

Iron Pots: From England to the Colonial Kitchen

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Most of the steel was imported to Pennsylvania where it was altered at big industrial furnaces.



Once in the household the iron pots were used for cooking by either the woman of the house (mother or daughter) or a servant/slave depending on the wealth of the household.

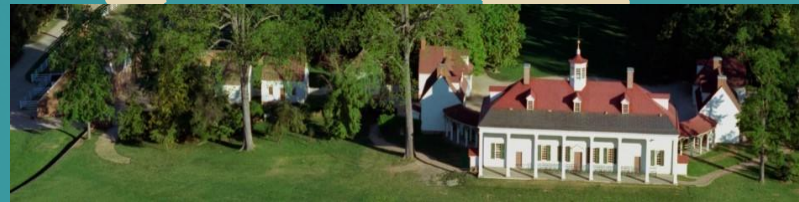
Steel was forged in England and sent to the colonies where it was given form by iron masters.



Pots could have been made by the household but many of the colonists were unskilled to produce the pots and it was cheaper to get one from the store at 9 shillings to 10 shillings and six pence.



After the pots were produced at an industrial furnace or local iron master shop it was sold to a store like Glassford & Henderson's Colchester store where it was sold.



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