Amazing Architect

SIR JOHN SOANE'S MUSEUM LONDON

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Welcome to Sir John Soane's Museum! Everything here is old and precious, even the floors and walls. Please be careful and touch as little as possible. ***Fold this page in 4.***

2 FIND ME

Dome Area (26)

Ask a guide if you need help finding the room.

This is a statue of Sir John Soane and you are standing in his house. He worked as an architect and designed many important buildings in London. When he died, he asked that his home be turned into a museum. Now everyone can visit his home and see the amazing things inside.

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Dome Area (26)

Soane collected lots of objects in his house to help his work as an architect. He also allowed young architects to come and study in his house. 200 years after he placed them here, you can be the most recent young architects to study Soane's collection. How many examples of these architectural details can you find?

Console

Column

Capital

Rosette

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Picture Room (7)

There are 118 paintings in this room! Most are cleverly hidden on folding walls. Many of them show ancient and medieval buildings. Soane used them to inspire his designs. Which is your favourite building in the paintings? Why do you like it so much?

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Library-Dining Room (2)

This is a model of a building Soane designed. How many different architectural details can you name? Include the common ones you already know, such as 'window', and any new ones you have learnt.

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No. 13 Breakfast Room (30)

These yellow and orange stained glass windows colour the Sun's light as it comes into the room. Soane loved designing rooms that played with light and dark and so he used this room to show lots of different architectural lighting effects. Can you find all the different routes sunlight can come into this room?

Light also bounces around the room's mirrors. There are over 100 in here! What different shapes and sizes of mirrors can you find?

Stained glass and mirrors can be found throughout Soane's Museum. Look out for more examples as you continue your visit.