

September 19 – International Talk Like a Pirate Day – Drill

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<p>Blackbeard (Edward Teach)</p> 	<p>1680– 1718</p>	<p>1716– 1718</p>	<p>England</p>	<p>With his fearsome appearance, Blackbeard is often credited with the creation of the stereotypical image of a pirate. Although his real name remains unknown, he began his pirate career as the first officer of Buccaneer-turned-pirate Captain Benjamin Hornigold of the <i>Mary Anne</i>. When a young crewman, Samuel Bellamy, called for a vote of no confidence in Hornigold for his refusal to attack English ships, the crew by a vote ousted Hornigold and Blackbeard, leaving the <i>Mary Anne</i> to Bellamy whom the crew elected their new captain.^{[23][26]} His legend solidified after he took command of the <i>Queen Anne's Revenge</i>.^[29]</p>
<p>Lieutenant Richards (pirate)</p> 	<p>?</p>	<p>1718</p>	<p>Unknown</p>	<p>Active in the Caribbean and off the Carolinas. He is best known for sailing alongside Blackbeard (Edward Teach / Thatch).</p>
<p>Jean Lafitte</p> 	<p>c. 1776– 1826?</p>	<p>1803– 1815 1817– 1820s</p>	<p>France</p>	<p>French pirate (or privateer) active in the Gulf of Mexico during the early 1800s. A wanted fugitive by the United States, he later participated, during the War of 1812, in the Battle of New Orleans on the side of Andrew Jackson and the Americans. In 1822, Lafitte approached the navy of Gran Colombia and Simon Bolivar granted a commission and given a new ship, a 40-ton schooner named General Santander.</p>

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<p>Zheng Yi Sao</p> 		<p>1801-1844</p>	<p>Chinese</p>	<p>Far from being a “lady”, the ruthless efficiency, and utter conviction of Zheng Yi Sao made her one of the most feared, and successful and terrifying pirates of her day. Known for her intelligence, cunning, and a general love of punitive decapitation, she enjoy huge power and influence. Not surprising, since she ruled the largest fleet amongst her contemporaries. The Red Flag Fleet was 1500 ships strong and faced down the Chinese, Portuguese, and British navies successfully. She was so good at her job, in fact, that she was able to retire with all her plunder, and a pension, at the age of 35. A terrifying pirate but one of the few to die an old women and protect her wealth.</p>
<p><u>Micajah and Wiley Harpe</u></p> 	<p>Before 1768–1799 (Micajah) Before 1770–1799 (Wiley)</p>	<p>1775?–1799 (Micajah) 1775?–1804 (Wiley)</p>	<p>United States</p>	<p>America's first known <u>serial killers</u>, were <u>Loyalists</u> in the <u>American Revolution</u>, as well as, <u>river pirates</u> and <u>highwaymen</u>, who preyed on travelers along the <u>Ohio River</u> and the waterways of <u>Tennessee</u>, <u>Kentucky</u>, and <u>Illinois</u>. The Harpe Brothers were associates of <u>Samuel Mason</u> and <u>Peter Alston</u>.</p>