

History of Mountaineering Timeline

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Directions: Read [Reaching for the Heavens: The History of Mountaineering](#) for details to develop a timeline of major moments in the history of mountaineering.

When:	Who?	What?	Where?
1492	Antonine de Ville	The first ascent of Mont Aiguille	France
1760	Horace Bénédict de Saussure	Visited Chamonix and offered a reward to the first to summit Mt. Blanc	France
1786	Michel-Gabriel Paccard, and Jacques Balmat	First to summit Mt. Blanc	France
1787	Horace Bénédict de Saussure	De Saussure summited Mt. Blanc	France
1802	Alexander von Humbolt	Attributed mountain sickness to low oxygen at high altitudes after almost summiting Chimborazo	Ecuador
1808	Marie Paradis	First female to summit Mt. Blanc	France
1818	Antoni Malczewski, J.M. Balmat, and five guides	First ascent of Aiguille du Midi	France

1820		Dr. Edwin James	First summit of Pikes Peak	Colorado, U.S.A.
1854	Golden Age	Alfred Willis	First ascent of the Wetterhorn	Switzerland
1857		John Ball, E.S. Kennedy, and others	Founded Alpine Club of Great Britain	London, England
1865		Charles Edward Whymper	First summit of the Matterhorn	Switzerland and Italy
1871		Lucy Walker	First female ascent of the Matterhorn	Switzerland and Italy
1875		George Anderson	First to climb Yosemite's Half Dome	California, U.S.A.
1897		Matthias Zurbriggen	First summit of Aconcagua	Argentina
1907		Founding President: Mrs. Aubrey le Blond	Ladies' Alpine Club Founded	Great Britain
1908		Oscar Eckenstein	Invention of 10-point crampon	United Kingdom

1913	Hudson Stuck, Robert Tatum, Harry Karstens, and Walter Harper	First summit of Denali (Mt. McKinley)	Alaska, U.S.A.
1922	George Finch and Geoffrey Bruce	Reached 8,306 meters (27,250 feet) on an Everest expedition pioneering the use of bottled oxygen	Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal / People's Republic of China
1924	George Mallory and Andrew Irvine	(Student Choice)	Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal / People's Republic of China
1953	Sherpa Tenzing Norgay and Edmund Hillary	First official summit of Mt. Everest	Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal / People's Republic of China
1975	N/A	Ladies' Alpine Club and Alpine Club of Great Britain merged	Great Britain
1975	Junko Tabei	First female to summit Everest	Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal / People's Republic of China
1986	Patrick Morrow	First to reach the summit of all of the Seven Summits, including Kosciuszki	All seven continents
1992	Junko Tabei	First woman to conquer the Seven Summits	All seven continents
2003	Conrad Anker and the Alex Lowe Charitable Foundation	Khumbu climbing center opened	Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal

Diving Deeper: Support your reasoning for labeling 1922 as you have by providing three reasons for your decision.

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