









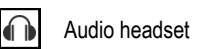
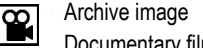
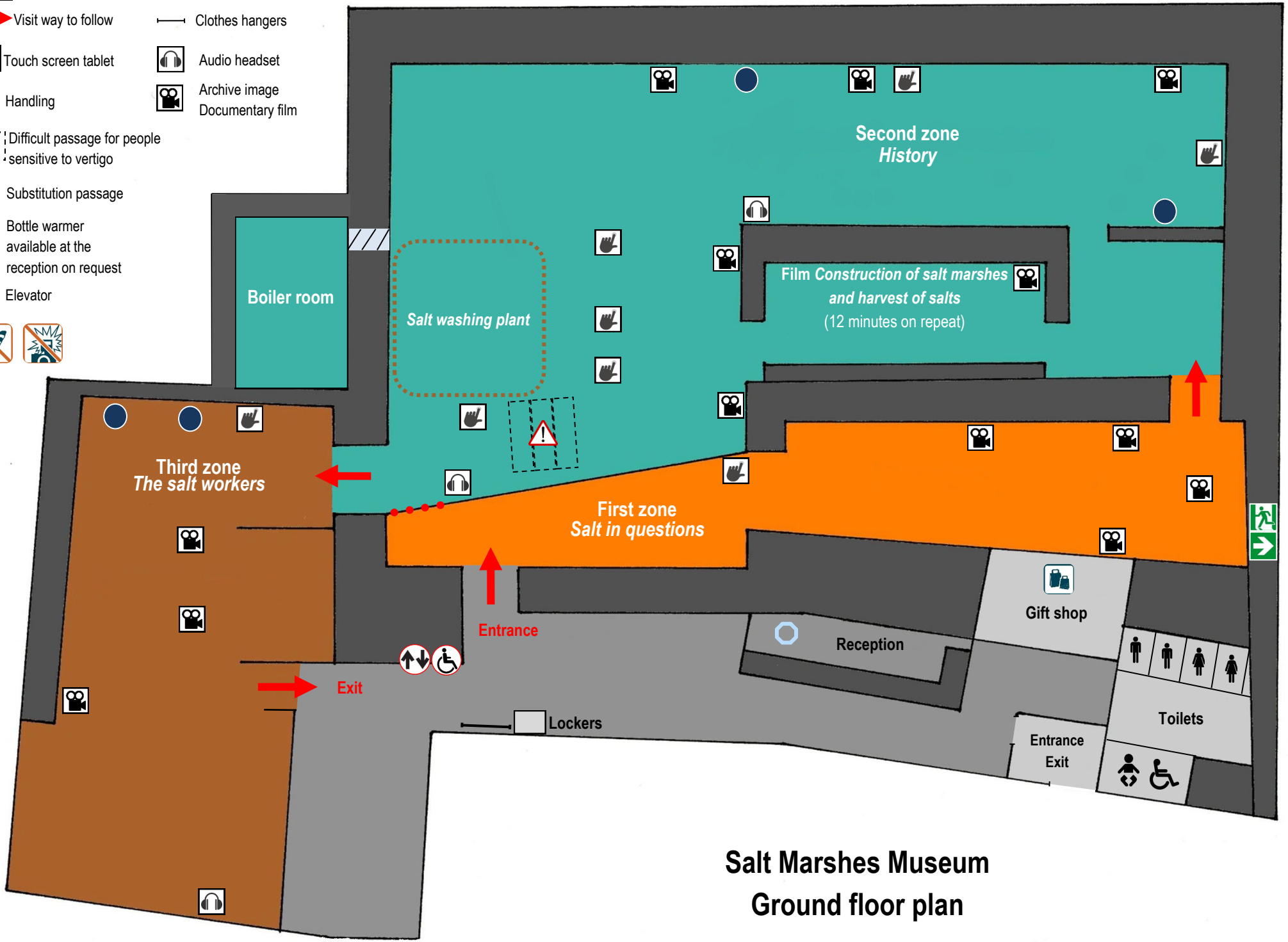


**Legend**

-  Visit way to follow
-  Touch screen tablet
-  Handling
-  Difficult passage for people sensitive to vertigo
-  Substitution passage
-  Bottle warmer available at the reception on request
-  Elevator
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-  Clothes hangers
-  Audio headset
-  Archive image  
Documentary film



**Salt Marshes Museum  
Ground floor plan**

## Discovery of the permanent exhibition (Ground floor)

### Welcome to the Salt Marshes Museum !

You find yourself in the museum lobby. To discover the permanent exhibition area, you need to take the right hand side way which is immersing you in a softened atmosphere. Your tour can begin...

Your visit will be punctuated by : fact sheets, collectibles, touch screen tablets, documentary films and archive images. Those devices are available for you, so do not hesitate to use them.

### First zone - *The salt in questions*

This first zone houses an outstanding collection of salt specimens from around the world. A planisphere allows you to view their geographical origin and various methods of sampling.

Then discover the various salt uses, the main topic of the food preservation is particularly highlighted through three products : the butter, the pork and the fish.

### Second zone - *The story of the salt of Guérande*

Now enter in the second zone dedicated to the salt of Guérande, its history and its trade whether it is maritime, fluvial or terrestrial.

Let yourself be guided by the sea water flow circulating in the salt marsh which will lead you to the central space of the room. Take a seat on a bench to watch the film "*Construction of salt marshes and harvest of salts*".

At the end of your visit, take place in front of one of the most centerpieces of the museum : a salt washing plant. Touch screen tablets will provide you facts on its functioning. This wooden machine is an identical replica of the original one which has served right here until 1962. Indeed, you have perhaps already noticed, looking up and observing the walls, you find yourself in the heart of an ancient salt warehouse called "*salorge*".

*[To follow the correct path for your tour, it is mandatory to cross a glazed tank. When this is not possible, do not hesitate to turn back to the reception area. Someone will help you with an another way to access to the third zone].*

### Third zone - *The salt workers*

Enter now in the last zone of the museum which is dedicated to the traditional way of life of the locals from the salt marsh society.

The daily lives of salt workers and other actors of this society turned to the salt harvesting, is here displayed. Reddened furniture, festive outfit costumes and work clothes are here presented.

One of the most emblematic characters of this society has been highlighted ; it is the "*porteresse*" (salt-bearer). Notice the amazing way of outing of the salt from the salt marsh on the head, in a wooden container called a "*gède*".

Do not hesitate to operate the "*gède*" replica to :

- test its weight with a full load of salt (around 35 kg)
- put yourself back to the time of "*portereses*" for a picture !

The end of your tour is approaching. You have enjoyed the visit in a salty flavor museum ? You are wishing to continue it ? The gift shop may help you !

We hope that your visit has taken place in the best conditions. The reception staff is always available for any questions and comments.