

Moustaches, Whiskers & Beards

A BEARDED TOUR

Floor 2

Pogonophilia refers to the love of beards



HENRY VIII

Although it's widely rumoured that King Henry VIII imposed a beard tax, the National Archives has no documentary evidence such a tax ever existed



LORD BYRON

Pogonophobia is the name given to a fear, or extreme dislike, of beards



CHARLES I

When King Charles I was beheaded in 1649, the executioner wore a false beard, to shield his identity from vengeful Royalists



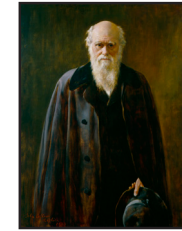
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Floor 1

An eighteenth century safety razor had the unappealing name of the Pig Scraper



CHARLES DARWIN

The Charles Dickens £10 note was scrapped in favour of Charles Darwin - because Darwin's beard was 'more difficult to forge'



CHARLES DICKENS

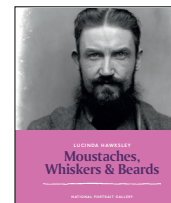


Pogonotrophy is the art of growing and cultivating beards, it can also be applied to barbers and those who help groom or sculpt beards.



PRINCE ALBERT

Whilst all around him men were sprouting enormous beards, Prince Albert kept to his trademark whiskers and neat moustache



Find out more about the history of facial hair in the Gallery's new book, *Moustaches, Whiskers & Beards* by Lucinda Hawksley.

Explore the weird and wonderful fashions and rules of facial hair, illustrated throughout with portraits from the Gallery's Collection.

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