

76A-013 Mount Welby (Oxon Cove Farm) (NR)

Oxon Cove Park

6411 Oxon Hill Road, Oxon Hill

(U.S. Department of the Interior)

Built circa 1811, Mount Welby is a two-story brick house with shed roof and elaborate corbelled cornice. A porch with openwork jigsawn brackets spans the main facade. Mount Welby was built circa 1811 by the Irish- American Dr. Samuel DeButts. From their new house overlooking the Potomac River, the DeButts family recorded events of the War of 1812. The house was extensively remodeled in the late nineteenth century, and the original gable roof rebuilt as the present shallow shed roof. Prominently sited overlooking the Potomac River, the house was part of St. Elizabeths Hospital farm after 1891, and is now the office of Oxon Cove Park. Oxon Cove Farm was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 2003.