

# MEDIEVAL EUROPE TIMELINE

5th Century - 15th Century

## Early Middle Ages 476 - 1000

**476**

### Fall of the Western Roman Empire

Odoacer deposes Romulus Augustulus; traditional start of the Middle Ages.

**732**

### Battle of Tours

Charles Martel halts the Umayyad Caliphate's advance into Western Europe.

**800**

### Coronation of Charlemagne

Pope Leo III crowns Charlemagne "Emperor of the Romans," founding the Holy Roman Empire.

**c. 793-1066**

### The Viking Age

Norse expansion, raids, and settlement across Europe and the North Atlantic.

## High Middle Ages 1000 - 1300

**1066**

### Norman Conquest of England

William the Conqueror defeats Harold Godwinson at the Battle of Hastings.

**1095**

### First Crusade Provoked

Pope Urban II calls for the recovery of the Holy Land at the Council of Clermont.

**1215**

### Signing of the Magna Carta

King John of England forced to sign a charter limiting royal power and establishing legal rights.

## Late Middle Ages 1300 - 1500

**1337-1453**

### The Hundred Years' War

A series of conflicts between the House of Plantagenet (England) and the House of Valois (France).

**1347-1351**

**The Black Death**

The bubonic plague kills an estimated 30-60% of Europe's population.

**1440**

**Invention of the Printing Press**

Johannes Gutenberg introduces movable type, revolutionizing information spread.

**1453**

**Fall of Constantinople**

The Ottoman Empire captures the Byzantine capital, marking the end of the Roman legacy.