

*Ground Floor:
The Weller
Astronomy Galleries*

Ground Floor Entrance
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*Lower Ground Floor:
The Peter Harrison
Planetarium*

Lower Ground Floor Ticket Desk
The Peter Harrison
Planetarium

Great Equatorial Telescope
The largest refracting
telescope in the UK



Astronomy Questions
Astronomy Explores
Astronomy Inspires
Begin your journey here

Ticket Desk

Astronomy Shop
Gagarin Terrace
Astronomy Café

Gallery

Royal Observatory Greenwich

The Royal Observatory is the historic home of British astronomy, GMT and the Prime Meridian. Established in the 17th century as the first state-funded scientific centre in Britain, it was from here that the great scientists of the time precisely mapped the stars to help navigate at sea. Centuries later, the legacy of the Royal Observatory continues to define global time zones and the Prime Meridian of the World. Walk in the footsteps of the Astronomers Royal, discover their stories, and experience the past, present and future wonders of astronomy.

Must see...

- **Meridian Line**
Stand aside the world-famous Meridian Line, with one foot in each hemisphere, and take in dramatic views of London.
- **For families**
Inspire your budding space scientists with planetarium shows and hands-on fun at the Astronomy Centre, including touching a 4.5-billion-year-old asteroid.
- **Great Equatorial Telescope**
Venture inside the huge dome to see the telescope that gave astronomers new views of the Universe over 100 years ago.
- **Planetarium**
See the stars and visit distant worlds in live shows presented by expert astronomers, or spectacular cinematic shows based on the latest science.

Peter Harrison Planetarium
Take a spectacular journey through space and time (show ticket required)

Meridian Observatory
The history of observing in Greenwich

Ticket Desk

Octagon Room
Christopher Wren's magnificent observing room

Altazimuth Pavilion

Time and Society

Astronomer's Garden

Time for the Navy

Main Entrance

Time and Longitude

Meridian Shop

Meridian Line

Time and Greenwich

Meridian Courtyard

Camera Obscura

Flamsteed House
Explore where the Astronomers Royal lived and worked

Where next...

- **Queen's House Art Gallery**
450m from main entrance
- **National Maritime Museum**
400m from main entrance
- **Cutty Sark**
950m from main entrance

Key

- Paid areas
- Permanent galleries
- Retail, café & facilities
- Lifts, corridors, walkways
- No public access