



Captain James Cook (1728-1779)

1768

James Cook discovers and explores the east coast of Australia.

1769

James Cook lands in New Zealand.

1770

Australia was 'discovered' by James Cook when he arrives in New South Wales

1772

James Cook crosses the Antarctic Circle and circumnavigates Antarctica.

Jan 1773

Captain James Cook and his crew become the first men to cross the Antarctic Circle.

1773

Captain James Cook becomes the first to cross Antarctic Circle (66° 33' S).

1774

Captain James Cook reaches a record 71° 10' S, 1820 km from S pole.

Jan 1775

Captain James Cook, on his third voyage, sails past South Georgia and discovers the South Sandwich Islands two weeks later.

1778

Captain James Cook discovers Maui and the Sandwich Islands (Hawaiian Islands).

1778

Captain James Cook first sights Oregon coast, at Yaquina Bay.

1778

Captain James Cook passes through Bering Strait.

1778

Captain James Cook sights Cape Flattery, in Washington state.



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14 Feb 1779

Captain James Cook was killed on Hawaii.