

**United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service**

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**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

**1. Name**

historic Pellerin-Chauffe House

and or common Same

**2. Location**

street & number LA Hwy 347, about 1/2 mile south of Breaux Bridge <sup>on LA 347</sup> N/A not for publication

city, town Breaux Bridge vic,  vicinity of

state LA code 22 ~~county~~ parish St. Martin code 099

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>N/A</u> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<u>N/A</u> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: vacant

**4. Owner of Property**

name SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

street & number

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Martin Parish Courthouse

street & number Main St. (no specific address) P. O. Box 308

city, town St. Martinville state LA 70582

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title LA Historic Sites Survey has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 1983  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records LA State Historic Preservation Office

city, town Baton Rouge state LA

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good (house)	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date <u>    N/A    </u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair (outbuildings)	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Pellerin-Chauffe House (c.1896) is a large one-and-a-half story frame Queen Anne Revival-Eastlake cottage located on Bayou Teche about half a mile below the town of Breaux Bridge. The house has been little altered since its construction and hence has suffered no loss of integrity.

The house has a central hall with three rooms on one side and two rooms on the other. There is also a rear kitchen-dining room wing. The staircase leads to the open attic. The house has two semi-hexagonal bays, one of which is set under a large forward projecting gable. The main gallery wraps around two sides of the house and enlivens the massing by cutting the corner at forty-five degrees. The roof features a single, off-center, oversized dormer. The frontal gable features scroll sawn decorative infill, Eastlake brackets under the corners, and a central stained glass window. The main gallery features bulging, shafted Eastlake columns, a balustrade, and an upper spindle screen. Each column has three scroll brackets, two of which support the spindle screen and one of which supports the eave. Some of the rooms communicate with the gallery via floor-length plate glass windows. There is also a rear kitchen gallery.

The interior features tongue and groove wainscoting, Eastlake mantels, and transomed door frames with cornerblocks.

Since construction part of the main gallery has been screened in, two chimney tops have been removed, and a rear door has been replaced. In our opinion, these changes should be regarded as minor.

To the rear of the house are a shed, cistern, well house, two barns, two chicken houses and a feeder coop, all of which are roughly contemporaneous with the main house. They are all listed as contributing elements because they help establish the Pellerin-Chauffe House's identity as a historic rural property. They illustrate that houses of this kind often had numerous outbuildings, although many comparable examples no longer retain them.



## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Windshield survey of Breaux Bridge conducted by National Register staff, Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office, September 28, 1983,

Historical sketch of house prepared by Mary Lynn Chauffe Guillory, Copy in National Register file, LA SHPO.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property approximately 3 acres

Quadrangle name Arnaudville, LA

Quadrangle scale 1:62,500

UTM References

A	<u>15</u>	<u>607500</u>	<u>3347900</u>	B			
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

Please refer to attached sketch map. Please refer to Item 10 continuation sheet for justification.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

state code county code

## 11. Form Prepared By

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city or town Baton Rouge state LA 70804

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

*Robert B. DeBlieux*

title State Historic Preservation Officer

Robert B. DeBlieux

March 2, 1984

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Entered in the  
National Register

date

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Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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4. Owners of Property

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1014 Ninth Street  
Lafayette, LA 70501  
(318) 235-0022 or (318) 332-6169

Lester Chauffe  
Route 1, Box 605  
Breux Bridge, LA 70517  
(318) 332-1448

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10. Boundary Justification:

Boundaries were drawn to discretely encompass the significant resource--the main house and its related outbuildings. They follow property lines where feasible. There were two instances, however, in which this was not feasible. The west boundary line follows Route 347, which should be regarded as an obvious boundary. The east boundary cuts closely behind the easternmost hay barn. Although the property extends further eastward well into the fields, there are no historic buildings beyond the easternmost hay barn.