

New Zealand's 19th-century wars

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Timeline of key events related to New Zealand's 19th-century wars.

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- **About 1807:** First use of muskets in battle in New Zealand, by Ngāpuhi
- **1809:** Crew of *Boyd* killed by Ngāti Uru at Whangaroa
- **1818–25:** Ngāpuhi raids across North Island
- **1821–6:** Ngāti Toa and other iwi migrate from Waikato to Wellington area
- **1829–37:** Ngāti Toa and allies fight Ngāi Tahu in South Island
- **1835:** Ngāti Mutunga and Ngāti Tama invade Wharekauri/Chatham Islands
- **1840:** Treaty of Waitangi; first large-scale British settlement
- **1843:** Twenty-two Pākehā and 4 Māori die when land dispute between Ngāti Toa and Nelson settlers turns violent at Wairau
- **1845–6:** Inconclusive Northern War which splits Ngāpuhi for and against government
- **1846:** Fighting near Wellington as Ngāti Toa resist expansion of settlement
- **1847:** Fighting around Whanganui as up-river tribes attack settlement
- **1858:** Coronation of Māori King symbolises opposition to further land sales
- **1860–1:** First Taranaki War ends in stalemate between government and local iwi
- **1863–4:** Waikato War – Kīngites expelled from lower/mid-Waikato and Tauranga
- **1863:** Suppression of Rebellion Act enables confiscation of land of 'rebel' Māori
- **1864–8:** Many small conflicts, most between Pai Mārire followers and other Māori
- **1865, 1866:** Campaigns in south Taranaki by imperial troops
- **1868–9:** Titokowaru's War threatens settler control of Whanganui area
- **1868–72:** Te Kooti raids across central North Island and is pursued by kūpapa
- **1881:** Māori autonomy in south Taranaki ends with occupation of Parihaka
- **1884:** Survey of King Country; Pākehā no longer excluded
- **1890s:** Urewera Māori resist land surveys
- **1898:** Hokianga Māori assert rights in 'Dog Tax Rebellion'
- **1916:** Arrest of Rua Kēnana at Maungapōhatu ends Māori autonomy in Urewera

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