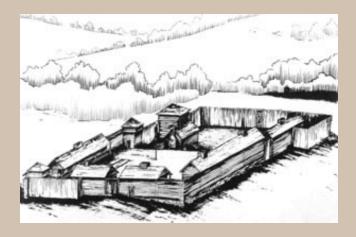
Unicoi Turnpike Trail

2. Tellico Blockhouse



Then - The Tellico Blockhouse, built in 1794, was located across what is now Tellico Lake from Fort Loudoun. There, federal and territorial officials implemented the Factory Act of 1795, which was a United States Government plan to "civilize" Indians by maintaining federal "factories," or trading posts where Indians would receive fair exchange for their furs as well as learn farming and mechanical skills.

Now – Interpretive exhibits situated among the ruins tell the story of the Tellico Blockhouse and its role maintaining order along the Cherokee frontier and promoting the "civilization" policy of the US government. Visitors to the site can wander among the foundations and look across the lake toward the old Cherokee Nation.

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