

ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM
OXFORD

Family Map



Inspiring minds

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and keep our
museum free and
open to all.

since 1683



Hello!

Welcome to the Ashmolean!

Explore amazing art, incredible objects and exciting stories from across the world. We're Britain's oldest public museum, with treasures from over 500,000 years of human history, from ancient Egyptian mummies to amazing modern art. What will you discover today?

Make the most of your visit – start at the Welcome Desk.

Key



Interactive



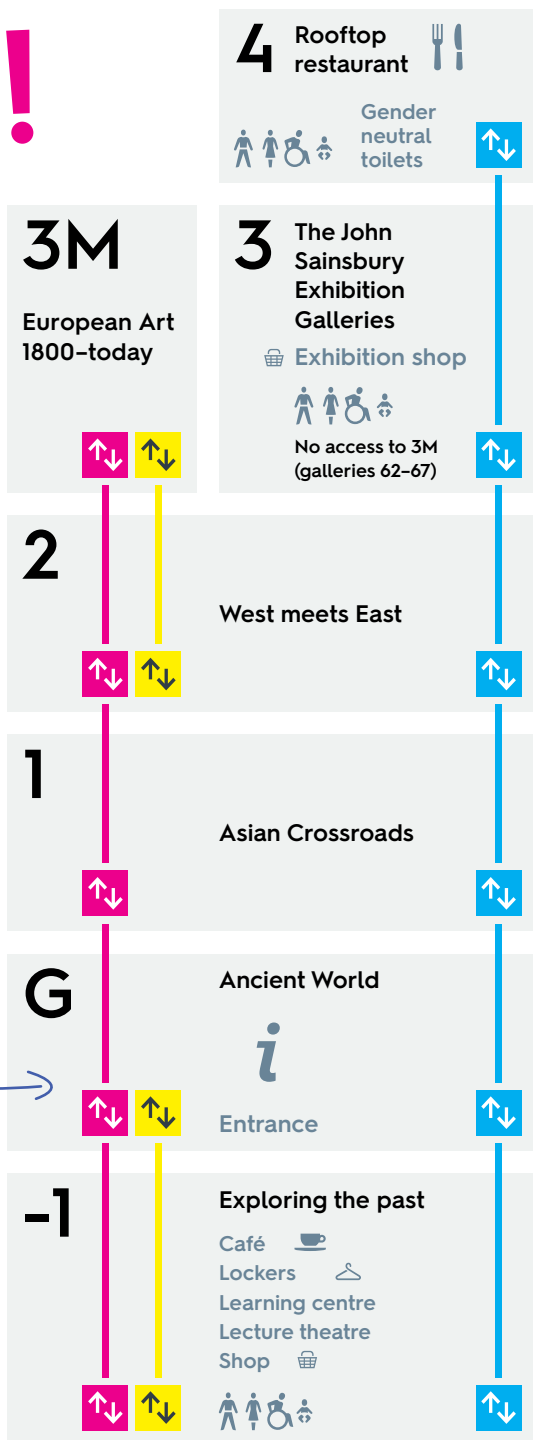
Family area
with something fun to do



Sensitive content
Human remains



Buggy park



Find 3 top objects from our collections



Oxford Crown

Gallery 7, Level -1

This special silver coin was made in Oxford in 1644 and shows what the city looked like long ago. It was made while King Charles I was living in Oxford during the English Civil War.



Guy Fawkes Lantern

Gallery 2, Level -1

This old lantern belonged to Guy Fawkes when he was caught before the Gunpowder Plot could happen in 1605. It helped tell the story behind the famous Bonfire Night rhyme: "Remember, remember, the fifth of November."



Knossos Storage Jar

Gallery 20, Level G

This giant clay jar was made over 3,000 years ago and is decorated with an octopus. It was used to store things like oil or wine in the ancient palace of Knossos on the island of Crete.

Want more things to do?

Pick up a free family trail or activity bag from the Welcome Desk. Look out for hands-on activities on Levels -1, G and 2, or try Ashmolean Adventure, our interactive family guide. Visit our website to find out about family events and holiday workshops at ashmolean.org

-1: Explore the past

Have a go!

Find something to touch, play with or explore here.

Family area

Play, draw and more

Lunch area

Eat your picnic here

Our Family Lunchroom is open 12-2pm every weekend and every day of the school holidays.

On this floor you can see:

- 1 Exploring the Past
- 2 How the museum began
- 3-4 How we look after our objects
- 5 Textiles
- 6 Reading and Writing
- 7 Money
- 8 Our latest contemporary art exhibition

Visit our family-friendly café

Enjoy family meals in our café with a selection of fresh food and drink, including kids' meals and lunchboxes.

You can heat up baby bottles, refill water, read our books and play with free activity sheets here too.

Close your eyes and place a finger on the map to choose a gallery. Go there and pick an object that could speak. What would it say?



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G: Discover the Ancient World



On this floor you can explore:

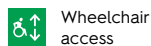
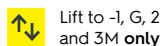
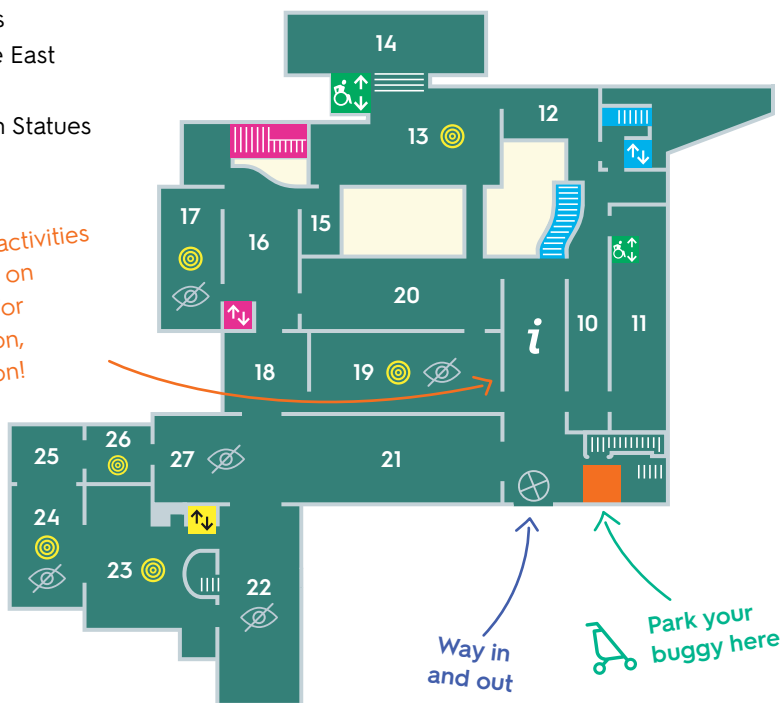
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| 10 Ancient China | 22 How Ancient Egypt began |
| 11 Chinese Paintings | 23 Leaders of Egypt & Sudan |
| 12 Ancient India | 24 Mummies and the afterlife |
| 13 Ancient Rome | 25 The Amarna story |
| 14 Our Cast Gallery | 26 Egypt in the Age of Empires |
| 15 Italy before the Romans | 27 Egypt meets Greece and Rome |
| 16 Ancient Greece | |
| 17 European Prehistory | |
| 18 Ancient Cyprus | |
| 19 Ancient Middle East | |
| 20 Aegean World | |
| 21 Greek & Roman Statues | |

These ones are all about Egypt!

Very old

Plan your visit

Pick up free family activities and find out what's on today, buy tickets for our major exhibition, or ask us a question!

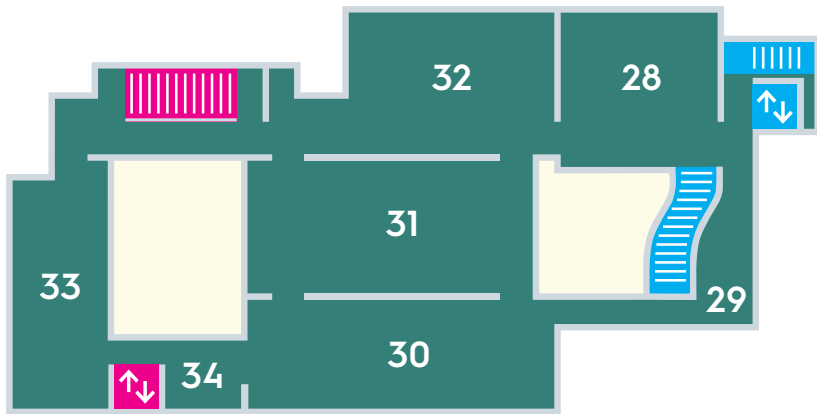


1: Asian Crossroads

On this floor discover:

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| 28 Journeys across Asia | 32 India through time |
| 29 Eastern Art Exhibitions | 33 Mughal India |
| 30 Mediterranean World | 34 Medieval Cyprus |
| 31 Islamic Middle East | |

Find a very special camel here



If you could
rename one artwork,
which would you choose?
What new title would
you give it?



Tengu Mountain Demon Netsuke,
Gallery 37, Level 2



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2: West meets East

See samurai
armour!

Messiah Violin,
Gallery 39, Level 2



On this floor you can find:

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| 35 | West meets East | 48 | Still-life Paintings |
| 36 | Japan from 1850 | 49 | Britain and Italy |
| 37 | Japan 1600-1850 | 50-51 | Landscape Oil Sketches |
| 38 | China from AD 800 | 52 | Arts of the 18th Century |
| 39 | Music and Tapestry | 53-54 | European Goldsmiths' Work |
| 40 | European Ceramics | 55 | Silver |
| 41 | England 400-1600 | 56 | Arts of the Renaissance |
| 42 | Early Italian Art | | |
| 43 | Italian Renaissance | | |
| 44 | European Art | | |
| 45 | Dutch and Flemish Art | | |
| 46 | Baroque Art | | |
| 47 | German and Flemish Art | | |



Strike a pose as a family by copying a statue or a figure in a painting on this floor.



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and 3M only



Stairs



Toilets



Information



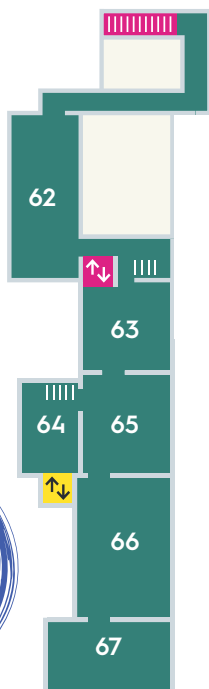
Wheelchair
access

3M: European Art 1800–today

Access only via:   

On this floor be inspired by:

- 62 Art from the 1800s
- 63 Sickert and his friends
- 64 De Morgan Ceramics
- 65 Pissarro
- 66 Pre-Raphaelites
- 67 19th Century Art



Choose a picture.
If you could step
inside it, what
would you hear
and smell?

Members
get in free

3: Special Exhibitions

The John Sainsbury Exhibition Galleries

Access only via:  

Our latest major exhibition. Book tickets on our website or at the Welcome Desk — aged 12-17 and under 25s get 50% off, and under 12s go free.



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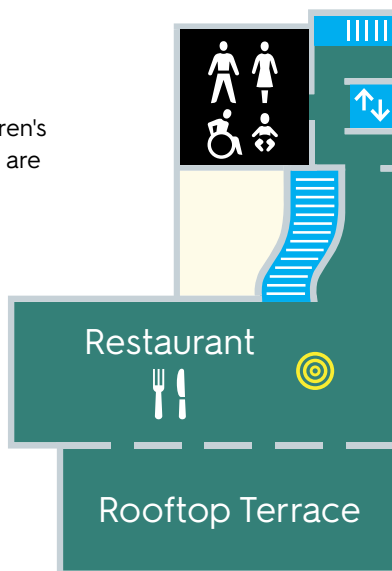
4: Rooftop Restaurant

Relax together with views across Oxford, seasonal lunches, afternoon tea and children's meals. High chairs and free activity sheets are available for young diners.

Open daily 11.30am–5pm with last orders at 4.30pm.

ashmolean.org/cafe-and-restaurant

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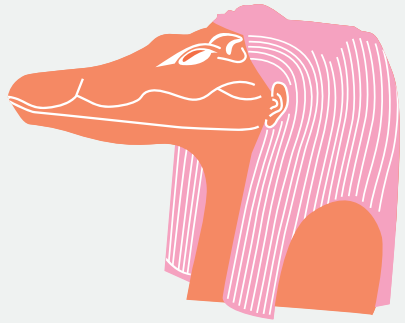
If you created
your own museum, what
would you include?

Imagine a museum object

Create an object from
the future or a mysterious
ancient artefact. Write a museum
label with its name, date,
and story.

Eye Idol,
Gallery 19, Level G





Ancient Egyptian god Sobek,
Gallery 23, Level G

Your visit

Open daily 10am–5pm

Free entry

Donations welcome

Busy times

The museum can get very busy during school visits, holidays and family festivals. For a quieter visit, try **Monday** or **Tuesday after 3pm**, or **Sunday morning**.

Need help?

Our friendly team is here to help. Find us around the museum, or visit the Welcome Desk on the ground floor. Free nappies and sanitary products are available if you need them.

Buggy parking

Our buggy park is located on the ground floor by the main entrance.

Trails, activities and more

Pick up a free family trail or activity bag from the Welcome Desk. Look out for hands-on activities on Levels -1, G and 2, and try Ashmolean Adventure, our interactive family guide. Visit our website to find out about family events and holiday workshops at ashmolean.org.

Time for a break?

Enjoy family-friendly food and drinks in our café or Rooftop Restaurant. Bringing your own lunch? Visit our Family Lunchroom (weekends and school holidays, 12–2pm). You're welcome to breastfeed or bottle-feed anywhere you feel comfortable, and you'll find a drinking water fountain in the café on Level -1.

Help look after our museum

Many of our objects are hundreds, or even thousands, of years old, so please don't touch them. If you're drawing, use pencils only. Food and drink aren't allowed in the galleries except water. To help keep everyone safe, wear backpacks on your front or carry them by your side.

Lockers

Leave coats and bags in our lockers on Level -1. They work with a £1 coin or a token from our shop.

WiFi

Enjoy free family-friendly WiFi throughout the museum.

Keep in touch

Sign up for our family newsletter to hear about family events, workshops and festivals at ashmolean.org.



Scan the code or click [here](#) to sign up to our newsletter.

