

Mount Rushmore

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Mount Rushmore
National Memorial
Keystone, South Dakota

Avenue of Flags

HISTORY

Flags are powerful symbols, which remind people of their common heritage, history and ideals. The Avenue of Flags was initially established as part of the celebration of America's Bicentennial at the request of a visitor. The 56 flags represent the 50 states, one district, three territories, and two commonwealths of the United States of America.

PLACEMENT

The flags are arranged in alphabetical order with the A's on the walkway near the concession building and the W's near the Visitor Center/Museum. If you have trouble locating your flag, ask a park ranger for assistance.



ADMISSION OF STATES

1. Delaware	1787	26. Michigan	1837
2. Pennsylvania	1787	27. Florida	1845
3. New Jersey	1787	28. Texas	1845
4. Georgia	1788	29. Iowa	1846
5. Connecticut	1788	30. Wisconsin	1848
6. Massachusetts	1788	31. California	1850
7. Maryland	1788	32. Minnesota	1858
8. South Carolina	1788	33. Oregon	1859
9. New Hampshire	1788	34. Kansas	1861
10. Virginia	1788	35. West Virginia	1863
11. New York	1788	36. Nevada	1864
12. North Carolina	1789	37. Nebraska	1867
13. Rhode Island	1790	38. Colorado	1876
14. Vermont	1791	39. North Dakota	1889
15. Kentucky	1792	40. South Dakota	1889
16. Tennessee	1796	41. Montana	1889
17. Ohio	1803	42. Washington	1889
18. Louisiana	1812	43. Idaho	1890
19. Indiana	1816	44. Wyoming	1890
20. Mississippi	1817	45. Utah	1896
21. Illinois	1818	46. Oklahoma	1907
22. Alabama	1819	47. New Mexico	1912
23. Maine	1820	48. Arizona	1912
24. Missouri	1821	49. Alaska	1959
25. Arkansas	1836	50. Hawaii	1959

DISTRICTS, COMMONWEALTHS AND TERRITORIES

1. District of Columbia	1790
2. Guam, Territory	1898
3. Puerto Rico, Commonwealth	1898
4. American Samoa, Territory	1900
5. Virgin Islands, Territory	1917
6. Northern Mariana Islands, Commonwealth	1976