Explore North Carolina

Find things connected to North Carolina

- Barcode
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- Cheerwine
- Texas Pete
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- Sweet Potaotes
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- Scuppernong Grapes
- Brightleaf Hot Dogs
- Mt Olive Pickles

- Tar
- Krispy Kreme
- Cotton
- Pepsi
- Tobacco
- Overalls
- Milk
- Hogs
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- Cardinal
- Cookout

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The NC National Guard

Established in 1663

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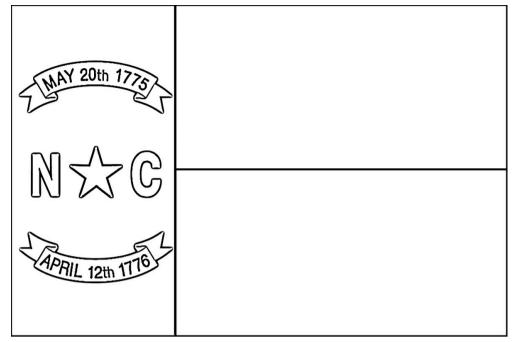
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- The Adjutant General MG Todd Hunt
- 10,000 Soldiers & Airmen
- Motto "Always Ready, Ready Team"

From the Mountains to the Coast

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Color your own North Carolina Flag



The history and meaning of the North Carolina flag

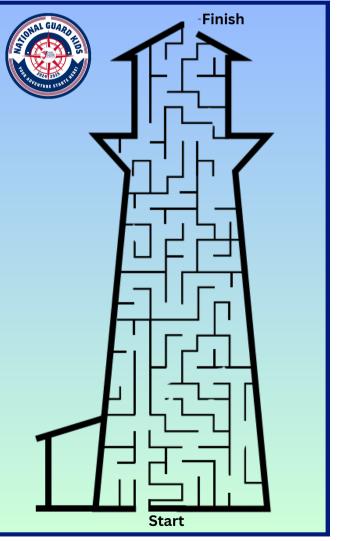
Adopted in 1885, our state flag is a record of North Carolina history. The colors of the flag mirror the US flag and their meanings are identical, Red for courage, White for purity & liberty, and Blue for loyalty. At the hoist end the white star between the "N" and "C" symbolizes North Carolina as one of the original 13 colonies. North Carolina became the 12th state on 21 November 1789. The lettering must be "in glit" meaning painted in gold leaf, not just yellow. The top ribbon is the

supposed date of the Mecklenburg Declaration of independence from England, bottom is the date the Halifax Resolves were adopted allowing delegates to vote in favor of American Independence.

Fast Facts



- Michael Jordan Grew up in Wilmington, NC
- Population (2024) 11,046,024
- Babe Ruth Hit his first homerun in Fayetteville, NC
- There are 100 counties in North Carolina
- 97 Counties have military connected youth
- Astronauts Buzz Aldrin, Neil Armstrong, and Michael Collins were trained at Morehead Planetarium
- Vicks VapoRub Invented in Greensboro, NC by pharmacist Lunsford Richardson
- Miniature golf was born in NC by Don Clayton
- The Pirate Blackbeard called NC home
- The largest mansion in American, Biltmore Estate, took 6 years to build and has 250 rooms
- Three Presidents were from North Carolina, James Polk, Andrew Jackson and Andrew Johnson
- More than 25,000 jobs are connected to motorsports in North Carolina
- Inventors Orville & Wilber Wright had the first successful flight in 1903 at Kitty Hawk



North Carolina is home to 7 lighthouses along its coast and 1 river inlet lighthouse. To find out more about North Carolina go to: *https://www.visitnc.com*