

## REAL TIME REVOLUTION™ Living History Event: The Market for Produce Goods March 15, 2025

Explore Fort Ticonderoga's place within the communities along Lake Champlain. From markets to marriages, see the surprising connections between the 26th Regiment of Foot and American colonists as war loomed on the horizon.

#### 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 "Every Soldier to be taught to fire Ball in all Directions, till he is a good Marksman" (Begins on the Parade Ground)

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.

## 11:30 a.m. The Market for Produce Goods (Demonstration Area)

Witness local farmers and their families arrive to sell goods to each other and the British garrison of Fort Ticonderoga. Discover how the British commander of Ticonderoga hosted this well-regulated market.

#### 12:30 p.m. Ticonderoga's Neighborhood (Inside Mars Education Center Great Room)

Join Fort Ticonderoga Director of Interpretation, Cameron Green, to explore the community that developed around Ticonderoga on the eve of the American Revolution. Learn what was happening both at Fort Ticonderoga and in the surrounding area on the eve of the America's First Victory on May 10, 1775! Discover what we know about these early settlers and how the American War for Independence effected their livelihood.

## 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.

## 1:00 p.m. A Dinner with Friends (Second Floor of Officers' Barracks)

Head up to the officers' quarters and see British Army Captain William Delaplace dine with his Royal Navy counterpart on Lake Champlain, Captain William Friend. See the luxuries of an officers' mess and the similarities to a respectable peacetime soldiers' meal.

#### 1:15 p.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour (Begins at American Flag)

See 10:15 a.m. description

#### 2:00 p.m. A Muster of His Majesty's Sloop (Parade Ground)

Discover the crew of the sloop Betsy, who mustered every two months at Ticonderoga. Explore the jobs of each crew member aboard this British vessel, and their connections to the community between Fort Ticonderoga and Crown Point.

## 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

Ongoing 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### **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.

#### 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.

#### **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.