Fulham Palace House& Garden

A resource to prepare you for your visit to Fulham Palace

Your pre-visit sensory story

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Sensory story Main gates to the Palace





These are the main gates to the Palace.

To get to the Palace, you might come through the park which is often busy with people, who might be jogging or walking their dogs.

Sensory story Welcome sign and map





Part way down the path, there is a purple sign. It is near a nursery school, so sometimes this area is noisy and busy.

Around the Palace there are more purple information signs. You can also ask one of our friendly volunteers with a purple name badge for help.

Sensory story Workshop leader





You will meet your workshop leader, who will welcome you and teach you for the day.

Sensory story Education centre





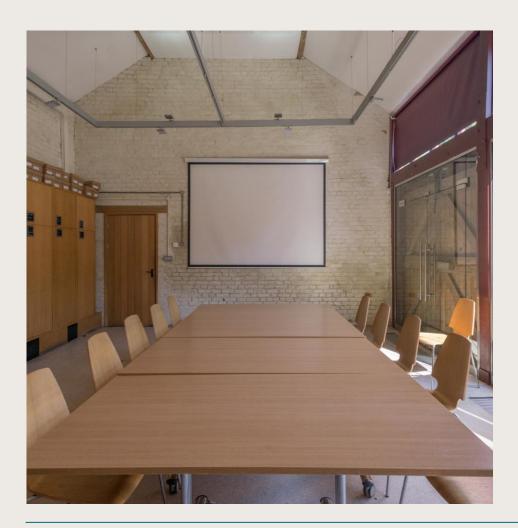
You will come to the education centre first.

The building used to be a stable for horses but now lots of children come and visit to learn about the Palace.

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Sensory story Inside the education centre





This is the carriage room, where you will be for a few minutes.

You can visit the bathroom here and get ready for the session.

Sensory story Garden





We will walk through the garden to get to the walled garden.

In the summer, it can be quite busy here.

Sensory story Walled garden

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Our session will be in the walled garden. You might see gardeners working (they wear purple shirts). The garden changes every season.

Occasionally, planes fly overhead and make a lot of noise. You might also be hear birds or gardening equipment, such as lawn mowers or leaf blowers.

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Sensory story Our session





We will start our session with a song, then we will learn about the Bishop, the bees and the pond.

You will sit on a big rug.

There might be other people in the garden.

Sensory story Things we will use



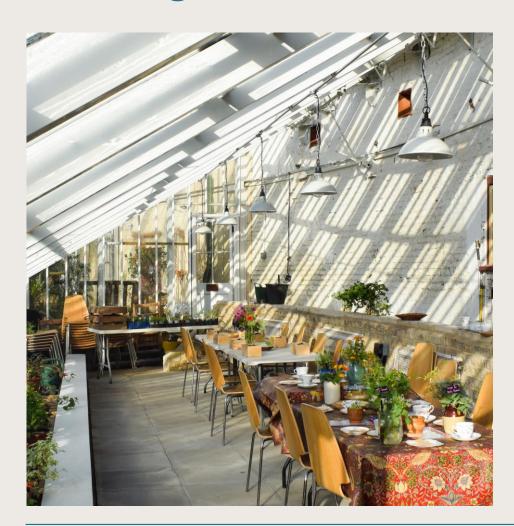


We will explore the beehives and the pond using lots of different resources like instruments, spray bottles, watering cans, bubbles etc.

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Sensory story Planting





We will then go to the vinery and plant some seeds.



Beehives

Sensory story Lunch or home time





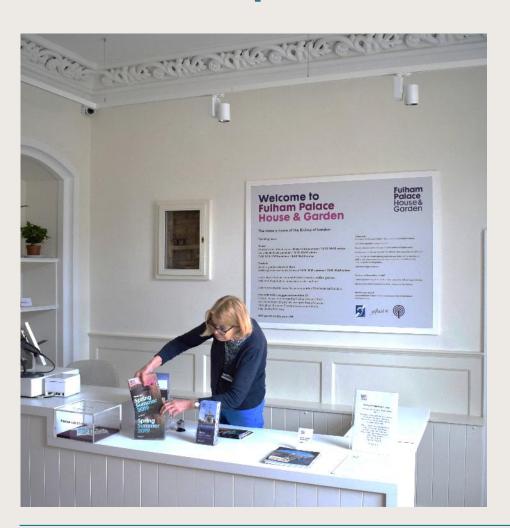
We will go back to the carriage room and you can have you lunch here if you want.

Afterwards, you might visit the museum, or you might go back to school/home.

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Sensory story Visitor reception





There will be a volunteer at the visitor reception to welcome you.

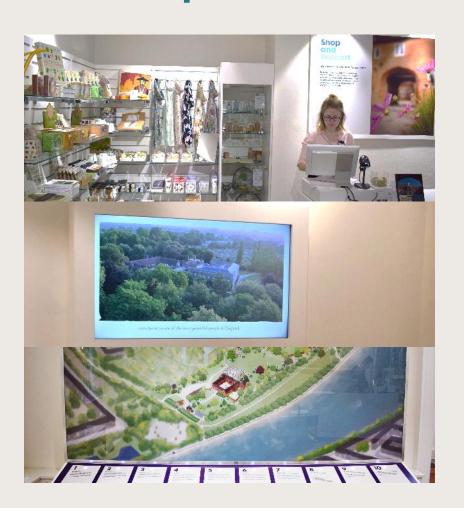
They are very friendly and happy to answer any questions you have.

You don't need to buy a ticket to visit the museum.

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Sensory story Gift shop





There is a gift shop with lots of things you can buy.

There is a video playing on a loop in the background, which lasts four minutes. You can sit down to watch it.

On the back wall, is a map with buttons to light up different areas of the Palace.

Gift shop

Sensory story Museum room one





The rooms of the museum are very old, so the floorboards may creak when you walk on them.
Inside the museum, the lights are quite bright.

Museum room one 15

Sensory story Museum room two







The green room has a video playing on a loop. There is a timer counting down to the next showing of the film. When it isn't playing you can hear the machine whirring.

Sensory story Archaeology corridor





The corridor has quite a loud echo, so if there are other visitors talking you might be able to hear them.

The glass cases in this corridor are about archaeology, so they contain some things like animal bones.

Sensory story Toilets (museum)





The toilets are single cubicles. There is an accessible disabled toilet and a gender neutral toilet (anyone can use this toilet).

Toilets (museum) 18

Sensory story Museum room three





The next room is the temporary exhibition room, so this might look different when you visit.

There may be interactive exhibits in this room.

Museum room three

Sensory story Bishop Sherlock's room





Bishop Sherlock's room is big and might have a loud echo.

There is a big, bright chandelier and lots of windows.

Sensory story Great hall





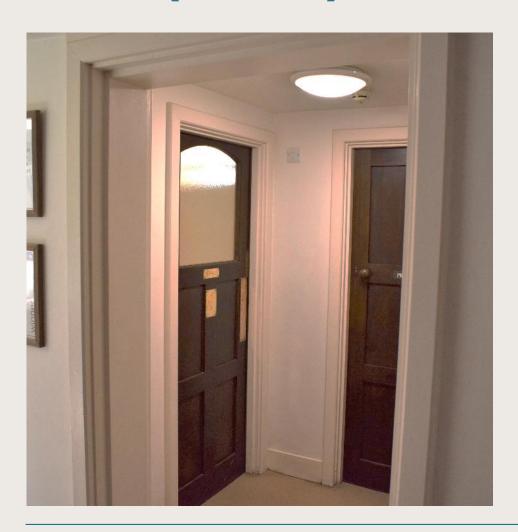
The great hall is very old.

You can sit on the wooden chair and get someone to take your photo!

Great hall

Sensory story Toilets (Palace)





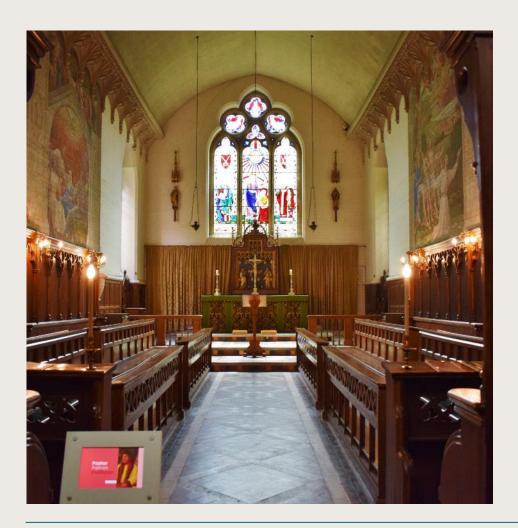
In the corridor opposite the great hall there are more toilets.

There is an accessible toilet just down the corridor.

Toilets (Palace)

Sensory story Chapel





Along the corridor is the chapel. It is quite cold because the walls are made of thick stone.

You can sit down in the chapel and rest, look at the art on the walls, or read some information.

Chapel 23

Sensory story Bishop Terrick's rooms





Sometimes you can't go in these rooms because they are being set up for one of the exciting events that happen at Fulham Palace.

A sign outside the room will tell you if you aren't allowed in.

Sensory story

Café





You can hear noise from the café all the way down the corridor.

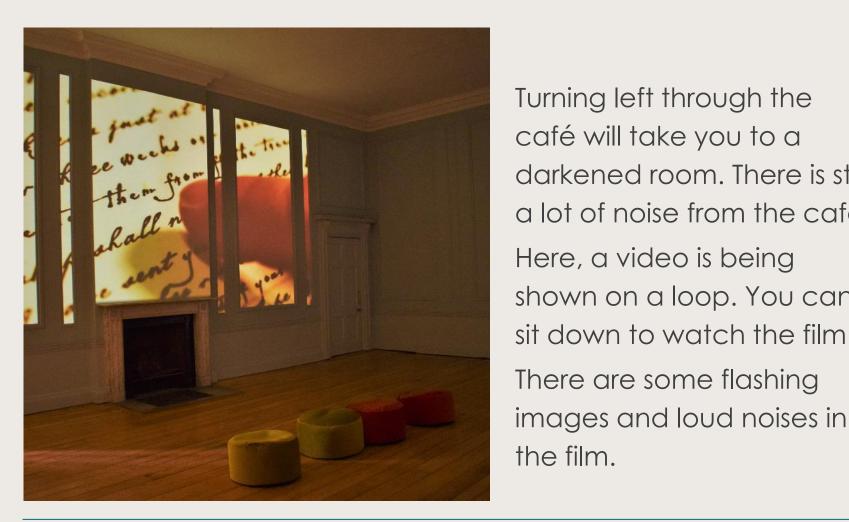
The café is loud because people are chatting and having fun.

You can buy lunch here, or just a drink and a snack.

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Sensory story Film room





Turning left through the café will take you to a darkened room. There is still a lot of noise from the café. Here, a video is being shown on a loop. You can sit down to watch the film. There are some flashing

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We look forward to seeing you soon!

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