A REGION DEFINED BY DETERMINATION AND SUCCESS

Southern Maryland's enslaved people worked expansive tobacco plantations, farms and waterways, facing harsh treatment. Some found freedom by escaping to northern states, joining the military or fleeing to Washington, D.C., and blending into the free Black community.

Find key locations where freedom stories began throughout Southern Maryland's scenic, rural landscape, and embark on a self-guided walking tour of the Annapolis Historic District.



The Plummer family. Photo credit: Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum.



Henry Vinton Plummer of Riversdale. Photo credit: Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum.

SEE HOW COURAGEOUS HEROES FOUGHT FOR FREEDOM

Strong and courageous heroes like Emily Saunders Plummer, Adam Francis Plummer, Nathan Sprague and Charles Ball fought oppression and took incredible risks to gain freedom for themselves and their loved ones. Uncover the valiant and daring stories of these freedom seekers and learn how they changed the course of history.

Fortified by faith and the love of family, the echoes of the enslaved live on through the burdens, triumphs and successes of their descendant generations.



Scan the code to discover other freedom seekers, find sites where bravery happened and learn about Southern Maryland's critical role in the Underground Railroad.



Wes Moore, Governor | Aruna Miller, Lt. Governor

Nathan Sprague | Josiah Henson | Charles Ball

FREEDOM, FAITH & FAMILY on maryland's underground railroad

Use the enclosed maps to discover stories of brave souls who courageously fought for freedom. See the places where they found strength through unwavering faith and family bonds.





GO WHERE Bravery Happened

Find sites in Southern Maryland where flights to freedom happened, and discover the places where these stories are told. Choose your journey and hit the road.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

- 1. Riversdale House Museum
- 2. Marietta House Museum
- 3. Belair Mansion and Stable Museum
- 4. Elizabeth Keckley Burial Site
- 5. Concord Historic Site / Walker Mill Regional Park
- 6. Northampton Slave Quarters and Archaeological Park
- 7. Berry Farm at Oxon Cove Park and Oxon Hill Farm
- 8. Darnall's Chance House Museum
- 9. Upper Marlboro Town Hall / A British Encampment
- 10. Mount Calvert
- 11. Fort Washington

🔍 ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

- 1. Goshen Farm
- 2. Maryland State Archives
- 3. Historic Annapolis Walking Tour (see details on right)
- 4. Historic London Town and Gardens

CHARLES COUNTY

- 1. Serenity Farm / Camp Stanton
- 2. Benedict Landing Site / British Have Landed
- 3. Stagg Hall
- 4. Port Tobacco Courthouse Museum & Jail Site
- 5. Chapel Point State Park
- 6. St. Thomas Manor at St. Ignatius Roman Catholic Church
- 7. Rich Hill Farm

CALVERT COUNTY

- 1. Bayside History Museum (Research Facility)
- 2. Lower Marlboro Town Ravaged / War of 1812
- 3. Panic in Prince Frederick / War of 1812
- 4. Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum

🔍 ST. MARY'S COUNTY

- 1. Historic Sotterley
- 2. The Old Jail Museum & Leonardtown Visitor Center
- 3. Commemorative to Enslaved Peoples of Southern Maryland / St. Mary's College of Southern Maryland
- 4. Point Lookout State Park & Civil War Museum



Commemorative to Enslaved Peoples of Southern Maryland



🔍 ANNAPOLIS WALKING TOUR

- 1. Museum of Historic Annapolis
- 2. The Kunta Kinte-Alex Haley Memorial
- 3. James Brice House
- 4. William Paca House and Garden
- 5. John Brice House
- 6. Maryland State House
- 7. Banneker-Douglass-Tubman Museum
- 8. Charles Carroll House and Gardens Museum



Scan the code for detailed information about the Historic Annapolis Walking Tour and Underground Railroad sites in Southern Maryland.