

Jacobite timeline

Year	Month	Event
1685	February	King Charles II died and was succeeded by his brother James II. Protestants were suspicious of this new Catholic king
1688	July	When James's son, James Francis Edward Stuart was born, fear of a Catholic succession grew as his Protestant daughter, Mary, married to William of Orange, was no longer next in line
1688	November	William III of Orange invaded England on the invitation of James' Protestant opponents
1688	December	King James II of England, Ireland and (James VII of Scotland) fled to France
1689	January	'Glorious' Revolution whereby the British parliament asked Mary and her husband Dutch Prince William III, William of Orange to be joint monarchs.
1689	July	Battle of Killiecrankie. British forces were defeated by Scottish Jacobites. (Jacobite meant a supporter of the exiled Stuart King James II and his family from the Latin word <i>Jacobus</i> for James)
1690	July	Battle of the Boyne. Protestant English King William III of Orange defeated the Irish Catholics led by James II
1691	August	William of Orange offered a pardon to all Jacobites in the Scottish Highlands if they swore loyalty to him
1692	February	Glencoe Massacre of MacDonald clan
1694	December	Queen Mary died. William III continued as King
1701	June	Act of Settlement passed by Parliament, said that if William III and Princess Anne, Mary's sister, died without heirs, the throne should pass to Sophia of Hanover, granddaughter of James I, and to her heirs, if they were Protestants. The house of Hanover ruled Great Britain from 1714 as result
1701	September	Death of the deposed James II (James VII of Scotland). Louis XIV of France recognised his son as James III, called the 'Old Pretender', as the rightful King of Scotland (James VIII)
1702	March	Queen Anne succeeded William III to the throne of England, the Protestant younger sister of Queen Mary
1707	May	Act of Union unites the kingdoms of England and Scotland
1714	August	Queen Anne died without an heir, therefore George, Elector Hanover crowned King George according to Act of Settlement 1701

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1715	September	Jacobite uprising, "the '15", in Braemar, Scotland and northern England, led by John Erskine, the Earl of Mar
1715	November	Jacobites defeated at the Battle of Sheriffmuir and the Battle of Preston
1715	December	James Francis Edward Stuart landed in Scotland at Peterhead and joined Jacobites at Perth
1716	February	James Francis Edward Stuart left for France, the Jacobites disband
1720	December	Charles Edward Stuart, 'Bonnie Prince Charlie' was born
1727	June	George I succeeded by his son, King George II
1745	July	Charles Edward Stuart, 'Young Pretender' or 'Bonnie Prince Charlie' landed in Scotland on Eriskay Island. The start of the last Jacobite rebellion or "the '45"
1745	September	At Perth, Charles Edward Stuart claimed the throne for his father. Jacobite army took Edinburgh
1745	September	Jacobites defeated a British force at Prestonpans and moved south into England
1745	November	Carlisle surrendered to the Jacobites
1745	December	Jacobite army reached Derby but stopped by British troops. Charles Edward Stuart ordered a retreat to wait for help from the French which failed to materialise
1746	January	In Scotland the Jacobites failed to capture Stirling Castle, but defeated General Henry Hawley's army at Falkirk and later captured Inverness.
1746	April	Battle of Culloden won by the British led by the king's younger son, Prince William Duke of Cumberland. Charles Edward Stuart decided to fight the battle on a flat moor outside Inverness, against military advice. It was a case of English cannons against Scottish daggers and swords
1746	June	Charles got away from Culloden Moor and with the help of Flora Macdonald, escaped from Skye then to France
1766	January	Death of James Francis Edward Stuart, the 'Old Pretender', father of 'Bonnie Prince Charlie'
1788	January	Death of the 'Young Pretender', 'Bonnie Prince Charlie'
1807	July	Death of Henry Stuart, Cardinal York, younger brother of the Young Pretender, the last Stuart in the male line