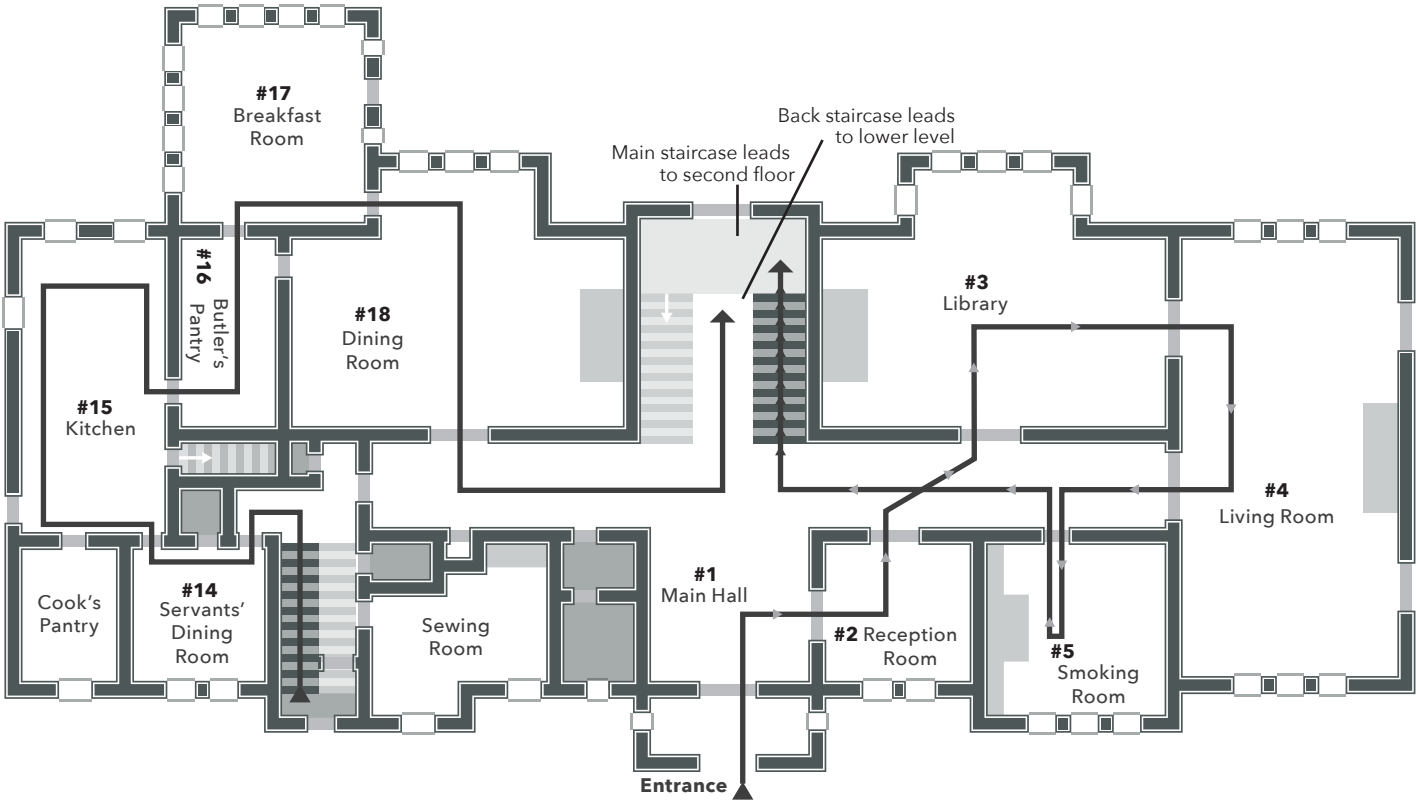


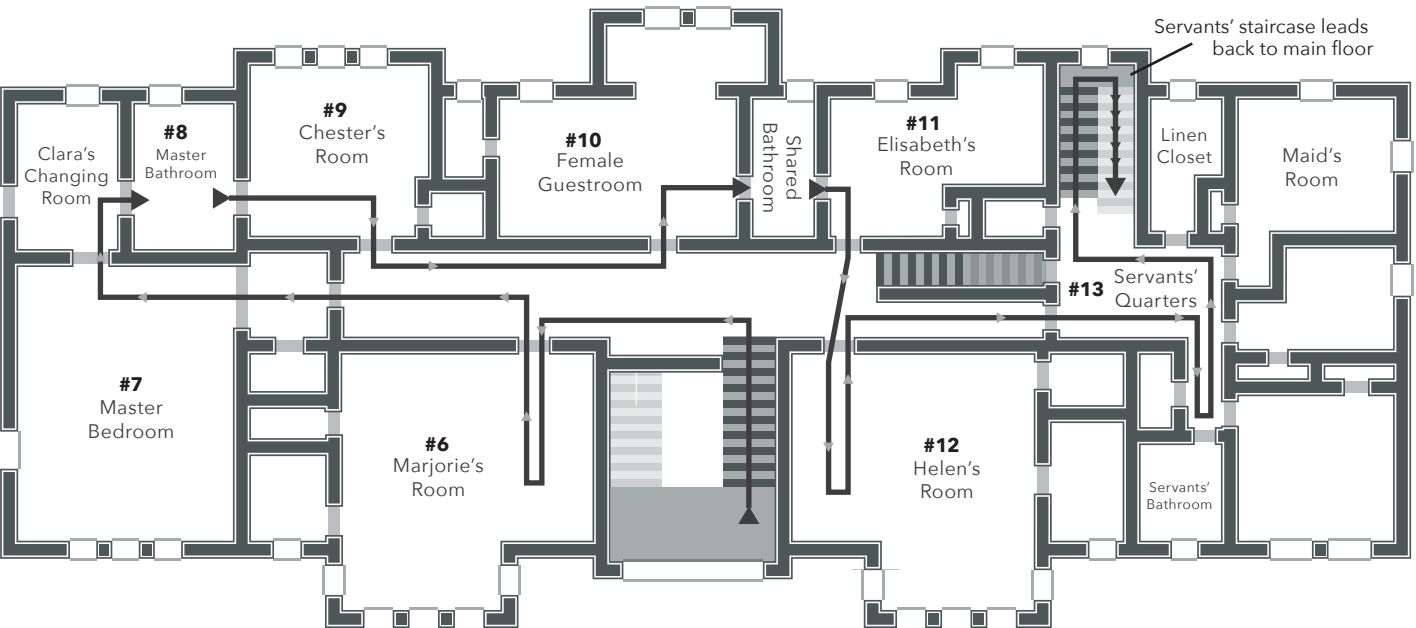


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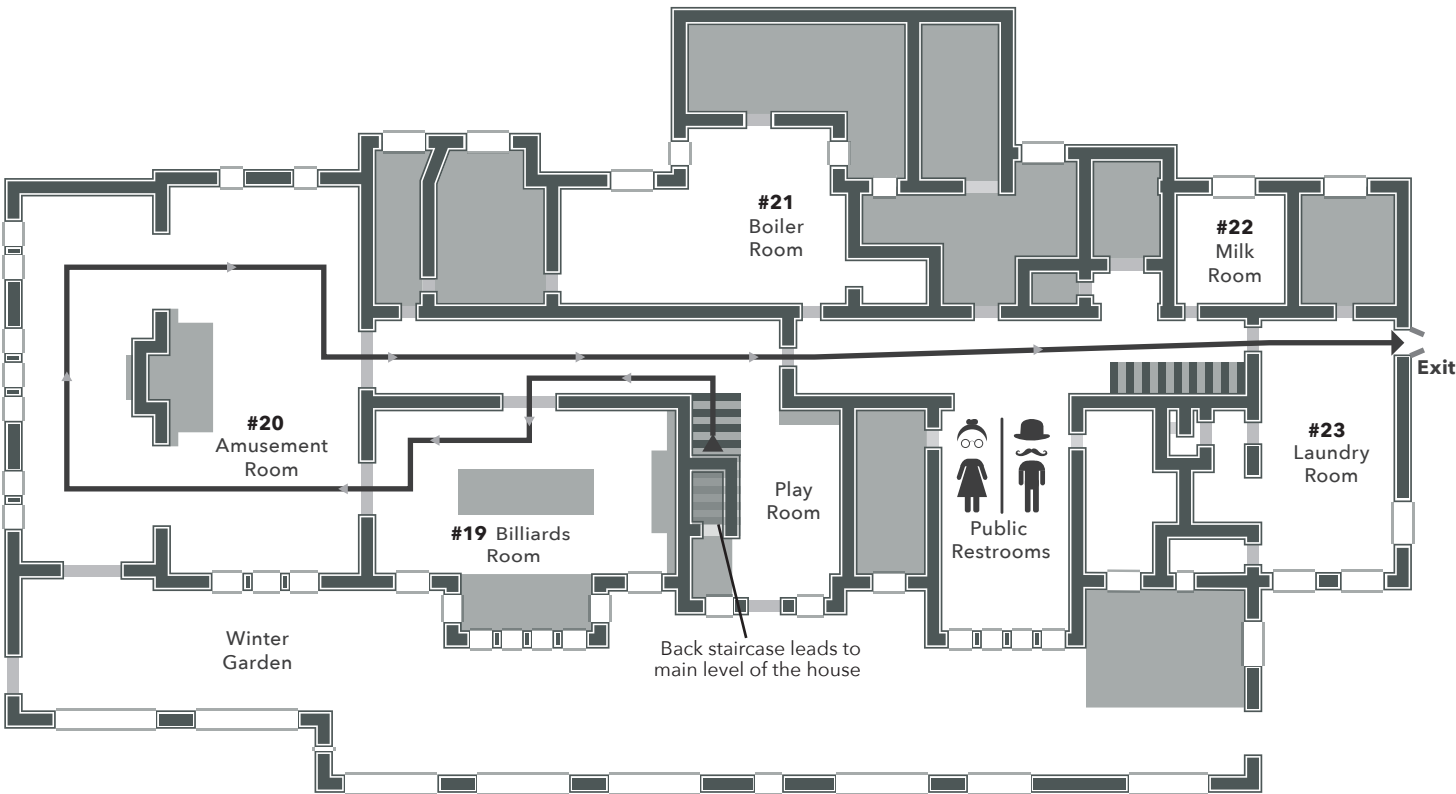
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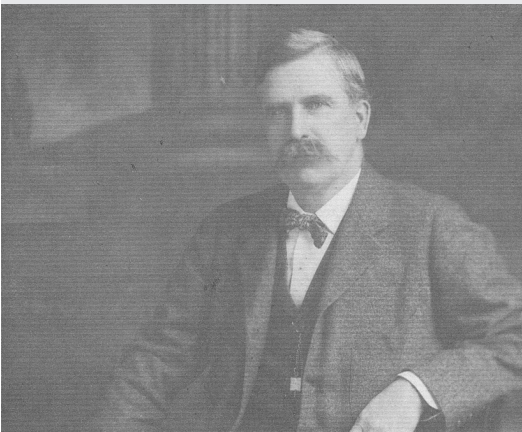


## A FAMILY HOME

Glensheen was the home of Chester and Clara Congdon and their seven children. Construction began in 1905 and took three full years to tame the 22-acres on Lake Superior into a nature-filled, working estate. In addition to the 39-Room mansion, the grounds feature vegetable and formal gardens, a carriage house, gardener's cottage, and boathouse. It was built at an estimated cost of \$854,000.

Glensheen showcases the best of Minnesota Craftsmanship. Starting with the Tudor-inspired designs of architect Clarence H. Johnston, the estate features the work of several beloved artisans including those from the Minneapolis Handicraft Guild and renowned interior designer William A. French.

The historic Congdon Estate was bequeathed to the University of Minnesota Duluth with a nearly intact collection of furniture, decor, art and family items.



## THE CONGDON LEGACY

Chester Congdon found his success in Minnesota's mining industry. As the attorney for the Oliver Mining Company, an operation located in the region's Iron Range, Chester Congdon fended off the notorious businessman John D. Rockefeller from a hostile takeover of the mine. Chester's perserverance paid off when several mining operations, including the Oliver Company, were acquired to form U.S. Steel. This transaction made investors, including Chester wealthy overnight.

The Congdons also used their fortune to donate land to start a highway running north from Duluth along the Lake Superior shoreline. Now known as the North Shore Scenic Drive, the route is beloved for its wilderness and sweeping lake views.

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HOUSE

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All tours will begin their experience  
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Post photos using #glensheen for a chance to  
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SELF-GUIDED GROUNDS TOUR

There are 13 educational signs placed at prime locations around the estate.  
Using historical photographs, these quick reads tell the story of the Congdons  
and the original uses of the sites here at Glensheen. You won't want to miss any!

- 1 Gardener's Cottage

2 Vegetable gardens

3 Carriage House

4 Boathouse

5 Lake Superior
- 6 Tischer Creek

7 Stone Bridge & Trails

8 The Landscape

9 Servants' Courtyard
- 10 West Gate

11 Bent Brook

12 Bowling Green & Tennis Court

13 The Greenhouse

GARDENER'S  
COTTAGE

- A-Bee Hives
- B-Vegetable Garden
- C-Sundial Garden
- D-Rose Garden
- E-Tennis Court
- F-Bowling Green

CARRIAGE  
HOUSE

- G-Office Entrance
- H-Garage
- I-The Landing

BOATHOUSE  
& PIER

- J-Painting Studio
- K-Outlook
- L-Tischer Creek
- M-Hammock Forrest
- N-Stone Arch Bridge
- O-Chester's Island

MANSION

- P-West Porch
- Q-Formal Garden
- R-South Lawn
- S-Winter Garden
- T-Fox Forrest