

ESSENTIAL CIVIL WAR CURRICULUM

“A Vigorous blockade at every point: The Union Blockade of the Southern States”

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Resources

If you can read only one book

Author	Title. City: Publisher, Year.
Browning, Robert M. Jr.	<i>From Cape Charles to Cape Fear, The North Atlantic Blockading Squadron During the Civil War.</i> Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 1993.

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Browning, Robert M. Jr.	<i>Success Was All That Was Expected: The South Atlantic Blockading Squadron During the Civil War.</i> Dulles, VA, Brassey's, 2002.
_____.	<i>Lincoln's Trident: The West Gulf Blockading Squadron During the Civil War.</i> Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2015.
Buker, George E.	<i>Blockaders, Refugees, & Contrabands, Civil War on Florida's Gulf Coast, 1861-1865.</i> Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 1993.
Surdam, David G.	<i>Northern Naval Superiority and the Economics of the American Civil War.</i> Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 2001.
Wise, Steven R.	<i>Lifeline of the Confederacy, Blockading Running During the Civil War.</i> Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 1988.

Organizations

Organization Name	Description, Contact information including address, email
Fort Fisher State Historic Site, Kure Beach, North Carolina	The Fort Fisher State Historic Site includes outdoor exhibits relating to the fortifications and indoor exhibits of artifacts and displays relating to blockade running. The site is open from 9:00-5:00 daily with seasonal changes to operating hours. The address is 1610 S. Fort Fisher Blvd, Kure Beach, NC 28499, (910) 458-5538. The website is: http://www.nchistoricsites.org/fisher/
The Cape Fear Museum, Wilmington, NC	Cape Fear Museum collects, preserves and interprets objects relating to the history, science, and cultures of the Lower Cape Fear including exhibits relating to blockade running. The site is open at different times depending on the season. The address is 814 Market street Wilmington NC 28401, (910) 798-4362. The website is: http://www.capefearmuseum.com/
The National Civil War Naval Museum, Columbus Georgia	The National Civil War Naval Museum tells the story of the Sailors, Soldiers, and Civilians, both Free and Enslaved as affected by the Navies of the American Civil War and provides a repository for relevant archives and artifacts on the subject including exhibits relating to blockade running. The museum is open Sunday and Monday 12:30-4:30 and Tuesday-Saturday 10:00-4:30. The address is 1002 Victory Drive, Columbus, GA 31901, (706) 327-9798. The website is: http://www.portcolumbus.org/
The Bermuda National Trust Museum, St. George's Bermuda	The offices of the Confederate agent, Major Norman Walker, were housed in The Bermuda National Trust Museum during the American Civil War (1861-1865), which makes this significant historic building a most appropriate site for the permanent exhibit <i>Rogues & Runners: Bermuda and the American Civil War</i> . The museum also has

	exhibits of artifacts relating to blockade running. The museum is open Monday-Thursday and Saturday 10:00-4:00 and closed on public holidays. The museum's address is 32 Duke of York Street, St. George's, Bermuda. The website is: http://www.bnt.bm/Places_to_Visit/bnt_museum.php
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Web Resources

URL	Name and description
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blockade_runner	"Blockade Runner" is a general article on the history of blockade running.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blockade_runners_of_the_American_Civil_War	"Blockade Runners of the American Civil War" is a general article on Civil War blockade running.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Union_blockade	"Union Blockade" is a good discussion of the Union blockade.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Union_Navy	"Union Navy" is an overview of the United States Navy during the Civil War.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KIXwgB7-uIU	"Blockade Runners in the American Civil War" is a well-done short video on the Union's blockade.

Other Sources

Name	Description, Contact information including address, email
The National Archives	The National Archives has collections of original documents relating to the navy during the Civil War. These include the squadron correspondence, papers of both Union and Confederate officers and sailors as well as logbooks and other official government papers. http://www.archives.gov/
The Library of Congress	The Library of Congress also holds many important personal collections of officers and enlisted men who fought on both sides. http://www.loc.gov/

<p><i>The Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies</i></p>	<p>The 31 volume set of <i>Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies (ORN)</i> contains the most important administrative and operational documents of both the Union and Confederate navies. These duplicate much of what is in the collections of the National Archives. This publication is the single-most important published primary source available. Baylor University Libraries Making of America contains a free on-line version of the <i>ORN</i>. http://digital.library.cornell.edu/m/moawar/waro.html</p>
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