Native American Cultures 1491-1607

DIVERSITY

156 *Distinct* Ethnic Groups





CULTURE GROUPS

Cultural areas of North America at time of European contact







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Eskimo Seal Hunter

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"Three Sisters"

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Gender Roles

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Inter-Tribal Warfare

The Iroquois League





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Hopi Apartment Complex



Cliff Palace

Mesa Verde National Park



Etowah Mounds

Bartow County, Georgia



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