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Battle of Guildford Fought on the 15th of March 1781

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Map Maker: Stedman
Date: 1794
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
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Description:

Detailed battle plan of the Battle of Guildford Court House, fought on March 15, 1781, from *Stedman's History...of the American War*.

Shows the advances, retreats and positions of the Americans and British and the court house and roads relevant to the battle. The only obtainable contemporary plan of the battle of Guildford House.

The Battle of Guilford Court House was fought at a site which is now in Greensboro, North Carolina, during the American Revolutionary War. A British force under the command of Lieutenant General Charles Cornwallis, defeated Major General Nathanael Greene's American forces. The British Army, however, sustained such heavy casualties that the result was a strategic victory for the Americans.

Despite the relatively small numbers of troops involved the battle is considered pivotal to the American victory in the Revolution. Before the battle, the British appeared to have had great success in conquering much of Georgia and South Carolina with the aid of strong Loyalist factions and thought that North Carolina might be within their grasp. In fact, the British were in the process of heavy recruitment in North Carolina when this Battle severely blunted the British recruiting drive.



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In the wake of the battle Greene moved into South Carolina, while Cornwallis chose to march into Virginia and attempt to link up with roughly the forces commanded by British Major General Phillips and Benedict Arnold. This allowed Greene to unravel British control of the South, while leading Cornwallis to Yorktown and eventual surrender.

Detailed Condition: