

The Cherokee Tribe

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Tribal life: In every village, there was a chief, one for war and one for peace. The peace chief was always female. Both men and women listened to her for advice. Before the Indians would go to war, they would have a ceremonial ritual. They would dance and do body painting on their bodies. They also had many different pipes for smoking. All of this would be done before they went to war.



Clothes: Indians made most of their clothing from skins from animals. The women wore knee-length skirts that wrapped around. Men wore a small piece of fabric that went between their legs and was held at the waist by a belt. Both men and women wore deerskin moccasins.



Shelter: Indian houses were made with lots of different materials. Some of the materials were reeds, tree bark, and grasses. They also built mud houses. These houses were made from upright poles. Then they would weave reeds between the poles. Mud was then layered over the poles and reeds. The roof was made of thatch and bark.