

SCOTTISH CLANS AT CULLODEN with loarn robertson

The following represents an outline of the clans that took part at the Battle of Culloden taken from a number of different sources. Culloden represented the last gasp of the supporters of the Stuarts to return the exiled House of Stuart to the throne of Great Britain then occupied by the Protestant Hanoverians. Culloden was the final major pitched battle in Britain and with it went the hopes and dreams of many Highlanders who wanted to see the legitimate Stuart monarch-the exiled James Stuart from whom the name 'Jacobite' was coined- returned to the throne. Following the battle the Stuarts remained broad and Jacobite Highlanders at home suffered severe persecution from the victors (imprisonment, executions, transportation, pillaging, prohibition on wearing highland garb, confiscation of goods and real property and a dissolution of clan life), Many of the clans supporting the government joined in the carnage perpetrated by the Hanoverian army under their commander the Duke of Cumberland, perhaps seeing it as a time to settle old scores. But, it became indiscriminate retribution heaped on all Highlanders whether or not they happened to be Jacobites. On the other side were those Highland clans that supported the government and bet on the longevity of a Protestant Hanoverian monarchy and threw in their lot with the new regime.

In America, after Culloden, immigrant Highlanders were not all warmly greeted. Many Americans believed that the Jacobite rebellions had left a tyrannical imprint on Highlanders who were bent on imposing the absolute monarchy of the exiled Stuarts and their Catholic religion into Britain and the colonies.

SCOTTISH CLANS ON THE JACOBITE SIDE AT THE BATTLE OF CULLODEN, 1746

Boyd	Cameron	Chisholm	Davidson
Drummond	Farquharson	Fraser+	Gordon*
Grant*	Hay	Livingstone	MacBean
MacColl	MacLeod	MacDonald of Glencoe+	MacDonald of Glengarry
MacDonald of Keppoch	MacDonald of Clan Ranald	MacDuff	MacFie
MacGillvray	MacGregor+	MacInnes	MacKinnon
MacKintosh	MacIntyre	MacIver	MacKenzie+
MacLachlan	MacLaren	MacLean	MacLean
MacNeil of Barra	MacNaughten	MacPherson+	Menzie
Morrison	Murray	Ogilvy	Oliphant
Robertson+	Ross	Stewart of Appin+	

SCOTTISH CLANS ON THE GOVERNMENT SIDE AT THE BATTLE OF CULLODEN, 1746

Campbell of Argyll*+	Cathcart	Colville	Cunningham
Grant of Freuchie	Gunn	Kerr	MacKay
Munro+	Ross	Semphill	Sinclair
Sutherland+			

*Clans that had family members on both the Jacobite and Government sides.

+Clans known to be Protestant at the time of the Battle of Culloden. This would include some MacDonalds. Many authorities generally believe that the majority of the clans at Culloden were Protestant but a comprehensive accounting of those clans is still wanting.