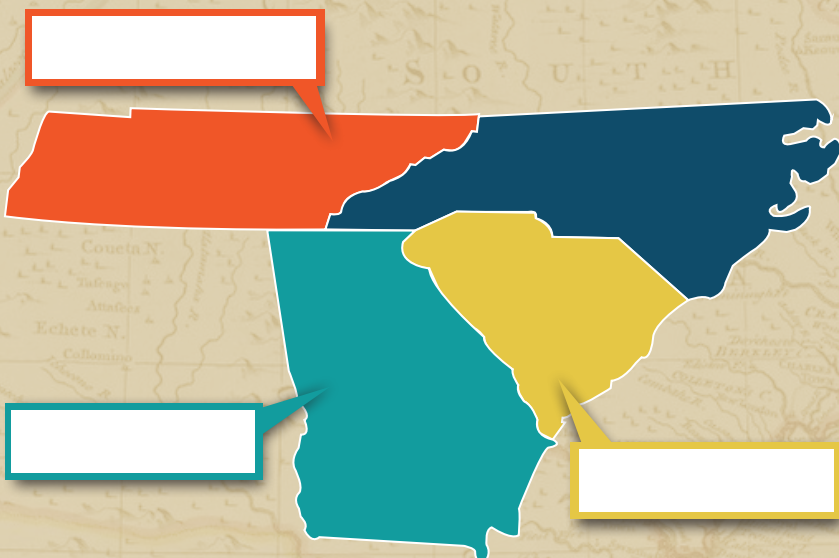


Coming to the Aid of their Neighbors

The Patriot militiamen that fought at Musgrove Mill did not just come from South Carolina. They also came from Georgia and Tennessee when they saw that their Patriot neighbors in South Carolina needed help fighting the British.

Can you label the three states on the map where the Patriot Militiamen came from?



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Fight for Independence: Join the Patriot Militia

Did you know that everyone that fought here at the August 19, 1780 battle of Musgrove Mill was an American? The only difference being which side they fought for the Patriots or the Loyalists.



The 200 Patriots that fought here were all militiamen, volunteer soldiers who had to bring their own clothing, weapons, and gear to the battlefield. In this brochure you will discover what it was like to be part of the Patriot Militia here at the battle of Musgrove Mill.

Dressing for Battle

Since Patriot Militiamen were volunteer soldiers nothing was given to them so they had to wear the same clothes they wore every day and had to bring their own hunting rifles. If you were part of the Patriot militia today you would be wearing the same clothes you have on right now.



How does your clothing compare to what the militiaman is wearing in this image? How would you like to wear and carry all this while hiking this trail? (Remember this battle was fought during the summer in August)

To Cross or Not

In 1780 there were no bridges in this area of South Carolina, so you were only able to cross rivers at fords, (an area of a river shallow enough you could walk across). But when the water was too high you were stuck on one side of the river and had to wait for the water to go down. There were two river fords across the Enoree River at Musgrove Mill.



Find the two river fords along the trail. Could you cross the river at one of the fords if you wanted too today?

checkmark the best answer

- YES!** The river is crossable.
- EH!** I would have to swim.
- NO!** I am stuck on this side.

Are your clothes battle-ready?

Look at your own clothes and decide if they would be good for days of walking through forest and battle.

	Battle Ready?	
	yes	no
shoes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
shirt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
pants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
hat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Riding into Battle

Patriot militias in South Carolina often rode horses to battles and dismounted to fight. This let them travel around quickly and also helped them get away when being chased by the British. To get to Musgrove Mill they had to ride 40 miles in just one night.



SADDLE UP! Imagine you are riding a horse and gallop down the trail for 40 seconds. One second for each mile the Patriots rode. (If you are feeling really adventurous you can gallop along the entire trail).