

# Archaeological Resources in Indiana's Forest Lands



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# There're significant sites in Indiana?

- ✦ It's true there are no Egyptian pyramids, but we are not in Egypt.
- ✦ But there are sites indicating elaborate social/cultural dynamics while Europe was in the Dark Ages.
- ✦ There are sites showing cultural networks with MesoAmerica, the Rocky Mountains, The Gulf Coast, the Appalachian Mountains, and Canada.
- ✦ There are sites indicating a complex history dating back more than 10,000 years.

# What is an Archaeological Site?

- ✦ A site is the presence of occurrence of one or more artifacts or features .
- ✦ An archaeological site is an instance of past human behavior or activity, where humans conducted some activity and left evidence of it behind, on, or in the ground.
- ✦ Some common types of archaeological site types are:

burials

camps

cemeteries

earthworks

homesites/farmsteads

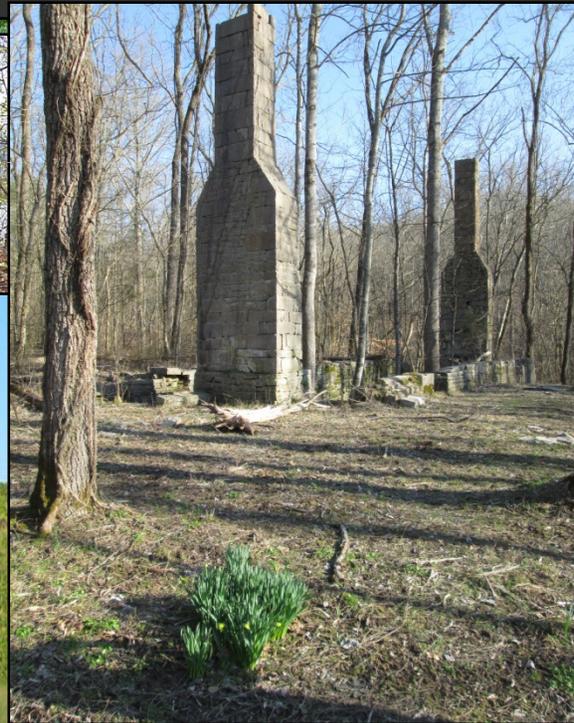
lithic scatters

industries

quarries

rockshelters

villages



Homesites

Earthworks



Prehistoric Camps

Churches

# What we expect to see...



# What we really see...



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