Sepaxticum
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Traditional Garden Beds
Information

Garden beds on top of garden beds

On the bottom of the hill so to water would drain down to the garden beds

Has small, long mounds to pile nutrients such as leaves on top

Trenches to capture water and easily pull nutrients back on top of the plant
Making the Units

- Right outside of Garden Beds
- Marked stakes with Coordinates
- Designated stake was the SW stake
- Made sure they were 2 meters apart all around
- Corners 20 cm in
- Units are diagonal so the walls wouldn’t be messed up
The Dirty Work

The Routine:

1. Spray down intensely with mosquito spray
2. Take tarp off of units
3. Sharpen Trowels
4. Skim the top layer until you are down to an even level of 5cms
5. Any artifacts found during the skim process throw in a bag labeled with that unit
6. After all even and clear of pine needles or frogs measure in any roots, artifacts, or different colored soil
7. Take a picture with the unit and move onto the next level
During the work...

We found...

- Lithics
- Shell Tempered Pottery
- A Feature
- Fire Cracked Rock and more
Main Objective

Prove Dr. Overstreets’ theory that this is one of the oldest sites in the midcontinent 700 – 850 A.D.

How?
• If we found any type of other pottery besides shell tempered, it would disprove the theory.
Side Job

- Squash
- Strawberries
- Red Maize
- Sunflowers
- Maize
- Hidatsa Beans
- Watermelon
- Cantaloupe
- Cilantro
- Sunflowers
- Cherokee Black Beans
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- Cherokee Black Beans
- Pumpkin
- Maize
- Squash
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