

Project: Animals of the Civil War

We understand the modern soldier to come in many shapes and sizes – and in today's world one could even go as far as considering a robot of sorts to be a soldier. After all, we utilize this technology as an advantage in warfare in an attempt to reduce the risk of human casualties. But it is very safe to assume this use of technology did not exist in America centuries ago. So let's travel back in time; back to the year of 1861 when the eruption of the Civil War turned brother against brother that nearly tore apart the United States in a bloody battle to end the institution of slavery. What did a soldier look like then?

Animals of the Civil War is a website that will take it's viewers back in time to study the roles of domestic animals during the Civil War. Animals such as dogs, horses, birds...etc who contributed to the advantage of the North and the South will be recognized and their stories will be shared. Roles such as soldier, messenger, transporter, hunter...etc will be observed and studied from the perspective of the animals.