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Westwood Manor
Newport
Private

mid 18th century

This manor was granted to Sir Thomas Gerard in 1651. Although records refer to the members of the Gerard family as residing at Westwood Manor, the main section of the present structure is believed to have been built by John Winter, who acquired the property in 1739. It is possible that an earlier structure was incorporated.

The brick main house is of one-story height beneath a broad gambrel roof with dormers. Enclosed within the west gable wall is a single chimney. The existing east exterior chimney is a total reconstruction. The floor plan consists of two front rooms, a rear stair hall, and a room on the back. The interior woodwork on the first floor displays dentil moldings projecting beneath the cornices over the windows and doors.

The most distinctive exterior feature is the west end which is stuccoed and possesses a galleried Federal porch of delicate proportions and detail. The north and south brick walls are of Flemish bond pattern with salt glazed headers.

A servant's quarter is near the main house. It is frame and consists of a single room downstairs with a fireplace. A narrow enclosed stairway leads to an upstairs room with no windows. An exterior chimney is constructed mostly of pieces of brick.



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