

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

SNOW HILL

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Vista Road

CITY, TOWN

Hollywood

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

St. Mary's

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

St. Mary's County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Street and Courthouse Drive

CITY, TOWN

Leonardtwn

STATE
Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

SM-230

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR

- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED

CHECK ONE

- ORIGINAL SITE
- MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

also see bdr's article
"Artifact not enough"

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Memorandum Book of Snow Hill Manor, St. Mary's County

(Introductory comments and all metes and bounds have been deleted from this transcript.)

No. 1

St. Johns With Addition Granted to John Hicks the 25th day of July 1750 now in Pofsifision of William and George Hicks; Begining at a Cedar Tree Standing on the East Side of a Creek Called Mill Creek and at the Landing place of the Said Creek and on the North side of a Small Branch that falls into the said Creek and Runing thence....thence with a Strait Line to the Begining Containing 378 acres Well Wooded and Watered Soil Partly level and Good Partly Broken and Stiff Soil -- There are about one Hundred fruit Trees and one Large old Dwelling House much Decayed and Tollarable Good Fencing --

No. 2

Chancellors Orched Granted Roger Tole Decem. 25th 1746 Now in Pofsefsion of the Reverend Moses Tabbs Begining at a Cedar Tree Marked with Nine Notches Standing at the Mouth of a Creek or Cove Called Cowpen Creek and Runing Thence....Thince with a Strait Line to the Begining Containing 143 Acres of Land; Soil Broken and Mean Well Watered But Little Timber; The is one Good Dwelling House Briks Chimneys 28 by 16 F about one Hundred and fifty Young Fruit Trees Good Fencing -- 1 Tobacco House 30 by 20 Sheaded; one Clapboard Kitchin and Quarter --

No. 3

Poppan Fields Granted James Watts the 25th day of December 1749 Now in Pofsifision of Mary Morrifs Begining at a Cedar Tree Marked with Notches Standing at the Mouth of a Small Creek or Cove Called Cowpen Creek the said Tree Being a Boundey of Roger Toles Land and Runing thence -- Thence with a Strait line to the Begining Containing 190 Acres of Land Well Wooded and Watered Soil light and Midling Good but Brokin 1 old Dwelling House 28 by 18 Feet Clapboard 1 old Clapboard Kitchin; 1 old Tobo. House 30 by 20 Feet and about one Hundred Fruit Trees --

	190 Acres
Lies in No. 4 an Elder Survey	<u>4 1/2</u>
Remains Clear	186 1/2

No. 4

Bakers Purchase Granted John Baker the 1st day of July 1740 Begining at a White Oak Standing on a Point and on the West side of Snow Hill Creek and Runing thence....Thence with a Strait line to the Begining Containing --

	104 Acres
Lies in St. Mary's Bay	<u>6 1/2</u>
Remains Clear	97 1/2

Soil Broken and Much Worn Well Watered no Timber Nor firewood -- about one Hundred and Fifty Good Bearing Fruit Trees; one Clapboard Dwelling House 24 by 16 1 Kitchen Clapboard 20 by 16 1 other Kitchen 16 by 12 one Corn House and one Tobacco House 30 by 20 Good Fencing Through Mistake of the Surveyer when this land was taken up it lies Six and a half acres in the River as above --

Memorandum Book of Snow Hill Manor, St. Mary's County (continued)

No. 5

Inclosure Granted John Baker August the 30th 1761 Begining at a White Oak Tree Standing on a Point and on the West side of Snow Hill Creek the said Tree Being the Begining of a Tract of Land Called Bakers Purchase and Runing thence....Thence with a Strait line to the Begining Containing

	61 acres	
Lies in St. Marys Bay	3	}
Lies in Bakers Purchase an Elder Survey -- No. 4	12 1/2	
Lies in No. 3 an Elder Survey	3 3/4	
Remains Clear	41 3/4	
		19 1/4

Soil light but Much Worn and Broken no Timber nor Improvements --

N.B. By mistake of the Surveyer this land lies a Considerable part in Elder Surveys as above and by which means there is 25 1/2 acres of Vacant Land Between this and No. 4 tho it was Meant to Include that and not to Clash in the Manner they old there is about 24 Acres of Vacancy along the River about 5 Acres of Which is a Salt Marsh --

No. 6

Ivy Hills Granted James Taylor December 25th 1748 Begining at a Beech Tree Standing on the North Side of a Small Branch that falls into Snow Hill Creek the said Tree Being Marked with Eight Notches and Runing thenceThence with a Strait line to the Begining Containing

	52 1/2 acres
Lies in No. 7 an Elder Survey	1/2
Remains Clear	52 acres

Well Wooded and Watered Much Broken Soil Stiff and thin 1 old Clapboard Dwelling House 20 by 16 Feet about Twenty fruit Trees Bad Fencing --

No. 7

A Tract or Parcel of Land in Pofsefsion of Olivir Taylor Held by an Antient Deed from one Garard Miller Begining at the mouth of a Pond on the West of Garards Freehold Commonly Called Porkall and Binding on St. Georges River forty Four Perches to a Bounded Pifsimmon thenceto Mattapany Road then up the Road to a Bounded White Oak thin West from the Said White Oak 250 perches to the Head of Gerard Branch thin with the Said Branch to the Begining --

N.B; Tho this deed Seems to Exprefs the Tract of Land now Called the Vineyard as Porkall yet from the Best of Information from the old Standers it never was any part of Porkall freehold but land Granted by his Lordship out of the Manor; This Tract of Land now Called the Vineyard was the Governors Seat when the Capitol was at St. Mary's -- the Land Called the Vineyard I have Included in the Manor and Extended the Manor Line to the Land now Known by the Name of Porkall frehold agreeable to the Manor Certificate as appears on the Platt --

No. 8

Hard Shift Granted Thomas Willinor the 25th day of March 1750 -- Begining at a Chesnut White Oak Standing on the North Side of the Main Run that falls into the head of Chanceloors Cheek and Runing Thence.... Thence with a Strait line to the Begining Conaing

	86 acres
Lies in No. 1 St Johns with Addition an Elder Survey	5 1/4
Lies in No. 2 Do	1/2
Remains Clear	80 1/4

Well Watered no Timber nor Improvements but about fifty fruit trees Soil Poor and Much Broken and all Cleared and Worn out --

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SNOW HILL MANOR
St. Mary's City~~

snow hill - masonical survey
of 18th c.
19th cent. replacements

Artifacts are not enough.

Forman - 1803 hse.