



# Alexandre Fraser (abt. 1763 - 1837)



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Born **about 1763** in **Murray Bay, Province of Québec** <sup>?</sup>

Son of [Malcolm Fraser](#) and [mother unknown]

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Brother of [Angélique \(Fraser\) McLoughlin](#) [half], [Anne Fraser](#) [half] and [Léon-Ignace Murray](#) [half]

Husband of [Pauline Michaud](#) — married about 1815 in Rivière-du-Loup, Bas-Canada <sup>?</sup>

Father of [Guillaume Fraser](#)


Died **14 Jun 1837** in **Rivière-du-Loup, Bas-Canada** <sup>?</sup>

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## Biography

Alexandre was born about 1763, the son of **Malcolm Fraser** and his common law wife, **Marie Louise Allaire**. He worked for the Hudson Bay Company and the North West Company, and traveled from Quebec to the North West Territories. He had children with two women, the second he married at age 52 (she was 16) while still married to the first. His biography is transcribed below.

### Alexandre Fraser Biographie du Mac Millan Dictionary of Canada 3rd.<sup>[1]</sup>

Fraser, Alexander (1761?-1837) fur-trader, was born at Murray Bay, Canada about 1761, the eldest son of Malcom Fraser (q.v.). He entered the service of the North West Company as a clerk, prior to 1789, possibly through the influence of Simon Fraser, a merchant of Quebec, known as "the Beauhomme", who was his father's financial agent, and was a cousin of Simon McTavish (q.v.). He seems to have been employed mainly in the English River district. In 1789-90, he wintered at the Côte des Serpents; in 1797 he was in charge of the post to which David Thompson (q.v.) came, when he transferred from the service of the Hudson's Bay Company to that of the North West Company; and in 1799 he is described as "proprietor, Lower English River." He must, therefore, have become a partner of the North West Company before 1799. In 1801 he went to Montreal on leave, and in 1802-03, he was "employed as a partner assisting the Company's concerns in the King's Posts and Hudson's Bay". In 1804 he returned to the North West; but he retired from the fur-trade about 1806, and settled at Rivière-du-Loup. He had bought the seigniorship of Rivière-du-Loup-en-Bas in 1802, and he lived here until his death on June 14, 1837. He married in the Indian country an Indian wife,