

*Devil's Raceground Inset*

# LEWIS & CLARK ACROSS MISSOURI:

Mapping the Historic  
Landscape

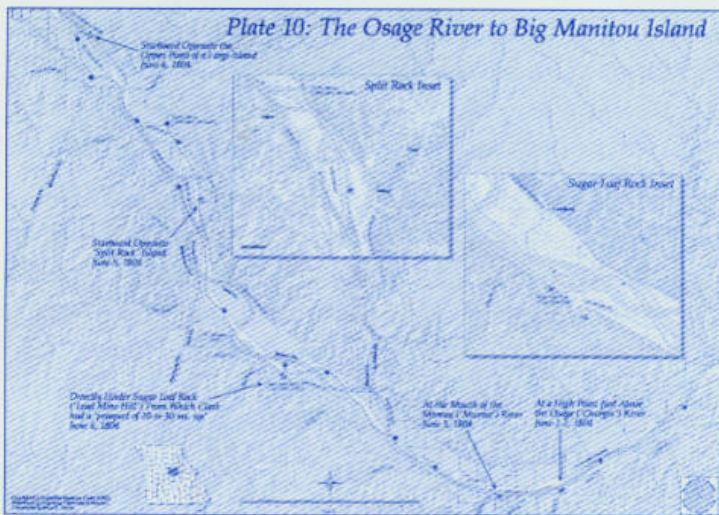
*Starboard Below a Small Island  
in the Middle of the River  
May 23, 1804*

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LEWIS AND CLARK HISTORICAL  
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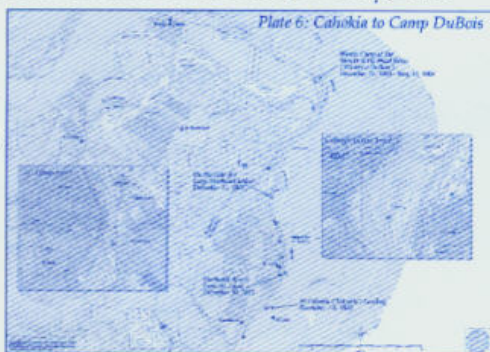




By combining nineteenth century land survey records held at the Missouri State Archives with modern mapping technology, geographers from the Geographic Resources Center at the University of Missouri's Department of Geography produced something unique and original: they re-created the world of Lewis and Clark in beautifully rendered historic maps and gave us a new way to look at the world of Lewis and Clark in the land that became Missouri – where the journey began.

The maps show the Expedition's course on the Missouri River, providing the earliest mapped version of the river and visions of a natural world that differs radically from today's landscape. Depicting the historic vegetative land cover in territorial Missouri, the maps beautifully illustrate the rich natural resources available in the nineteenth century. Contemporary map overlays reveal the changes brought by human activity over two centuries. In addition, the maps comprise the first accurate rendering of the Expedition's campsites and foot explorations by crew members on the first leg of their long journey to the Pacific Ocean.

Missouri's Lewis & Clark story is singular among the stories of the other trail states. The Missouri State Archives



maintains land records paralleling the time of the Expedition's passage. No other state can reduplicate with such accuracy the Expedition's travels along particular stretches of river. The maps will give Missouri its proper place in telling this national adventure story.


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*Starboard on an Island  
Near Loure Island  
May 26, 1804*

*La Charrette Inset*

*At the French Village  
of La Charrette  
May 25, 1804*

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