

# Verdant Works, Dundee

## What is the Museum?

Verdant Works is an independent award-winning museum owned and run by Dundee Heritage Trust, a registered charity. Housed in an 'A' listed 1833 mill, Verdant Works tells the story of Dundee's textile industries, from the early days of linen, through the introduction of jute production to the present day and the manufacture of materials such as polypropylene. At its peak in 1900, the jute industry in Dundee employed 50,000 people and supplied much of the world's demand for jute goods.



The collections relate to research and development, textile products, quality control, engineering, the industry's Indian connections and the lives of the workers. The archives and photographic records of various mills have considerable historical research value.

## What to see



A visit to Verdant Works involves guides, showcases of historic objects, graphic panels, audio-visual shows, models and dioramas, lighting and sound effects, interactive computer programmes and mechanical 'hands-on' interactives plus the chance to explore an atmospheric mill building. Dundee Heritage Trust's collection of historic jute processing machinery, much of it over 100 years old, has been restored to working condition to give visitors a vivid appreciation of life in the mills.

## When to Visit

We are open 7 days April to October, Mon - Sat 10am - 6pm (Sun 11am), 5 days November to March, Wed - Sat 10.30am - 4.30pm (Sun 11am).

Admission is charged. Further information on ticket prices, exhibitions and events can be found on our website at [www.verdantworks.com](http://www.verdantworks.com)

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### Every Object Tells a Story...

This image of 'mill lassies' shows proud working women, photographed with the tools of their trade - hooks, palm protectors and spools of yarn. Women outnumbered male workers in the mills by three to one and as the major breadwinners this role reversal caused Dundee to become known as 'Woman's Toun'.

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