

Have you ever heard that the <u>number 13 is an unlucky number</u>? This is almost a worldwide belief. It is so strong you will usually never see a room numbered 13, or any hotels or motels with a 13th floor. Actually, our forefathers looked at 13 as lucky. A lot of our forefathers also followed the bible including 1st Corinthians 13 which is about "Love."

But think about the thirteens we have associated with our country:

- 1. 13 original colonies,
- 2. 13 signers of the Declaration of Independence,
- 3. 13 stripes on our flag,
- 4. The final version of the Great Seal was submitted on the thirteenth of June
- 5. There are 13 steps on the Pyramid,
- 6. 13 letters in the Latin above,
- 7. 13 letters in "E Pluribus Unum",
- 8. 13 stars above the Eagle,
- 9. 13 bars on that shield,
- 10. 13 leaves on the olive branch,
- 11. 13 fruits, and if you look closely, 13 arrows.
- 12. And, for minorities: the 13th Amendment. Includes Lincoln's Emancipation proclamation
- 13. 1913 Created the Federal Reserve Act 13 main City locations 12 banks plus Board of Governors in Washington DC -