



71B-016 Melford and Cemetery (NR)

17107 Melford Boulevard

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Built in 1840s, Melford is a two-and-one-half-story brick plantation house of side-hall-and-double-parlor plan. It is distinguished by a two-story semicircular bay and a parapetted double chimney at one gable end. Attached at the other gable end is a lower kitchen wing built of brick and stone. The interior exhibits fine Greek Revival trim. It was built for Richard Duckett and was the home for three generations of the Hardisty family. The grounds include several early outbuildings and terraced gardens, and there is a Duckett family burial ground on the adjoining knoll. The bay and chimney configuration shown above makes Melford unique in Prince George's County. Melford was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1988.