



Woodside Plantation

A classic Deep South Colonial Revival home built just after the Civil War.

The Low Country of South Carolina is sprinkled with many historic homes and mansions. Among the most fascinating is Woodside Plantation in Hampton County, close by the small town of Estill.

The plantation was originally part of a 75,000-acre land grant in 1737. According to legend, after the Civil War an architect, whose name remains unknown, gave the house plans to the owner as a wedding gift. Built in the 1870s, the magnificent Colonial Revival house is situated at the end of a picturesque, oak-lined drive.

The house, which has been immaculately restored, features large porches, a copper roof, hardwood floors, several fireplaces, a modern kitchen, cypress ceilings





and panels, a gun room, study, and a unique, oval entrance hall. The dining room mural, painted by Jennifer Rempel of Pittsburg in 1994, includes wildlife and plants indigenous to Woodside. A pool fed by clear artesian spring water adorns the side yard.

The plantation is comprised of two adjoining tracts: the original Woodside Plantation covering 462 acres and the southern portion, called Turkey Creek, which encompasses 505 acres.

Turkey Creek Lodge is located in scenic woodlands by a pond

and a beautiful duck impoundment. Game patches and deer stands are located all around the tract. Both the Woodside and Turkey Creek tracts are protected by conservation easements with The Nature Conservancy.

Other structures include a large barn, circa 1870, which contains a modern exercise room, office, and art studio. The spacious studio has skylights, beamed ceilings, and large windows. A guest cottage overlooks a small lake, and a caretaker's house sits along the main drive. There is also a recently constructed



Above: The den contains one of several wood-and-brick fireplaces in the historic home. The dining room mural painted by Jennifer Rempel features wild turkeys, pileated woodpeckers, and other wild animals indigenous to the 967-acre estate.



building complete with a woodshop and large equipment area. A ten-run dog kennel and flight pen is nearby. Quail are hunted in the pine woodlands, and there is a large dove field that is known to be one of the best in the county.

Woodside Plantation is presently owned by Roger Hammond of Savannah, Georgia.

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Every room in the magnificent home has been carefully restored. Banks of tall windows in the living room (above) and sun room (opposite) create a bright, cheerful atmosphere. Below: In addition to the main house, the beautifully maintained grounds support a large barn with an art studio and office, two guest cottages, and a manager's house.

