

CAPSULE SUMMARY
BA-0286
Littlecote
11420 Manor Road
Glen Arm, Baltimore County
1800 ca.
Private

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The random rubble house stands one-and-a-half stories tall and four-bays wide with three added gable dormers on the east and west elevations. In each of the dormers projecting from the side gable roof with slate tiles is a 6/6 vinyl window with vinyl surrounds. Two interior-end brick chimneys symmetrically intersect the roof crest. On the facade, two 6/6 windows with square-edged wood surrounds and stone jack arches pierce the first story. The two entries, also accented with stone jack arches and square-edged wood surrounds, feature single-leaf doors that are paneled with lights. Two 6/6 windows pierce the half-story of the side elevations with vinyl surrounds. Flanking the main block are two, circa 1930 additions that stand one-story tall with front gable roofs. Each addition has an exterior-end stone chimney that is shouldered with a brick flue. Contemporary with the dwelling is a circa 1800 icehouse located to the northeast. Banked into a hill, the building is constructed of random rubble stone accented with quoins. It features a side gable slate roof with board-and-batten siding in the ends.

Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. BA-0286

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Littlecote

other

2. Location

street and number 11420 Manor Road not for publication

city, town Glen Arm vicinity

county Baltimore County

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Michael J. Sackett and Catherine S. Sackett, Trustees

street and number 11420 Manor Road telephone Not Available

city, town Glen Arm state MD zip code 21057-9412

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse liber 13695 folio 309

city, town Towson tax map 62 tax parcel 5 tax ID number 1104001690

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

Contributing Resource in National Register District
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Recorded by HABS/HAER
 Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
 Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	2 2 buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	J structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	—2 —3 Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	—^—unknown
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	— vacant/not in use
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	— other:

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

7. Description

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Condition

____excellent____deteriorated
X good_____ruins
fair altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Constructed circa 1800, this vernacular dwelling with its paved driveway fronts east in a rural setting on a sloping lot. An exact date could not be determined from an exterior survey of its architectural materials. Deed research and an intensive survey may reveal remnants of a circa 1760 building within the current building. The random rubble house stands one-and-a-half stories tall and four bays wide with three added gable dormers on the east and west elevations. In each of the dormers projecting from the side gable roof with slate tiles is a 6/6 vinyl window with vinyl surrounds. Two interior-end brick chimneys symmetrically intersect the roof crest. On the facade, two 6/6 windows with square-edged wood surrounds and stone jack arches pierce the first story. The two entries, also accented with stone jack arches and square-edged wood surrounds, feature single-leaf doors that are paneled with lights. Two 6/6 windows pierce the half-story of the side elevations with vinyl surrounds. Flanking the main block are two, circa 1930 additions that stand one-story tall with front gable roofs. Each addition has an exterior-end stone chimney that is shouldered with a brick flue.

Contemporary with the dwelling is a circa 1800 icehouse located to the northeast. Banked into a hill, the building is constructed of random rubble stone accented with quoins. It features a side gable slate roof with board-and-batten siding in the ends. A single-leaf door that is flush with lights marks the entry on the facade and two four-light windows pierce the side elevations. Both the door and the windows have square-edged wood surrounds.

Also located to the northeast is an in-ground pool circa 1970 with a concrete platform. It is located on a grassy rise.

Located to the north are two wood frame sheds. One shed, dating to circa 1970, features pressed vertical board siding, a wood post foundation, a side-gable roof, and a double-leaf door that is cross-braced. The other shed, circa 1980, features plywood siding, a brick pier foundation, a front gable roof with skylight, and a double-leaf multi-light door.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below
C* _ 1600-1699 _ 1700-1799 X 1800-1899 X 1900-1999 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	economics _____ health/medicine _____ performing arts
	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	education _____ industry _____ philosophy
	X architecture	engineering _____ invention _____ politics/government
	<input type="checkbox"/> art	entertainment/ _____ landscape architecture _____ religion
	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	recreation _____ law _____ science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	ethnic heritage _____ literature _____ X social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	exploration/ _____ maritime history _____ transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	settlement _____ military _____ other:

Specific dates 1800 ca.-present **Architect/Builder** Unknown

Construction dates 1800 ca., 1930 ca.

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register X not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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¹ Baltimore County Historic Inventory; see also Neal A. Brooks and Eric G. Rockel, *A History of Baltimore County* (Towson, MD: Friends of the Towson Library, Inc., 1979), p. 496 n.1 1.

Brooks and Rockel, p. 166.

³ *Map of Baltimore County* (Philadelphia, PA: G.W. Bromley, 1915).

⁴ Baltimore County Historic Inventory.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreege of surveyed property 5.36 Acres
Acreege of historical setting Unknown
Quadrangle name Towson Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Since its construction circa 1800, Littlecote has been associated with the 5.36 acres of land known as tax parcel 5 of map 62 located in the Baltimore County Tax Assessor's office.

11. Form Prepared by

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city or town	Washington	state	DC

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Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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1135 GLEN ARM ROAD
GLEN ARM, BALTIMORE COUNTY
- EA-0280
11420 MANOR ROAD
GLEN ARM, BALTIMORE COUNTY
- EA-0137
3 RUNNING FOX ROAD
GLEN ARM
BALTIMORE COUNTY

USGS Quad: TOWSON
Scale: 1:24,000

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BA-2628
2002 CROMWELL
BRIDGE
ROAD

BA-0282
9322 OLD HARFORD ROAD
BALTIMORE, BALTIMORE COUNTY

MOUNTVISTA
WHITE MARSH
5762 N NW
FORM BEL
1.1 MI TO U.S. 1
4364
25'
4363
4361



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11420 MANOR ROAD

GLEN ARM

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MD

TRACERIES

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EAST ELEVATION

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SE CORNER

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11420 MANOR ROAD

GLEN ARM

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TRAILERS

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ICE HOUSE

4 OF 4

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MA- 286 **LITTLECOTE** - c. 1760-65 - West side of Manor Road, 0.3 mile northwest of Glen Arm Road in Summerfield subdivision. Small building, a former slave quarters of the Ridgely-Gilmor house Summerfield. During the ownership of William Merrick in the 1920s and 30s, it was enlarged by adding wings. Basic building is stone, 1-½ stories, with walls two feet thick.

DISTRICT 11 - continued -

Gable roof. Full-width porches is Colonial style. House is about 50 feet long, one room deep. Three dormers on each side. Fireplace in dining room contains original kitchen crane. Owner: J. Cavendish Darrell.

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