

# BATTLE OF BLADENSBURG, MD

AUGUST 24, 1814

12:30 PM. After several attempts to cross the Eastern Branch bridge, Col. Thornton's 1st Brigade finally crosses the bridge (while a smaller force fords the river) and drives the First American Line from the field.

1:00 PM. After the Second American Line retreats from the field, Brooke's 2nd Brigade moves along the Georgetown Pike to engage the left flank of the Third American Line.

1:30 PM. Brig. Gen. William Winder orders the Third American Line to retreat. Only the American left flank under Smith and Scott receive the order and fall back to Washington.

12:45 PM. Thornton's 1st Brigade attacks and routs the Second American Line. His brigade then moves into position to assault the right flank of the Third American Line.

1:15 PM. Thornton's 1st Brigade crosses Tunnycliff Bridge to attack Kramer.

12:00 Noon. British forces under Maj. Gen. Robert Ross arrive in Bladensburg from Upper Marlboro.

2:00 PM. Thornton's 1st Brigade (now under the command of Gen. Ross) attacks Commodore Barney's position twice before shifting to attack the American right flank with success driving the Americans back to Washington.

1:30 PM. Barney's ammo train leaves without notice causing the naval guns to run out of ammo.

**Legend**

<span style="color: red;">█</span> British	<span style="color: blue;">█</span> American
<span style="color: red;">█</span> First Assault	<span style="color: blue;">█</span>
<span style="color: brown;">█</span> Second Assault	<span style="color: blue;">█</span>
<span style="color: pink;">█</span> Third Assault	<span style="color: blue;">█</span>
<span style="color: lightpink;">█</span> Fourth Assault	<span style="color: blue;">█</span>
19th-Century Woodline	
19th-Century Structures	
19th-Century Roads	
19th-Century Roads no longer in existence	
Modern Roads	

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