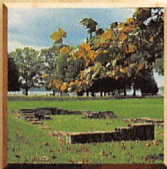




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On May 13, 1607, 104 English men and boys landed at Jamestown and carved the first permanent English settlement in North America out of the wilderness. Jamestown reigned as capital of Virginia for 92 years until the seat of government moved to Williamsburg in 1699.

Today, archeological excavations bring to life Jamestown's past. Artifacts discovered here piece together the everyday lives of the "Cittie's" inhabitants. Although tides from the James River washed part of the site away, ruins of the early settlement are still visible, including the brick tower of a church built in 1639. Statues and monuments commemorate important personalities and events in Jamestown's past, while 20th-century bricks outline the excavated foundations of the 17th-century homes.

SPECIAL INFORMATION

Please do not climb on the ruins or feed the wildlife. • Superintendent, Colonial National Historical Park, P.O. Box 210, Yorktown, VA 23690-0210, (757) 898-3400.