



Colonial Men and Women

Below is a partial list of men and women who lived during the colonial period.

- Alexander Spotswood**—enlightened Virginia governor
- Anne Bonney**—female pirate
- 14 **Anne Hutchinson**—independent religious dissenter
- 13 **Benjamin Franklin**—printer; scientist; political leader
- Blackbeard (Edward Teach)**—infamous pirate
- Canonicus**—Narraganset chief
- Cecil Calvert**—true founder of Maryland colony
- 12 **Cotton Mather**—famous Puritan minister
- Deborah Read Franklin**—Philadelphia businesswoman
- Eliza Lucas Pinckney**—developed indigo as a cash crop
- Esther Edwards Burr**—letter writer
- Esther Reed**—fundraiser and proponent of freedom
- Ferdinando Gorges**—Maine proprietor
- 11 **James Oglethorpe**—visionary founder of Georgia
- James Otis**—radical proponent of rebellion
- Johan (Big Tub) Printz**—governor of New Sweden
- 10 **John Mason**—New Hampshire proprietor
- 9 **John Rolfe**—Jamestown land owner; married Pocahontas
- 8 **John Smith**—leader of Jamestown; adventurer
- 7 **John Winthrop**—leader of Massachusetts Bay Colony
- Jonathan Edwards**—leader of a great religious revival
- Lord de la Warr (Thomas West)**—tough governor of early Jamestown
- Mary Dyer**—Quaker who upset leaders in Massachusetts
- Mary Read**—female pirate
- Massasoit**—peaceful leader of the Wampanoag tribe
- Mercy Otis Warren**—historian, advocate of independence
- Metacom (King Philip)**—war leader of the Wampanoags
- Nathaniel Bacon**—rebel leader in Virginia
- 15 **Oludah Equiano**—wrote an account of his life as a slave
- Opechancanough**—sachem and war leader of Powhatan forces
- 6 **Peter Minuet**—leader of New Amsterdam settlement
- Peter Stuyvesant**—tough governor of New Netherland
- Phillis Wheatley**—slave poet; voice for liberty
- 16 **Pocahontas**—saved John Smith's life; kidnapped by settlers
- Powhatan**—powerful Indian leader; father of Pocahontas
- 1 **Roger Williams**—religious dissenter; founded Rhode Island
- Sir George Carteret**—New Jersey proprietor
- 2 **Sir Walter Raleigh**—founder of lost Roanoke Colony
- Squanto**—Indian who helped settlers in Plymouth
- 3 **Thomas Hooker**—founder of Connecticut Colony
- Weetamoo**—female war leader of the Wampanoag tribe
- 4 **William Bradford**—longtime governor of Plymouth Colony
- 5 **William Penn**—founder of Pennsylvania