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Virginia

Founding of Colony

Virginia was founded in 1607 which was the Jamestown settlement, which was founded by John Smith. Virginia though became a royal colony in 1624 and was founded by the London Company, an English stock company that was during the reign of King James the 1st. Why bother settling in Virginia? Some people wondered that, but the main reason for settling here were to gain wealth and to convert Natives to Christianity like the puritans did, except the puritans did this more successfully. People came to Virginia from England, London, France, Netherlands, and basically anywhere from Northern Europe.



John Smith, founder of Jamestown.

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RELIGION OF VIRGINIA

Religions in Virginia were unlike any other colony, since most colonies were puritans. The two main religions of Virginia were protestants and the Anglican church. These two religions were supporters of traditional forms of worship. Some people might worry that the colonies tolerance on religion would be tight, but the tolerance was pretty lax as you didn't have to be purified like puritans and you could worship anything although they preferred if you worshiped one of the main two religions. The only bad thing about the tolerance was that they only allowed whites to worship. Government was not affected at all because they considered religion to be important, but not controlling.



The church laws of Virginia.



A remake of a modern church in the Virginia Colony.

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HOME LIFE

The profession of the colonies were that the men did the field work, like making crops, building farms, and with plants. The women jobs were cook, make candles, and weave clothes. Even the kids had job, but their jobs were usually only helping the mothers and butter churning. When the kids didn't work they played games such as marbles, hide and seek, hopscotch, and other games that resemble what we play today. Some tools that they used were a hay crook which cuts hay to separate it. Another tool was called fire scoop which transferred coals. Another tool was called hand adze which hallowed out bowls.



A hand adze



A butter churn

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