Juan Rodríguez Cabrillo



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Who was Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo?

- Born in the Iberian Peninsula around 1475-1499
- Native of Andalucia (Not Portuguese as claimed)
- He was adopted by a rich man Alonzo Sanchez de Ortega.
- Credited as the discoverer of California
- Explorer and Soldier
- He passed away on January 3, 1543



Route



- 1. Sevilla España
- 2. Cuba
- 3. Veracruz, New Spain
- 4. Tenochtitlan
- 5. Santiago, New Spain (Guatemala)
- 6. Navidad, New Spain (Manzanillo)
- 7. Islas de Cedros, Baja California
- 8. San Miguel, Alta California (Modern day San Diego)
- 9. San Salvador (Modern day Santa Catalina Island)
- 10. San Pedro Bay (Long Beach)
- 11. Santa Monica Bay
- 12. Cabo de Galera, Point Conception (Santa Barbara)
- 13. Cabo de Pinos (Point Reyes)
- 14. Bahía de los Pinos (Monterey Bay)
- 15. Isla Capitana (San Miguel Island)

Other Facts about Cabrillo

- Cabrillo made a huge success in Guatemala and returned to Spain 1532 where he met and married Beatriz Sanchez de Ortega, They had two sons.
- Cabrillo had a previous relationship and children with an Indigenous Guatemalan woman.
- He died from a broken leg injury. The leg never healed.
- In Point Loma California there's a statue in Honor of Cabrillo and his arrival to San Diego. In Portugal there's a statue in Montalegre, Portugal, which is considered his hometown.





Thank You!!!!!

Resources

- https://www.biography.com/history-culture/juan-rodriquez-cabrillo
- https://www.nps.gov/cabr/learn/historyculture/juan-rodriguez-cabrillo.htm
- https://sandiegohistory.org/archives/biographysubject/cabrillo/