More than half of Marietta is designated as a National Historic District, and the town is a recognized center for restoration. Today, Marietta is known for its bed and breakfast inns, its unique restaurants, and its historic charm.

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Marietta History

The historic town of Marietta appealed to commerce and industry due to its location along the Susquehanna River just north of Columbia. It was once a rowdy, hard-drinking, gritty center of the lumber and iron industries that began as an American Indian trade outpost in the early 1700s. By 1736 it was known as Anderson's Ferry, named for James Anderson, who operated a river-crossing site. Smaller settlements developed over the ensuing years, all clustered around

Anderson's Ferry. These communities consolidated with surrounding farmland to become the Borough of Marietta, named for the womenfolk of some of the founding families that included several named Mary and at least one named Henrietta.

In the early days, the lumber business was a key component of the town's industry. Marietta was a processing center of raw timber that was floated



down the river every spring from forests in the central part of the state. When the Pennsylvania Canal was built along the river between 1825 and 1830, Marietta attracted

more trade and itinerants who either worked on the canal boats or plied the river on rafts. The town grew quickly, and the river trade drew a host of entrepreneurs who hoped to strike it rich shipping and storing goods such as coal and whiskey.

The entrepreneurs who succeeded became

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Marietta's patriarchs. They
guided and stimulated
the town's early
cultural and economic
development.
Naturally, these
individuals had
some of the most
remarkable homes
in town. Their grand
homes still stand in
contrast to the workers' wood-

While lumber production accounted for Marietta's early prosperity, it was the iron-smelting industry that carried the town's economy in the late

framed clapboard homes that

reflect the ready availability of lumber.

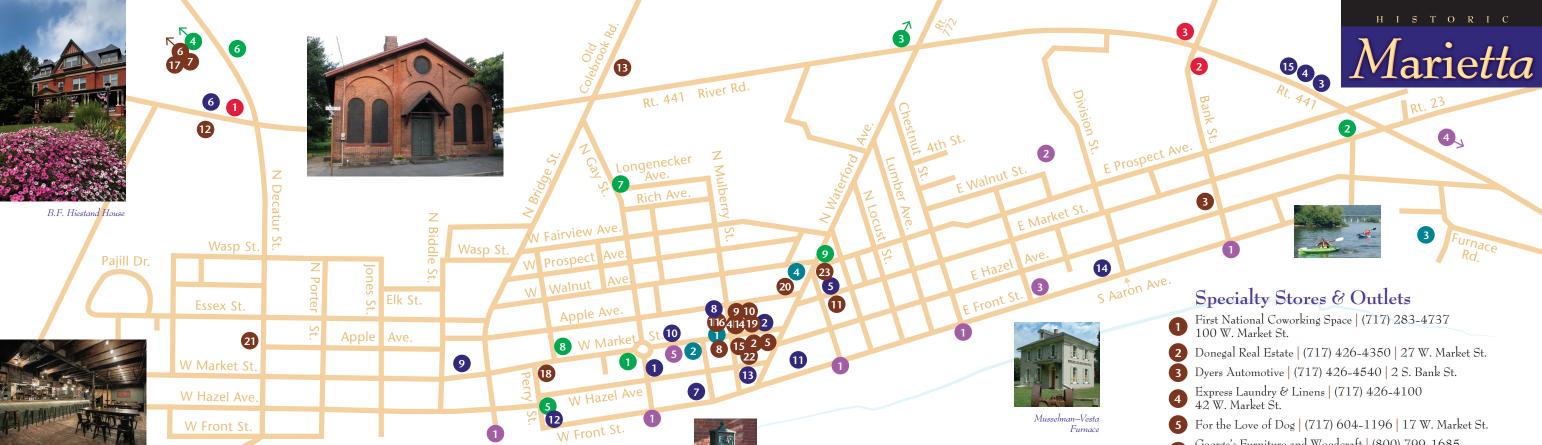
19th century and early 20th century. At one time as many as eight iron furnaces operated just east of the Borough. Over time, the iron



industry had trouble competing with other emerging industries. Marietta's business economy slowly ebbed.

Ironically, it was this economic downturn that positioned Marietta to become the jewel that it is today. Homes were largely unchanged during that time period, leaving their historic character intact.

Shank's Tavern, 1930



Railroad House, Perry Street Cellar



Susquehanna Stage Company

Recreation & Parks

- Northwest Trail Access Points | S. Decatur St.
 S. Bridge St. | S. Gay St. | S. New Haven St.
 S. Chestnut St. | S. Bank St. (the paved trail ends at
 S. Bank St. and visitors must use either E. Front St. or
 E. Hazel to reconnect to paved trail at Furnace Rd.)
- 2 War Memorial Park | (717) 426-4143 | 344 E. Walnut St.
- 3 Flanagan Park | (717) 426-4143 | 409 E. Market St.
- 4 Chiques Rock Outfitters | (717) 475-6196 | 1028 River Rd.
- 5 Vital Tree Yoga | (717) 917-9474 | 137 W. Market St.

Convenience

- 1 Herr's Market | (717) 426-1805 | 1406 River Rd.
- 2 Rutter's | (717) 426-2573 | 1155 River Rd.
- 3 Sheetz | (717) 426-1224 | 1158 River Rd.

Restaurants & Eateries

- 1 American Legion | (717) 426-2087 | 19 S. Gay St.
- 2 Bron's Deli | (717) 426-1900 | 34 W. Market St.
- 3 Café Capriccio Pizzeria and Restaurant | (717) 426-2000 316 Honeysuckle Dr.
- 4 Chen's House | (717) 426-0025 | 320 Honeysuckle Dr.
- 5 Heart Café | (717) 604-1169 | 17 E. Market St.
- 6 Marco's Restaurant & Pizzeria | (717) 426-2210
- 7 McCleary's Public House | (717) 426-2225 | 130 W. Front St.
- 8 Mulberry Thrill Sweet Treats | (717) 283-4737 100 W. Market St.
- 9 Nick's Bistro | (717) 604-1137 | 324 W. Market St.
- 10 Parma Pizza and Grill | (717) 604-1134 | 132 W. Market St.
- 11 Pig Iron Brewing Co. | (717) 604-1161 | 40 E. Front St.
- Railroad House Inn & Perry St. Cellar | (717) 426-4141 280 W. Front St.
- 13 Shank's Tavern | (717) 426-1205 | 36 S. Waterford Ave.
- Stanley's Trail Side Spirits & Steakhouse | (717) 604-2088 392 E. Front St.
- 15 Subway | (717) 604-1750 | 322 Honeysuckle Dr.

Accommodations & Gathering Places

- 1 Ascot House B&B | (717) 426-2518 | 219 W. Market Street
- 2 B.F. Hiestand House | (717) 426-8415 | 722 E. Market St.
- 3 Blue Note Motor Inn | (717) 426-1991 | 1210 River Rd.
- Olde Fogie Farm Bed & Breakfast | (717) 426-3992 106 Stackstown Rd.
- 5 Railroad House Inn | (717) 317-7816 | 280 W. Front St.
- 6 Susquehanna Manor Inn B&B | (717) 604-1854 3272 Maytown Rd.
- 7 Lavender Patch | (717) 426-4533 | 190 Longenecker Ave.
- 8 Marietta Community House | (717) 426-4317
- 9 Union Meeting House | (717) 224-0170 | 80 N. Waterford Ave.

History, Museums & Attractions

- 1 st National Escape | (717) 384-5625 100 W. Market St.
- Marietta Center for the Arts Home of Susquehanna Stage Co. (717) 426-1277 | 133 W. Market St.
- 3 Musselman–Vesta Furnace | (717) 426-4736 | Furnace Rd.
- Old Towne Hall and Marietta Museum | (717) 426-4736 Waterford Ave. & Walnut St.

- George's Furniture and Woodcraft | (800) 799-1685 9 Reichs Church Rd.
- 7 Homestead Furnishings | (717) 426-1800 | 161 S. River St.
- 8 Lancaster Recumbent | (717) 553-5834 | 103 W. Market St.
- 9 Laurette Salon | (717) 725-2166 | 40 W. Market St.
- 10 Lucky Smoke | (717) 604-1130 | 30 W. Market St.
- 11 Marietta Borough Office | (717) 426-4143 | 111 E. Market St.
- Marietta Motors | (717) 426-4650 | 1407 River Rd.
- 13 Marietta Notary | (717) 426-1793 | 40 Old Colebrook Rd.
- 14 Marietta Workspace | (717) 333-4876 | 42 W. Market St. 2nd flr.
- Messengers of Healing Massage | (717) 314-2832 41 W. Market St.
- My Digital Conversion Media Restoration | (717) 283-4737 100 W. Market St.
- 17 Nissley Vineyards | (717) 426-3514 | 140 Vintage Dr.
- 18 Premier Linen Co. | (717) 426-4000 | 271 W. Market St.
- 19 Riverside Barbershop | (717) 604-1502 | 36 W. Market St.
- Susquehanna Waldorf School | (717) 426-4506
- 21 Swedish Motors | (717) 426-2202 | 7 N. Decatur St.
- Time Flys Clock and Watch Repair | (717) 426-2612
- 23 U.S. Post Office | (717) 426-1106 | 16 N. New Haven St.