



PALACE OF VERSAILLES

Guidelines to commentary zones for groups on self-guided tours

In order to ensure the smooth circulation of groups in the State Apartments by limiting visitor congestion in confined areas wherever possible (Salon of Abundance, Queen's Bedchamber, etc.), designated commentary areas have been created for guides, lecturers and teachers with a limited speaking time, as outlined in a previous communication.

In order to present a clear view of the route, the rooms listed below follow the sequence of the tour and a plan is provided with corresponding numbers.

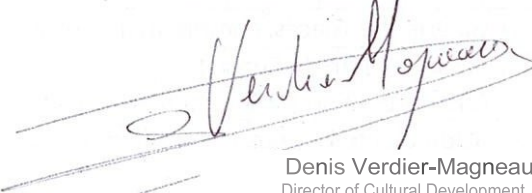
Failure to observe these guidelines may result in the termination of your tour.

Grand tour with the State Apartments and Gallery of Battles - 1st floor

No.	Recommended speaking time	Commentary
1	5 min	Group access via Entrance B Introduction to the tour in the vestibule
2	3 min	Estate's General Room, commentary permitted – Non hands-on presentation of the model
3	7 min	Progression to the Hercules Room, commentary permitted
4	3 min	Upper vestibule of the Royal Chapel, commentary permitted Return to the Hercules Room, if access is via the History Gallery
5		Salon of Abundance, commentary <u>not</u> permitted. Commentary must be delivered before entering the room.
6	5 min	Itinerary continues Mars Room, commentary permitted
7	5 min	Hall of Mirrors, commentary permitted
8		Progression to the Council Chamber King's Bedchamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted.
9	5 min	Bull's Eye Antechamber, commentary permitted
10		Peace Room, commentary may be permitted, depending on the volume of visitors
11		Queen's Bedchamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
12	3 min	Queen's Guard Room, commentary permitted
13	5 min	Coronation Room, commentary permitted Option to leave via the 1792 Room staircase leading to the Dufour exit
14	3 min	Progression to the 1792 Room, commentary permitted Access via the upper landing of the Princes' Staircase to the Gallery of Battles
15	12 min	Gallery of Battles, commentary permitted
16		Exit down the Princes' Staircase to the basement and exit (opportunity to visit the RMN shop and toilet facilities).

Tour: Dauphin's Apartments and Apartments of the Daughters of Louis XV – Garden level

No.	Recommended speaking time	Commentary
1	2 min	Vestibule Queen's Staircase, commentary permitted
2	2 min to 15 min	First Antechamber and Second Antechamber, commentary permitted *Speaking time depends on museum events
3	5 min	Great Chamber, commentary permitted
4	5 min	Dauphine's Bedchamber, commentary permitted
5		Dauphine's Private Chamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
6		Dauphin's Library, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
7	5 min	Dauphin's Great Chamber, commentary permitted
8		Dauphin's Bedchamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
9		Dauphin's Second Antechamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
10	10 min	Lower Gallery, commentary permitted
11		Madame Victoire's First Antechamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
12		Madame Victoire's Second Antechamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
13	5 min	Madame Victoire's Great Chamber, commentary permitted
14	5 min	Madame Victoire's Bedchamber, commentary permitted
15		Madame Victoire's Private Chamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
16		Madame Victoire's Library, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
17		Madame Adelaïde's Private Chamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
18	5 min	Madame Adelaïde's Bedchamber, commentary permitted
19		Madame Adelaïde's Great Chamber, commentary <u>not</u> permitted
20	10 min	Palace Police Room, commentary permitted
21		Exit to the courtyard – Visitors can leave the site permanently via the basement after an opportunity to visit the RMN shop and toilet facilities.



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