## LSU RURAL LIFE MUSEUM & WINDRUSH GARDENS

Through the forethought and generosity of the Burden Family, the LSU Rural Life Museum remains intact for future generations to learn and to enjoy the life-ways of the rural people of Louisiana. The purpose of the LSU Rural LIfe Museum is to increase the appreciation of our heritage and the way of life of our ancestors, their hardships, toils, visions, inspiration, and determination by preserving something of the architecture and artifacts from our rural past.

The LSU Rural Life Museum holds the largest collection of Louisiana vernacular architecture and the most extensive collection of material culture artifacts from the 18th and 19th centuries. The museum includes 32 buildings, which spread over 25 acres that are divided into four areas:

The Working Plantation consists of a complex of buildings: post office, commissary, overeer's house, kitchen, slave cabins, sick house, smoke houses, blacksmith shop, sugar house, pigeon cote, and chicken house. These are authentically furnished to reconstruct most of the major activities of life on a typical 19th century working plantation.

The Folk Architecture (Upland South) section consists of buildings with divergent forms of construction, illustrating the various cultures of Louisiana: a split cypress barn, country church, pioneer's cabin with corn crib and potato house, cemetery, dogtrot house, log house, 19th century jail, and syrup house.

The Gulf Coast Region section adheres to Creole (or South Louisiana) structures and demonstrates their culture that consists of two Acadian houses, barn, and shotgun house.

The Exhibit Barn contains a vast collection of artifacts and treasures dealing with everyday rural life up to the early 20th century.

- 1. Bergeron House
- 2. Outdoor Oven
- 3. Acadian House
- 4. Shotgun House
- 5. Split Cypress Barn
- 6. Grist Mill
- 7. Chicken Coop
- 8. Kitchen
- 9. Kitchen Garden
- 10. Outhouses
- 11. Slave Cabins
- 12. Sugar House
- 13. Church
- 14. Pigeon Cote
- 15. Smokehouse
- 16. Overseer's House

- 17. Sick House
- 18. Well
- 20. Statue of Uncle Jack
  - 38. Columns

    - 39. Entrance
    - 40. Stoker Barn

34. Visitor Center

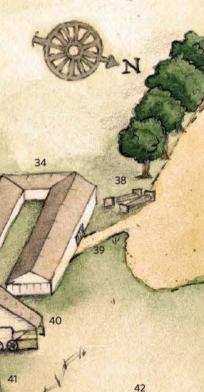
35. Dogtrot House

36. Syrup House

41. Stoner-Athens House

37. Sugarcane Grinder

42. Cattle Pen





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21. Garden House

22. Pigeon Cote

23. 4-Hole Outhouse

24. School House

25. Blacksmith's House

26. Cemetery

27. Commissary

28. Jail

29. Pioneer's Cabin

30. Post Office

31. The Barn

32. Potato House

33. Corncrib