



**REAL TIME REVOLUTION™ Living History Event: His Majesty's Garrison of Ticonderoga  
February 15, 2025**

How did soldiers and their families make a comfortable life here at this historic military post? See Fort Ticonderoga on the eve of the Revolutionary War as British soldiers and their families live in this peacetime fort on the frontier.

**10:00 a.m. Fort Ticonderoga Opens to Visitors**

**10:15 a.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour (Begins at American Flag)**

In this entertaining half-hour tour, discover the incredible story of Ticonderoga and all the great experiences Fort Ticonderoga offers today. Learn about the iconic battles of Carillon & Ticonderoga within the French & Indian War and the Revolutionary War. Explore groundbreaking preservation and reconstruction efforts that allow Fort Ticonderoga to bring to life its heroic tales today and for generations to come.

**11:00 a.m. Musket Demonstration (Demonstration Area)**

Meet British soldiers in 1775 with their muskets and bayonets. Discover the basic training British soldiers exercised daily to maintain their professional bearing during peacetime.

**12:30 p.m. Music Demonstration (Inside Mars Education Center Great Room)**

From battle to barracks life, explore the role of fifers and drummers in the British Army. Learn the meanings behind the many tunes and how they were used in a British Army defending their empire around the globe.

**1:00 p.m. "A Knife and Place for Each Man" (Ground Floor of Officers' Barracks)**

Step inside Fort Ticonderoga's Mess Room and discover how a peacetime garrison ate their dinner in a respectable manner. See the importance of good food, nice dishes, and dress uniforms to the self-image of British soldiers and their families

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**2:00 p.m. “Every Soldier to be taught to fire Ball in all Directions, till he is a good Marksman” (Begins in Demonstration Area)**

The British Army expected every soldier to be an excellent shot! Go beyond loading and firing and explore the training British soldiers underwent to be ready for any conflict abroad or hostilities from within.

**3:00 p.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour (Begins at American Flag)**

See 10:15 a.m. description

**4:00 p.m. Fort Ticonderoga Closes to Visitors**

**On-going 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Shoemaking (Ground Floor of Officers’ Barracks)**

British soldiers paid for two pairs of shoes and two pairs of replacement soles each year from deductions from their wages. Discover the trade of shoemaking and how soldiers brought this vital skill into the British Army to maintain their mates’ shoes.

**Tailoring (Second Floor of Officers’ Barracks)**

From leggings to fur caps, clothing British soldiers for winter was an efficient science on the eve of the American Revolution. See how economy and comfort were balanced at the end of a tailor’s needle on the shores of frozen Lake Champlain.

**A Family’s Quarters (Ground Floor of Soldiers’ Barracks)**

See the simple comforts of the family quarters of peacetime garrison life. Learn how women employed by Ticonderoga’s Barrack Master outfitted the barracks with proper bedding.

**Artillery Artificers (Powder Magazine)**

Explore the British powder magazine and the stockpile of powder and ammunition left over from the French and Indian War. Meet a gunner from the Royal Artillery stationed at Fort Ticonderoga to maintain its cannon in case they ever had to fire in anger again.

**Livestock (Around Fort Ticonderoga)**

See Red Devon oxen in action, hauling supplies for the British garrison at Ticonderoga. Discover how cattle, horses, and sheep were a common part of the peacetime landscape surrounding Fort Ticonderoga.

**Carpentry (Parade Ground)**

Watch wood chips fly as carpenters repair the barracks of the fort. See how chisels, saws, and augers helped carpenters repair soldiers’ barracks, in preparation for reinforcements set to arrive in the spring.