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**Hopewell Culture  
National Historical Park**

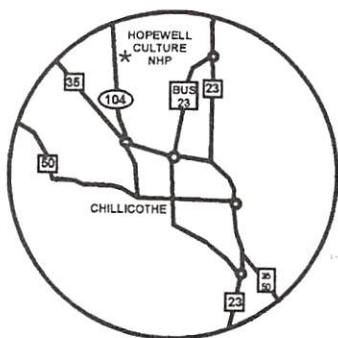
Mounds of various shapes and enclosures often built in geometric patterns dot the landscape of the Ohio River Valley. These earthen structures were doubtless the work of many human hands. Evidence suggests that Hopewell earthworks were used for a variety of ceremonial and social activities between 200 BC to AD 500.

Hopewell Culture National Historical Park (NHP) offers many opportunities to learn about the people, plants, and animals that lived in Ohio in the past and in the present. Visitors can watch a 17-minute award-winning film, browse the museum, take guided tours of Mound City Group, or attend a special program. There are five noncontiguous units within the park- Mound City Group, Hopeton Earthworks, Hopewell Mound Group, Seip Earthworks, and High Bank Works- representing some of the finest examples of Hopewellian resources.



Plants and animals are an important part of Hopewell Culture NHP. National Park Service staff is inventorying and monitoring species, such as bats, birds, insects, native and invasive plants, and mammals. In addition, disturbed land is being restored to native grassland designed to encourage ground nesting birds.

The park's visitor center, located at Mound City Group, is open seven days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with extended summer hours. The visitor center is closed January 1, Thanksgiving Day, and December 25. Park grounds are open during daylight hours. There is no entrance fee.



The visitor center is located on State Route 104, 2 miles north of US 35 and 3 miles north of Chillicothe. Food, lodging, and camping are available in the surrounding area.

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