



BOOKS ABOUT MAINE HISTORY TO GET YOU STARTED

Maine Becomes a State: the Movement to Separate Maine from Massachusetts, 1785-1820 (1970; 1973) by Ronald Banks. The quintessential source on separation from Massachusetts.

Our Beloved Kin: A New History of King Philip's War (2018) by Lisa Brooks. A fresh, and inclusive approach to Maine's colonial history and the origins of Wabanaki-Maine relations.

Maine: The Pine Tree State from Prehistory to the Present (1995) by Richard Judd (ed.) et al. An excellent overview and introduction.

Historical Atlas of Maine (2015) Stephen Hornsby et. al. (ed). A wonderfully illustrated history of Maine, through maps.

Maine: The Wilder Half of New England (2012) by William David Barry. A concise and colorful overview of Maine history, perfect for clever facts and unique stories.

Liberty Men and Great Proprietors: The Revolutionary Settlement on the Maine Frontier, 1760-1820 (1990) by Alan Taylor. Explores the relationships between land speculation and settlement on the Maine frontier.

A Ruinous and Unhappy War: New England in the War of 1812 (2009) by James Ellis. The War of 1812 provided the ultimate stimulus for Statehood.

A Survey of the State of Maine (1829; 1970) by Moses Greenleaf. A must have in any Maine historical library. Also available online through Google Books.

Maine: A History (1919) by Louis Hatch. A five-volume compendium of Maine history.

Maine's Visible Back History (2006) by H.H. Price and Gerald Talbot. The authoritative source for Maine's African American history

The Mirror of Maine: One Hundred Distinguished Books that Reveal the History of the State and the Life of its People (2000) edited by Laura Sprague. An excellent way to explore Maine history through literature and the written word.

The History of the District of Maine (1795; 1970) by Sullivan, James The original history of Maine.

The History of the State of Maine: From its First Discovery, A.D. 1602 to the separation, A.D. 1820, inclusive (1832; 1966; 1991) by William Williamson. A heavily cited treatment of Maine history.