

Winter Adventure Trail

Your Mission: Seek out Ashmolean objects that will make you feel cosy, festive and ready for a feast. Complete our wintry challenges along the way! Go to the lower ground floor, gallery 5.

Wintry Challenge

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Pick out clothes fit for a winter adventure here in this gallery – how about a hat and some boots? **Draw them here v** Checklist Warm clothes A wintry feeling Christmas stories Snow and ice Feasting equipment

First, it's time to get wrapped up warm for winter. Can you find this toasty looking coat? ▼



This coat was made from Kashmir shawls from India for a fashionable Victorian lady, with space for her bustle skirt to poke out at the back!

Now for that wintry feeling. Go up the main atrium stairs to level 2 and stop at the entrance to gallery $36 \rightarrow$

Can you find this big blue and white Japanese vase?

This 'vase with winter landscape' was made by prize-winning Japanese potter Miyagawa Kōzan (Makuzu) in around 1910.

Wintry Challenge

This vase shows a wintry scene. Look closely and imagine stepping inside this chilly landscape. **Think of 3 words to describe it**:

Time to think about Christmas stories. Go to gallery 42 on level 2 \rightarrow

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Can you find this painting of St Nicholas, flying to the rescue of a ship in a storm? >



Wintry Challenge

St Nicholas is also known by another name linked to Christmas. He is VERY generous, particularly on Christmas Eve. **Can you draw** his special hat? Do you know his name?

Let's not forget the story of the first Christmas! Walk through to gallery $43 \rightarrow$



Wintry Challenge

There are lots of paintings of Mary and baby Jesus in this gallery, and next door in gallery 42. This is because this story is so important to many people.

How many you can count?



Now for that snow and ice! Move onto gallery 45 \rightarrow





Can you find this wintry painting?

This Dutch artist liked to paint winter and moonlit landscapes. He must have liked the silvery, blue and white colours and the magical mood.

Wintry Challenge

What winter activities are people doing on the ice? Remember to never walk on frozen ponds, lakes or rivers, as it's very dangerous.

Time for a Winter Feast. Go to gallery 40 on level 2 ->

6 This gallery is full of crockery and table decorations used at feasts in years gone by.

> Imagine you could choose any plate to eat your Christmas dinner off of. Draw a picture of your chosen plate here >



Wintry Challenge

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What would you love to eat for your Christmas dinner? Write your ideal menu here

Feeling cosy and festive, and hopefully not too hungry? Mission accomplished -**Well Done!**

My Christmas Menu:

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