

NPS ORGANIZATION

STRUCTURE NO. IJ-1

ORDER OF SIGNIFICANCE: National ☐ State ☒ Local ☐

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Lind Point Fort is significant for its associations with the Napoleonic wars in which the United Kingdoms of Denmark-Norway were allied with France against England and in which the Danish Virgin Islands were twice occupied by British forces.

LOCATION OF STRUCTURE: On southwest tip of Lind Point at mouth of Cruz Bay

UTM REFERENCE:

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[][][][][][][][][][][][] part of a complex or district:
Zone Easting Northing _____ 2 acres.

There are no UTM references on any published maps of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

The boundaries of Lind Point Fort Site follows the Lind Point trail below and around the fort and the access trail to the fort across the point starting at 400 yards Northwest of the National Park Service Visitors Center on the Lind Point Trail. The property is within protected park area and the boundaries include all parts of the resource.

STRUCTURE: Type of, and composition: Semi-circular earthwork with dry stone retaining walls.

Physical Description: Lind Point Fort is a semi-circular earthwork located near the tip of Lind Point at an elevation of about 120 feet above sea level. The level gun platform, that measures 60 feet across., is unpaved. On the seaward sides dry stone retaining walls support the earth embankment and the low and now eroded earth parapets. Built as a battery to control the entrance to Cruz Bay Harbor it commands the Bay as well as Pillsbury Sound. It was constructed by the British during their second occupation of the Danish Virgin Islands 1807-1815 in the Napoleonic wars and it is the physical evidence in the Virgin Islands of an era of conflict that kept the western world in turmoil for more than two decades and changed the course of world history.

Latitude 18°20'12" Longitude 64°47'52"

(continue on reverse if necessary)

PRESENT CONDITION: Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐
Ruins ☒ Unaltered ☒ Altered ☐ Original Site ☒ Moved ☐

Report prepared by



Earthwork

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(VI Natl. Park M.H. Res. Area)

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Access trail to earth work at east end of Battery.



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**Southeast face of Earthwork viewed from the northeast
with entrance to Cruz Bay in background**



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South face of battery viewed from the west.