

# The Ancient Kingdom of Benin

Benin has shown to shrink since ancient times because of the british raided them in 1879

### The Kingdom of Benin Map

The Kingdom of Benin was part of an area that is in south-west Nigeria.

1. On the modern-day map of Nigeria, draw the location of the Kingdom of Benin. You could use books and the Internet to find out more about how far the kingdom is thought to have spread.
2. Using an atlas, add the names of the modern-day countries that surround Nigeria.
3. During your research, did all of the maps show the exact same location for the Kingdom of Benin? Why do you think this is?

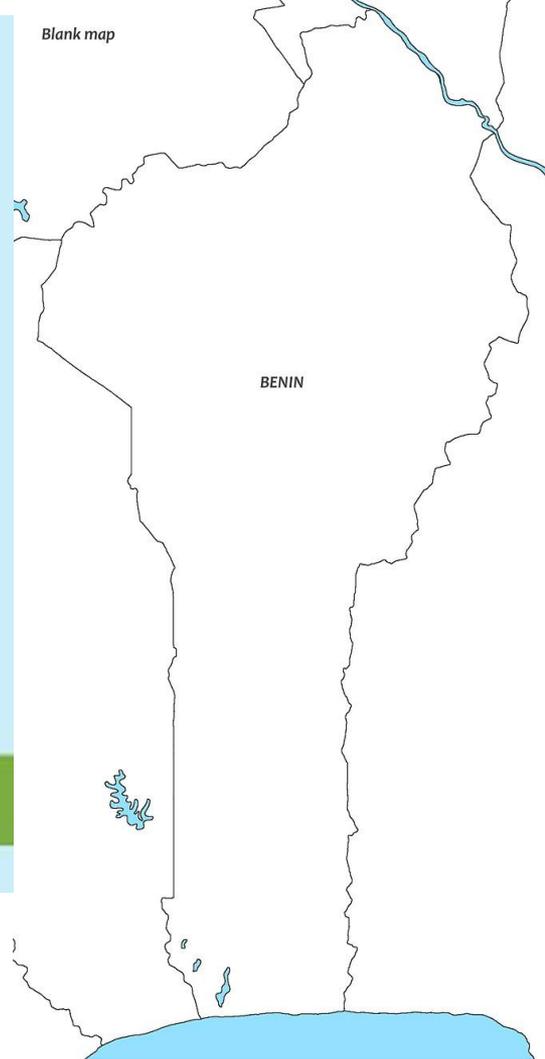
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## The timeline for benin

Ancient Benin started in the 1200s C.E

Ancient Benin ended in 1800s C.E

1200 c.e

1800 c.e



# The geography of benin

The wildlife of ancient benin has leopards, antelope, crocodile, and bagridae. All these creatures have been there since ancient benin and probably more! **Benin** situated in the south east coast of **West Africa**, an area forming part of **modern Nigeria**.



## The government of benin

The land was ruled by the oba. The oba of benin is still very respected to this day. His powers are largely ceremonial and religious.



# The culture of benin

Most of the benin culture was voodoo and slavery. The benin people mostly ate yams. The chiefs wore coral necklaces, bracelets and anklets.



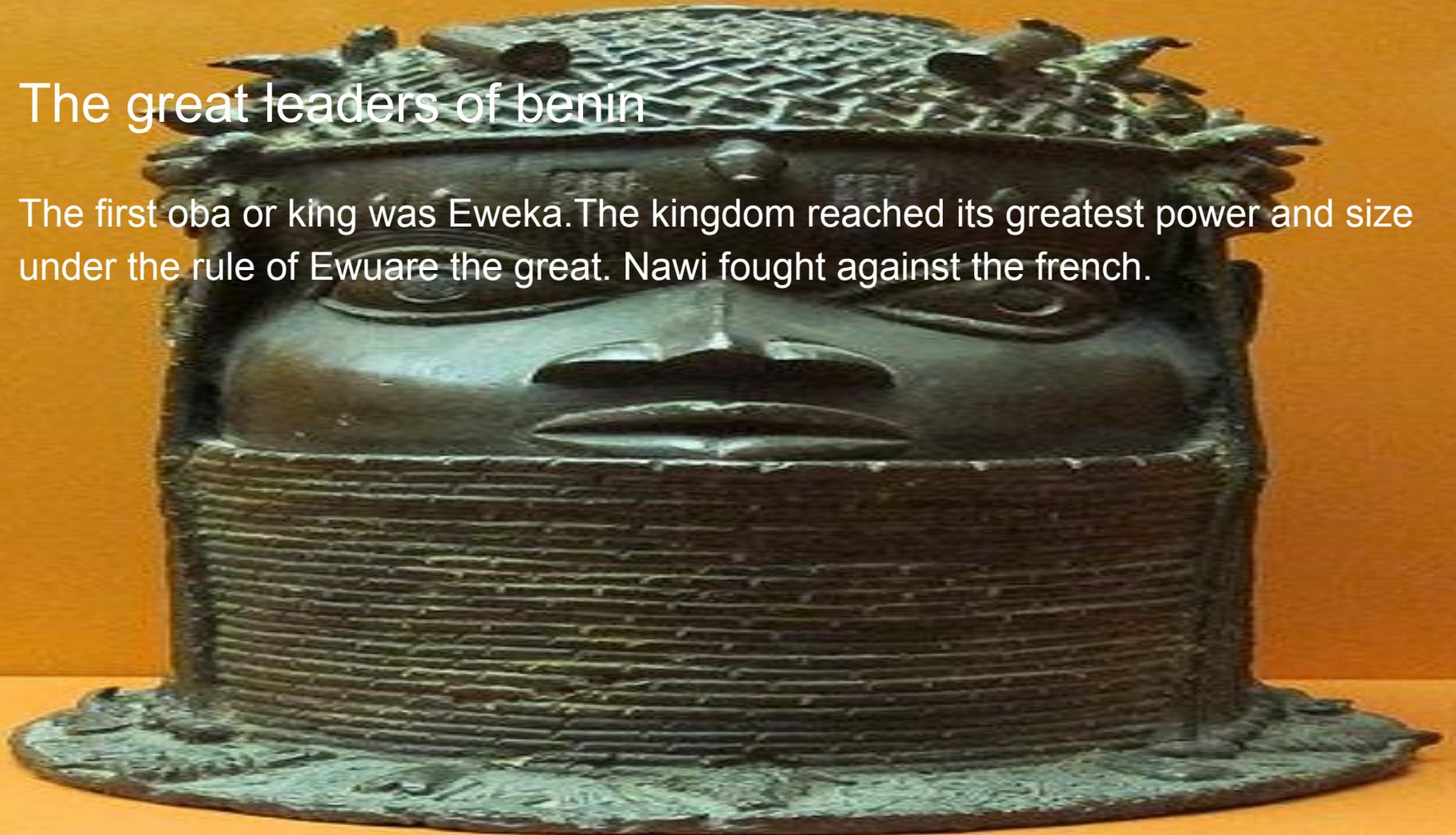
## The riches of benin

Benin mostly traded gold, ivory, and pepper. Benin grew yams, corn, rice, citrus ect.



## The great leaders of benin

The first oba or king was Eweka. The kingdom reached its greatest power and size under the rule of Ewuare the great. Nawi fought against the french.



## Achievements of benin

One of the inventions benin made was their bas-relief sculptures these sculptures were mostly made of bronze . Another achievement of the amazing achievements of benin was their exponential growth.

