



## *Windmills of the Past*

Early residents, sometimes called “Bankers,” on the remote and windy coastline of North Carolina’s Outer Banks built windmills to harness the wind and help them grind corn and grains for their food. These windmills were once a common sight up and down the coast. A full-size reproduction windmill still can be seen on the main road in Manteo (Highway 64) just across from Island Farm Museum.