

Gaspar De Portola

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<http://www.virginstamps.com/images/63402325/scans/GASPARPORTOLAROVIRA.JPG>

Road Map

- Early Life/Career
- Expedition to Monterey
- Achievements and Legacy



http://www.lausd.k12.ca.us/Portola_MS/images/conquist.jpg

Early life and Career

- Born in Os de Balaguer, Catalonia, Spain (1723-1784)
- Joined the Spanish army at age 11 and served for 30 years
- Rose to rank of Captain and came to the new world in 1767 by order of the Spanish Monarchy to be governor
- Tasked with driving out, arresting and deporting Jesuit priests from Alta California



Expedition to Monterey

- Accompanied Father Junipero Serra to Monterey
- Established San Diego among other cities on the way
- Got all the way to modern San Francisco



http://www.kcet.org/socal/departures/featured-highland_park/portolamap.jpg

Achievements and Legacy

- Appointed Governor of Puebla after the Expedition
- Called back to become Commander of the Numencia Cavalry Dragoon Regiment
- and eventually King's Lieutenant the strongholds and castles of Lleida
- Large statue of Portola exists in Pacifica, California
- various things named after him



http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/d/d8/Gaspar_de_Portola_statue.jpg

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