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Frontier Architecture (c.1850-90s) Meanwhile, local vernacular architecture was appearing across the American West, partly because of the Homestead Act of 1862, which gave millions of Americans the chance to own their own home, and fundamentally altered the character of settlement patterns across the Great Plains and Southwest. The architecture of the United States demonstrates a broad variety of architectural styles and built forms over the country's history of over four centuries of independence and former Spanish and British rule. Architecture in the United States is as diverse as its multicultural society and has been shaped by many internal and external factors and regional distinctions. The American Institute of Architecture Students is an independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to excellence in architectural education and practice. American architectural styles were particularly rich during the 20th century. Definition and Characteristics of Bungalow, Craftsman, Colonial Revival, Foursquare, English Cottage are included.