

Age of Exploration Chart

| Country | Explorer | Year | Area |
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| Portugal | Prince Henry the Navigator | Early 1400s | Westward into the Atlantic, South down Africa's western coast |
| Portugal | Bartholomeu Dias | 1487-1488 | Cape of Good Hope, South Africa |
| Portugal | Vasco da Gama | 1497 | India – around the Cape of Good Hope |
| Spain | Christopher Columbus | 1492 | Central America – Bahamas |
| Spain | Ferdinand Magellan | 1519 | Eastern coast of South America; Strait of Magellan; circumnavigation |
| Spain | Hernan Cortes | 1519 | Mexico; conquered the Aztecs |
| Portugal | Francisco Pizarro | 1532 | Peru; conquered the Incas |
| The Netherlands | Henry Hudson | 1619-1621 | Dutch West Indian Company, New Amsterdam (Manhattan Island); mouth of Hudson River |
| France | Jacques Cartier | 1534 | St. Lawrence River to Montreal; eastern Canada |
| France | Samuel de Champlain | 1608 | Quebec, Canada |
| France | Jacques Marquette & Louis Joliet | 1673 | Mississippi River Valley |
| England | John Cabot | 1497 | Newfoundland |
| England | John Smith | 1607 | Jamestown, Virginia |
| England | Pilgrims | 1620 | Plymouth, Massachusetts |