

Tour of the Islamic Gallery at the Victoria & Albert Museum

Thursday 23rd March at 11 am



TASHH has arranged a curator-led tour of the Islamic Gallery at the Victoria and Albert Museum. This holds over 19,000 items from the Middle East and North Africa, ranging from the early Islamic period (the 7th century) to the early 20th century. These vibrant collections include holdings of metalwork, ceramics, architectural woodwork and textiles, in particular from Iran, and also from Turkey, Egypt, Iraq, Syria and the countries of North Africa. Highlights include the Ardabil Carpet, the world's oldest dated carpet and one of the largest, most beautiful and historically important.

We are very fortunate in having Ms Chiara De Nicolais BA, MA, assistant curator at the Middle East department at the Victoria & Albert Museum as our guide. She graduated in classics from the University of Milan and in Islamic art and architecture from SOAS. She spent ten years in the commercial sector at Christie's and then Sotheby's as a specialist, she consulted for various dealers and private collectors before joining the Victoria & Albert Museum.

The cost of the visit is £20 per person. As the numbers are so limited this visit is not open to non-members

THERE ARE ONLY 13 PLACES SO BOOK SOON

We will meet outside the main entrance to the Museum in Cromwell Road SW7 2RL at 10.50 am

The nearest station is South Kensington. Go down the tunnel pointing to the V&A, leave the exit and follow the map with directions below

<https://www.google.com/maps/dir/South+Kensington,+London+SW7+2ND/51.4960496,-0.1719641/@51.4946276,-0.1739646,16.43z/data=!4m9!4m8!1m5!1m1!1s0x48760542834e40ef:0xba0b276b9de87204!2m2!1d-0.1743669!2d51.4941082!1m0!3e2>

For further information please contact our Visits Organiser, Tamara Rabin, at visitsstashh@gmail.com or on 07791 211 524

✂.....
The cost for this guided tour is **£20 per person** (non-refundable). If you can, please pay by making a bank transfer to the TASHH bank account, Sort Code: **20-36-16**, Account number: **40475416**, giving as reference **V&A** and telling either Tamara or our treasurer Celia on treasurerTASHH@gmail.com that you have done so. If you wish to pay by cheque, please complete this tear-off slip and send it, together with your cheque payable to TASHH, to Celia Newgas at 32 Merton Lane, London N6 6NB

Name(s):

Email: Tel: