

THE CHRONOLOGY OF ISLAM IN AMERICA AND IN THE CARIBBEAN

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- **1492 African Muslims from Granada and Guinea landed in the New World with Columbus 1500-Berbers, Wolofs and Mandingoes sold as slaves in Mexico.**
- **1503-Spanish report runaway slaves/Maroons spreading Islam among the slaves**
- **1516-17-Ferdinand 'the Catholic', allowed Muslims to openly worship Islam in the New World.**
- **1518-Ferdinand was relieved of his duties by Cardinal Cisnetes, because he allowed "Hebrews and Muslims" to openly hold their rites.**
- **1518-African Muslims and non -Muslims begin to form Maroon communities in Haiti.**
- **1532-Wolof Muslims lead slave rebellion among Carib Indians.**
- **1532-Wolof barred from Puerto Rico for spreading jihad.**
- **1550-Spanish began to buy slaves from areas they believed were free of Muslims.**
- **1500's- Luis Solan a mulato and Lepe de la Pen, a Moor from Guadalajua were convicted of spreading Islam in Cuzco.**
- **1533-Spanish ban Wolof in West Indies.**
- **1537-Muslims from Africa and Spain stage a rebellion/jihad in Mexico**
- **1539-King of Spain bans the sons and grandsons of Jews and Moors burned at the stake in the West Indies and Mexico.**

- **1543-Charles V ratified the decree and ordered the expulsion of all KNOWN Muslims from New Spain.**
- **1548-Muslims maroons stage rebellion in Honduras.**
- **1565-Wolofs were ordered out of Chile for spreading Islam.**
- **1578- Muslims from Philippines are reported spreading Islam among Indians in Mexico.**
- **1578-Berbers and Moriscos (Muslims) were barred from Mexico.**
- **1578- Muslims from Granada are reported teaching Islam among Mexican Indians.**
- **1600's Muslim slaves were being sold in Buenos Aires and Venezuela, where they are reported to have been workers in the Cocorole mines.**
- **1620-Spanish begin importing Mandigos as slaves.**
- **1620-Spanish begin to torture Mandingo slaves because they refuse to accept Christianity.**
- **1753-1757-Machandal a Muslim maroon from Senegal leads a jihad in Haiti.**
- **1700's- Arabi, the Muslim led Bush Blacks in Surinam.**
- **1800's- Muslims reported living in Jamaica, Santo Domingo, Venezuela, Trinidad, Haiti, and Brazil.**
- **1814-Muslim captives forced to serve in Royal Navy.**
- **1811-1831-Mandingo Society actively liberates fellow Muslim slaves from bondage in Trinidad.**
- **1836- Muslim members of the 3rd West India Regiment and their families are returned to Africa by the British.**

- **1836-Supreme Imam of Trinidad Jonas Bath died**
- **1910-There were 100,000 Muslims living in Brazil.**

Source: Rafael A.G. Bazan, Muslim immigration to Spanish America, Muslim World, (July, 1966), pp.173-187.

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