

Landmarks in World History (ca. 1750–ca. 1900)

1750

1775

1800

1825

EUROPE

- 1780s**
Beginnings of abolitionist movement
- 1789–1799**
French Revolution
- 1780–1850**
Beginnings of Industrial Revolution
- 1799–1814**
Reign of Napoleon Bonaparte
- 1825**
Decembrist revolt in Russia

THE AMERICAS AND PACIFIC OCEANIA

- 1768–1779**
Voyages of Captain James Cook in Pacific Oceania
- 1775–1787**
Revolution in North America
- 1791–1804**
Haitian Revolution
- 1803**
Louisiana Purchase
- 1808–1825**
Latin American wars of independence

ASIA

- 1740–1818**
Wahhabi movement of Islamic renewal in Arabia
- 1755**
British takeover of India begins
- 1778**
Initial British settlement of Australia
- 1793**
Chinese rejects British requests for expanded trade

AFRICA

- 1750–1800**
High point of the Atlantic slave trade
- 1798**
Napoleon's invasion of Egypt
- 1804–1817**
Fulbe Wars; Sokoto caliphate established in West Africa
- 1815–1840**
Mfecane; rise of Zulu kingdom in South Africa
- 1830–1847**
Initial French conquest of Algeria
- 1834–1846**
Great Trek in South Africa

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- 1848**
Publication of *The Communist Manifesto* by Karl Marx
- 1858**
British government assumes control of India
- 1859–1871**
Charles Darwin presents his ideas on evolution
- 1861**
Emancipation of serfs in Russia
- 1870–1871**
Unification of Germany and Italy
- 1875–1900**
European "scramble for Africa"
- 1905**
First Russian Revolution

- 1846–1848**
Mexican–United States War
- 1848**
Women's Rights Convention, Seneca Falls, New York
- 1861–1865**
U.S. Civil War; abolition of slavery
- 1867**
Dominion of Canada established
- 1870–1899**
Colonial annexation of Pacific islands
- 1886–1888**
Cuba and Brazil abolish slavery
- 1898–1902**
Spanish–American War
- After 1865**
Rapid industrialization in United States

- 1838–1842**
First Opium War in China
- 1850–1864**
Taping Uprising in China
- 1857–1858**
Indian Rebellion
- 1868**
Meiji Restoration in Japan
- 1869**
Opening of Suez Canal
- 1875–1914**
European colonial conquest of Africa
- 1889–1895**
Japanese war against China
- 1894–1905**
Russo–Japanese War
- 1898–1901**
Boxer Uprising
- 1899–1902**
Boer War in South Africa
- 1839–1876**
Tanzimat reforms in Ottoman Empire
- 1858–1893**
French conquest of Indochina
- 1911–1912**
Collapse of imperial China

- 1847**
Liberia established by American freed slaves
- 1850s**
High point of East African slave trade
- 1882–1898**
Samori Toure's resistance to French aggression in West Africa
- 1896**
Battle of Adowa; Ethiopia defeats Italian forces
- 1899–1902**
Boer War in South Africa