



# A Visit and Tour of the Hormel Historic Home in Austin, MN



This home is where George A. Hormel and his wife Lillian lived from 1901-1927. George was the founder of the George A. Hormel Co. (which is now known as Hormel Foods Corporation).

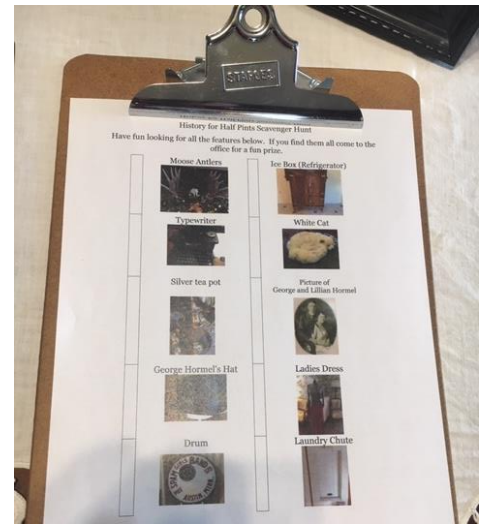
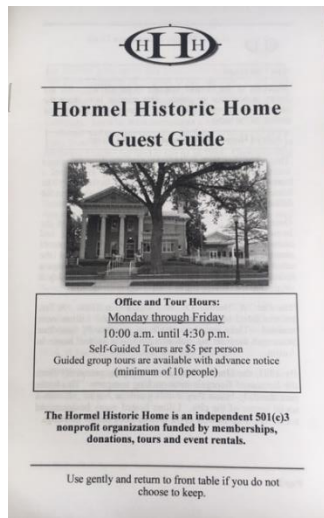
Some of the things in the home are the same as when the Hormel's lived here, and others were added to match the décor style of that old time period. It will be interesting and fun to walk through the house, look at old things, and learn about the Hormel family and their old home.

After entering the front door coats can be hung on a coat rack.



We can sign our name in the guest book, and we might be greeted by Holly, Amanda, or someone else who works there.

We can get a guest guide book to help guide us through the house. There is also a scavenger hunt for kids that can be fun. It is a check list of 10 different items to find in the home. As we see each one, we can make a check mark on the list.



After we find them all we can go to the office and get a prize.

Prizes may look like this or something different----and remember we get the prize AFTER we have seen all the pictures on the list.

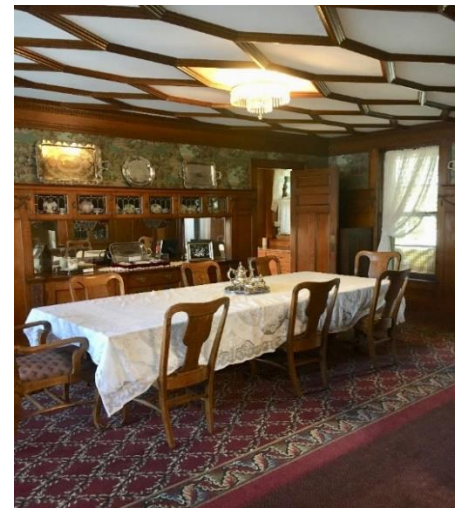
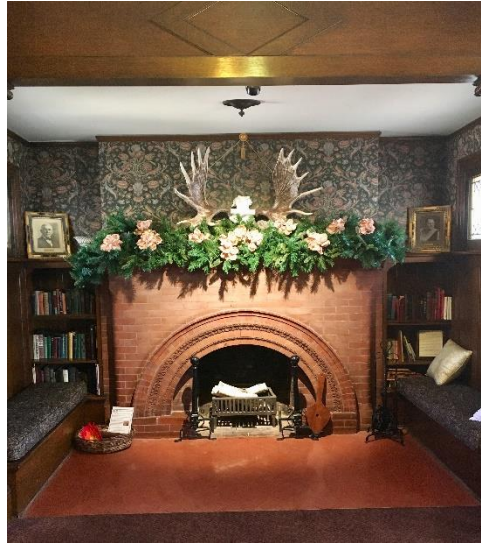


There is a white kitty sitting on a chair in the front room, but it is not real. It is just a cute decoration.

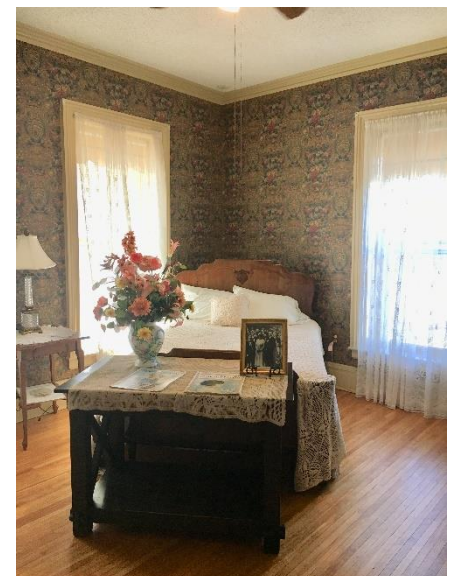




We will walk together to see all the rooms in the house. These are some rooms you might see.



There will be soft music playing as we walk through the house.







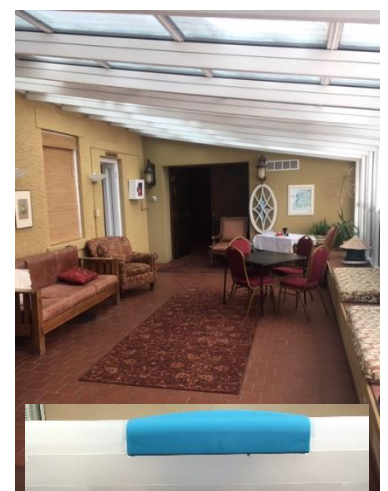
It's OK for kids to touch and use the items in the "History for Half-Pints" areas, but other things in the home are not to be touched. Doors are not to be opened.



There are bathrooms and water fountains in the newer part of the home.

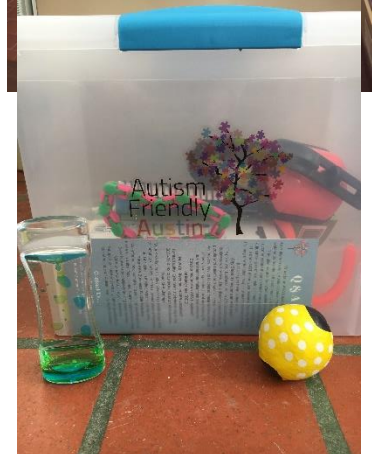


If someone needs to take a break during the tour, the small quiet eating area of the kitchen might be a good choice, or in the atrium area it might help to sit and look out the window into the peace garden with a calming sensory toy from the Autism Friendly Austin Toolkit.



The Hormel Historic Home can be a fun place to visit at a relaxed pace to learn about what life was like in the old days. The home is a part of history the Hormel Family wanted you to enjoy as part of our Austin community.

Remember at the end of your visit, the completed scavenger hunt list can be turned in for a prize! 😊



Many thanks to you for choosing to visit this home, following the rules, and enjoying yourselves!

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