

Powhatan

Pocahontas

Crops

Native Peoples Contributions to the Survival of the Jamestown Settlers

Powhatan

- chief of many tribe
- Provided leadership to his people
- Taught the settlers survival skills

Pocahontas

- Daughter of Powhatan
- Served as a contact between the native peoples and the English

Crops

- The native peoples showed the settlers how to plant corn and tobacco

TRADE

Native peoples to English:

- food

English to native peoples:

- tools
- pots
- Copper for jewelry



Werowocomoco (weh-ro-wo-COM -o-co) was a large Indian village/town, located on the York River, used by Indian leaders for several hundred years before the English settlers came. It was the headquarters of the leader Wahunsunacock (known to the English as Powhatan) in 1607. The Powhatan were living there at the time the English settlers arrived. Werowocomoco is located in the Coastal Plain region, about 12 miles north of Jamestown along the York River in Gloucester County. It was an important social, political, religious and economic/trading center for the native peoples of Virginia.



According to John Smith, Werowocomoco is where Pocahontas came to his rescue in 1608. Smith had been captured by Powhatan's brother Opechancanough while hunting on the Chickahominy River,