



# Flagstaff House



When the British officially obtained Hong Kong in 1842, one of the first things it did was to establish a military presence. The Flagstaff House, office and residence of the Commander of British Forces in Hong Kong, was built in 1846. Barracks of the British army were also set up in the vicinity.



Flagstaff House, 1846

## ! Key Points

### First military establishment

- Strategic location
- Function

### Adaptive re-use

- Functional installation
- Verandah

### Museum of Tea Ware



Exterior view of Museum of Tea Ware



### Questions to be completed after Lesson 2

**1. Why was a Flagstaff House needed? Why did the British military need to establish a military presence in Hong Kong?**

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**2. How did the function of the Flagstaff House change through the years? List its evolution in point form.**

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**3. What is the function of the Flagstaff House’s “verandah”? What other buildings can you think of contain verandahs?**

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