



## Napoleon Bonaparte (1769-1821)

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15 Aug 1769

Napoleon Bonaparte (1769-1821), who is also known as the "little Corsican", was born in Ajaccio, Corsica.

1796

Battle of Arcole when Napoleon's French forces beat Austrians in Italy.

1796

Napoleon Bonaparte marries Josephine de Beauharnais.

1796

Napoleon defeats Austria in Battle of Lodi Bridge.

1797

Treaty of Campo Formio signed by France and Austria after Napoleon's first campaign in Italy.

1797

Napoleon I's sister Elisa marries Felix Bacciochi.

19 May 1798

Napoleon sets sail, with the French fleet, for Egypt. There were 38,000 troops, 3,000 cavalry and 1,200 horses all aboard 400 transport ships. 150 scholars also accompanied the expedition.

1 Jul 1798

The French, led by Napoleon, began the invasion of Egypt when the French fleet arrived off the coast of Alexandria.

1799

Napoleon Bonaparte invades Syria.

1799

Napoleon Bonaparte seizes power in France.

1799

King of Naples flees before the advancing French armies.



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1799

Napoleon captures Jaffa in Palestine.

19 Feb 1800

Napoleon Bonaparte proclaimed himself First Consul of France.

27 Mar 1800

The first of Napoleon's invasion-force scholars prepared to leave Egypt boarding a ship at Alexandria. They were carrying with them many Egyptian antiquities including the Rosetta Stone. The stone was confiscated by the British before they left.

1800

Napoleon I's sister Carolina marries King Joachim Murat of Naples.

1802

Napoleon appointed First Consul for Life

1802

Napoleon elected President of the Italian (Cisalpine) Republic.

1803

Britain declares war on France after Napoleon Bonaparte continues interfering in Italy & Switzerland.

1804

Napoleon becomes the first French emperor, placing crown on his own head.

1804

Senate and Tribune declare Napoleon leader of France.

1805

Napoleon defeats the Russians and the Austrians at Austerlitz.

1805

Napoleon is crowned king of Italy.

1806

Napoleon offered 100 thousand francs to anyone who could create sugar from a native plant. Russian chemist K. S. Kirchof later discovered that sulfuric acid added to potato starch would make the conversion.



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1807

Napoleon convenes the great Sanhedrin in Paris.

1807

Napoleon defeats Russians in battle of Eylau.

1808

Bayonne Decree by Napoleon I of France orders the seizure of US ships.

1808

Napoleon annexes Tuscany and gave it seats in French Senate.

1808

Napoleon's brother Joseph takes the throne of Spain.

15 Dec 1809

Napoleon Bonaparte divorce from Empress Josephine is announced by the French Senate.

1809

Battle at Aspern-Essling when Austrian arch duke Karl beats Napoleon.

1809

Napoleon I defeats Austria at Battle of Abensberg, Bavaria.

1810

Emperor Napoleon is married by proxy to Archduchess Marie Louise of Austria.

1810

The French church annuls the marriage of Napoleon I and Josephine.

Jun 1812

Economic measures against Napoleonic France interfered with US trade and caused the War of 1812 between the USA and the UK.

15 Aug 1812

Napoleon's invasion of Russia begins when his army crosses the Denepr river .



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14 Sep 1812

Napoleon occupies Moscow.

Sep 1812

The Fire of Moscow.

18 Oct 1812

Napoleon begins his retreat from Moscow.

25 Nov 1812

Napoleon's Grand Army crosses Berezina River in retreat from Russia.

5 Dec 1812

Napoleon was forced to retreat from Russia by severe winter cold and scorched earth defence tactics, leaving his retreating army near Vilnius in Lithuania.

Dec 1812

Recently discovered mass graves in Vilnius in Lithuania show that many of Napoleon's army died here from starvation and cold in their retreat from Russia.

1812

Swedish Pomerania (Germany) seized by Napoleon.

27 Oct 1813

Humphrey Davy arrived in Paris with his wife and his assistant Michael Faraday. He received special dispensation from Napoleon to travel across France from 1813 to 1815 and with Faraday he travelled abroad investigating his theory of volcanic action.

Oct 1813

The French army loses the battle of Leipzig to the allies.

31 Mar 1814

The French to surrender in Paris to forces allied against Napoleon.

1814

The first Treaty of Paris, after Napoleon the first's abdication.



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26 Feb 1815

Napoleon and 1,200 leave Elba to start the 100-day re-conquest of France.

20 Mar 1815

Napoleon enters Paris after escape from Elba, and begins his 100-day rule.

18 Jun 1815

Napoleon is defeated by British forces under Wellington at the Battle of Waterloo.

22 Jun 1815

2nd abdication of Napoleon (after Waterloo).

16 Oct 1815

Napoleon arrives on St Helena.

1816

France decrees Bonaparte family excluded from the country forever.

5 May 1821

On the small island of St. Helena, in the middle of the South Atlantic, Napoleon I Bonaparte (1769-1821), former Emperor of France, died.