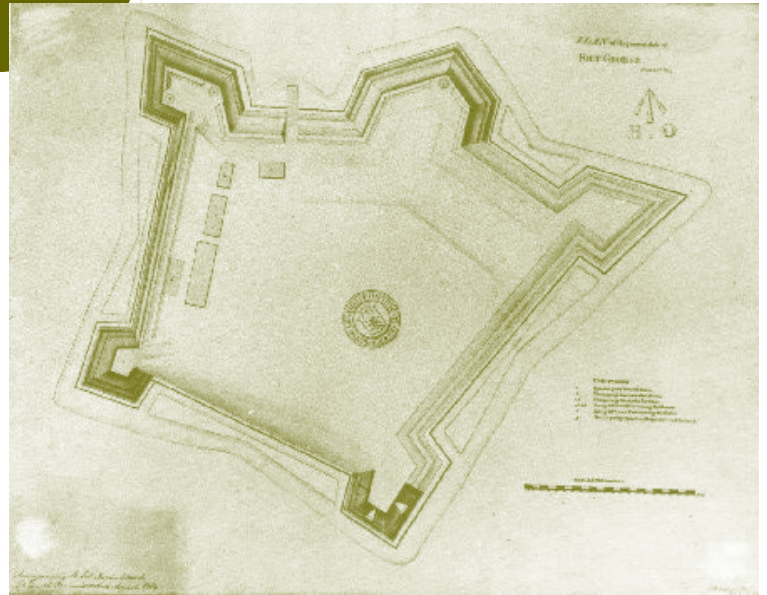


Fort George



Fort George was the headquarters of the British army in the Great Lakes region. Isaac Brock, commander in chief in Upper Canada, organized the defence of the province from this post, although he did not live in the fort. Brock's quarters were the Government house near the corner of King and Queen Streets in the town.

Fort George was a large "field work" that served as a depot and rallying point for the local militia. While its batteries of cannons were in place to protect the fort and guard the Niagara River, the fort was not really very formidable as a defensive position. It was destroyed by American artillery fire on May 25, 1813.

Good web resources

http://www.pc.gc.ca/lhn-nhs/on/fortgeorge/index_E.asp

<http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.com>

<http://www.warof1812.ca>

<http://www.archives.gov.on.ca/english/on-line-exhibits/index.aspx>

<http://www.virtualmuseum.ca>

<http://www.ourontario.ca>

<http://www.brocku.ca/maplibrary/digital/MAPzoom/MAPhome.html>

Niagara-on-the-Lake Public Library Resources

The War of 1812 by Bob Foley (971-338)

Life and Times of Major General Sir Isaac Brock K.B.by D.B. Read Q.C. (971.034)

History of Niagara, by Janet Carnochan. (971.35)

Bold Brave and Born to Lead:Major General Isaac Brock by Mary Beacock Fryer (971.032)

Conflicts Changes and Confederation 1770 – 1867 by David Beraisen

Niagara Historical Society & Museum Resources

Niagara Historical Society Publications #1, 3, 15 & 31 - available online and at the Museum

Canadian Historic Sites: Occasional Papers in Archaeology and History No.11

A Study of the Military Buildings at Niagara-on-the-Lake, 1891-1978

Structural History of Fort George

Several photographs of the Fort, postcards, many small artefacts dug up at the Fort (arrowheads, musket balls, etc...), some interesting documents (2002.036.003 & 987.5.464) and over 261 items related to the Fort

Niagara-on-the-Lake Sites related to the topic

Fort George

Fort Mississauga

Bulter's Barracks

Other topics to Explore

The Battle of Fort George

Fort George vs. Fort Mississauga, what's the difference?

The continuous use of Fort George and the commons

Life of a soldier

A soldiers family

Weapons of the War