

The War of Rough Wooing

1543-1550

The War of the Rough Wooing December 1543 - March 1550 was fought between Scotland and England. The term 'Rough Wooing' was only coined many years later by Sir [Walter Scott](#). War was declared by [Henry VIII of England](#), in an attempt to force the Scots to agree a marriage between his son [Edward](#) and [Mary, Queen of Scots](#). Scotland benefitted from French military aid. Edward VI continued the war until changing circumstances made it irrelevant in 1550. It was the last major conflict between Scotland and England before the [Union of the Crowns](#) in [1603](#), excepting perhaps the English intervention at the [Siege of Leith](#) in 1560, and was part of the [Anglo-Scottish Wars](#) of the 16th century.

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