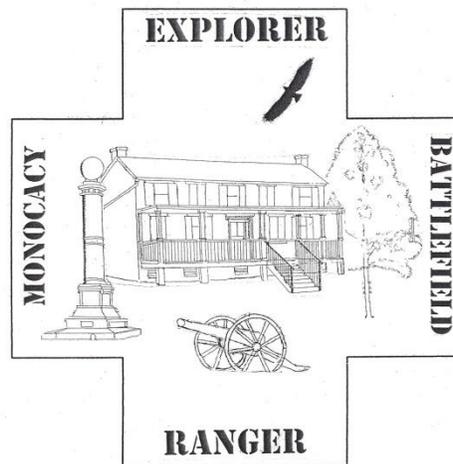


# Monocacy

## National Battlefield

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**R A N G E R**





**Welcome to the Monocacy National Battlefield Explorer Ranger Program. If you are 18 or older, the type of person who never gets tired of learning then we have a challenge for you! Become an explorer ranger.**

**As an explorer ranger you will learn about the cultural and natural history of Monocacy National Battlefield one America's nearly 400 National Parks. Explore the park to learn about the Battle of Monocacy or discover the beauty of nature while hiking a battlefield trail.**

**You need to complete 9 activities to earn your Monocacy National Battlefield Explorer Ranger pin. Return your booklet to the visitor center when you are finished.**

**Explore and enjoy!**

## National Park Explorer Notes

You have been tasked with exploring Monocacy National Battlefield and to bring information about this national park back to family and friends. Record your exploration notes on this sheet.

1. In what city and state is the park located?

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2. On what date was the park established? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How many years has the park been a national park? \_\_\_\_\_

4. How many people visit the park each year? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Name three things that make this park unique?

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6. What makes this park so special that it should be preserved for future generations?

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7. What are three things you would like to know about the park?

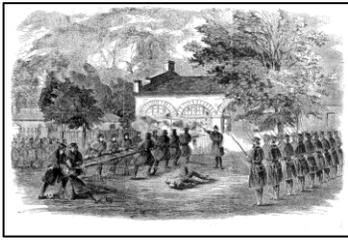
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# Time Traveler

1857...the Dred Scott Decision or John Brown's Raid on Harpers Ferry?  
Match the historical event with the year that it occurred.



John Brown's Raid on Harpers Ferry



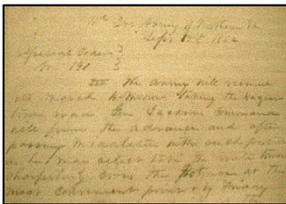
Congress established Monocacy National Battlefield



Construction began on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad



Washington D.C. established as the U.S. Capital



Lee's Special Order 191 found



Congress created the National Park Service



The Battle of Monocacy



Baltimore Riot

Timeline

1800 1828 1857 1859 1860 1861 1862 1863 1864 1869 1916 1917 1934

## Hunt Through History

The answers can be found along the battlefield auto tour at each monument or tour stop.

1. What is this mark found on?



2. The United Daughters of the Confederacy Monument is the only monument on the battlefield dedicated to southern soldiers.

When was the monument dedicated?

What is special about the date?

3. On what building is this found?



4. Name the two bridges that crossed the Monocacy River at the Junction in 1864,

5. What object is this found on?



6. Six-year-old Glenn Worthington watched the battle through the boarded-up cellar windows of his home.

How many cellar windows are there?

7. On what house is this found?



8. The Pennsylvania monument, erected in 1908, honors the bravery of three Pennsylvania units?

Name the three units.

Which unit was not at the battle?

9. On what object is this found?



10. Gambrill's Mill, built in 1830, was fitted with two pairs of mill stones to grind flour.

How many mill stones can you find?

## Natural History Hunt

Discover and learn about the park's significant natural resources as you hike the 1.9 mile Worthington Farm Brooks Hill Trail. The answers can be found in the trail guide.

1. Farmers trimmed these trees into hedges and used their long sharp thorns as a "living fence" that would contain livestock. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Throughout the park there are a number of trees that were present at the time of the battle. These trees are referred to as \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
3. These plants can spread rapidly through an area because they are not native to the area and need to be removed because they will not allow native plant to exist. Garlic Mustard is one of these plants. Name this type of plant.  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. The nuts produced by trees in the upland forest are a source of food for squirrels and other wildlife. Name two trees that you find in the upland forest.  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
5. This animal eats almost everything in the forest understory which included low branches, leaves, plants, and small saplings. Too many of these animals can inhibit new growth and lead to the decline of the forest.  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. The stream that flows through the lowlands is home to many animals. Name two.  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
7. Embedded in a tree along the old logging road is this man-made post-Civil War invention that was used for fencing. Because it is made of metal it takes many years to rust away reminding us of the impact humans have on the natural environment.  
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## General Jumble

Unscrambled the names of seven generals who fought at the Battle of Monocacy. Using the highlighted letters find the name of the general who is quoted below.

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“If Early had been one day earlier he might have entered the capital before the arrival of the reinforcements I had sent.” \_ . \_ . \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

## Gambrill's Geocache

**This is a virtual geocache course around Gambrill's Mill. You will need a GPS unit. Please leave no trace – nothing has been left behind and you should leave nothing behind. You can discover all the answers by staying on the trails.**

1. **N 39°22.034' W 077°23.241'**

Built in 1830, Gambrill's Mill is constructed of what type of material?

2. **N 39°22.022' W 077°23.221'**

Fitted with two pairs of mill stones the mill could produce up to sixty barrels of flour per day. How many mill stones can you find?

3. **N 39°22.024' W 077°23.172'**

A dam and mill race along nearby Bush Creek provided the mill's water supply. You stand about where the mill race carried the water across the field into the mill. Can you find where the water entered the mill?

Hint: visit N 39°22.024' W 077°23.208'

4. **N 39°22.040' W 077°23.227'**

Find all that remains of the mill tail race. The tail race carried the water from the mill and emptied into this body of water. Name the body of water.

Hint: the battle's namesake.

5. **N 39°22.137' W 077°23.132'**

After the day long battle the Union army retreated past Gambrill's Mill down the old wagon road and across this body of water enroute to Baltimore. Name the body of water.

Hint: It supplied the water for the mill.

**6. N 39°22.169' W 077°23.284'**

From this point look up river and then down river. What crosses the Monocacy River in this area? Were they here in 1864?

**7. N 39°22.158' W 077°23.296'**

Look to the East and sketch what you see.

**8. N 39°22.052' W 077°23.257'**

From the trail, identify the type of machinery in the building.

Hint: It was used to get water to your final destination.

**9. N 39°21.938' W 077°23.175'**

After the war James Gambrill began construction of a more spacious and elegant home. The home's front porch afforded an expansive view of his mill, nearby Frederick City and the mountains to the west. How many columns support the porch?



The Gambrill Family c. 1890

## America's National Parks

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Y K C P P B E U O A D L C Z M  
O O A E G H C D A L T I P D K  
M G C W R K X I A S O C S V X  
L O O Y U T G I P L O N H O R  
S T N D B V K G V M G N I E N  
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R O M T K A P X K L W L E D L  
E R A U C R S Z Z Q E B O V L  
D A G Z I C A C A D I A A Q E  
W U V I V H R A N A Z N A M A  
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G T Y T S N E P W O C H R V E

ACADIA  
COLONIAL  
EDISON  
HAMPTON  
NATCHEZ  
REDWOOD  
TUZIGOOT

ARCHES  
COWPENS  
EVERGLADES  
MANZANAR  
OLYMPIC  
SAQUARO  
VICKSBURG

BANDELIER  
DINOSAUR  
HALEAKALA  
MONOCACY  
PECOS  
SITKA  
YELLOWSTONE

To learn more about these and other National Parks please visit [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov)

## **Thomas Time Trial**

Time was of the essence on July 9, 1864!

Capturing the prize of the Union capital depended on how quickly the Confederate army, under General Jubal Early, could defeat the small Union force that was blocking their route to Washington, D.C.

For Union General Lew Wallace the Battle of Monocacy was a fight not for victory, but for time. He must delay the Confederate advance long enough for Union troops to arrive in Washington from Petersburg, Virginia!

In these fields the battle drew to its climax. Late in the afternoon Confederate troops swept across the farm, driving the Union force from the field. Early had won the battle but had lost precious time, which cost him the opportunity to capture Washington, D.C.

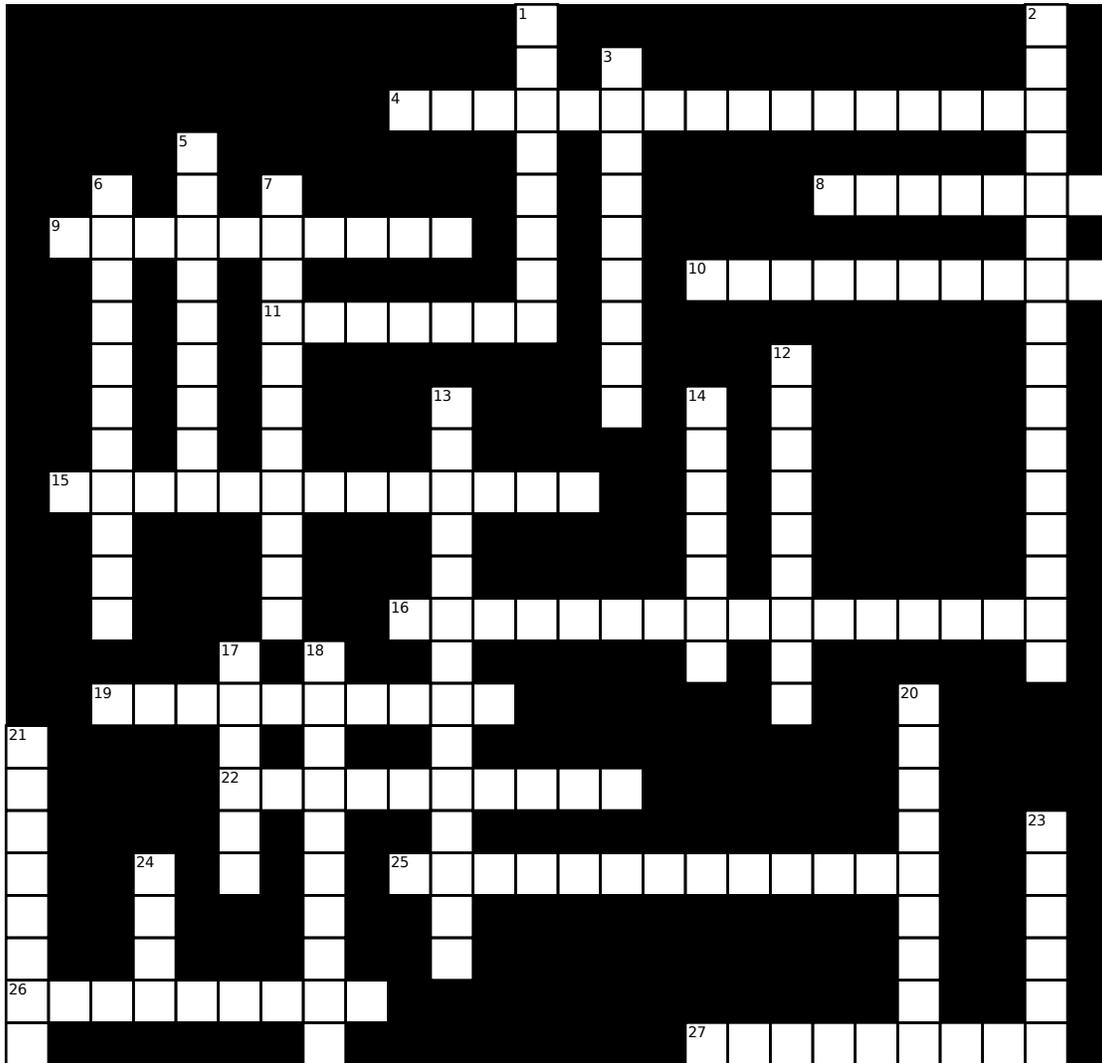
Can you do better?

Take a brisk walk [DO NOT RUN] around the Thomas Farm trail and record your time below.

\_\_\_\_\_ Minutes

# Civil War Crossword

Explore the visitor center museum to discover the answers to this puzzle.



## Across

- 4 Vice President from 1857-1861
- 8 Washington fort
- 9 Author of Ben Hur
- 10 "The Battle that Saved \_\_\_\_\_"
- 11 Guarded the river fords
- 15 She waved a flag
- 16 Garrett was president of this railroad
- 19 He voted against Virginia's secession
- 22 Valley the Confederates moved through
- 25 Union troops burned this
- 26 This set the Best barn afire
- 27 Five of these were placed on the battlefield between 1907-1964

## Down

- 1 Name of the river
- 2 Six-year-old eyewitness
- 3 Confederate dead are buried in this city
- 5 The "Monocacy Regiment" was from this state
- 6 Medal of Honor recipient
- 7 Structures used to guard the railroad bridge
- 12 Nickname for the 17th Virginia Cavalry "\_\_\_\_\_ Rangers"
- 13 Union soldiers voted for him in 1864
- 14 1864 Maryland constitution ended this
- 17 Pay this or burn!
- 18 Union reinforcements were sent from this place
- 20 Soldier's sewing kit
- 21 Union dead are buried at this national cemetery
- 23 Grant and others met at this house
- 24 Soldier's hat

## Be a VIP!

Volunteer at Monocacy National Battlefield or any other national park. Have a park ranger complete the information below to fulfill this requirement. Become a VIP and put yourself at the heart of the park experience!

There are nearly 400 national parks throughout the United States and its territories. Volunteer with the National Park Service and help care for these special places. Volunteer-In-Parks (VIPs) work side-by-side with National Park Service rangers providing invaluable assistance and ensuring that the parks will continue to be cherished for generations to come.

Here is a sampling of volunteer activities that may interest you:

- Assisting with a park cleanup project
- Working at an information desk answering visitor questions
- Clearing or maintaining trails
- Presenting living history demonstrations in period costume
- Serving on trail patrol

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**Park Name**

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**Date**

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**Park Ranger's Signature**

