

APACHE

by 

The Apache Indians formally lived over eastern Arizona, north-western Mexico, New Mexico, parts of Texas and a small group on the plains. Apache Indians now live in Oklahoma and Texas and on reservations in Arizona and New Mexico.



The Apache Indians would eat wild animals and wild plants.

The Apache men wore deerskin shirts, leggings and moccasins. The woman wore short deerskin skirts and high boot top moccasins.

One of the Apache Indian ceremonies were dances called the rain dance, a harvest and good crop dance and a spirit dance.

The Apache Indians lived in huts called wickiups made of twigs and brush.

Did you know the best known Apache Indian Geronimo? He was one of the last Indians fighting against the federal government. He was also called the medicine man.

Did you know the Apache Indians do not have prisons? Instead of sending their criminals into prison, they send them out of their tribe.

Boys start hunting as early as 8 and 9 years old.

All Apachean languages are endangered.

The word Apache means enemy.

They have a wedding tradition using a wedding vase. A week or two before the couple are married; the future husband's parents make a wedding vase. The husband and his parents and all his relatives go to the bride's house. Holy water is put into the vase. The bride drinks from one side of the vase then turns it around and the groom drinks from the opposite side. This ceremony unites them as one.