

Members of our team will be on site to guide visitors round the exhibition in our first floor library

Our books, posters & postcards will be for sale

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28th January 2024**

Opening Hours:

Friday 4pm to 8pm

Saturday & Sunday 1pm to 5pm

Admission free - donations welcome

Our Collection by Colour No. 3

Brown

Ghosts of Christmas Past

**300 years of men's tailoring from
1720 to 2020 and a special 1890
woman's dress**



1

COAT c.1720-50

The silk textile of this luxurious coat has a raised pile of uncut velvet. The cuff is an extension of the sleeve, folded back and held in place by four buttons, it is lined in silk twill.



2

TAILORING TOOLS c.1900-2020

Left to right: reconstructed 18th century buttonhole iron, reconstructed buttonhole cutter and eyelet marker, a pair of tailor's shears and an English yardstick.



3

GUCCI A/W 2020

Designed in the style of an early 20th century smoking jacket this example could be worn as evening or daywear. The welt of the breast pocket is perfectly pattern-matched.