

## Barn Quilt Loop Trail

A 90-minute drive around Mars Hill, NC

A project of the Madison County Arts Council



## **Thomason Barn**

1541 Silver Mill Road, 28753 GPS: N35° 53' 54" W82° 49' 01

This old tobacco barn is over 120 years old and was built on land received in a land grant to a Captain White whose daughter Eliza married Dr. Jacob Tilson in the 1870s and built the current barn. The White



family had other property. Eliza's brother built the house overlooking the main street in Marshall as a wedding gift for his daughter. The house was designed by architect Richard Sharp Smith (who was the head architect for the Biltmore House in Asheville). The center of the barn still has the original logs although some of the buildings supporting timbers had to be replaced so that the sixth generation of the family can still enjoy the use of the old barn.