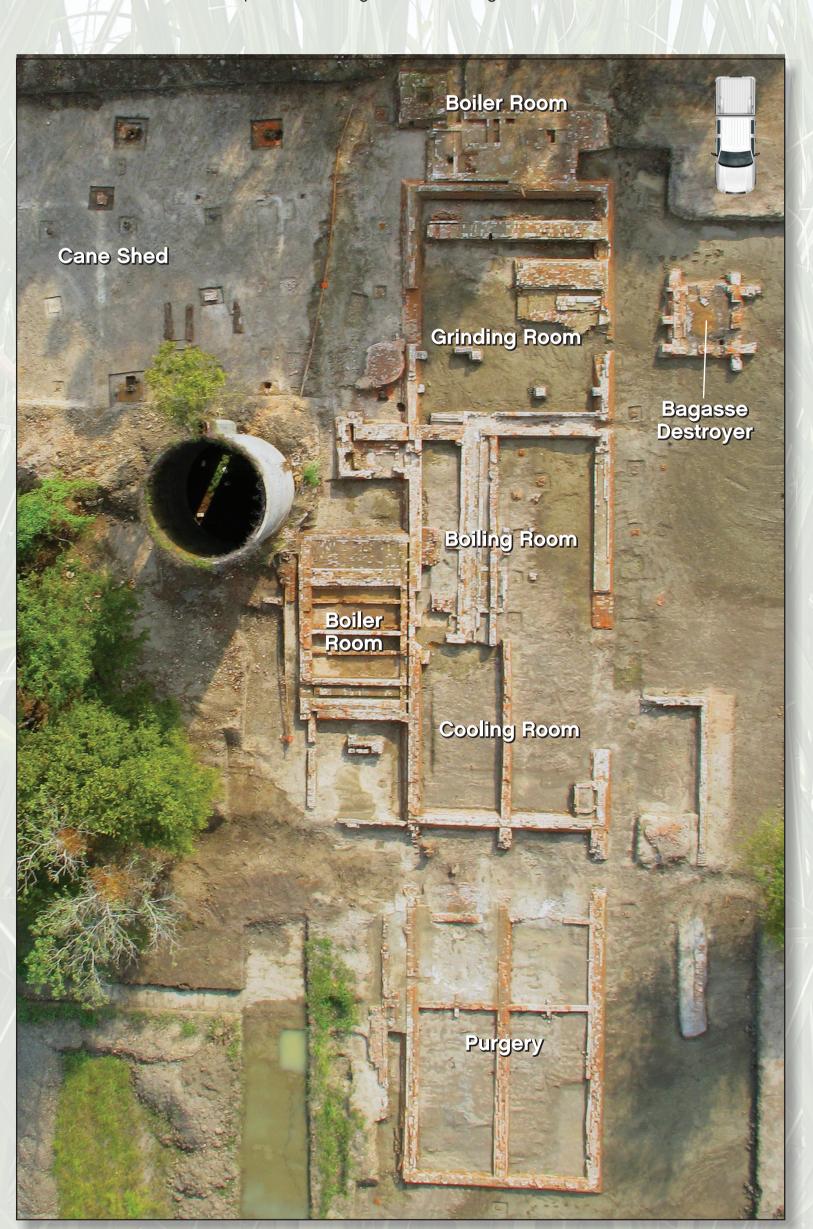
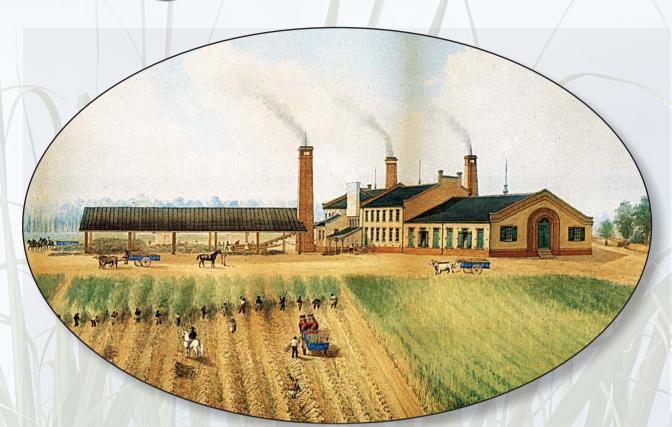
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Boiler end plate and setting at Plaisance Sugarhouse (1830-1890).

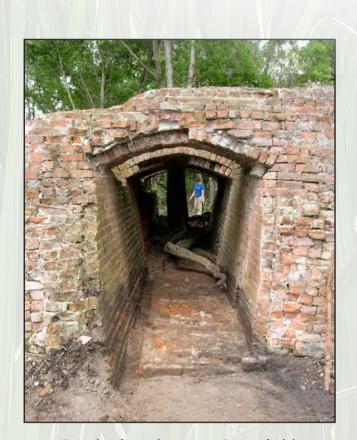


Arcadia Sugarhouse (1851-1880) post excavation.

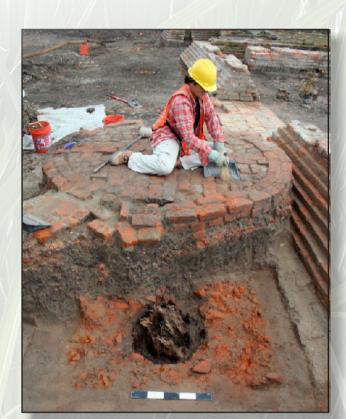


Riverlake Sugarhouse in the late 1850s.

Sugar has been important to Louisiana for over 200 years. In 1850, south Louisiana had over 1,500 sugarhouses, which ground sugarcane, processed the juice, and produced raw sugar crystals. Antebellum sugarhouses were built piecemeal and regularly repaired, remodeled, and enlarged. Their archaeological remains reflect these changes and, in turn, the culture and history of the many people, free and enslaved, who erected and worked in these once common structures.



Grinder foundation at Greenfield - Allemania Sugarhouse (1840s-1914).



Cane shed post and cistern base at Arcadia Sugarhouse.



Boiling and Cooling Room in Antiqua, West Indies, in 1823.



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