Effigy Mounds of the Midwest

Effigy mounds can be found in Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, and Minnesota.



Common effigy mound themes are of creatures from the air, earth, and water.



Mound forms represent animals such as eagles, birds, bears, snakes, cranes, geese, and lizards.



The placement of mounds are believed by some to predict or observe the movements of the sun, moon, and stars.



Arcgaeological findings at mound sites have included pottery and arrowheads. The protection and preservation of mound sites from urban development and agriculture has resulted in state and local parks.



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