



*The Pamunkey Tribal logo is composed of the circle, which is regarded as sacred by many native cultures. The circle represents the cycle of life and the yellow and black feathers on the outer circle represent the sun, the giver of life.*

*The inner circle, against a background of blue, represents the Pamunkey River and the surrounding land, which provide the wildlife, plants, and other resources that sustain the Pamunkey people, both physically and spiritually. A ribbon of green, a color commonly associated with fertility and new growth, represents the river itself. The Pamunkey River is the lifeblood of the Pamunkey people and is seen as the center of our very existence.*

*Above the river, we see the birds, which foretell the changing of the seasons. The deer represents the wildlife of the forest. The corn represents the plants that our people gather from the wild and cultivate in our gardens.*

*Below the river, the fish and turtle represent the rich bounty offered. The beaver represents the wildlife of the marsh and wetlands. These natural areas, once scorned by non-Native Americans, are now recognized as essential components of the river.*

*At the river bottom, our people find the clay to create the pottery shown. For hundreds of years, our pottery was used for cooking and the storage of food and other staples. Now, this same pottery is both a source of income and an artistic outlet for talented tribal potters.*

*Between the outer and inner circles, we find the words, "Pamunkey Indian Tribe & Reservation, Virginia". The Pamunkey Tribe is proud of our history and our governmental relations with the Commonwealth of Virginia, which has recognized our status as an independent nation since the treaty of 1677.*