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Federal Style

The Federal architectural style occurred from about 1780 to 1840. This style had been developed based off of the georgian style, and dominated throughout the colonial time period.

Federal style became popular after America had found its independence. Due to this many federal aspects are preserved and there even parts of museums dedicated just to this style alone. Many well known federal style buildings such as [Woodlawn plantation](#) are found in Virginia.



Federal style has many detailed elements that set it apart from georgian style. We included a simple rectangular house, 2 stories, exterior decoration, and thin columns. For the rectangular style we made a very basic 8 ½ x 11” back and front with two 5 x 8 1/2 “ pieces for sides. For the windows we put 2 on the first floor as well as the door, and put 3 on the above those to imply there are 2 stories. To add emphasis on the exterior design we put a stone path, raised porch for the door, and a balcony off of the window on the second floor. We assured the columns were thinner due to that being a key difference between federal and georgian.

We found value in this design because of how detailed it is as well as how structural sturdy it is. Many buildings during this time period have fallen apart, or need to be restored quite a bit. Federal style buildings however, were built extremely well for the time period they were made in. We value the designs and ideas that have been created hundreds of years ago.

