

# THE CRUSADES TIMELINE

## Major Expeditions of the Middle Ages

### **1095 Council of Clermont**

Pope Urban II calls for the first expedition to reclaim the Holy Land.

### **1096 - 1099 First Crusade**

Successful siege of Jerusalem and establishment of Crusader States.

### **1147 - 1149 Second Crusade**

Launched after the fall of Edessa; ended in failure for the European forces.

### **1189 - 1192 Third Crusade**

"The Kings' Crusade" involving Richard the Lionheart and Saladin.

### **1202 - 1204 Fourth Crusade**

Diverted from the Holy Land, ending in the Sack of Constantinople.

### **1217 - 1221 Fifth Crusade**

An attempt to conquer Egypt as a gateway to Jerusalem.

### **1248 - 1254 Seventh Crusade**

Led by Louis IX of France; resulted in his capture in Egypt.

### **1291 Fall of Acre**

The final major Crusader stronghold in the Levant is lost.