

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #86B-7 Building Date: ca. 1828-61

Building Name: Margaret Baden House

Location: 14904 Croom Road, near Nottingham

Private/Residence/Occupied/Good/Inaccessible

Description

The Margaret Baden House (T. Baden House) was built in two sections. The main block is a two-story frame structure, rectangular in plan, three- by-one bays with a gable roof. The south wing, constructed in 1970, is a two-story frame structure of rectangular plan, three-by-one-bay with a gable roof. The house is on a gravel drive, buffered from the road by trees. The three-bay east (main) facade of the main block has entrance in the third bay through a four panel door with a three-banded wood surround, and dentils between door and eight-light transom. It is flanked by four-light sidelights above wainscot panels. Windows on the facade are 6/6 with aluminum shutters. There is a three-bay, two-story entrance portico. The house is sheathed in aluminum siding and rests on a brick foundation. The three bay west (rear) facade of the main block has entrance in the first bay and 6/6 windows on the first and second stories. A screened one-story porch across the main block continues across the south wing. The south gable end of the main block has two interior corbelled brick chimneys on the east and west roof slope. The south addition is set back from the facade of the main block. The addition is sheathed in aluminum siding, rests on a cement block foundation, and is slightly lower in height than the main block. The east (main) facade is three-bays with a central entrance. There are three 6/6 windows on the second floor. There is a one-story shed roof entrance porch across the facade. The west (rear) facade of the wing is three bays with a central rear entrance. The bank that the house rests on is cut away from the foundation of the wing to allow a centered sliding glass door at basement level. The interior of the main block has a north side hall with two south parlors. The stairway has scalloped brackets and a heavy, turned newel post. The structural timbers beneath the house are large, hewn, finished beams with mortise and tenon joints. There are two frame barns with standing-seam metal roofs to the north of the house.

Significance

The Margaret Baden (T. Baden House) is significant as an example of a mid-nineteenth century plantation house. It is in good condition and has original interior detail such as plaster ceiling medallions, wooden mantels and a bracketed stairway. The exterior has a fine entrance way. The house was built by Margaret and John Thomas Baden after 1828 and before 1861 and was the Baden's until 1967. The Badens have inhabited southern Prince George's County for many generations. Margaret Baden acquired the seven acre tract the house was built upon in 1828. The house appears on the 1861 Martenet Map. In the 1860 census Baden was listed as a planter. She deeded the tract containing her residence to her daughter in 1865. The house has been altered by the addition of aluminum siding and a two-story, columned portico. Its size was doubled by the south wing in 1967. The house retains its essential integrity.

Acreage: 1 acre

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Margaret Baden House (T. Baden House)

and/or common Margaret Baden House

2. Location

street & number 14904 Croom Road (Maryland Route 382) not for publication

city, town Brandywine Nottingham vicinity of congressional district 4

state MD county Prince George

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Earnest M. Ingle, Jr.

street & number 14909 Croom Road telephone no.:

city, town Brandywine state and zip code MD 20613

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 6077

street & number Main Street folio 421

city, town Upper Marlboro state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Historic Sites and Districts Plan

date July 1981 federal state county local

depository for survey records History Division M-NCPPC

city, town Riverdale state MD

7. Description

Survey No. ^{fr}86 B-7

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Margaret Baden House (T. Baden House) was built in two sections, both of which face east, toward Croom Road. The main block is a two-story frame structure, rectangular in plan, three-by-one bays with a gable roof. The south wing, constructed in 1970, is also a two-story frame structure of rectangular plan, three-by-one-bay with a gable roof. The house is situated on a gravel drive, buffered from the road by trees.

The three-bay east (main) facade of the main block has entrance in the third bay through a four panel door with a three-banded wood surround, and dentils between the door and the eight-light transom. It is flanked by four-light sidelights above wainscot panels. Windows on the east facade are 6/6 double hung sash with aluminum shutters. The three-bay, two-story entrance portico has tapered wooden Doric Columns supporting a shed roof with a plain frieze and crown molded cornice. The house is sheathed in aluminum siding and rests on a brick foundation. There is a simple boxed cornice.

The north gable end is unfenestrated save for a 1/1 window centered on the first story. The three bay west (rear) facade of the main block has an entrance in the first bay and 6/6 windows on the first and second stories. The window above the rear entrance is set lower than the other two second story windows, due to the interior stair well. There is a screened one-story porch across the main block which continues across the south wing.

The south gable end of the main block has two interior corbelled brick chimneys on the east and west slope of the gable roof. The south addition is set back, attached to the southwest portion of the south facade of the main block. The addition is sheathed in aluminum siding and rests on a cement block foundation. It is slightly lower in height than the main block. The east (main) facade is three-bays with a central entrance flanked by two 6/6 windows with aluminum louvered shutters. There are three 6/6 windows on the second floor. There is a three-bay, one-story shed roof entrance porch across the facade. The roof has a wide plain frieze and rests on slender tapered columns. The south gable end has an exterior, corbelled brick chimney at the gable ridge. The second story extends westward over the screened first story rear porch, creating a long west slope to the roof line. The west (rear) facade of the wing is three bays with a central rear entrance on the first story. The bank that the house rests on is cut away from the foundation of the wing to allow a centered sliding glass door at the basement level.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) local history
<input type="checkbox"/> invention				

Specific dates ca. 1828-61 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
 and/or
 Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
 Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Margaret Baden (T. Baden House) is significant as an example of a mid-nineteenth century plantation house. It is in good condition and has much original interior detail such as plaster ceiling medallions, two wooden mantels and a bracketed stairway. The exterior has been aluminum sided but retains its fine entrance way with multi-pane transom and sidelights, and banded and dentilled door surround. The house was built by Margaret and John Thomas Baden some time after 1828 and before 1861 and remained in the Baden family until 1967.¹

The Baden family has inhabited southern Prince George's County for many generations. Margaret Baden acquired the seven acre tract the house was built upon in 1828.² The house appears on the 1861 Martenet Map of Prince George's County. In the 1860 census she was listed as a planter, without a husband, having real estate worth \$1,000.³ She deeded the seven acre tract containing her residence to her daughter in 1865.⁴

The house has been altered by the addition of aluminum siding and a two-story, columned entrance portico. Its size was doubled by the addition of a south wing in 1967. The house retains its essential integrity, however.

Notes

- 1 Land Records of Prince George's County, 3542:858, 1967.
- 2 Ibid. AB 5:246, 1828.
- 3 United States Census, Prince George's County, 1860, District 4, Nottingham, #727.
- 4 Land Records of Prince George's County, FS 3:315, 1865.

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The interior of the main block has a north side hall with two south parlors. There is a plaster medallion at the ceiling center in each of the two parlors. There is a simple wood mantle with center quoin on the south wall of each parlor. There are crown molded door surrounds. The stairway has scalloped brackets and a heavy, turned newel post.

The structural timbers beneath the house are visible through a small door on the north foundation wall. They are large, hewn, finished beams with mortise and tenon joints resting on stones and rough cement blocks.

There are two frame barns with standing-seam metal roofs to the north of the house. The northmost barn appears the older of the two.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME					
COMMON:					
AND/OR HISTORIC: T. BADEN HOUSE					
2. LOCATION					
STREET AND NUMBER: Rt. 382					
CITY OR TOWN: Croom					
STATE Maryland			COUNTY: Prince George's		
3. CLASSIFICATION					
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Public	Public Acquisition:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied	Yes:
<input type="checkbox"/> Site	<input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/> In Process	<input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted
<input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments	
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	_____	_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	_____	_____	
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY					
OWNER'S NAME: Donald F. Greenfield, Sr.					
STREET AND NUMBER: Rt. 382					
CITY OR TOWN: Croom			STATE: Maryland		
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION					
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Prince George's County Courthouse					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro			STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):					
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS					
TITLE OF SURVEY: NONE					
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local					
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:		

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The house is a three bay Federal house with the doorway in the north bay. The door has a transom and side lights. The 6/6 double hung sash are new. The siding is now aluminum and a two-story columned porch has been added to replace the earlier "A"-roofed porch that covered only the entrance bay. The two-story south wing replaces an earlier one-story wing. On the south end of the main house there are double end chimneys.</p> <p>In plan, the house has an end hall and double parlors.</p>	

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|---|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

Blank area for Acreage Justification.

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
CHRISTOPHER OWNES, PARK HISTORIAN

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC DATE: 27 August '74

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature

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Chain of Title

Margaret Baden House P.G. #86B-7

- #3542:858
8 Dec. 1967
Deed
William K. and Elizabeth B. Baden and John R. and Louise B. Sansbury to Donald Franklin Greenfield, Sr.; 44.3597 acres in Nottingham District; same which grantors acquired by will recorded WDA #14:873 and being also the same property conveyed by #1101:7.
- WDA #14:873
26 March 1965
Will
Estate of Elmer Laroche Baden who died 6 March 1965; to his two children, William K. Baden and Louise B. Sansbury, the deceased devised 40 acres known as the "Home Place."
- #1101:7
12 Feb. 1949
Deed
For \$3,000, Mary I. and Samuel M. Blandford and Grace E. and James W. Rawlings and Elmer L. Baden, trustee, to Elmer L. Baden; 37 acres in Nottingham District; two tracts, one containing 7 acres, the other 34 acres; same property devised by will recorded WTD #1:50 and the same conveyed by JWB #29:517 and JWB #27:666.
- WTD #1:50
24 Sept. 1924
Will
Estate of William M. Baden who died 26 Aug. 1924; the deceased devised his 40-acre in Nottingham District to his executor, Elmer L. Baden, in trust, with 1/2 the income to go to his wife, Mary L. Baden, during her life. At her death the land was to be sold and the proceeds divided equally among his three children, Elmer L. Baden, Mary I. Blandford and Grace E. Taylor.
- JWB #29:517
18 June 1894
Deed
For \$150, Robert E. Baden et al to William M. Baden; 34 acres in Nottingham District; same which grantors acquired as heirs of Robert W. G. Baden, deceased, and the same which Robert W.G. Baden took under the will of his grandfather, John Baden, dated 23 April 1839.
- JWB #27:666
23 Jan. 1894
Deed
For \$450, Sarah Margaret Baden, wife of William M. Baden, Ella Williams Baden and Mary Emma Baden to William M. Baden; 7 acres, same land which descended to grantors after death of Jeremiah Thomas Baden under the will be Margaretta Virginia Baden recorded WAJ Jr. #1:266; same land which Margaret Baden conveyed to her daughter, Margaretta V. Baden, by FS #3:315 in 1865 and upon which Margaret Baden resided at the time; same land which Margaret Baden acquired by AB #5:246.

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WAJ Jr. #1:266
13 Sept. 1882
Will
Estate of Margareta V. Baden; deceased devised to her brother, Jeremiah Thomas Baden, 7 acres containing "the house in which I now reside" for life only; at his decease the property descended to his three daughters, Sarah Margaret Baden, Ella Williams Baden and Mary Emma Baden, in equal shares.

FS #3:315
9 Dec. 1865
Deed
For \$600, Margaret Baden to her daughter, Margareta V. Baden; 7 acres known by the name of Exchange; same upon which the grantor resided; same which grantor acquired by AB #5:246.

AB #5:246
13 Aug. 1828
Deed
For \$200, William Harvey to Margaret Baden; 7 acres known as Exchange.

RICHARD C. ROBINSON
4798/622
27.00A.
P. 85

JOSEPH N. PERRIE
4011/552
59.00A.
P/O P. 63

O-S

CROOM

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DONALD F. GREENFIELD, SR.
3542/858
44.36 A.
P. 22

JOHN BOWEN
5387/
026
10.37A.
P. 43

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BRANCH

JAMES L. BADEN
515 / 243
22.41 A.
P. 5

MARSHALL D. HALL
4235/119
16.58 A
P. 71

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WALLS

NAOMI A. RICHARDS
4235/172
11.39 A
P. 70

ROAD

1.18 A
P. 60

TOM

MARSHALL D. HALL
4235/119
5.42 A
P. 23

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P. 69

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Margaret Baden House

Prince George's County, Maryland

Marina King

May 1985

Northeast elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



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South elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



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May 1985

East elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



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Margaret Baden House

Prince George's County, MD.

Marina King

May 1985

West elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



NAME T. BADEN (GREENFIELD NOW)

LOCATION Rt 382 NOTTINGHAM, Md PG: 86B-7

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