ACCOKEEK FOUNDATION RESEARCH:

The Accokeek Foundation has been conducting research projects at the National Colonial Farm site since 1958. These research projects are supported by funds raised by the Accokeek Foundation from private donors, Federal granting agencies, corporations, and other foundations.

Accokeek Foundation research explores questions in agricultural history, restoration of the American Chestnut tree, heirloom plant varieties, land preservation techniques, and native flora. These research projects assist the Interpretive program at the National Colonial Farm as well as adding to our general knowledge.

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HANDICAPPED ACCESS:

The Accokeek Foundation and the National Park Service have attempted to provide the necessary steps to allow all people to visit and enjoy the National Colonial Farm. The National Colonial Farm staff has been trained to assist impaired visitors. A vehicle for physically handicapped individuals is available by prearrangement. For further information or assistance, please call 283-2113.

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MEMBERSHIP:

Individuals and families wishing to participate more fully in the activities of the National Colonial Farm, help preserve this area of great natural beauty, and support the research programs are invited to join the Accokeek Foundation, Inc. Information about membership may be obtained from any staff member or by contacting the National Colonial Farm office. Special events for members are scheduled through the year.

TOURS:

Tours can be scheduled; call or write The National Colonial Farm, 3400 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek, MD 20607 (301/283-2113). There is no admission fee for prearranged groups. Tours are normally scheduled Tuesday through Friday.

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FARM ADMINISTRATION:

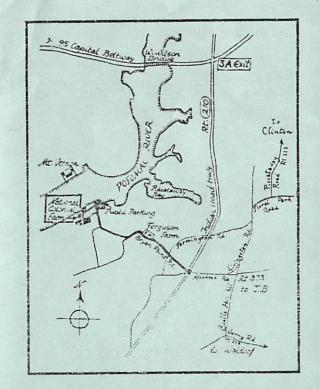
The Accokeek Foundation, with the help of a grant from the National Park Service, administers the National Colonial Farm. The Accokeek Foundation, a public, non-profit foundation is supported through gifts and grants.

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PISCATAWAY PARK ADMINISTRATION:

As the Nation's principal conservation agency, the Department of the Interior has responsibility for most of our nationally owned public lands and natural resources. This includes fostering the wisest use of our land and water resources, protecting our fish and wildlife, preserving the environmental and cultural values of our national parks and historical places, and providing for the enjoyment of life through outdoor recreation. The Department assesses our energy and mineral resources and works to assure that their development is in the best interests of all our people. The Department also has a major responsibility for people who live in Island Territories under U.S. administration.

> National Park Service U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR



LOCATION:

The National Colonial Farm is located on the Potomac River in southern Prince Georges County, Maryland. From the Capital Beltway (I-95) take exit 3A which is south Indian Head Highway/Route 210; go 10 miles to the traffic light at Bryan Point Road in Accokeek, MD; turn sharply right on Bryan Point Road, continuing 4 miles toward the river to the Farm Entrance at the Saylor Memorial Grove parking area.

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HOURS:

The National Colonial Farm is open to the public every day (except Mondays, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years Day) from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Weekend activities and events (such as planting demonstrations, spinning, blacksmithing) are scheduled throughout the year. Admission to the Farm is \$1.00 (children under 12 are free). Activity information phone number is 283-2115.

THE NATIONAL COLONIAL FARM



A Cooperative Project of the ACCOKEEK FOUNDATION, INC. and the NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

PISCATAWAY PARK Accokeek, Maryland

THE NATIONAL COLONIAL FARM OF THE ACCOKEEK FOUNDATION, INC.

1. Visitor & Bus Parking

- 2. Saylor Memorial Grove and Pier
- 3. Gatehouse: Information and Brochures are available. Tours start here. A variety of items are for sale in the Herb Shop.
- Colonial Crop Demonstration Area: Major crops include: corn (the primary subsistence food), tobacco (the cash crop for area planters); and wheat (the source of flour for baking).
- 5. "Hall" Tobacco Barn

- 6. Kitchen Garden: This garden is located to the rear of the herb garden and near the Outkitchen so that the vegetables grown here, used daily, were easily accessible.
- Rosamond Beirne Memorial Herb Garden: Over 50 herbs are grown here that were used by the colonists for medicinal, cosmetic, and culinary purposes.
- 8. Smoke House
- Necessary: This facility known as an outhouse, privy, or toilet, was located near the house. The Necessary is not for actual use.
- 10. Colonial Outkitchen

- 11. Farm House: The Farm House is a private residence and is not open to the public.
- Administration Building: The Accokeek Foundation maintains staff offices, research facilities, and a library in this building.
- 13. Barnyard: Livestock breeds which resemble those of the colonial area are being bred. Look for Hog Island and Dorset Horn sheep, Red Devon cattle, Chincoteague ponies, and a variety of fowl, including turkeys, ducks, geese, chickens, Guinea fowl, and peafowl.
- 14. Pig Pens

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15. Farm Pond

16. Main Barn

- 17. Stable
- 18. Orchard
- 19. Staff Vehicle Entrance: Authorized persons only.
- 20. Staff Parking
- 21. Woodland Trail
- 22. American Chestnut Grove
- 23. Mount Vernon Estate: The National Colonial Farm, as a part of Piscataway Park, together with the scenic easements donated by private citizens, protects the historic view from Mount Vernon, home of the first President of the United States.