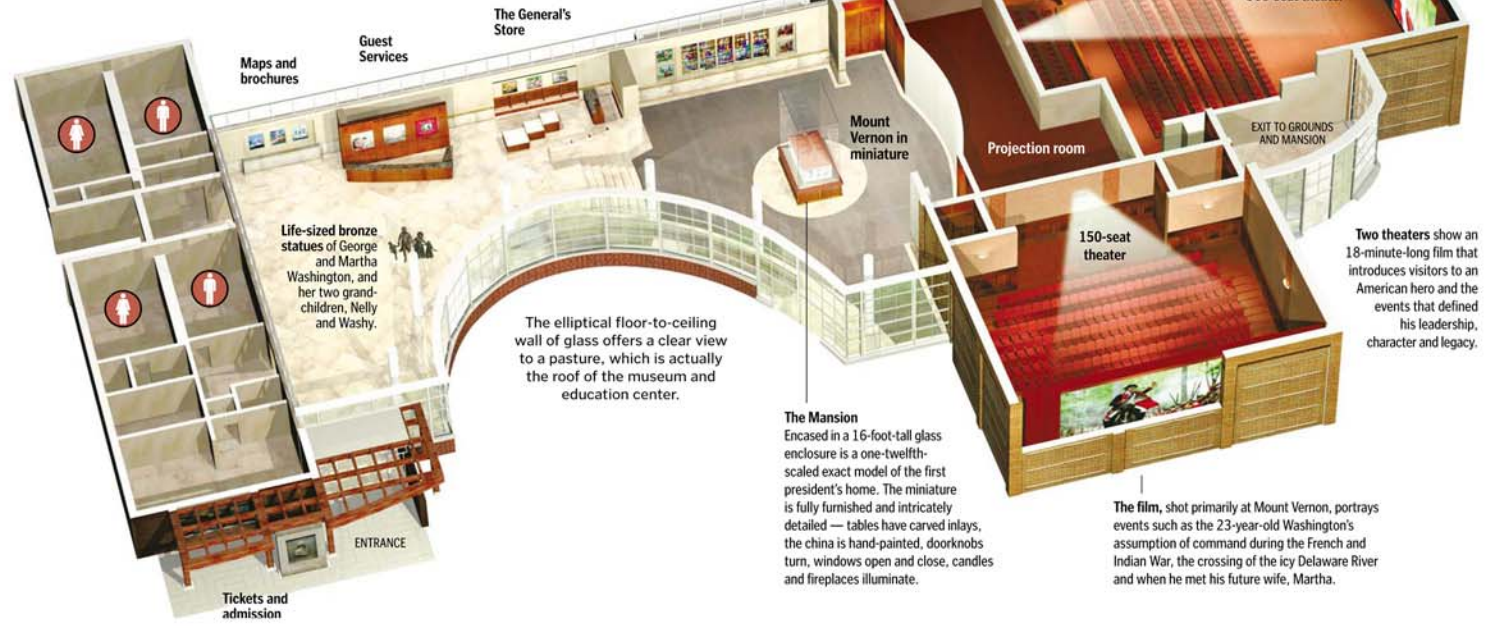


Ford Orientation Center

Visitors will be given an overview of Mount Vernon and an introduction to the "real" George Washington prior to touring the estate.



Donald W. Reynolds Museum and Education Center

The underground facility — located beneath a four-acre pasture with grazing sheep similar to the kind that Washington raised more than 200 years ago — has galleries and theaters that tell the story of the Founding Father's life.

Education Center

Different chapters of Washington's life — from surveying teenager to elder statesman — are told by short films, immersion experiences, interactive displays and life-size dioramas.

The "First in War" gallery contains a reproduction of a soldier's hut from Valley Forge. A life-size wax figure of Washington is mounted on his horse, Blueskin.

This immersive theater depicts military engagements at Boston, Trenton and Yorktown. Seats vibrate from cannon fire, smoke drifts through the theater, and "snow" falls during a wintry scene.

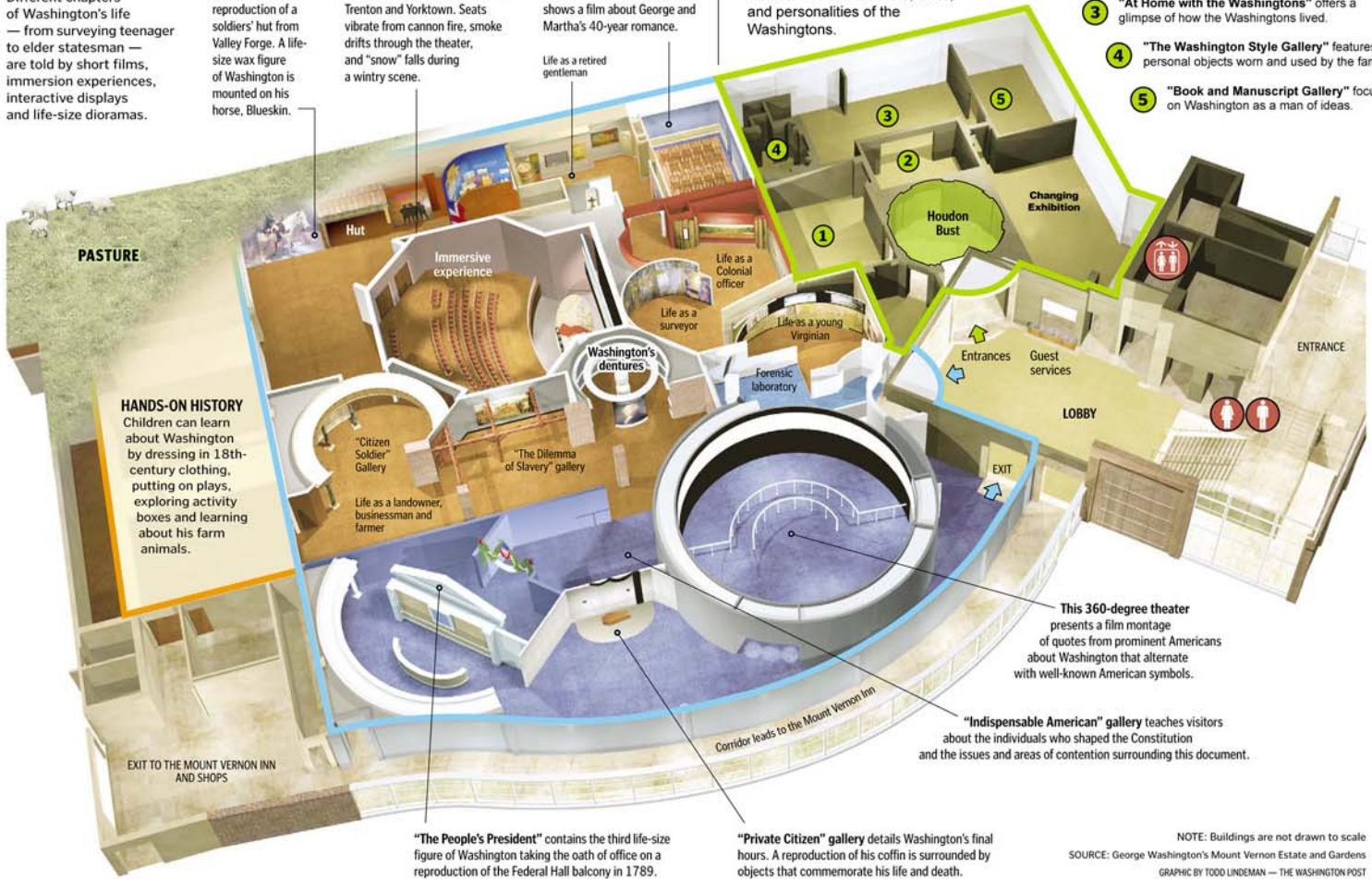
A theater decorated to look like a Colonial sitting room shows a film about George and Martha's 40-year romance.

Life as a retired gentleman

Museum

Over 500 original artifacts from Mount Vernon, the Revolutionary War and Washington's presidency offer a window into the interests, taste, and personalities of the Washingtons.

- 1 "Introducing Washington's World" highlights the quality and variety of objects that reflect Washington.
- 2 "From Soldier to Statesman" focuses on his public persona with military and presidential-related objects.
- 3 "At Home with the Washingtons" offers a glimpse of how the Washingtons lived.
- 4 "The Washington Style Gallery" features personal objects worn and used by the family.
- 5 "Book and Manuscript Gallery" focuses on Washington as a man of ideas.



NOTE: Buildings are not drawn to scale
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