Preserving and Protecting Guam’s Past
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Reserving and Protecting Guam’s Things of the Past
What are these Things of the Past?
...are they:

✧ artifacts?
✧ cultural traditions and practices?
✧ places of importance?
✧ structures, buildings and objects?
✧ traditional cultural properties?
if we agree that even a few of these - are "Things of the Past"

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✧ are they important to the (village) community and

✧ are they worth preserving
... given the Department's mission and responsibilities, our response is a resounding

YES!

they are worth preserving.
Southernmost and the largest of the Mariana Islands Archipelago, Guam is filled with...

Things of the Past
...such as artifacts...
...the ever prevalent pottery

Pre-European contact

RICE on Guam

Photos courtesy of MARS: Micronesian Archaeological Research Services, and Darlene Moore
...historic sites
...places of importance

Batiment léger des isles des larrons
HAGÅTÑA

Almacen Arches

Latte Park

Chocolate House
Ylig Bay Village Archaeological Site

Manenggon Concentration Camp

Pulantat Latte
Post WWII concrete pad and metal wall plate

Interior of freshwater cave - MARBO
UMATAC

Governors' Residence

Sella Bay Spanish Bridge

Sella Bay Spanish Oven – Hot’no
Tumon has been inhabited for millennia. The evidence is below the surface of today’s ground.
INARAJAN

Leon Guerrero House Restoration

(before)

(after)

Lušong
MALESSO

Malesso Kombento before and after restoration

Belltower Restoration

Lusong found near Achang Bay
Leon Guerrero water catchment

Latte Period pottery

First American Period “bottle dump”

WWII grenade

YIGO
TALOFOFO

Talofofo River Valley Latte

Mahlac Cave pictographs

Pictographs from Talofofo
...historic properties also include Cemeteries

Old Agat Cemetery
Historic Sumay Village Cemetery
U. S. Naval Agana Cemetery 1954
...Things of the Past also include Burials

Agana Bridge Project

Skinner Plaza

GCEF (Guam Museum)

AAFB
How can we help create the Village of Tomorrow?

✧ instill a sense of worth for Things of the Past
✧ increase awareness of its importance and value
✧ develop site stewardship programs
✧ seek funding for village historic properties survey
Rich in resources, rich in heritage