

# Fascinating facts you may not know about the Statue of Liberty



The statue's full name is *Liberty Enlightening the World*.



She holds a torch & tablet inscribed with **July 4, 1776**, the day the Declaration of Independence was signed.



Miss Liberty has a svelte, 35-foot waist measurement and wears an impressive **size 879 shoe**.

It takes 354 steep stairs to reach the top of the statue's crown.

The **seven spikes** on the crown represent the **seven oceans** and the **seven continents**.



Liberty's face is believed to be modeled after the sculptor's own mother, Charlotte.

In high winds of 50mph or more, Lady Liberty can sway by up to 3". **Her torch can even move 5"**.



Lady Liberty is thought to have been hit by about 600 **bolts** of lightning every year.

Andy Warhol painted "Statue of Liberty" in the 1960s. It's worth around \$35,000,000! The cost of building the statue & pedestal amounted to just \$500,000.



While you can't see Liberty's feet clearly, she is standing around a broken shackle & chains with her right foot raised, which illustrates her moving forward, away from oppression and slavery.



*The statue was used as a lighthouse* for 16 years (1886-1902), lighting up to 24 miles away.