



Kitchens, Smokehouses, and Privies: Outbuildings and the Architecture of Daily Life in the Eighteenth-Century Mid-Atlantic (Hardback)

By Michael Olmert

Cornell University Press, United States, 2009. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. In *Kitchens, Smokehouses, and Privies*, Michael Olmert takes us into the eighteenth-century backyards of colonial America. He explores the many small outbuildings that can still be found at obscure rural farmsteads throughout the Tidewater and greater mid-Atlantic, in towns like Williamsburg and Annapolis, and at elite plantations such as Mount Vernon and Monticello. These structures were designed to support the performance of a single task: cooking food; washing clothes; smoking meat; storing last winter's ice; or keeping milk, cheese, and cream fresh. Privies and small offices are also addressed, as is the dovecote, in which doves were raised for their eggs, squab meat, feathers, and fertilizer. Often, these little buildings were clustered in such a way as to resemble a small village, knit together by similar design details and building materials: they were all constructed in weatherboards or in brick, for instance, or were arranged in a single file or positioned at the four corners of the yard. In this appealing book, featuring nearly a hundred crisp black-and-white photographs, Olmert explains how these well-made buildings actually functioned. He is riveted by the history of...



[READ ONLINE](#)
[4.2 MB]

Reviews

Unquestionably, this is the finest function by any article writer. I have read and that i am confident that i am going to likely to read yet again once again later on. Your daily life period will probably be transform when you comprehensive reading this article book.

-- **Sheldon Aufderhar**

This is the greatest book we have read through till now. It is probably the most amazing book we have go through. I am just happy to tell you that here is the greatest book we have read through during my individual daily life and may be he best ebook for possibly.

-- **Eliseo Leffler**