

Some Important Events and Battles of the Civil War

December 20, 1860	Secession of South Carolina.
January 9, 1861	U. S. steamer <i>Star of the West</i> , attempting to reach Fort Sumter in Charleston harbor, fired on by South Carolina troops.
February 4, 1861	Confederate Provisional Government organized in Montgomery, Alabama.
March 4, 1861	Inauguration of Abraham Lincoln as President of the United States.
April 12-14, 1861	Bombardment and capture of Fort Sumter by Confederates.
May 24, 1861	Union troops invaded Virginia.
May 29, 1861	Confederate capital moved from Montgomery to Richmond, Va.
June 1, 1861	First Confederate battle death: Captain John Q. Marr at Fairfax Court House, Va.
July 21, 1861	First Battle of Manassas or Bull Run, Va.
August 10, 1861	Battle of Wilson's Creek or Oak Hill, Mo.
February 6, 16, 1862	Capture of Forts Henry and Donelson, Tenn.
February 22, 1862	Confederate "Permanent" Government organized in Richmond, Va.
March 6-8, 1862	Battle of Pea Ridge or Elkhorn Tavern, Ark.
March 9, 1862	Battle between ironclads <i>Monitor</i> and <i>Virginia</i> (Merrimac), Hampton Roads, Va.
April 6-7, 1862	Battle of Shiloh, Tenn.
April 24, 1862	Capture of New Orleans.
May 31-June 1, 1862	Battle of Seven Pines, Va.
June 6, 1862	Capture of Memphis, Tenn.
June 26-July 1, 1862	Seven Days' Battles, Va.
July 1, 1862	Battle of Malvern Hill, Va.
July 15, 1862	Naval battle of Confederate ram <i>Arkansas</i> and Union fleet near Vicksburg, Miss.
August 30, 1862	Second Battle of Manassas or Bull Run, Va.
September 16-17, 1862	Battle of Sharpsburg or Antietam, Md.
September 22, 1862	Emancipation Proclamation.
December 7, 1862	Battle of Prairie Grove, Ark.
December 13, 1862	Battle of Fredericksburg, Va.
May 1-4, 1863	Battle of Chancellorsville, Va. Death of Stonewall Jackson.
July 1-3, 1863	Battle of Gettysburg, Pa.
July 4, 1863	Surrender of Vicksburg, Miss.
September 19-20, 1863	Battle of Chickamauga, Tenn.
November 23-25, 1863	Battles of Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain, and vicinity in Tenn.

February 17, 1864	First successful use of the submarine in warfare, by Confederates off Charleston, S. C.
April 8-9, 1864	Defeat of Federal expedition up Red River at Mansfield and Pleasant Hill, La.
May 5-7, 1864	Battle of the Wilderness, Va.
May 8–18, 1864	Battle of Spottsylvania Court House, Va.
June 1-3, 1864	Battle of Cold Harbor, Va.
June 19, 1864	Sinking of Confederate cruiser <i>Alabama</i> off Cherbourg, France.
June 19, 1864	Beginning of siege of Petersburg, Va.
June 27, 1864	Battle of Kennesaw Mountain, Ga.
July 22, 1864	Battle of Atlanta, Ga.
September 2, 1864	Capture of Atlanta, Ga.
September 20-October 28, 1864	Sterling Price's expedition to Missouri.
November 16, 1864	Beginning of Sherman's march from Atlanta to the sea.
November 30, 1864	Battle of Franklin, Tenn. Death of Patrick R. Cleburne.
December 15-16, 1864	Battle of Nashville, Tenn.
December 21, 1864	Capture of Savannah, Ga.
February 17, 1865	Burning of Columbia, S. C.
March 18, 1865	Adjournment of the last Confederate Congress.
March 19–21, 1865	Battle of Bentonville, N. C.
April 1, 1865	Battle of Five Forks, Va.
April 2, 1865	Capture of Petersburg and Richmond, Va.
April 9, 1865	Surrender of Lee at Appomattox Court House, Va.
April 14, 1865	Assassination of President Lincoln in Washington, D.C.
April 26, 1865	Surrender of Johnston at Greensboro, N. C.
May 10, 1865	Capture of President Davis at Irwinsville, Ga.
May 26, 1865	Surrender of Confederate army west of the Mississippi.