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b. 18 Aug. 1587



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[Legend of White Doe](#) ^[4]

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Virginia Dare, the first English child born in America, was the daughter of [Ananias](#) ^[5] and [Eleanor White Dare](#) ^[6] and granddaughter of Governor [John White](#) ^[7]. Born on [Roanoke Island](#) ^[8], she was christened on 24 August by the name given by Queen Elizabeth to the new country. A terra cotta memorial to her was installed in [St. Bride's Church, Fleet Street, London](#), ^[9] after that church was restored following [World War II](#) ^[10].

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