

# Cultural Landscape Report Fredericksburg National Cemetery

Fredericksburg, Virginia

## Analysis and Evaluation



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### SOURCES

1. Cultural Landscape Inventory map, 2011
2. NPS GIS Data 2022
3. Quartermaster map of cemetery, 1892, updated to 1911
4. NPS, tree survey, 1934
5. Aerial photograph, 1937
6. Photographs and plans, FRSP archives
7. Field inspections, 2022, 2023

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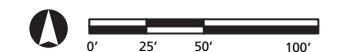
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### LEGEND

National cemetery boundary	Gun monument, Shot pyramid
NPS boundary	Settee, Hydrant
Building	Drain - inlet, pipe
Road - asphalt	Woods
Walk brick / concrete	Deciduous, Evergreen tree or shrub
Brick gutter	Mown turf
Grave markers	Meadow or earth
Division-Section	Bank
Enclosure wall	2 ft contours
Steps (brick)	Feature removed since historic period
Iron tablet, Hitching post-block	Non-contributing feature (white fill)

### NOTES

1. Plan shows landscape in 2023 with changes since ca.1933.
2. Contributing features shown in color; post-1933 trees shown as contributing if they have a similar character and location to historic trees.
3. All features shown in approximate scale and location.
4. Gravemarker symbols do not correlate with individual graves, and do not distinguish types.
5. Historic location of all settees and tablets not known.



Drawing 1.4



### Vegetation Key

Ab <i>Abies balsamea</i>	Balsam fir
Ah <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	Horse chestnut
An <i>Abies nordmanniana</i>	Nordmann fir
Ap <i>Acer platanoides</i>	Norway maple
Ar <i>Acer rubrum</i>	Red maple
As <i>Acer saccharum</i>	Sugar maple
Bu <i>Buxus sp.</i>	Boxwood
Cd <i>Castanea dentata</i>	American chestnut
Ce <i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Eastern redbud
Cf <i>Cornus florida</i>	Flowering dogwood
Cg <i>Carya glabra</i>	Pignut hickory
Ch <i>Cephalotaxus sp.</i>	Palm yew
Cp <i>Chamaecyparis pisifera</i>	Plume false cypress
Cpf <i>Chamaecyparis p. filifera</i>	Japanese false cypress
Cs <i>Catalpa bignonioides</i>	Southern catalpa
Fa <i>Fraxinus americana</i>	White ash
Fs <i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	European beech
Gb <i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	Ginkgo
Gl <i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	Honey locust
Hh <i>Hedera helix</i>	English ivy
Io <i>Ilex opaca</i>	American holly
Jn <i>Juglans nigra</i>	Black walnut
Js <i>Juniperus sp.</i>	Juniper, columnar
Jv <i>Juniperus virginiana</i>	Eastern red-cedar
Lt <i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	Tulip-tree
Lv <i>Ligustrum vulgare</i>	Common privet
Ma <i>Magnolia grandiflora</i>	Southern magnolia
Mp <i>Maclura pomifera</i>	Osage-orange
Pa <i>Picea abies</i>	Norway spruce
Pg <i>Picea glauca</i>	White spruce
Pp <i>Picea pungens</i>	Blue spruce
Ps <i>Pinus strobus</i>	White pine
Qp <i>Quercus phellos</i>	Willow oak
Qr <i>Quercus rubra</i>	Red oak
Tc <i>Tsuga canadensis</i>	Eastern hemlock
Tca <i>Tsuga caroliniana</i>	Carolina hemlock
Td <i>Taxodium distichum</i>	Bald cypress
To <i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	Arborvitae
Txb <i>Taxus baccata</i>	English yew
Txc <i>Taxus cuspidate</i>	Japanese yew
Ua <i>Ulmus americana</i>	American elm

Trees marked by \*\* = Oldest trees (ca. 1868-1869)  
 Trees marked by \* = Historic tree (pre-1933)  
 Species in black: Historic species (pre-1933), extant  
 Species in gray: Historic species (pre-1933), not extant  
 Species in orange: Non-historic species (after 1933)  
 Trees/shrubs in white: non-historic and incompatible

Sources: Quartermaster map (1892/1911)  
 NPS GIS data (2022)  
 NPS Tree Inventories (1934, 1941, 1962)

### Landscape Features Key

<b>Natural Systems and Features</b>	<b>Buildings and Structures</b>
NS-1. Howison Tract Woods	BS-1. Drainage Structures
<b>Spatial Organization</b>	BS-2. Enclosure Wall
SO-1. Burial Grounds - Divisions	BS-3. Lodge
SO-2. Burial Grounds - Terraces	BS-4. Ravine Retaining Wall
SO-3. Center	BS-6. Terrace Steps
SO-4. Circle	<b>Views and Vistas</b>
SO-5. Enclosure	VV-1. Views from Terraces
SO-6. Lodge Front Yard	VV-2. Vista to Flagstaff
SO-7. Officer Section	<b>Small-Scale Features</b>
SO-8. Service Yard	SSF-1. Battlefield Compass
SO-9. Triangle	SSF-2. Flagstaff
<b>Land Use</b>	SSF-3. Flagstaff Light
LU-1. Sunken Road Walking Trail	SSF-4. Grave Markers - Government
<b>Circulation</b>	SSF-5. Grave Markers - Private
C-1. Approach Walk	SSF-6. Gun Monuments
C-2. Burial Grounds Drives	SSF-7. Hitching Post
C-3. Burial Grounds Walks	SSF-8. Lodge Grnds. Utilities/Barrier
C-4. Lodge Entrance Walk	SSF-9. Main Gates
C-5. Lodge Rear Walk and Terrace Steps	SSF-10. 127th PA Monument
C-6. Main Drive	SSF-11. 83rd NY Monument
C-7. Main Drive Sidewalk	SSF-12. Humphreys Monument
C-8. Service Road	SSF-13. Parker's Battery Marker
<b>Topography</b>	SSF-14. V Corps Monument
T-1. Terraces	SSF-15. National Cemetery Plaques
T-2. V Corps Monument Mound	SSF-16. North Gate
<b>Vegetation</b>	SSF-17. NPS Sign, Interp. Wayside
V-1. Burial Grounds Shrubs	SSF-18. Settees
V-2. Burial Grounds Spec. Trees	SSF-19. Shot Pyramids - Flagstaff
V-3. Cemetery Turf	SSF-20. Shot Pyramids - V Corps
V-4. Circle Plantings	SSF-21. Battlefield ID Tablets
V-5. English Ivy Bed	SSF-22. Lincoln Memorial Tablet
V-6. Lodge Grounds Plantings	SSF-23. Inscription Tablets
V-7. Terrace Steps Red-cedars	<b>Archaeological Sites</b>
V-8. Triangle Plantings	AS-1. Brick Gutters (not mapped)
	AS-2. Graves (not mapped)

### Features Removed since 1933

- i. Corp-badge flowerbeds (ca. 1890-1934)
- ii. Lodge Vase (ca. 1901-1950)
- iii. Mounting block and hitching post (ca. 1907-1934)
- iv. National cemetery iron tablets (1881; 9 removed after 1933)  
 B = Inscription; A = Act of Congress; G = General Orders
- v. Brick Outbuilding (1881-1961)
- vi. Brick Service Yard Pavement (ca. 1881-1935)
- vii. Rostrum (1888-ca. 1938)
- viii. Terrace brick gutter (ca. 1879-1940)
- ix. Mounting block (ca. 1907-ca. 1980)
- x. Service road privet hedge (ca. 1892-1980)
- xi. Service yard arborvitae hedge (ca. 1881-1960)
- xii. Enclosure hedge - Osage orange (ca. 1871-1980)
- xiii. English ivy, enclosure wall (ca. 1882-1980)
- xiv. Burial grounds trees and shrubs (ca. 1869+; individual removals not tracked; species indicated where known)
- xv. Lodge yard hedges (ca. 1905-1950)