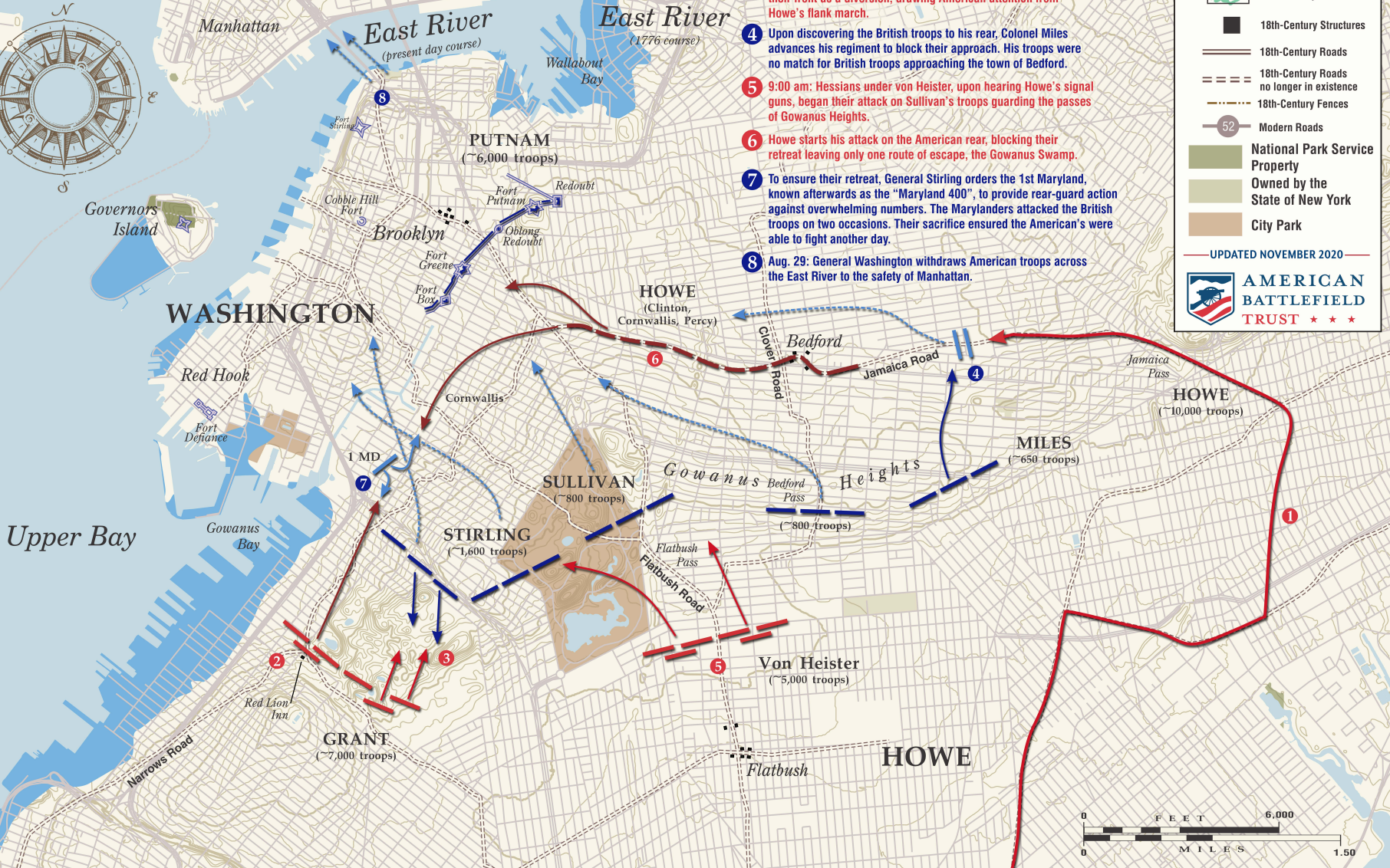
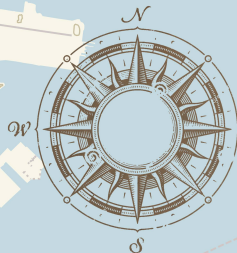


# REVOLUTIONARY WAR BATTLE

## BROOKLYN, NY

AUGUST 27, 1776

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- 1 9:00 pm on Aug. 26: British troops under the command of General William Howe start a night march around the left flank of the American positions.
- 2 1:00 am Aug. 27: British troops under the command of General Grant were fired upon by American troops at the Red Lion Inn.
- 3 Early morning: Grant's British troops attack the heights to their front as a diversion, drawing American attention from Howe's flank march.
- 4 Upon discovering the British troops to his rear, Colonel Miles advances his regiment to block their approach. His troops were no match for British troops approaching the town of Bedford.
- 5 9:00 am: Hessians under von Heister, upon hearing Howe's signal guns, began their attack on Sullivan's troops guarding the passes of Gowanus Heights.
- 6 Howe starts his attack on the American rear, blocking their retreat leaving only one route of escape, the Gowanus Swamp.
- 7 To ensure their retreat, General Stirling orders the 1st Maryland, known afterwards as the "Maryland 400", to provide rear-guard action against overwhelming numbers. The Marylanders attacked the British troops on two occasions. Their sacrifice ensured the American's were able to fight another day.
- 8 Aug. 29: General Washington withdraws American troops across the East River to the safety of Manhattan.

### LEGEND

#### TROOP MOVEMENTS

British	American
FIRST PHASE	
SECOND PHASE	

#### LAND FEATURES & PRESERVATION

	18th-Century Woodline
	18th-Century Structures
	18th-Century Roads
	18th-Century Roads no longer in existence
	18th-Century Fences
	Modern Roads
	National Park Service Property
	Owned by the State of New York
	City Park

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