

MUSEUM OF
THE HOME

WELCOME
HOME





HOME GALLERIES

Our Home Galleries explore the concept of home through everyday experiences, from the last 400 years to the present. They reveal contemporary and historical stories exploring gender roles in the home, modern flat sharing, entertainment, comfort, care giving, servitude, gardening and faith.

Get hands on with our interactive displays: play *Super Mario Kart*, smell natural ingredients used to make cleaning products in the past, or design your own tea mug.



ROOMS THROUGH TIME

Our Rooms Through Time are period displays based on real London homes from the last 400 years. Each room explores the story of the family that lives there. See how servitude, migration, faith and culture at home have changed over time.

From sumptuous fabrics and furniture in the parlours of middle-class Georgian families, to the dazzling patterns and objects in our 1970s West Indian Living Room, you'll find surprise and nostalgia.

The rooms are re-styled twice a year to tell new stories associated with our annual Festival of Home and Winter Festival.



WHAT DOES HOME MEAN TO YOU?

Our purpose is to reveal and rethink the ways we live, in order to live better together. Discover stories of home life, migration, family and culture.

Our knowledgeable, friendly Visitor Experience Hosts will help make the most of your visit.

If you have a specific display, story, or interest to explore, ask at our Welcome Desk or approach any member of staff.

Access our digital guide on your mobile device to hear more stories of home, using our Museum wifi by connecting to Home_Guest. No registration or password needed.

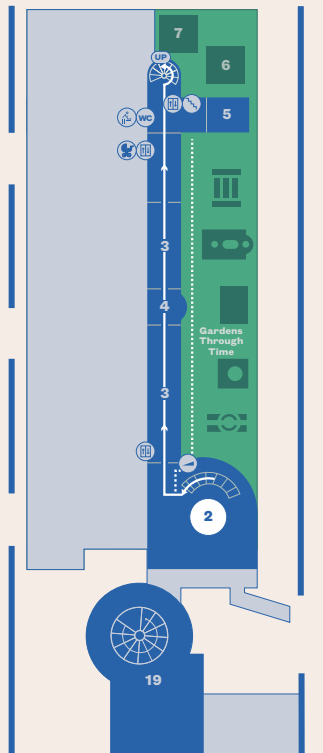
OUR GARDENS, YOUR GARDENS



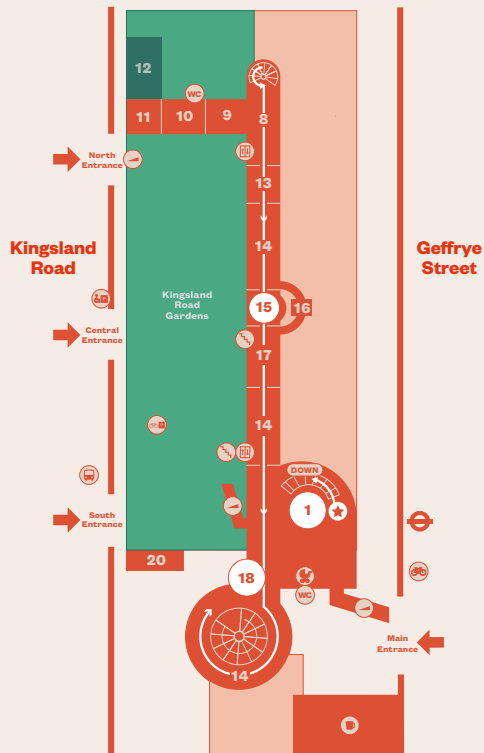
Learn how city gardens have changed over 400 years. Roam and rest in our Gardens Through Time, with its Stuart knot garden, working herb garden, bucolic cottage garden and – viewed from our Geffrye Street entrance or the Welcome Desk – our modern Green Roof.



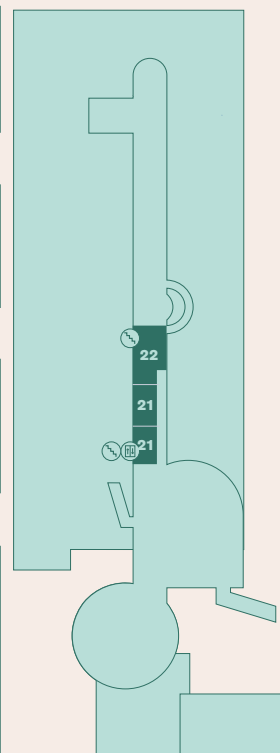
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Ground Floor

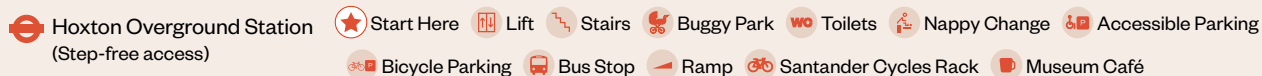


First Floor



Entrances

- 1 Welcome Desk
- 2 Studio
- 3 Home Galleries
- 4 Undercroft
- 5 Learning Pavilion
- 6 Herb Garden
- 7 Discovery Garden
- 8 Family Play Area
- 9 Lunch Room
- 10 Plain English Kitchen
- 11 Georgian Room
- 12 Ironmongers Graveyard
- 13 Domestic Game Changers
- 14 Rooms Through Time
- 15 Chapel
- 16 Garden Reading Room
- 17 Reading Lounge
- 18 Shop
- 19 Activity Rooms & Exhibition Space
- 20 Almshouse 14
- 21 Library
- 22 Collections Display



Getting to and around the Museum: www.museumofthehome.org.uk/visit-us/

TIME TO COME HOME



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The Museum is housed in almshouses built in 1714 to provide homes for poor pensioners of the Ironmongers' Company. These were funded by Robert Geffrye, an English merchant who made part of his fortune from the forced labour and trading of enslaved people from Africa.

Learn more about the life of the almshouses by scanning this QR code.



LEARN AND DISCOVER

Our programme of festivals, research projects, tours, talks and workshops runs throughout the year. Find out more at **museumofthehome.org.uk**

From furniture catalogues and fabrics to antique cookery, etiquette and house-keeping guides, our collections are free to access and open to all.

Search them online or book a visit to our Collections Library, to handle objects or conduct research.



The Museum and gardens are accessible to wheelchair users, with step-free access from Hoxton overground station and both Museum entrances. We have induction loops at the Welcome Desk, Learning Pavilion, Studio, Collections Library, Georgian Room and Art Rooms. There are large print guides at the entrance of every gallery space. All our films are subtitled.



FAMILY TIME

'HOME' IS A GREAT PLACE FOR CHILDREN TO START BUILDING THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF THE WORLD.

Ask at the Welcome Desk about our free, interactive games and displays, family trails and activities around the Museum to entertain children. children under 5 or with special educational and developmental needs can collect a free explorer bag of activities.

Check our website for our programme of free and paid-for family performances and activities every half-term, summer holidays and bank holidays, engaging children in our displays, festivals and a range of cultural celebrations. The Museum is fully accessible with a pram. We have baby changing, a buggy park, large, free-to-use lockers, a lunch room with high chairs and water provided, spaces for children to play, read and relax, and we welcome breast or bottle-feeding throughout the Museum.

Child-sized ear defenders are available at the Welcome Desk.



SUPPORT US

DONATE

As a registered charity, every donation we receive supports our work and our campaign for change, raising funds to tackle issues that matter, from homelessness to hunger. You can donate by tapping your debit or credit card on contactless donation points around the Museum, or by scanning the QR code opposite.



Learn more about our campaign for change at
museumofthehome.org.uk/join-and-support

OUR SHOP

We've taken inspiration from our archives to create a stunning range of exclusive homewares, gifts and greetings cards, alongside books about home. You can also order for delivery at our online shop.

"It might be the best present shopping spot in London."
The Times

OUR CAFE

Our Museum café offers delicious options throughout the day, from pastries to salad boxes and sandwiches. Come to co work, take a lunch break or relax after your Museum visit.



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