Elizabeth Gaskell (1810-65) was one of the most important and best loved Victorian writers. Her novels and letters reveal a warm-hearted woman who was a shrewd judge of character, inquisitive,

witty and profoundly concerned with social justice. Besides telling a good story her novels often reflect the social and political tensions of the day.

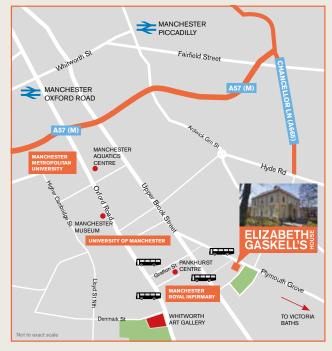
She lived at 84 Plymouth Grove in Manchester with her husband William and their daughters from 1850 until her death in 1865.

The Gaskells lived at a time of great change and were active in Manchester's social, cultural and religious life. They were also part of a national cultural network, visitors to the house included Charlotte Brönte, Charles Dickens, Beatrix Potter the conductor Charles Halle and American abolitionist Harriet Beecher Stowe.



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## Coach parking:

The house is on the corner of Swinton Grove and Plymouth Grove. Coaches can safely drop off on Swinton Grove, so coach visitors do not need to cross a road. The house has three gates; one at the rear of the house and two at the front. Coaches should be able to find parking for up to three hours locally. They can also park directly opposite the house on Plymouth Grove with no restrictions although there is not a designated crossing.

The house is open to the general public on Wednesdays, Thursday and Sundays 11-4.30pm where the usual admission charge is £4/£5 per person

To book your group tour contact
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## Group Tours at Elizabeth Gaskell's House







## Enjoy a bespoke tour of the beautifully restored historic home of Elizabeth Gaskell, the famous author of North and South, Cranford and Mary Barton.

With its beautiful historic period rooms, Victorian-style garden and welcoming tea room it provides an excellent 1-2 hour tour for visiting groups of between 10 and 60 people.

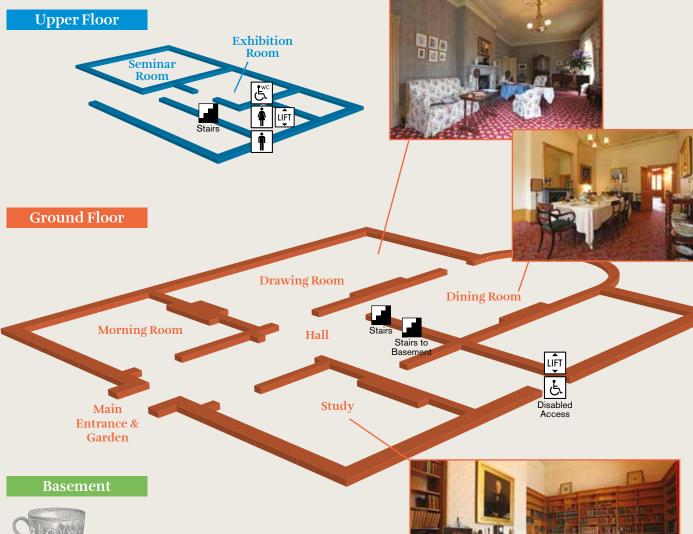
Welcoming and knowledgeable guides will provide a personally tailored tour of the house, covering the restoration of the house, its history and the lives of the Gaskell family.

During your tour you'll get the opportunity to browse the books in William Gaskell's study and even sit where Elizabeth sat to write, overlooking her beloved garden. The majority of the furniture and objects can be touched and used, providing a very rare hands-on experience.

## Tours start from £10 per person, which includes a tour and refreshments.

- Coaches can drop off directly outside the house
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- Up to three hours free on-street parking
- Fully accessible with lifts to all floors
- Five minutes from the Pankhurst Centre,
   Victoria Baths, The Whitworth Art Gallery and
   Oxford Road
- One mile from central Manchester
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Tours are available on Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays







If you would like to arrange a tour for your group or would like more information please contact **enquiries@elizabethgaskellhouse.co.uk** or call **0161 273 2215.**