This house is called Sir John Soane’s Museum.

Sir John Soane lived here.

He was born in 1753 and died in 1837.

He liked to buy interesting things to keep in his house.

You can look at them in the museum.

It is full of paintings, statues, and lots more.

It is free to visit.

Everyone is welcome.
The museum is open from 10am to 5pm from Tuesday to Saturday.

It is closed every Sunday and Monday and all bank holidays.

It is at 13 Lincoln’s Inn Fields, London WC2A 3BP
You can get there from Camden on the 46 bus.

Get off at the bus stop for Chancery Lane.

It is a 15 minute walk from there.

Holborn tube station is a 10 minute walk from the museum.

There will be staff at the front gate to show you in to the museum.

A lot of the things in the museum are very old.

We need to take good care of them.

We will ask you not to take photos.

We will ask you to turn off your mobile phone.
We will ask you to put your bag into a plastic bag, or leave it with staff.

We will ask you not to touch the things in the museum.

If you are coming as a group, you will need to let us know.

You can ring the museum on 020 7440 4263.

You can email the museum on admin@soane.org.uk

Your group can make a time with us to come for a talk by our staff.

If you use a wheelchair there is a lift outside to get into the museum.
There is a lift inside the museum. Staff will work the lifts for you.

We have 2 narrow wheelchairs for you to use inside the museum.

Please let us know you are coming so that we can save you a wheelchair.

Some rooms in the museum are very narrow. Some rooms are dark.

Some rooms have floors that are not level.

If you have a stick or crutches you can get around the museum but walking frames will not fit.
Who was Sir John Soane?

His job was to draw plans for new buildings.

He made the plans for the Bank of England.

He liked to spend his money on art.

He bought so many things that there was no more room in his house.

He bought the house next door and filled that up too,

so he bought the house next door to that as well.
He wanted his house to be kept as a museum.

We keep it looking like it did when he lived there.

The museum has 4 floors.

There are 3 floors of rooms you can visit.

All the rooms have lots of things to look at.

Sir John had rooms for

- reading
- eating meals
- working
- meeting people
- looking at pictures
On the bottom floor there is a dark space full of old statues, vases and coffins for mummies from Egyptian and Roman times.

The staff are happy to answer any questions you have about the museum.

There is a shop in the museum where you can buy something to remind you of your visit.

There are toilets on the bottom floor.

There is a cafe in the park in front of the museum.

It is called the Fields Bar and Kitchen.
How to contact us

to book a wheelchair
or ask about any other access

020 7405 2107
admin@soane.org.uk

to take part in learning activities

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to book a time for a group visit

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