

Vincennes

A Multicultural Frontier Capital on the Wabash



George Rogers Clark Memorial on the bank of the Wabash River



Fort Knox II site



The Old French House

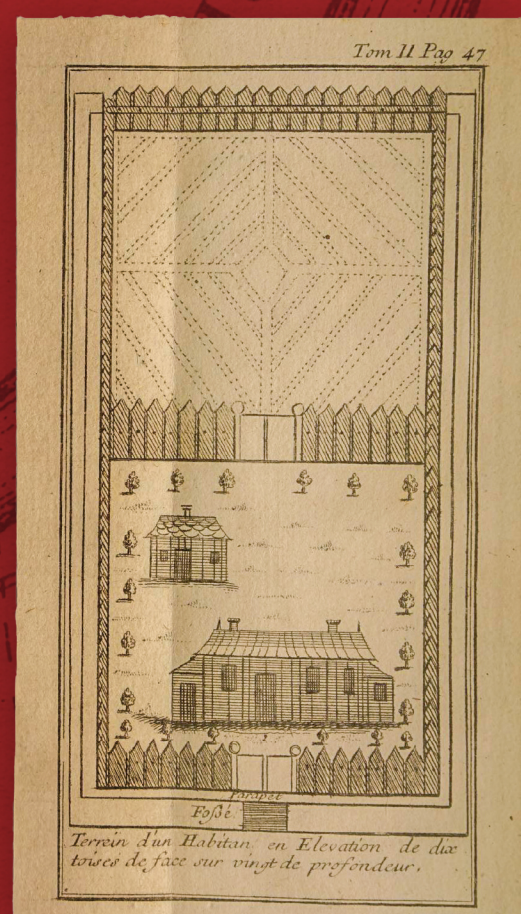


Sugarloaf Mound

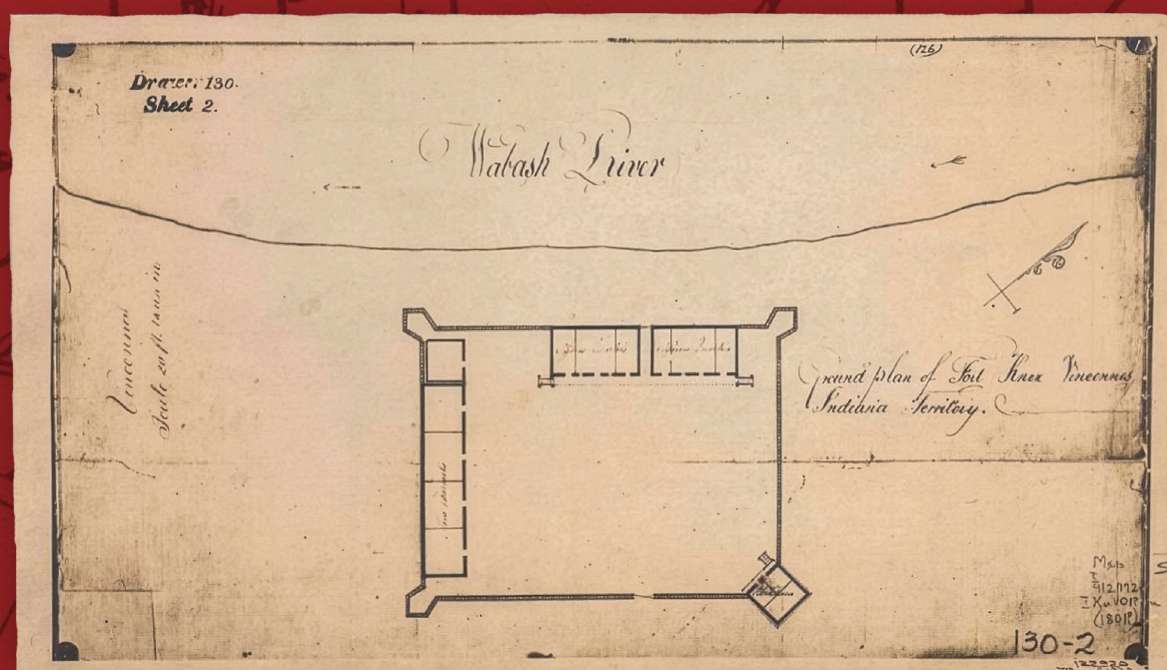
Vincennes, founded in 1732 in what was then French territory, is Indiana's oldest continuously inhabited community founded by Europeans. The area had been home to Native American tribes for thousands of years before European arrival. Control of the region shifted from Native Americans to France to Great Britain and later to the United States, and Vincennes served as the capital of the Indiana Territory from 1800 to 1813. Shown are images reflecting the archaeology and rich multicultural heritage of this important Knox County place.



Archaeological artifacts recovered from Fort Knox II, The Old French House, and Grouseland, home of the first Territorial Governor, William Henry Harrison.



Typical 18th century rural French colonial property



Early plan for a fort in Vincennes



Background: 1880 map including French long-lot land divisions

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