

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: National Register and State Register Coordinator,
State Historic Preservation Office, Department of Economic and Community Development,
One Constitution Plaza, 2nd Floor, Hartford CT 06103

* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) Winton House
Building Name (Historic) Winton House
Street Address or Location 80 Ridgefield Road
Town/City Wilton Village _____ County Fairfield
Owner(s) Finnie, Linda W. ☐ Public ☒ Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: residence
Historic Use: residence

Accessibility to public: Exterior visible from public road? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Interior accessible? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Colonial Revival Date of Construction circa 1925

Material(s) (Indicate use or location when appropriate):

☐ Clapboard ☐ Asbestos Siding ☐ Brick ☒ Wood Shingle ☐ Asphalt Siding
☐ Fieldstone ☐ Board & Batten ☐ Stucco ☐ Cobblestone ☐ Aluminum Siding
☐ Concrete (Type _____) ☐ Cut Stone (Type _____) ☐ Other _____

Structural System

☒ Wood Frame ☐ Post & Beam ☐ Balloon ☐ Load bearing masonry ☐ Structural iron or steel
☐ Other _____

Roof (Type)

☒ Gable ☐ Flat ☐ Mansard ☐ Monitor ☐ Sawtooth
☐ Gambrel ☐ Shed ☐ Hip ☐ Round ☐ Other _____

(Material)

☐ Wood Shingle ☐ Roll Asphalt ☐ Tin ☐ Slate ☒ Asphalt Shingle
☐ Built up ☐ Tile ☐ Other _____

Number of Stories: 1 1/2 Approximate Dimensions 20 x 33 + ells

Structural Condition: ☒ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated

Exterior Condition: ☒ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Deteriorated

Location Integrity: ☒ On original site ☐ Moved When? _____

Alterations? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, explain: _____

FOR OFFICE USE: Town # _____ Site # _____ UTM _____

District: ☐ S ☐ NR If NR, Specify: ☐ Actual ☐ Potential

PROPERTY INFORMATION (CONT'D)**Related outbuildings or landscape features:**

- ☐ Barn ☐ Shed ☐ Garage ☐ Carriage House ☐ Shop ☐ Garden
☐ Other landscape features or buildings: _____

Surrounding Environment:

- ☐ Open land ☐ Woodland ☒ Residential ☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☐ Rural
☐ High building density ☐ Scattered buildings visible from site

- Interrelationship of building and surroundings:

See continuation sheet.

- Other notable features of building or site (*Interior and/or Exterior*)

See continuation sheet.

Architect N/A Builder N/A

- Historical or Architectural importance:

See continuation sheet.

- Sources:

See continuation sheet.

Photographer Mary E. McCahon Date 4/89

View Southwest Negative on File CTSHPO 4:17

Name Mary E. McCahon Date 5/89

Organization Wilton Historical Society

Address 249 Danbury Road, Wilton, CT 06897

- Subsequent field evaluations:

Threats to the building or site:

- ☒ None known ☐ Highways ☐ Vandalism ☐ Developers ☐ Renewal ☐ Private
☐ Deterioration ☐ Zoning ☐ Other _____ ☐ Explanation _____

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CONTINUATION SHEET 80 Ridgefield Road, Wilton



Photograph 80 Ridgefield Road View Southwest

Interrelationship of Buildings and Surroundings

The house is located on the northwest corner of Lover's Lane and Ridgefield Road in the historic center of Wilton.

Other Notable Features or Buildings on the Site

The picturesque, gable-ended, vernacular house built circa 1925 is massed and detailed to suggest a much earlier date of construction as well as a non-residential use. Set into the hill and sheathed with weathered shingles, the asymmetrically massed house has an extended slope on the west side of the steep roof, and it is finished with flush eaves. The well-proportioned house is void of applied ornamentation and relies on its massing and varied fenestration size and placement for its styling. It contributes to the historic character of Wilton Center despite its recent date of construction.

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Historical and Architectural Importance

The quaint house was built after 1922 by Andrew and Kate Winton who had owned the Comstock House across the street at 65 Ridgefield Road since 1915. Its design was based on Andrew Winton's family home in Weston. The Wintons purchased the land from Charles O. Davenport in 1921 (31:170), but no house on the lot is depicted on the 1922 map of Wilton. It is curious that the corner lot in the center of town was not developed before the mid-1920s. Kate Winton retained the house until her death in the 1960s. She and Mr. Winton were food chemists. (See additional information regarding Wintons and their collection and research on Norwalk Redware and Stoneware available at Wilton Historical Society.)

Source

Wilton Land Records. Merwin, Gertrude. Interview 5/89.