

GROUP VISITS

THE GROVE MUSEUM

Welcome to the group visitor information for the Grove Museum of Victorian Life in Ramsey. Here you will find everything you need to plan a visit.



The Grove Museum of Victorian Life tells the story of the Gibb family and their Victorian summer retreat, which later became their permanent residence and family home. Beautifully preserved to provide an intriguing insight into life in the Victorian and Edwardian eras, a visit to the house, outbuildings and country garden is like stepping back in time.

Things to see and do:

- Listen to the story of the 'Gibbs of the Grove'
- Explore the sumptuous rooms throughout the house
- See stunning Victorian furniture, fashion and fineries
- Learn about the life of a scullery maid
- Ring the servant bells
- Watch the bees making honey
- Discover early farm equipment including a horse drawn threshing mill
- Explore the small wood and gardens
- Play croquet on the lawn
- Feed the ducks and see the flock of Manx Loaghtan sheep
- Enjoy a picnic in the gardens



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Opening hours 2019

1 Apr to 24 May, 10am – 4pm
25 May to 1 Sept, 10am – 5pm
2 Sept to 3 Nov, 10am – 4pm

Opening hours 2020

1 Apr to 29 May, 10am – 4pm
30 May to 6 Sept, 10am – 5pm
7 Sept to 1 Nov, 10am – 4pm

Admission is by ticket or group booking permit which provides entry to The Grove House, outbuildings and gardens.

Timing your visit

A typical visit lasts between 1 to 1½ hours.

Admission prices 2019/2020

Pre-booked Group* £5 per adult

*To qualify for the pre-booked group rate, groups must consist of at least 15 people and be booked 7 days in advance.

Holiday Passes providing multi-site admission can be booked in advance at a discounted rate of £22 per adult for groups (must be ordered at least a week prior to the first visit) and are also available at the standard price of £25 from all Manx National Heritage sites.

A combined Go Explore Heritage card is also available to groups of 20 or more which offers, during normal operating times, unlimited access to Manx National Heritage sites and unlimited travel on the heritage railways, buses and Douglas horse trams for up to 5 days. The group rate for the **2019** Go Explore Heritage card is £58.50 per person.

Manx National Heritage also have a number of reciprocal agreements with other heritage organisations including National Trust, English Heritage and CADW amongst others, providing free or reduced admission on presentation of a valid membership card. Refunds are not available for tickets purchased.

Booking your group visit

Pre-booking is advised and achieves a number of benefits for your group including a substantial discount on the standard admission price and speedy, hassle-free entry to the site.



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To book your group visit please telephone our group bookings office on (+44) (0) 1624 648017. Payment is due no later than 7 days in advance and refunds are not given once the booking and group numbers are confirmed. On receipt of payment, a Group Entry Permit will be issued to you for presentation at the site entrance on the day of your visit.

How to get there

By coach and road: The Grove is situated on the A9 Andreas Road on the outskirts of Ramsey.

By tram: Manx Electric Railway to Ramsey. The Grove is signposted from Ramsey Station.

By bus: From Ramsey Bus Station. For timetables please see www.iombusandrail.info

By foot: The Grove is a 20 – 25 minute walk from Ramsey Town Centre and is signposted throughout the town.

Parking Information

Parking facilities are available in the car park at the Grove. The car park can also be used for coach parking. Coaches may find it easier to access the coach park via the exit gateway and depart via the entrance gateway. The onsite parking is free of charge.

Refreshments

The Grove Conservatory serves tea and cake with the same opening hours as the house. Up to 16 people can be seated in the Conservatory and 12 outside (weather permitting). The Grove Conservatory can be contacted on (+44) (0) 01624 816791.

Accessibility information

The Grove Museum has some steps, cobble and gravel paths. It is only partially accessible to wheelchair users.

For detailed access information please see:

<https://manxnationalheritage.im/visit/getting-about/accessibility-information/>



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Visitor Information

- Gift shop
- Toilets
- Sensible footwear is recommended
- Photography and filming (for personal use only) and use of mobile phones are permitted
- Picnics can be enjoyed within the gardens

