Meet American Provincial soldiers who were eager to go home at the end of the 1759 Campaign. With Ticonderoga and Crown Point captured, these American soldiers worked alongside British Regulars to prepare Fort Ticonderoga for winter and the following season’s advance into the heart of New France. Witness how the soldiers in 1759 dealt with the harsh realities of winter on the northern frontier.

10:00 a.m. Fort Ticonderoga opens to visitors

10:15 a.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour (Begins at the American Flag)
In this entertaining half-hour tour, discover the incredible story of Ticonderoga and all the great experiences Fort Ticonderoga offers today. Learn about the iconic battles of Carillon and Ticonderoga within the French & Indian War and the Revolutionary War. Explore groundbreaking preservation and reconstruction efforts that allow Fort Ticonderoga to bring to life its heroic tales today and for generations to come.

11:00 a.m. Musket Demonstration (Demonstration Area)
Discover the different muskets, fusils, & fowling pieces used by soldiers in 1759. See the workings of these flintlock weapons and how these British arms were employed under General Jeffrey Amherst.

1:15 p.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour
See 10:15 a.m. description.

2:00 p.m. To “the Kings Health, the Prince of Wales & Royal Family, & Prosperity to his Majestys Dominions in America” (Demonstration Area)
Celebrate the King’s Birthday with a bang! Hear the crack of musketry and the roar of cannon as soldiers fire a Feu de Joye for the last birthday of King George II.

3:00 p.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour
See 10:15 a.m. description.

3:30 p.m. “Gave up their Tents Arms & Cartridge Boxes” (Parade Ground)
Discover the genius of General Amherst as American Provincial soldiers turn in their British arms and equipment at Ticonderoga, so they could be issued back to soldiers serving the following year.

3:45 p.m. “Provincials have got home in their heads...” (Parade Ground)
With winter approaching, witness homesick soldiers finally ordered to cross the lake and return home. See Connecticut and Massachusetts soldiers sling their packs as they begin their march to the Connecticut River on the new road to Fort No.4.

4:00 p.m. Fort Ticonderoga Closes to Visitors
Ongoing 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Officer’s Quarters (Second Floor of the Officer’s Barracks)
Step inside a British Officer’s warm quarters at Fort Ticonderoga and learn about the luxuries within. From beds to brandy, learn about officers’ duties and comforts. See the administrative work that kept an army operating.

Hut Building (Soldier’s Huts)
Help us make history and try your hand at timber framing! Work alongside British & Provincial soldiers to build simple wooden soldiers’ huts to prepare for winter at Ticonderoga.

Beds, Bolsters, and Beyond! (Ground Floor Officer’s Barracks)
From making new mattresses to laundering old ones, see the work it took to outfit the barracks with proper bedding. Learn how women of the army provided this vital service to prepare for Ticonderoga’s winter garrison.

French Prisoners: “As They Could Get No Further”
Meet captured French soldiers & Canadians, awaiting exchange for British prisoners of war at Ticonderoga. Explore the circuitous path from capture back to combat for prisoners of war on both sides in 1759.