



Fort São João, 1532/1551, Bertioga, SP _ First Fortification Real of the Brazil. Design of plastic artistic Cristiane Carbone, on A4 paper.

Fort N. S. dos Prazeres, 1766, Ilha do Mel, PR.

One of the last colonial forts in Brazil. Collection FUNCEB.

Blockhouses, forts, fortresses (...), redoubts, batteries, fortified points, distributed throughout the country, represent a rich cultural and historical heritage built up along the last five centuries - in the colonial, imperial and republican periods - to protect the waters and lands of continental Brazil.

These forts, though built solidly enough to last for centuries, no longer have utility, except a few which still host modern military units. It is important therefore that the Brazilian society mobilize for the purpose of redeeming the national memory for the pride of military defense, based on the long history of settlement and territorial conquests

The blockhouses, forts and fortresses that survive and dot the land border and the coast of Brazil must be preserved. This amazing historical - cultural collection is housed in the “DNA” of our nation and well represents the military bias of the “bandeiras”.