

BENTONVILLE BATTLEFIELD

Preserve - Educate - Explore

160th Anniversary Civilian Guidelines

Civilian Impressions

1. All Civilian participants are expected to be in period appropriate clothing for the duration of the event.
2. Appropriate shoes will be worn at all times. No athletic shoes or sandals.
3. Ladies should wear appropriate day dresses of one fabric. *No white shirts/skirt combos, no ball gowns during the day.*
4. Appropriate undergarments are strongly encouraged.
5. Hair should be dressed in a bun or chignon on the back of the head. Hair should not be worn down or loose.
6. Modern make-up, facial piercings, and nail polish is discouraged.
7. Children should be dressed in period civilian attire.
8. For event safety, we request that civilians not bring firearms.
 - ❖ **Antique firearms are not allowed.** ALL firearms will be inspected onsite and must pass NC Historic Sites safety requirements.
9. For historical accuracy, **NO FLAGS are permitted in the civilian camp** - Bonnie Blue, Hardee's Corps, Confederate Nationals, Confederate Battle, Union Regimental, or US 35 star.
10. The civilian camp will be kept free of anachronistic items such as coolers, heaters, modern food containers, etc. Please keep all modern items out of view at all times.

SPECIALTY IMPRESSIONS

Robert E. Lee, "Stonewall" Jackson, A.P. Hill, U.S. Grant, Abraham Lincoln, etc. were not present at the Battle of Bentonville, March 1865. Needless to say, we do not expect them to grace us with their presence in March 2025.

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