Textiles, Patterns & Design

Teacher Notes

Duration: 1.5 hrs

Meeting Point: Clore Learning Centre

Hillsborough Castle is home to a wonderful collection of artwork and objects, all set within beautiful interiors. Students are invited to explore the collection in the State Rooms, as well as the silk, wallpaper and textiles adorning the rooms in order to gather inspiration for creating their own, historically-inspired textiles.

Led by an artist facilitator, students will then use heat reactive dyes to create their own textile designs, which they can add to their portfolio of work.

Learning objectives

Students will:

- Learn about some of the art collection and objects on display at Hillsborough Castle.
- Take inspiration from the collection & interiors to inform their own work.
- Learn how to design and create textile designs using heat reactive dyes.

National Curriculum links

This session supports:

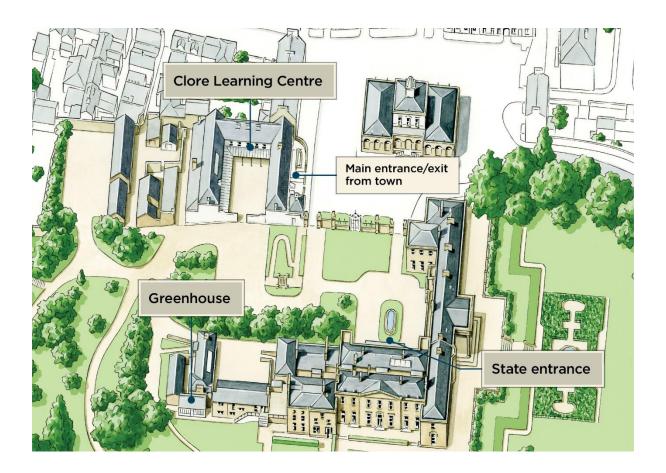
- The development of creative thinking skills and personal creative outcomes through investigating, realising, designing and making through printmaking & textiles.
- Development of an appreciation of the work of artists, designers & craft workers; past and present.
- Gathering information & inspiration from direct experience in an historic house.

During your session:

Please note that the 1:15 staff to student ratio which we ask for throughout your visit still applies during your learning session. We ask that sufficient adults remain with the group as they will be encouraged to join in with the session activities. For health & safety reasons, our sessions are for a maximum of 25 students.

The session your group has booked with us takes place partially on the visitor route at Hillsborough Castle, and partly in the Clore Learning Centre.

Please meet your workshop presenter at the Clore Learning Centre. This is marked on the map below and is located above the café, in the Stable Yard.



This is where your presenter will meet you at your allocated start time. We recommend being there a few minutes early.

For your information, this session involves using dyes, so please encourage your students to dress accordingly.