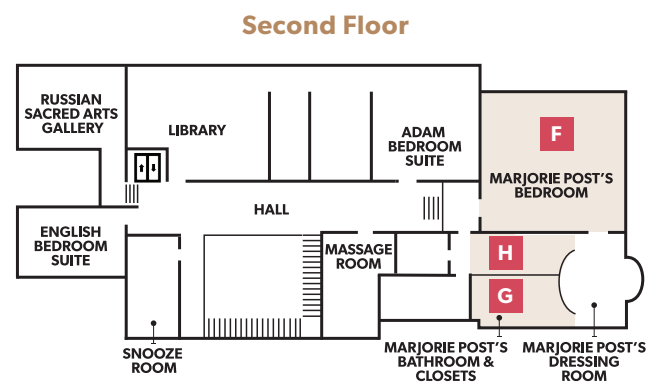
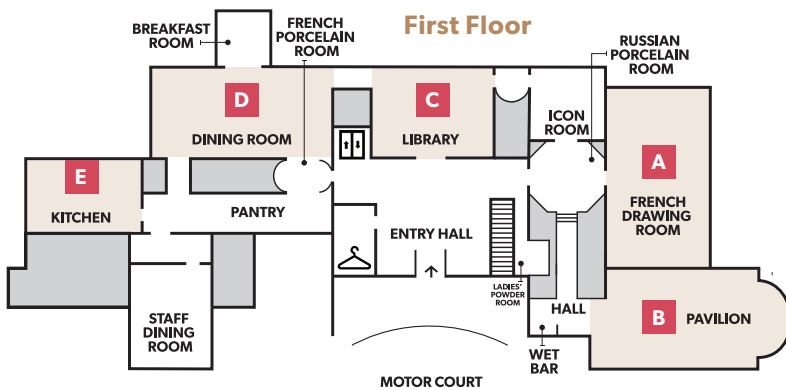


Marjorie Merriweather Post

Enjoy exploring the mansion, Marjorie Post's home for many years.

- 1 GO to the rooms shaded in gold on the maps.
- 2 USE the close-ups to find the items in each room.
- 3 READ below to learn more.



A FRENCH DRAWING ROOM

Marjorie Post loved gold boxes like this one. As the owner of Postum Cereal Company, she was able to afford lots of beautiful things and create an art collection.

Heart-shaped Box, attributed to François-Guillaume Tiron, Paris, 1756-62, gold, enamel (11.4)

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B PAVILION

Marjorie Post's staff watched movies from this balcony, and her guests sat below. Films were projected from the square opening in the wall onto a screen across the room.

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C LIBRARY (FIRST FLOOR)

Marjorie Post had a photograph taken of Scampi, her pet dog, sitting on this bed. Can you find the photo on a nearby table?

Dog Bed, France, 1700s, satin, wood (31.104)

Q MANSION TREASURE HUNT: Marjorie Merriweather Post



D DINING ROOM

Marjorie Post used dishes like this platter on her dining table. She welcomed many guests to this dining room, including students, Boy Scouts, soldiers, world leaders, and her friends. She also hosted events that raised money for organizations she cared about.

Platter, Sèvres Porcelain Manufactory, Sèvres, France, 1780–90, porcelain (24.134.6)

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E KITCHEN

Three cooks used these stovetops and ovens to make meals each day for Marjorie Post and the butlers, maids, gardeners, and other people who worked at Hillwood.

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F MARJORIE POST'S BEDROOM

In this painting, Marjorie Post holds an orchid, one of her favorite flowers. Her staff grew lots of orchids at Hillwood in a greenhouse, a glass building used for growing plants.

Where else do you see flowers in the mansion?

Portrait of Marjorie Merriweather Post, Douglas Chandor, England, 1952, oil on canvas (51.156)



F MARJORIE POST'S BEDROOM

This ladybug rests on a carving made of bloodstone, Marjorie Post's birthstone. Notice the flecks of red in the dark green stone. These are what give bloodstone its name.

What other bloodstone objects do you see nearby?

Carved Tray, Russia, 1900s, bloodstone, gold, enamel (21.28)



G MARJORIE POST'S BATHROOM

Almost everything in Marjorie Post's private bathroom, including this pretty bathmat, is pink. She liked this color a lot.

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H MARJORIE POST'S CLOSETS

Marjorie Post stored her jewelry in this big safe. To her, jewelry was not just something beautiful to wear, but also art to be treasured.

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