

Talking Turkey!



Nothing Special This Week
Just Some Interesting Thanksgiving Stuff(ing)
In no particular order

- Traditions
- Recipes
- Fun & Games
- Wallpapers & Themes
- Jokes, Pictures & Other Funny Stuff(ing)

What did the Pilgrims eat on the first Thanksgiving?

The only written record of the famous meal tells us that the harvest celebration lasted three days and included deer and wildfowl.

Historians have created a likely menu based on period cookbooks and journals, Wampanoag oral histories, paintings from the time and archaeological evidence.

What Was **NOT** on the Menu

- Mashed Potatoes – or any cooked method. Potatoes weren't introduced to North America until the early 1700's.
- Pumpkin Pie – there weren't any ovens. Pumpkin was probably either stewed or fried.
- Bread Stuffing - the Pilgrims may have used herbs or nuts to stuff birds.
- Most other foods that we eat.

What the Pilgrims Probably Ate

- Deer and other wild game.
- Wildfowl that was probably water birds like ducks. There may or may not have been wild turkey on the menu.
- Fish and shellfish.
- Native fruits like plums, melons, grapes and cranberries.
- Local vegetables such as leeks, wild onions, beans, Jerusalem artichokes and squash.

Want to try some Pilgrim Recipes?

Seethed Mussels with Parsley and Vinegar

Stewed Turkey with Herbs and Onions

Stewed Pumpkins

Sweet Pudding of Indian Corn

Recipe Sites

- [All Recipes](#)
- [Epicurious](#)
- [Food](#)
- [CopyKat](#)
- [Yummly](#)
- [PunchFork](#)

Who had an idea to use a
huge surplus of frozen
turkeys because of poor
Thanksgiving sales?

Carl Swanson



Turkey Trivia

- Turkeys (the birds) were named after Turkey (the country) - Turkish traders had been importing African guinea fowl to Europe for some time. The American birds looked kind of like the African turkey-cocks, and so Europeans called them turkeys.
- Turkeys nearly went extinct - by the early 20th century, the combination of overzealous hunting and habitat destruction had dwindled the turkey populations down to 30,000. The turkey made a comeback. The birds are now so numerous that they've become a nuisance in some parts of the country.

- Turkeys have two stomachs - turkeys don't have teeth, so they've got to enlist some extra help to break down their food.
- Female turkeys don't gobble
- Turkeys sleep in trees - due to their deliciousness, turkeys have a lot of natural predators.
- Turkeys are fast when they need to be - they can fly up to 55 mph. They can run up to 25 mph.
- Turkeys can be aggressive

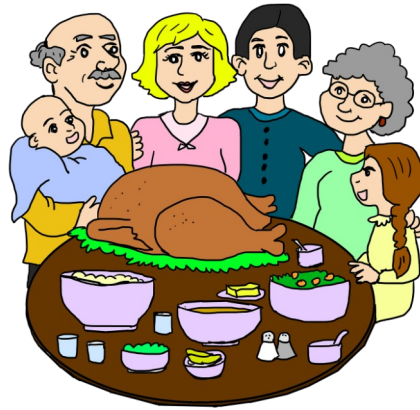
And Now A Word From
This Fine Advertiser



Why did the Pilgrims
land at Plymouth
instead of Virginia as
originally planned?

The captain of the Mayflower put them ashore because the ship was running low on beer. He wanted to save the remaining supply for the ship's crew.

Family Games



There are a lot of sites to find family Thanksgiving games and activities. My favorite was:

Good Housekeeping

What was the first
recorded use of the term
“Black Friday”?

The crash of the US gold market on Friday, September 24, 1869.

Two Wall Street financiers, Jay Gould and Jim Fisk, worked together to buy up as much as they could of the nation's gold, hoping to drive the price sky-high and sell it for astonishing profits. On that Friday in September, the conspiracy finally unraveled, sending the stock market into free-fall and bankrupting everyone from Wall Street barons to farmers.

Thanksgiving Pictures

- [Pixabay](#)
- [Unsplash](#)
- [Burst](#)

Is It Time For Dessert?



Turkey Gravy Soda



Largest Pumpkin Pie

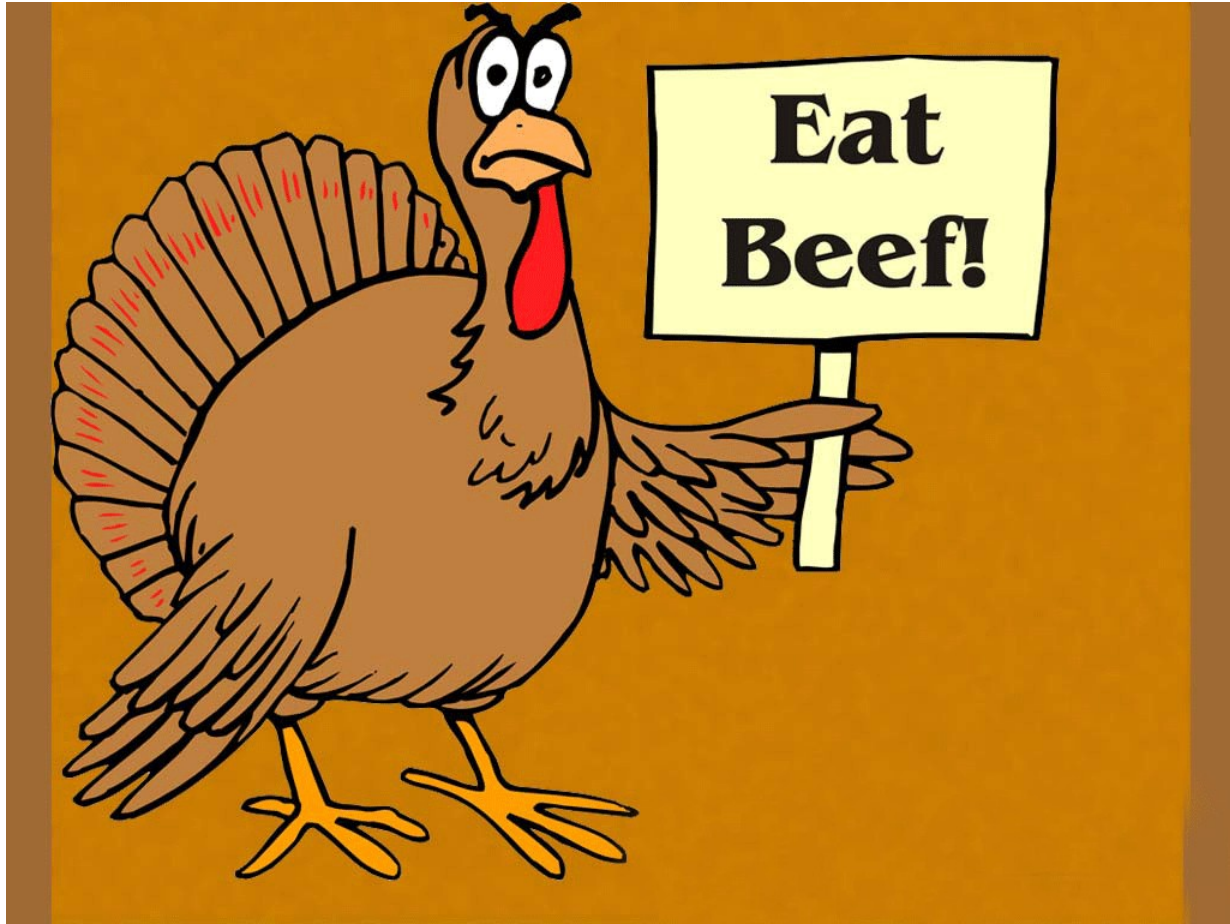
- Created on September 25, 2010
- 20 Feet in Diameter – 3 Inches Thick
- Weighed 3699 pounds
- 1212 pounds of canned pumpkin
- 109 gallons of evaporated milk
- 2796 eggs
- 7 pounds of salt
- 14-1/2 pounds of cinnamon
- 525 pounds of sugar



We'll end with the leftover pictures in my presentation folder that I didn't get around to using.

Sesame Street Thanksgiving





The End



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