Columbus: The Four Voyages

Color code Columbus’ four voyages.

![Map showing Columbus' voyages](image)

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| 1      | 1492 Exploration – wanted an all-water western route to Asia for trade | -Competed with the Portuguese  
-Thought the trip would be 2-3,000 miles; actually it would take 12,000 miles  
-Financed by Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand after the defeat of the Moors  
-3 ships: Santa Maria (flagship); Nina and Pinta (caravels – smaller, but faster)  
-Named the islands the “West Indies”; most people believed Columbus landed on San Salvador  
-Sailed south and claimed the land of Hispaniola (Haiti and Dominican Republic)  
-The Tainos already live on the island; Columbus calls the natives “Indians”  
-Leaves 39 men behind to start a colony; sails back to Spain to spread the word and becomes a hero |

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| 2      | 1493 Colonization and to explore the West Indies | -17 ships and 1,200 men; returns to Hispaniola  
-Found the 39 sailors he left from the first voyage dead  
-Tries to build a settlement, but clashes with the Tainos  
-Defeats the Tainos and establishes the colony  
-Begins to exploits the resources, especially gold  
-1496 returns to Spain very wealthy and is a hero |
| 3      | 1498 Expansion and continue exploration | -Only 6 ships  
-Sails to Venezuela -- first European to S. America  
-Returns to Hispaniola and becomes governor of the island with Santo Domingo as its capital  
-Columbus very brutal and rules with terror  
-Colonists rebel; by 1500 Columbus is imprisoned and is shipped back to Spain in disgrace and poor |
| 4      | 1502 Exploration than exploitation | -One last chance; shoestring budget  
-Tries to enter Santo Domingo, but denied entry  
-Survives a hurricane  
-Determined to find Westward Passage -- sails to Jamaica then along the coastline of Central America  
-Stops at Panama, but refuses to cross overland; never makes it to the Pacific Ocean  
-Exploits the “Indians” – takes gold and tries to convert them to Christianity  
-“Indians” attack and Columbus and his men flee  
-Sails back north, but boats begin to leak; bad storm and Columbus and his men are shipwrecked on Jamaica  
-1504 Columbus and his men are rescued; 110 men out of 140 survive; Columbus returns to Spain failing to save his reputation or his fortune  
-Less than 2 years from returning Columbus dies at the age of 55 |