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Even older homes could be modernized with a fancy porch addition, stylized to the latest fashion trends. Since epoxies are more difficult to work with than other wood fillers, experience working with epoxies is needed for successful repairs.

Our History

Porches are significant because of the special character they impart to a historic building and their role in our social and cultural history. What appear to be deep foundation footings may only be stones or cement blocks sitting on top of the ground.

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With sound wood, scrape off the loose paint, sand, prime, and repaint the area.

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Note that these treatments are different than those used on most pressure-treated wood, which is typically a plantation-grown southern pine of lower quality that is impregnated with chemicals. The column bases were replaced. Repairing the Foundation Unstable foundation supports can cause serious damage to a historic porch.

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This Preservation Brief provides guidance for the everyday care of wood porches on older buildings.

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