

GARDENS, HOUSE & PLANTATION STABLEYARDS

MIDDLETON PLACE

A National Historic Landmark



CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Middleton Place is one of South Carolina's most enduring icons – a proud survivor of the American Revolution, Civil War, changing fortunes and natural disasters. First granted in 1675, only five years after the first English colonists arrived in the Carolinas, this National Historic Landmark has history, drama, beauty and educational discoveries for everyone in the family.



Azalea Hillside

For over two and a half centuries, these graciously landscaped gardens have enchanted visitors from all over the world. Guests stroll through vast garden “rooms,” laid out with precise symmetry and balance, to the climactic view over the Butterfly Lakes and the winding Ashley River beyond. Today, as they did then, the gardens represent the Low Country's most spectacular and articulate expression of an 18th-century ideal – the triumphant marriage between man and nature.

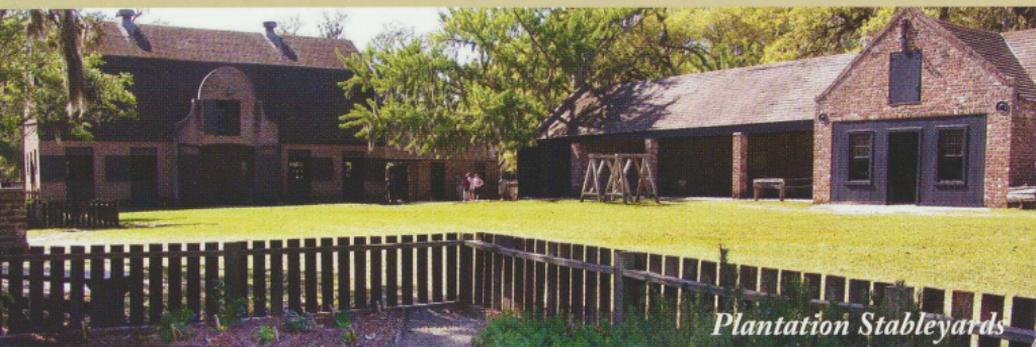


The Reflection Pool



The Wood Nymph, c. 1810

Walk the same footpaths through these gardens as did pre-Revolutionary statesmen. Enjoy the same vistas that inspired four generations of the distinguished Middleton family from 1741 to 1865. Here lived Henry Middleton, a President of the First Continental Congress; Arthur Middleton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence; Henry Middleton, Governor of South Carolina and later Minister to Russia; and Williams Middleton, a signer of the Ordinance of Secession.



Plantation Stableyards

AMERICA'S OLDEST LANDSCAPED GARDENS



Music Room in the House Museum

the Middletons painted by Benjamin West and Thomas Sully grace the walls.

Take in the colorful sights and sounds of the working **Plantation Stableyards**. Craftspeople demonstrate the skills performed by slaves in the 18th and 19th centuries, surrounded by the domestic animals who work and live among them.



Stableyards Blacksmith

Tour the **Middleton Place House** (1755), built as a gentleman's guest wing beside the family residence. Today it serves as a museum of rare Middleton family furniture, silver, china, books, and historic documents. Important portraits of



The Restaurant

Enjoy dining at the **Middleton Place Restaurant** where an authentic Low Country lunch is served daily and dinner is an elegant event served Tuesday through Sunday by candlelight.

The **Inn at Middleton Place**, only a short walk from the gardens, is located on a bluff over-

looking the Ashley River. Each of the Inn's 55 rooms provides a private haven of comfort in a secluded woodland setting. Kayaking, horseback riding and nature hikes allow guests to enjoy the plantation's natural environment.

No visit to Charleston is complete without the Middleton Place experience – a feast for the senses and a true journey back in time.



Relaxing accommodations at the Inn

YOUR MIDDLETON PLACE EXPERIENCE

Much of the wealth that built Charleston as a great colonial city came from the early plantation system. Here is a rare opportunity to see and hear what plantation life was like in the 18th and 19th centuries.



MIDDLETON PLACE is located on Ashley River Road (Hwy. 61), 14 miles northwest of Charleston.

Admission fees support the preservation work of Middleton Place Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational trust. Become a member of the Foundation and enjoy unlimited admission to Middleton Place, receive discounts at the Middleton Place Museum Shop, plus a subscription to the



Foundation's newsletter. Membership also includes admission to the Edmondston-Alston House located at 21 East Battery, overlooking historic Charleston Harbor.

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Open 9 a.m. daily

Special Inn accommodations, group tour rates,
and food service functions are available.