

Puritan Homes



A long time ago, in the 1600s, the Pur•it•ans came to live in Mass•a•chu•setts. They built small, plain houses to live in.

Most houses were made of wood. The roofs were very steep, so snow could slide off in the win•ter.

Highsmith, Carol M, photographer. Plimoth Plantation is a living museum in Plymouth, Massachusetts. Massachusetts Plymouth United States, None. [Between 1980 and 2006] Photograph. <https://www.loc.gov/item/2011631490/>.

Most homes had one or two rooms. In one room, the fam•i•ly would sleep. In the other room, they would cook, eat, and do chores. There was a fire•place inside to cook food and stay warm. The fur•nit•ure was simple—most•ly wood•en tables and benches. Floors were made of wood or dirt.

Personal photographs.



Pur•it•an homes were not fan•cy. They were built for working, fam•i•ly, and faith. Pur•it•ans would pray and talk to•geth•er. Pur•it•ans thought people should work hard and live simp•ly. Their homes show•ed what they thought was right.

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