

## Tour Activity: The Servants Quarters



At one time, up to 30 servants may have lived and worked at Lucknow. We believe three female servants would've stayed in these two bedrooms. There is also room in the basement for three male servants and others would've been housed throughout the property. The servants were considered to be always on call and were expected to be ready to serve the Plants at any hour.

Servants would be responsible for cooking, cleaning, laundry, driving, assisting Tom and Olive and their guests when necessary, as well as maintaining the horses, gardens and landscapes.

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*Did you know?*

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One wall of the “Lucknow Pines” wallpaper that is found throughout the servant spaces is original – it tells a story in and of itself. Visitors can see where servants leaned against the wall when talking on the intercom system or dragged a hand while walking the hall. Aside from this one wall, the wallpaper is a digital reproduction.

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*Most people don't have servants today – everyone is expected to help around the house. What are some ways you help out around your house?*

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