

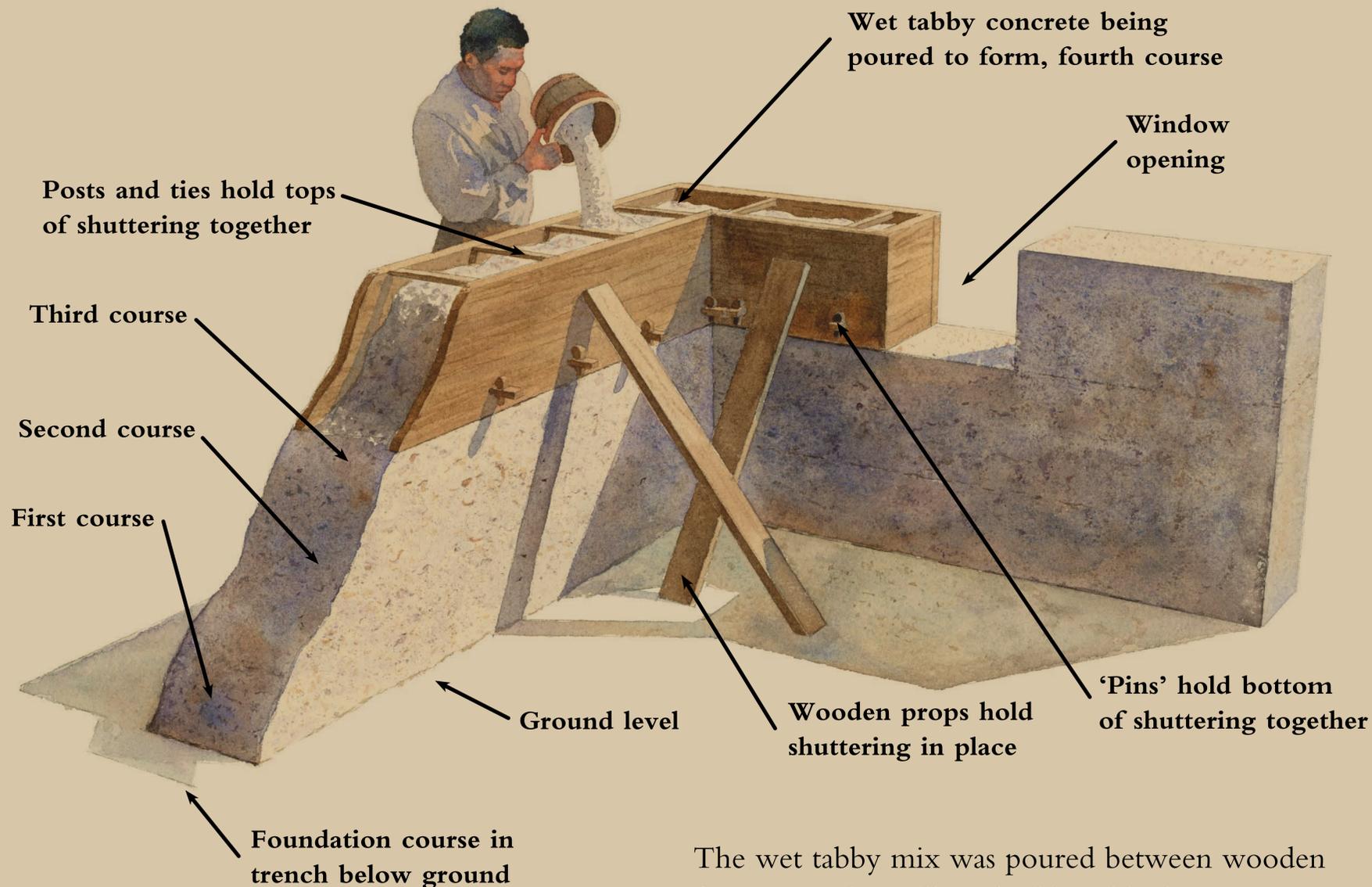
SLAVE QUARTERS



The Lost Art of Tabby

Constructed nearly 200 hundred years ago, these cabins were home to enslaved people. Following emancipation, former slaves lived here and worked the land. Slowly, individuals and families moved away, leaving the buildings to fall into ruin.

Tabby was a labor-intensive concrete made from oyster shells, sand, and water. Tabby was poured into forms, layer by layer, until it became the buildings in front of you.



Preserving the past



The cabin ruins are a connection to the hundreds of enslaved men, women, and children who lived here.

The National Park Service is preserving these unique symbols of American history. Help us by not touching the tabby as you walk through these ruins.

Please touch this piece of modern tabby and not the fragile historic tabby.