

## Legend

Red lines are documented routes.

Red dots are safe-houses with Wellman Scale ratings of 3 or 4.

Blue dots are safe-houses with Wellman Scale rating of 2.

Map as of 1858

# ~ Underground Railroad Safe-Houses and Routes in and Near Frederick County, Maryland ~ Sites in red are on the tours here. ~ Sites in italics are open to the public. ~ Sites with © are confirmed. ~ Those with • have strong evidence as Underground Railroad sites.

Potomac River ©	At least eleven crossings in or near Frederick County	Frederick	Barbara F	ritchie Tea Room site, 230 West Patrick Street
Chesapeake & Ohio Canal ©	Its towpath the entire 18-mile length in Frederick County	Frederick		
Berlin (Brunswick) •	A.M.E. Church at Brunswick	Frederick	Steiner House, corner Jefferson and Patrick Streets	
Knoxville •	A.M.E. Church at Knoxville	15 Frederick	Rose Hill Manor, 1611 North Market Street	
Petersville •	A.M.E. Church at Petersville	Frederick	Trail Mansion, 106 East Church Street	
Pleasant Valley •	A.M.E. Church at Pleasant Valley	The Susquehanna Path ©	Frederick to Columbia, Pennsylvania (Md. Route 194)	
Tuscarora Road (Route 28) 🍝	Noland's Ferry to Point of Rocks	Monrovia	The Bush Creek Quaker Meeting House (site)	
Alongside B&O Railroad ©	From Point of Rocks, Frederick County, to Carroll County	New Market	The Plummer home	
Southern tip of county •	Potomac-to-Doubs Route of the Underground Railroad	New Market	Prince Hall of the Black Masons	
Catoctin Mountain ©	Potomac River to Halltown, Mountville, Wolfsville & Pennsylvania	Urbana	Dudderar home, at entrance to Villages of Urbana	
The Susquehanna Path ©	Harper's Ferry, West Virginia, to Frederick (US Route 340)	Dorseytown	Home of the Dorsey family	
Near Potomac River •	Henry Michael's Potomac Farm (today's Fry farm)	Dorseytown	Environs of this African-American village	
Near Point of Rocks	Otho Thomas II farm, 4604 Tuscarora Road (Md. Route 28)	Walkersville	The Stauffer barn	
Point of Rocks •	Point of Rocks African Methodist Episcopal Church (site)	McKinstry's Mill	Priestland, a Jesuit-owned farm on Priestland Road	
Point of Rocks	St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1914 Ballenger Creek Pike	West of Middletown	A.M.E. church	
Near Point of Rocks	John Virts farm across from St. Paul's Episcopal Church	East of Boonsboro •	6318 Zittlestown Road	
Near Doubs •	Henry Michael's Calico Rocks Farm, 2311 Ballenger Creek Pike	Wolfsville •	Markley's	field I B B B
Near Doubs •	Ezra Michael's Cooling Springs Farm, 2455 Ballenger Creek Pike	Wolfsville •	Hays Spri	ing Unique P.O.
Near Doubs	Ezra and Margaret Michael's Flag Pond Farm (site)	Wolfsville •	Bussard F	
Doubs	George Layer home (today's Lutheran parsonage)	Wolfsville	The Coate	es cabin
Doubs •	Doubs and Pleasant View Roads	Village of Detour	Ballantine	Farm
Doubs •	Home and store of Postmaster Joshua Michael	DIST. Nº 132	-	
Doubs to Hagerstown ©	A route operated by Rev. Thomas Henry	hardinen A		dy Information ~
Pleasant View	Environs of this mostly African-American village		Underg	pround Railroad site
Pleasant View	Home and farm of Patrick and Henrietta Ambush	Underground Railroad Free	Press	Dobbin House Tavern*
Pleasant View	Home and farm of the Harris family	urrFreePress.com	MAR	89 Steinwehr Avenue Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, 17235
Pleasant View •	Pleasant View African Methodist Episcopal Church	Frederick County Office of Tourism 717.334.2100		
Hall Town •	Environs of this hidden extinct African-American maroon village	151 South East Street Frederick, Maryland, 21701	Monte	DobbinHouse.com
Adamstown	Environs of this African-American-founded village	301.644.4041	univille	The Fairfield Inn*
Near Adamstown	Home and farm of William Michael (site at old Eastalco works)	FrederickTourism.org	it	15 West Main Street
Sunnyside •	Environs of this largely African-American village	Cooling Springs	Y.	Fairfield, Pennsylvania, 17320 717.642.5410
Buckeystown	Dr. Hughes home (Three houses up from Bodmer's stoves)	2455 Ballenger Creek Pike	Fal A	TheFairfieldInn.com
Flint Hill	Environs of this largely African-American village	Adamstown, Maryland, 217 301.874.0235	10	Chesapeake & Ohio Canal National Park*
Bartonsville	Environs of this largely African-American village	farm@CoolingSprings.org	TX3	Runs 185 miles from Washington, DC, to
Frederick •	Sinn home, 61 South Market Street (La Paz Restaurant)	La Paz Mexican Restaurant	* E	Cumberland, Maryland, along the Potomac
	Attic, home at northeast corner of Bentz and Third Streets	61 South Market Street		River. Access at the intersection of Route 28 and Ballenger Creek Pike in Point of Rocks.
Frederick	Action for the defined of beine and third officed			
F <mark>rederick</mark> Frederick	A tunnel on Degrange Street	Frederick, Maryland, 21701 301.694.8980	-	301.739.4200 <sup>rtrict Lines</sup>



# Self-Guided Underground Railroad Tours of Frederick County, Maryland and Nearby

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## ~ Gettysburg, Pennsylvania to Waterford, Virginia ~

Begin this tour at Dobbin House, 89 Steinwehr Avenue, the oldest building in Gettysburg. Dine there in the Springhouse Tavern and be sure to see the very authentic, documented Underground Railroad hiding place and display upstairs.

From Gettysburg, take Pennsylvania Route 116 twenty minutes west to Fairfield and the Fairfield Inn, founded in 1757, one of the nation's oldest hotels, a picturesque place for a meal. Ask to see the Inn's Underground Railroad hideaway.

From Fairfield, continue on Route 116 into Maryland and then south on US Route 15. Follow directions for the Frederick tour below or continue through Frederick on Route 15 to continue this tour or for the rural Frederick County tour on the back cover. For the Frederick tour, take the Motter Avenue exit left, then straight on Bentz Street, left on South Street, then left on Market Street to begin the Frederick tour below.

If you visit Frederick's Underground Railroad sites, leave Frederick on US Route 15 south as in the Frederick tour. If not, take the Rural Frederick County Underground Railroad tour on the back cover or continue on Route 15 to Virginia to visit an Underground Railroad route which led to Frederick County, Maryland.

Immediately after you cross the Potomac River bridge from Point of Rocks, Maryland, turn right onto Virginia Route 672, Lovettsville Road, then a quick left onto Furnace Mountain Road. When this ends, turn right onto Taylorstown Road for about 1,000 feet, and then left onto Loyalty Road. Proceed about six miles to Waterford, an extremely well preserved Quaker village settled in 1732 and the heart of the Underground Railroad in northern Virginia.

### ~ Frederick, Maryland Underground Railroad Tour ~

Enter Frederick as above. Shortly after turning left onto Market Street, look for Carroll Creek which you will cross. On the left side of the creek where La Paz Restaurant stands is the site of Captain John Sinn's home, an Underground Railroad safe-house. Sinn, friend of the abolitionist John Brown, was asked by the federal government to go to Harper's Ferry to ask Brown to surrender after Brown's failed attempt to foment a slave uprising there in the Fall of 1859.

Proceed up Market Street and turn right onto East Church Street. The city garage at 19 East Church Street is good for parking. The Keeney & Basford Funeral Home at 106 East Church Street, the former Trail family mansion, is said to be a safe-house.

From East Church Street, turn left on East Street, left on Fourth Street and left on Bentz Street. In this block, the attic in the home on the closer (northeast) corner on your left at Third and Bentz Streets was a safe-house.

Turn left on Third Street and cross Market Street. The basement of the Quinn Chapel A.M.E. Church at 106 East Third Street was a safe-house.

Leaving Frederick, turn right on East Street, and then Interstate Route 70 west.

To continue on the Gettysburg-to-Waterford tour or to take the rural Frederick County Underground Railroad tour below, take US Route 15 south.

#### ~ Rural Frederick County Underground Railroad Tour ~

From Frederick, take US Route 15 south. Bear left onto US 15 where US 15 and US 340 diverge. After 1.8 miles, turn left onto Mountville Road and after 1.7 miles turn right onto Ballenger Creek Pike.

After 1.9 miles, look on your left for the sign of Cooling Springs Farm at 2455 Ballenger Creek Pike, thought to be the only safe-house in the nation still owned by the same family as in Underground Railroad times.

Leaving Cooling Springs, make right turns onto Ballenger Creek Pike, Calico Rocks Road and Doubs Road. The home at 5132 Doubs Road is the site of the home of George Layer, African-American founder of Doubs. Continuing on Doubs Road, the yellow home on the left where Doubs and Pleasant View Roads meet was owned by Postmaster Joshua Michael and was the terminus of the Potomac-to-Doubs Route of the Underground Railroad.

Now turn right onto Pleasant View Road. Proceed 1.2 miles to Pleasant View, an African-American village established no later than 1843, and its African Methodist Episcopal church on your left. This is one of Maryland's dwindling number of intact old African-American rural communities.

Continue on Pleasant View Road until it ends at Tuscarora Road, Maryland Route 28. Turn left here and then right onto New Design Road. Park at its end on the Potomac River. Here you are at Noland's Ferry, a Potomac River ford since Aboriginal times and a route of Underground Railroad freedom seekers from Virginia on the far bank. Walk over the berm on the land side of the parking lot to the 185-mile-long Chesapeake & Ohio Canal, another Underground Railroad route.

Go back to Tuscarora Road, turning left there. Look for the lane on your right at the mailbox numbered 5323. This is Thomas's Lane, an Underground Railroad route traveling north from the Potomac River to Cooling Springs, Pleasant View, Doubs and the Joshua Michael store which you just visited.

Continue on Route 28 to Point of Rocks where freedom seekers forded the Potomac River to the eastern slope of Catoctin Mountain directly in front of you coming to US Route 15. Turn left at Route 15 over the Potomac River bridge to rejoin the Gettysburg-to-Waterford Underground Railroad tour, then right just past the bridge and follow the directions on the cover here. For Frederick, turn right at US Route 15.