Opening hours
Tuesday – Sunday & Public Holidays 10am – 4pm
Monday – group bookings only
Closed Good Friday and Christmas Day

Admission fees
- National Trust Members free / Adults $9 / Concessions $6 / families $24 / Groups $6 p/p
- Joint Parramatta Ticket (Experiment Farm Cottage and Old Government House) Adult $13 / Concession $9 / Family $35 / Groups $9 p/p (prices correct at time of printing and may be subject to change)
- Join the National Trust to gain free entry into Old Government House and over 800 properties world wide.

Education and Public Programs
Old Government House presents a variety of participatory education programs for school students (Stages 1-5) and tours for special interest groups. Ghost Night tours are held monthly, courtesy of the Friends of Old Government House & Experiment Farm Cottage who also hold regular musical events including the annual ‘Carols by Candlelight’.

Venue Hire and Weddings
The beautiful grounds and rooms of Old Government House (together with catering by Lachlan’s Restaurant) can make your private or corporate event a day to remember and treasure. The property is also available for photography and filming hire.

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Property Features
- Wheelchair accessible
- Parking available
- Food / Cafe
- Walking trails
- Picnic
- Learning programs
- Shop
- Venue hire available
- Guided tours
- Events and Festivals

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Old Government House Drawing Room (Photo: Jonathan Miller)

Cover Image: Sky Orchestra balloons over Old Government House and Parramatta Park (Photo: ©Newspix /Phil Blatch)
Old Government House

Power and tastes of the colony

There are some days I just stop to take it all in - the fresh air, the trees and the river, the bird calls, the beautiful rooms, the aesthetics of the house and listen to the sounds of the past. It is then I feel the essence of what it was like for the colonial governors, their families and staff to live here.

David Hoffman, Manager 2012.

Built 1799-1816, this Georgian building was home and office of the first ten governors of NSW and is the oldest surviving public building in Australia. Through its history of convict command, control and reformation, Old Government House and Domain (Parramatta Park) is one of 11 historic sites that together form the Australian Convict Sites World Heritage Property.

‘Enjoy the magic of Heritage’

Enter the world of Governor Lachlan and Mrs Elizabeth Macquarie’s household and work life when you tour the rooms of colonial administration. Hear stories of power struggles, convict working life, the expansion and development of New South Wales. Immerse yourself in Colonial Regency taste and style. Then explore the nation’s premier early colonial furniture collection and reflect on the social history surrounding the other Governors and occupants’ lives in the house. Old Government House is set picturesquely above the Parramatta River in the 80ha Parramatta Park where you can extend your visit at our delightful gift shop and excellent Lachlan’s Restaurant, the beautiful picnic areas, park café and other fascinating Parramatta heritage sites.

“The Governor’s residence…looks just like a private country house; it displays… the elegance that the English know so well how to create wherever they are, and which can also be observed in the adjoining garden and park, which are pleasantly laid out.”

Louis de Freycinet December 1819