

The Haitian Revolution

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White People

Gens De Couleur

(free non-whites)

Slaves

French Government

British Government



Beginning of Revolution

- French Revolution
- Petit Blancs want power
- Gens De Couleur want rights and power
- 1790 - France gives Couleur rights
- White people: "no"
- 1791 - Couleur revolt
- 1791 - Slaves revolt too
- Slave revolt "eclipses" Couleur revolt

Europe has FOMO

- 1792 - **France** intervenes
- 1793 - **French** commissioner abolishes slavery
- “**Leader of the slaves**” - **Toussaint L'Ouverture**
- **The French** were defeated by **Slaves**
- **British** forces arrived to take advantage of chaos
- 1798 - **British** withdrew from fighting, in exchange for trade agreements with **Toussaint**



Toussaint's world

- Black people and Coleur are in charge
- Then they fight each other
- 1800 - Coleur defeated
- 1801 - Toussaint writes a constitution
- Things are pretty good

Napoleon Realizes What's Up

- **Napoleon** realizes that they're over there trying to be "independent"
- January 1802 - **France** invades
- **France** throws **Toussaint** in jail
- **France** fights **Haitians**
- May 1803 - **France** fights **England**
- **French forces** stretch too thin and withdraw from **Haiti**



The Republic of Haiti

- 1804 - Republic of Haiti is established!
- Jean-Jacques Dessalines (Toussaint's friend) crowns himself emperor
- Dessalines kills all the remaining white people
- Gens De Couleur oversee African field workers
- 1806 - Dessalines is assassinated
- Gens De Couleur becomes the dominant group

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