

**FLYNT CENTER FOR EARLY  
NEW ENGLAND LIFE**  
*Period Landscape Design*  
Historic Deerfield, Inc.,  
Deerfield, Massachusetts

**Project Data**

Date: 1997  
Size: 2± acres  
Context: Historic Deerfield,  
Massachusetts

Construction Date: 1998

**Project Description:**

The Flynt Center at Historic Deerfield, Inc. is a large simple structure set within a grouping of historic tobacco barns and sheds. The design for the landscape is equally simple and agricultural in effect. A curbless gravel drive sweeps to the entry and leads to a parking area tucked behind two barns. Two sheds were re-located on-site to make room for the drive while adding to an existing cluster of barns. Native grasses and other Colonial period plantings flank the entry walk between the Center and the existing barn. Native trees and shrubs are layered into existing hedge rows and either frame or screen views to the new building while framing views to the adjacent fields. The new Center and its period landscape fit aesthetically into its vernacular Deerfield valley surroundings, especially when viewed from Main Street between the eighteenth century houses.

EDC Principal Thomas Elmore was project landscape architect and prepared the construction drawings for this project while with another firm.

