



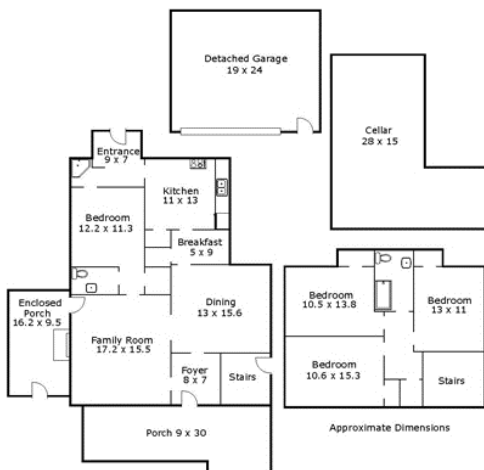
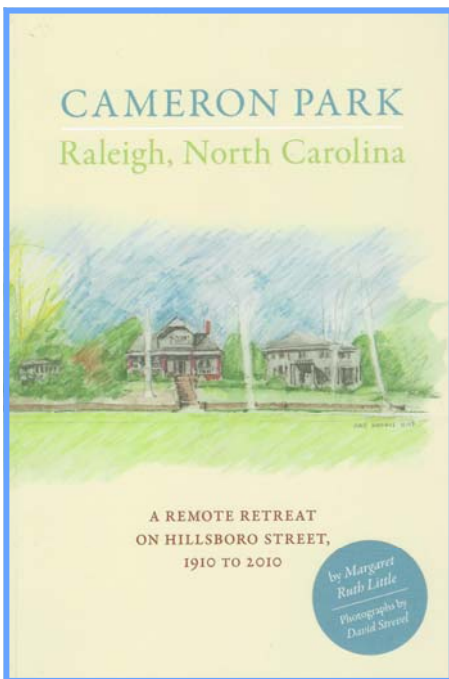
Cameron Park - Neighbory architecture

Cameron Park is now the subject of its own history book published in 2014, written by architectural historian Ruth Little working with many in the neighborhood. As quoted in a N&O review, Little notes that "Cameron Park's design, which features linear parks and service alleys behind houses, is responsible for much of the neighborhood's enduring charm. These amenities help make a place with homes that are relatively close together feel spacious. That and an overall feeling of community and livability, the peace and quiet, are the distinctive features, she said, rather than assertive architecture. It's neighbory architecture."

Developed in 1910 on land that once was part of the Duncan Cameron antebellum plantation, Cameron Park was marketed as Raleigh's first planned "sub-division". The rolling, wooded topography of the site was respected in the curve-linear grid design of the streets and the tree parks in the creek ravines. Contributing to the success of the neighborhood were the Wiley Grammar School built in 1926, and Needham Broughton High School built in 1929. Both schools continue their tradition of strong academic programs and are fully modernized while retaining their original handsome architecture.

Cameron Park today is a wonderfully diverse family neighborhood with a strong sense of community. It remains a wooded oasis surrounded by NC State University, St. Mary's girl school, Cameron Village (with the Raleigh central library), and the Glenwood South entertainment district. A short walk or bike ride away are Pullen and Fletcher Parks, State government offices and downtown Raleigh.

Cameron Park is a national, not a local, historic district. This designation does not require public approval for many exterior improvements such as paint colors. It is subject to a City of Raleigh Neighborhood Conservation Overlay District that helps to preserve the unique character of the neighborhood. Learn more and review National Register nomination at [www.rhdc.org](http://www.rhdc.org) and [hpo.nchdr.gov](http://hpo.nchdr.gov). As a contributing structure to the National Historic District, the cost of renovating the existing house could be eligible for NC historic rehab tax credits, if the State program is reinstated in some form as recommended by the Governor. The NC General Assembly allowed the former tax credit program to expire at the end of 2014.



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