate.html> \*\*

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