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London Attractions

London Eye – Jubilee Gardens, South Bank

When the Millennium Commission announced their intention to build an observation wheel that would stand 135 metres over the city of London, people were initially cynical. But the London Eye has turned out to be the finest and most popular new attraction in London since Queen Victoria's Great Exhibition. The Eye now welcomes between 3.5 and 4 million guests every year. When constructed in 1999, it was the tallest observation wheel in the world and, though it has now been surpassed by similar constructions in China and Singapore, it allows you to see one of the world's most exciting cities from a completely new perspective.



Opening Times:

Jan/Feb/Mar 11am – 6pm Daily

Apr 1st to 16th 10am – 8:30pm

Apr 17th to June 30th Mon-Fri 11am – 6pm, Sat & Sun 10am – 8:30pm

July 1st to Sept 3rd 10am – 8:30pm Daily

Sept 4th to Dec 21st Mon-Fri 11am – 6pm, Sat & Sun 10am – 8:30pm

Hours vary during the Christmas season. Closed Christmas Day.

Last ride 30 minutes before closing.

St Paul's Cathedral – St Pauls Churchyard

Designed by Sir Christopher Wren St Paul's Cathedral draws the eye like nothing else in London, even though the City's skyscrapers now tower above it. The centrepiece of the great reconstruction of London after the great fire of 1666, it is still the spiritual focus of Great Britain. Royal weddings and birthdays, the funerals of Britain's leaders and services to celebrate the ends of wars all take place beneath the famous dome. The cathedral miraculously survived the Blitz in World War II and served as an inspirational symbol of strength.



Opening Times:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat 8:30am – 4pm

Weds – 10am – 4pm

Sun - Closed



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Tower of London – Tower Hill

For a thousand years the Tower of London has protected, threatened, imprisoned and occasionally executed the people of London. Originally the fortress of the hated Norman conquerors, built with imported white stone from France, it has been through many different incarnations in its life; the bloody tower where Richard III allegedly murdered his nephews, a patriotic symbol, home to British monarchs and armies, a prison and in modern times a treasury museum and UNESCO World Heritage site. The biggest draw for visitors are the crown jewels: crowns, sceptres, plate, and the two largest cut diamonds in the world are among the objects in the collection.



Opening Times:

They vary during the year but generally they are:
Winter (Jan, Feb, Nov & Dec)

Mon & Sun – 10am – 4:30pm (last entry 3:30pm)
Tues – Sat 9am – 4:30pm (last entry 3:30pm)

Summer (Mar 1st to Oct 31st)

Mon & Sun – 10am – 5:30pm (last entry 3:30pm)
Tues – Sat 9am – 5:30pm (last entry 3:30pm)

Westminster Abbey – Westminster

The Collegiate Church of St Peter at Westminster, popularly known as Westminster Abbey, is a large, mainly Gothic church, in the City of Westminster, located just to the west of the Palace of Westminster. It is the traditional place of coronation and burial site for English, later British and later still (and currently) monarchs of the Commonwealth realms. The abbey is a Royal Peculiar and briefly held the status of a cathedral from 1540 to 1550.



Opening Times:

Mon – Fri – 9:30am – 4:30pm (last entry 3:30pm)

Sat - 9am – 4pm (last entry 3pm)

Sun- Closed



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Buckingham Palace – Buckingham Palace Road

It is the official London residence of the British Monarch. Originally known as Buckingham House, it was built for the Duke of Buckingham in 1705 and remained a private residence until it became the Royal residence of Queen Victoria in 1837.



Opening Times:

July 14th to Aug 31st 9:30am – 7:30pm (last entry 5:15pm)

Sept 1st to 24th 9:30am – 6:30pm (last entry 4:15pm)

The Royal Mews – Buckingham Palace

Houses the Royal collection of historic carriages and coaches, the most spectacular being the gold stagecoach that was built for George III in 1762.



Opening Times: Mar 2nd to Oct 30th

Daily – 11am – 5pm (last entry 4pm)

Closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Warner Bros Studio – The Making of Harry Potter - Watford

The magic of the movies was mostly down to their meticulous realisation of Rowling's wonky, spectacular world. Here, you begin by entering Hogwarts Great Hall and – about three hours later – with a staggering 1:24 scale model of the multi-turreted school and its grounds. Fantastical animatronic beasts, commentary and a world of wizard props including a three-decker purple bus crop up on the way.



Opening Times: Daily from 10am, closing times differ per season. Please ask the Concierge desk for more information.



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Churchill War Rooms – King Charles Street – Westminster

Housing the underground nerve centre where the British government directed the Second World War and the award-winning Churchill Museum, Churchill War Rooms is one of London's must-see attractions



Opening Times:
Wednesday to Sunday: 9:30am – 6pm (5pm last entry)

Kensington Palace – Kensington Gardens

Explore the birthplace of Queen Victoria and home to young royals for over 300 years. Walk in the footsteps of royalty in Victoria's re-imagined childhood rooms and the magnificent King's State Apartments and Queen's State Apartments.



Opening Times:
Closed Feb 6th -Apr 5th, 2023
Apr 5th – Oct 29th, 2023
Wednesday to Sunday: 10:00am – 6pm
(Last Entry 5pm)



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London Museums

British Museum – Great Russell Street

Founded in 1753 when Sir Hans Sloane left his collection of 71,000 objects of interest, the British Museum's charter insists that it be open free of charge "to all studious and curious persons". The museum expanded rapidly in the nineteenth century and now contains around 7 million objects, some more than 10,000 years old. Walk through the impressive columned entrance, through Lord Norman Foster's breathtaking glass domed Great Court and wander the seemingly endless corridors and displays. The museum is a treasure trove of objects from the whole world and the entire span of human history and prehistory.



Opening Times: Daily 10am – 5pm (last entry 4pm)
Friday 10am – 8:30pm (last entry 7:30pm)

The National Gallery – Trafalgar Square

Its permanent collection houses some of the world's most important paintings from as far back as the 13th century. Gaze upon the works of greats such as Titian, da Vinci, Rembrandt, Monet, Renoir, Cezanne, Raphael and Van Gogh. Built in 1832-1833, in an attempt to outshine Paris's Louvre, it aspires to make art accessible to all with free admission.



Opening Times: Daily 10am – 6pm, Friday until 9pm



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The Tate Modern – 25 Sumner Street

Tate Modern is London's most visited and innovative gallery - housed in a former power station, the space itself is as much as an attraction as its collections and exhibitions. The interior is a glorious, unpretentious playground of modern art, as appealing to children and amateurs as it is to adults and art experts. Permanent collections include works by Bacon, Matisse, Rothko and Andy Warhol as well as the best of contemporary British art.



Opening Times: Daily 10am – 6pm (last entry 5:30pm)

Natural History Museum – Cromwell Road

The museum is home to life and earth science specimens comprising some 70 million items within five main collections: Botany, Entomology, Mineralogy, Palaeontology and Zoology. Given the age of the institution, many of the collections have great historical as well as scientific value, such as specimens collected by Darwin. The museum is particularly famous for its exhibition of dinosaur skeletons, and ornate architecture — sometimes dubbed a *cathedral of nature* — both exemplified by the large *Diplodocus* cast which dominates the vaulted central hall.



Opening Times: Daily 10am – 5:50pm
(last entry 5:30pm)



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Victoria and Albert Museum – Cromwell Road

The world's largest museum of decorative arts and design, housing a permanent collection of over 4.5 million objects. Named after Prince Albert and Queen Victoria, it was founded in 1852. Its collection spans 5,000 years of art, from ancient times to the present day, in virtually every medium, from the cultures of Europe, North America, Asia and North Africa. The holdings of ceramics, glass, textiles, costumes, silver, jewellery, furniture, medieval objects, sculpture, prints, drawings and photographs are among the largest, important and most comprehensive in the world. The museum possesses the world's largest collection of post-classical sculpture, the holdings of Italian Renaissance items are the largest outside Italy.



Opening Times: Daily 10am – 5:45pm
Fri 10am – 10pm

Science Museum – South Kensington

The home of human ingenuity, come and visit award-winning exhibitions, iconic objects, and stories of incredible scientific achievements for free. It was founded in 1857 and to date, is one of the city's major tourist attractions. There is fun for all the family discovering science with hands-on experiences in interactive exhibits.



Opening Times: Daily 10am – 6pm
(last entry 5:15pm)



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Imperial War Museum – Lambeth Road

See war through the eyes of the people who lived it. Be Moved. Be Inspired. Be Transformed. Dedicated to conserving, displaying, and interpreting stories of the most devastating conflict in human history, IWM London is the first museum in the world to house Second World War Galleries and The Holocaust Galleries under the same roof. These new galleries will change the way we understand the past for generations to come.



Opening Times: Daily 10am – 6pm

London Transport Museum – Covent Garden

Discover the history of London's transport at London Transport Museum. Explore the heritage of London and its transport system, and the stories of the people who have travelled and worked in the city over the last 200 years, before taking a peek into how future technologies might impact London as we know it.



Opening Times: Daily 10:00am – 6pm (5pm last entry)



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London's Markets

Borough Market – Borough High Street

A gourmet's paradise in London. With a range of fresh produce including fruit, veg and all kinds of meat, as well as condiments, bakery treats and delicious street food Borough Market is great for lunch or grocery shopping. There's also a wide selection of specialist ingredients and indulgent treats.

Open: Mon-Fri 10am – 5pm, Sat 8am – 5pm, Sun 10am – 3pm

Brick Lane – Brick Lane

Spreading across several streets in the Brick Lane area, you'll find both junk and gems in this market!

There's bric-a-brac, second-hand furniture, shoes and lots more. There are also some fantastic stalls selling exotic spices and colourful saris.

Open: Sunday 10am – 5pm

Camden – Camden Lock Place, Chalk Farm Road

Camden Lock is the central hub of Camden's huge market. Here you'll find an extensive range of goods from designer clothes and accessories, to one-off pieces of art, food and furnishings. There's also designer workshops, studios, stalls, shops, cafes, restaurants and bars.

Open: Every day (except Christmas day) 10am – 6pm

Portobello Road – Portobello Road

Portobello Road has been a market since the 1800s but became particularly famous for its antiques in the 1950s. Now there are numerous stalls offering everything from fruit and bread to posters, clothes, music and, of course, loads of antiques. The main day for antiques being Saturday.

Open: 8.00am until 6pm Monday to Wednesday, Thursday half day until 1pm, Friday 9am to 7pm (some antiques), Saturday 8.00am to 6.30 pm.

Columbia Road Flower Market – Columbia Road

Anyone with green fingers should make a stop here for plants, shrubs, bulbs and trees. This colourful street market is a must-see. You can also pick up gardening accessories from the surrounding shops, and make sure you take home some of the gorgeous cut-flowers on offer.

Open: Sunday 8am – 1pm

Camden Passage – Camden Passage

The area is well known as a place to go for antiques, silverware, vintage clothing, retro pieces and affordable collectibles. It's also home to more contemporary traders selling cool jewellery, clothing, stylish homeware and food.

Open: Wednesday and Saturday 10am - 6pm

Greenwich Market – Camden Passage

Take time to discover the best collection of British designer makers showcased in this historic market. Find handmade gift ideas, from arts and crafts, to homewares and accessories.

Arts & Crafts Market-Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Weekends

Antiques & Collectables-Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

Open Daily 10am – 5pm

