

## **17 East 128th Street House**

Individual Landmark

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*17 East 128th Street House. Photo by Lorraine Colbert*

The 17 East 128th Street House is one of a few surviving frame houses in Harlem which date from the period in the city's history when Harlem was still a rural village, and not legally a part of the City of New York.

Constructed circa 1864, this house was once one of many similarly styled framed houses that were built in Harlem at roughly the same time, particularly between East 110th and East 130th Streets. Although its architect is unknown, the house exemplifies a pleasing synthesis of Second Empire and Italianate elements. Among its more prominent features are a polychromatic, slate covered mansard roof, and a covered porch which runs the width of the facade at the parlor floor level. The 17 East 128th Street House derives its significance primarily from the fact that it has managed to survive, remarkably intact, until today.

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