



# *THE STORYTELLERS* *MTL*

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*London's calling*



# *London*



***OH DARLING, LET'S BE ADVENTURERS!***

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# WHY LONDON?

Between the discovery of Westminster Abbey's treasured treasures, the troubled walls of the Tower of London, our tasting of the finest English cocktails, our foray into the 40s, our admission to Hogwarts and our long walks between Hyde Park and St. James Park, our brains stopped spinning, it was so good. Was it because we were out of our daily lives or simply because the London frenzy and the disarming confidence of these citizens inspired us?

It's subway, work and sleep in London too. Nevertheless, there is a *je-ne-sais-quoi* among Londoners who perspire happiness on a larger scale. People are smiling more, they run less quickly out of the subway, they watch what's going on around them more than the screen of their phone. Life always seems a little greener on the other side, but the English still seem to have learned to take their time better than North Americans. This wave of contagious well-being, we had already felt it in Greece. Yes, despite the economic crisis. This country where the sun is more than an occasional visitor. Yet we also felt it in the city that is said to be the rainiest in the world. It may be a coincidence, but we did not receive a drop of rain during our stay.

It's probably just a lucky coincidence, like the fireworks during our ascent of the London Eye. Do you remember the last time a sweet coincidence crossed your path? Quietly, without expectations. That feeling that you are in the right place at the right time with the right person. This intuition that this city can tell you a lot in a short time. This certainty that you are there for a good reason, simply.

During this short respite, we did not need to think about putting ourselves in pause mode. We were strangers in the most vibrant city in the world. We were totally carried away by London and its uniqueness. We had just gotten engaged and the city completely bewitched us.

Time goes so fast when every street corner, every detour, every glance amazes us and takes us by surprise. When we stop being on the autopilot. When you realize that what makes sense is to live for those moments when you eat the best Thai pad of your life in a little English pub with the person you love. When you wander in a park, breathing fresh air, with no time limit, when you get lost in small streets and it becomes your favorite moment of the trip. When you see fireworks everywhere without physically seeing them.

Thank you London. For your craziness, your magic and your light.



# *Where to stay in London?*

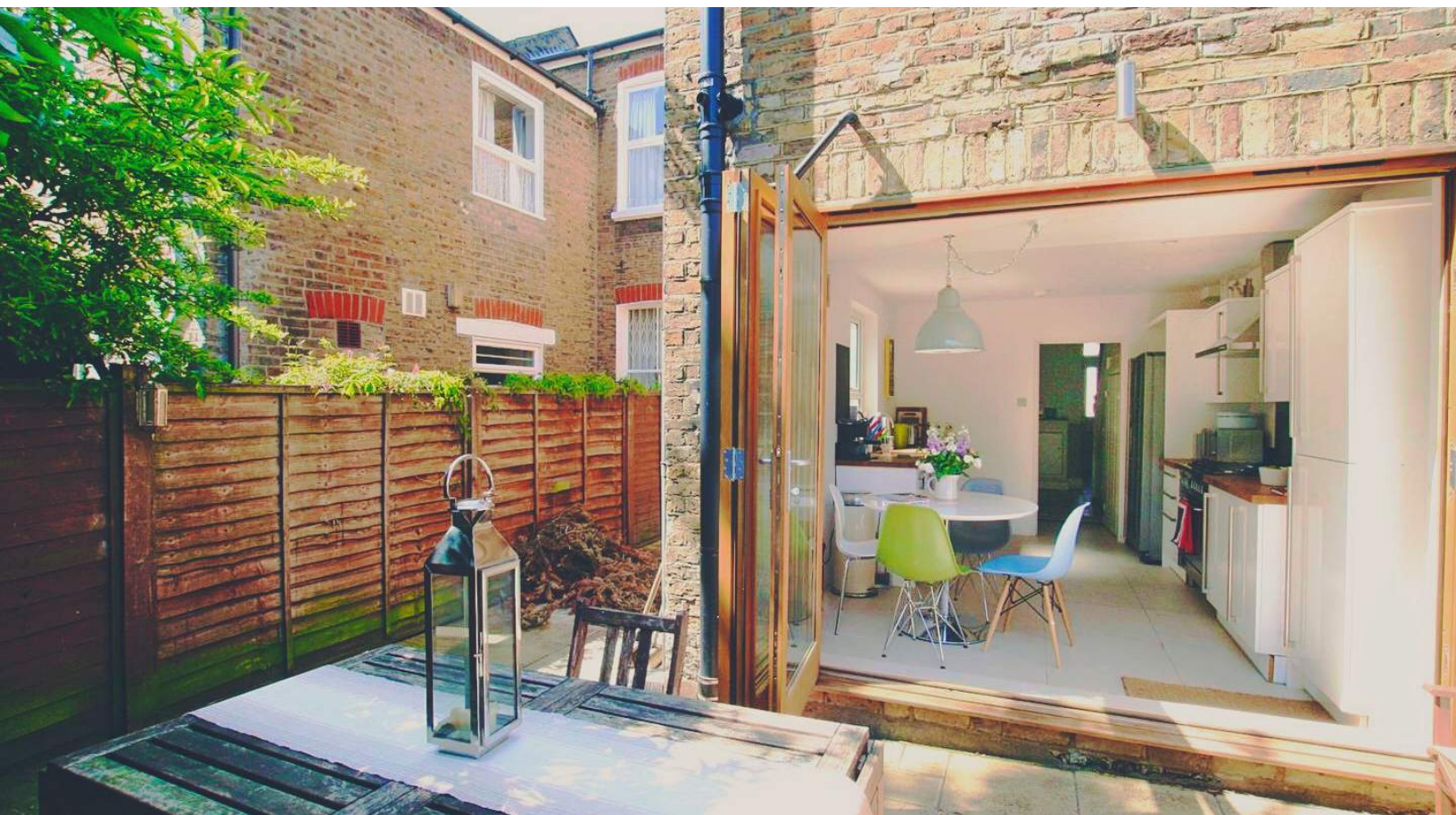
*While looking for apartments on Airbnb, we fell in love with Vicky's beautiful cottage. She was incredibly helpful and always available to answer our questions and suggest less touristy restaurants and activities.*

Perfect for couples or solo travelers, we had a wonderful kitchen, a nice comfortable bedroom and a private bathroom at our disposal. The kitchen was fully equipped (oven, fridge, dishwasher) and our host even offered us breakfast. Everything was available to make the perfect English breakfast. Considering that the exchange rate is quite high for our Canadian currency, it was an advantage that we greatly appreciated.

PS: Her coffee is excellent! Our lunches in her very bright kitchen overlooking her splendid courtyard were our little moments of relaxation before going on an adventure.

In addition to the size of the space and the beauty of the place, the apartment is also very well located. Close to Baron's Court station, it allows you access to several tube lines so you can be in the center of London in less than 25 minutes. The apartment is literally a five minutes walk from the subway, when you take the shortcut through the cemetery. Much less creepy than you think, do not worry this path is taken by residents daily.

The subway system is also very efficient. As soon as a slowdown in service occurs, the operators directly advise the users of alternative paths so that your waiting does not drag on.





## *How to get there?*



Barons Court Station  
District and Piccadilly Line

## *Booking*

<https://airbnb.ca/>





## *Getting around London*

*The best way to get around London is, without question, public transport. To access it, you have two choices: you can use a credit card with contactless payment or the Oyster Card. We strongly recommend the second solution for ease of use. It's actually a rechargeable card that gives you access to London's trains, buses and subway.*

As soon as you arrive at one of the airports, you will be able to find a charging station that will allow you to acquire the card and deposit some money in it . The card costs a £5 deposit, but it is refundable. You can then put money on your card to pay for your trips. The advantage with the London transport system is that after you have paid £6.60 in zones 1 and 2 (the central areas of London) you will not have to pay anything else for the rest of your day.

But, do not forget to "tap" your card while entering and leaving the subway to record your trip, otherwise the next time you'll take the subway, it will cost you a full day. We experienced it the first day and it was a surprise to see it go all at once without understanding why. You can also use your credit card with contactless payment to access the metro, but we tested it and our cards were not always functional. With the Oyster Card, you will surely save time!



# *London Foodie*

*For all those who believe that the only thing you eat in London is fish and chips and fried food, think again! Of course you can find a restaurant serving you THE symbolic dish of this city as easily as a coffee at Starbucks, but if you want to eat healthy and varied, you will find your way too.*

*Before leaving for our London adventure, we had in mind several restaurants and bars that we absolutely wanted to try. However, it is often our unplanned stops that made us discover the richness of London's culinary culture.*





## Vagabond

*When we told you that sometimes it is the unplanned stops that have been real discoveries, the Vagabond is the perfect example. Near Victoria Station, you will find more than a dozen restaurants offering all types of gastronomy possible. Among these, the Vagabond is an incredible wine bar. This restaurant offers a totally awesome concept that we hope will spread to Montreal one day. Imagine finding yourself in a bulk grocery store, but instead of barrels of almonds and sweets, they are bottles of wine.*

After getting a prepaid card that resembles the Oyster Card, ask one of the employees, to guide you through their selection of over a hundred bottles. Fruity, generous or aromatic, you will find your account every time. When you have made your choice after tasting the recommendations offered by their experts, just insert your prepaid card in the machine, take your drink, choose the desired format and you're done. The vending machine takes care of the rest and you can return to your table and enjoy the evening!

For those who wish to eat a bite while enjoying their delectable glass of wine, a menu of dishes to share is available. For our part, we tried the platter of meats and cheeses, because we can never go wrong with this winning combination. We also tried the tempura aubergines with a yogurt, honey, mint and pistachio sauce. So yummy! It was literally THE best dish of our trip! The perfect combination of sweet and salty on this dish is a must if you go to Vagabond for a trendy and casual evening.





A large glass costs an average of £ 7-8, so if you are two, an initial deposit of £ 20 on the card will be enough for two glasses. In addition, if you have any money left, the balance is refundable. If you arrive around 5 p.m., you won't need to make a reservation, but if you consider eating later, it would be a good idea to book in advance to be sure to have a place. Londoners are festive and restaurants and bars are often busy, no matter which day of the week.

## *Address*

77, The Nova Building C, 77 Buckingham Palace Rd,  
Westminster, London SW1W 0AJ, UK

## *How to get there?*



Victoria Station  
Circle, District and Victoria Line

## *Business hours*

Monday:	11am to 11pm
Tuesday:	11am to 11pm
Wednesday:	11am to 12am
Thursday:	11am to 12am
Friday:	11am to 12am
Saturday:	11am to 12am
Sunday:	11am to 10pm

## *Booking*

<http://www.vagabondwines.co.uk/>



# *Cahoots London*

*When you go to London, you absolutely have to stop for a drink at Cahoots. This clandestine bar will give you a real trip back in time, immersing you in a universe straight from the post-war period. Hidden among the many restaurants and shops of the neighboring streets, this speakeasy has kept the authenticity of its predecessors. You will descend to an underground London, taking an art-deco style staircase, decorated with newspaper impressions of the 40s. Then, you'll find yourself in front of two metro doors and the charming Marcel at the reception.*

Inside, you will see indications for the Tube, tables in the middle of a subway car replica and a team of bartenders and waitresses all dressed in the style of the time. As soon as you have made your choice of cocktail among the list of more than 50 creations, you must take a look to see the work and the attention that mixologists bring to the making of your precious elixir. Accurate movements, fruit syrups, home blends, neat and original presentation, each cocktail is reflected and prepared in order to

make you live a unique experience. Prices range from £ 13 to £ 15 per consumption. It may seem expensive for those with a tighter budget, but if you have a more extravagant place to discover, the Cahoots experience is well worth it. Online bookings are highly recommended since we went on a Monday at 5:45 pm and the place was already very crowded!







## *Address*

13 Kingly Court, Carnaby, London W1B 5PG, UK

## *How to get there?*



Piccadilly Circus Station  
Piccadilly and Bakerloo Line



Oxford Circus Underground Station  
Bakerloo, Victoria and Central Line

## *Business hours*

Monday:	5pm to 1am
Tuesday:	5pm to 1am
Wednesday:	5pm to 1am
Thursday:	4pm to 2am
Friday:	4pm to 3am
Saturday:	1pm to 3am
Sunday:	3pm to 12am

## *Booking*

<https://cahoots-london.com/>





## Sketch

*If you are looking for a spot that will make you travel through time and places, Sketch is for you. What is Sketch? It's three restaurants and two totally crazy bars that will make you fall in love with London even more.*

First, there is The Glade. This restaurant will transport you in the middle of the woods with its walls painted with trees, plants and flowers and its purple velvet chairs, green and blue reminiscent of nature's colors.

If you want to have a meal inspired by the biggest art galleries, there is Gallery. This eclectic restaurant is actually a gastronomic project created by artists from different backgrounds. In addition to the 239 works of art on the walls, the artists have extended their imagination on and in your plate. Indeed, all the plates in the restaurant consist of hand-made pieces by the artists of Gallery which adds to the

concept of art gallery. The decor will charm you with its vintage atmosphere, its pink upholstered seats and the magnificent glass dome on the ceiling.

Finally, to end the evening after a good meal at Gallery, just head to the back of the restaurant to open the door to another universe at East Bar. This circular and ultramodern bar looks like a real flying vessel. You will be able to enjoy great cocktails in an atmosphere teleporting you in a spaceship. To push the concept even further, they even designated the bathroom as in the best sci-fi movies.





The ceiling is covered with bright pannels of different colors and on each side of the stairs, there are dozens of egg-shaped toilet cubicles. It's like being in Godzilla's nest, which is an experience in itself!

Whether you want to have a drink in a forest, a meal in another era or end the evening with a cocktail in a UFO, Sketch is the place to go!

## *Address*

9 Conduit St, Mayfair, London W1S 2XG, UK

## *How to get there?*



Piccadilly Circus Station  
Piccadilly and Bakerloo Line



Oxford Circus Underground Station  
Bakerloo, Victoria and Central Line

## *Business hours*

Monday:	7am to 2am
Tuesday:	7am to 2am
Wednesday:	7am to 2am
Thursday:	7am to 2am
Friday:	7am to 2am
Saturday:	8am to 2am
Sunday:	8am to 12:30 am

## *Booking*

<https://sketch.london/>



# *The Churchill Arms*

*The Churchill Arms is certainly one of the most photographed restaurants in London. With its blooming frontage of flowers, the owners of the place spend more than £ 25,000 a year to impress us.*

Inside, the warm and cozy atmosphere of the bar section comes straight from the 40s with all the memories of Winston Churchill decorating the walls of the establishment. In the restaurant section, the exterior design is transposed inside with a variety of floral arrangements and plants hanging from the ceiling that give the impression of eating inside a greenhouse.

Every day, Londoners invade the premises to have a beer with friends and enjoy their wonderful cuisine. Indeed, more than 25 years ago, Churchill Arms was the first pub in London to serve Thai food and they still do it perfectly! Their pad Thai is definitely the best we have eaten so far!







## *Address*

119 Kensington Church St, Kensington  
London W8 7LN, UK

## *How to get there?*



Notting Hill Gate  
Central, District and Circle Line

## *Business hours*

Monday:	11am to 11pm
Tuesday:	11am to 11pm
Wednesday:	11am to 11pm
Thursday:	11am to 12am
Friday:	11am to 12am
Saturday:	11am to 12am
Sunday:	12pm to 10:30 pm

## *Booking*

<http://www.churchillarmskensington.co.uk/food>



# *The Pear Tree*

*Near our Airbnb, in the West Kensington district, was The Pear Tree. In a classic Victorian setting, this charming English pub serves classic British cuisine with a phenomenal gastronomic twist. Despite our short stay, we could not help but go back twice.*

Whether it's their fish and chips or butternut squash risotto, all the choices are fabulous. The plates are plentiful and the price is very reasonable which will allow you several beers without breaking the bank. During the evening, a fire is also lit which makes the atmosphere even more warm. The service is impeccable, the waiters are friendly and really seem to have fun.

The Pear Tree is a place where you feel like you're eating at an English family, where the food is both refined and comforting. If you want to take the experience even further, they also offer accommodation on the upper floors.

## *Address*

14 Margravine Rd, Hammersmith,  
London W6 8HJ, UK

## *How to get there?*



Barons Court Station  
District and Piccadilly Line

## *Business hours*

Monday:	12pm to 11pm
Tuesday:	12pm to 11pm
Wednesday:	12pm to 11pm
Thursday:	12pm to 11pm
Friday:	12pm to 11pm
Saturday:	12pm to 11pm
Sunday:	12pm to 11pm

## *Booking*

<http://www.thepeartreefulham.com/>

# *Rum Kitchen Carnaby*

*If you visit London during the grayer months of autumn or winter, you may be short of sun and heat. To warm up and give you a good dose of vitamin Sun, the miracle cure is the Rum Kitchen Carnaby.*

In the same restaurant complex as Cahoots, Rum Kitchen specializes in Caribbean cuisine and rum. In its beachside restaurant decor, guests can enjoy tropical cocktails or a good Red Stripe beer as if you were under the warm sun of Jamaica.

For the food menu, there is a great selection of colorful dishes for all tastes. We highly recommend

the incredible Halloumi veggie burger with a side of sweet potato fries and spicy maple syrup. If you want something more traditional, the jerky bowl is an excellent choice. Just like a poké bowl, you will find a rice base, but the fish will be replaced by a succulent piece of jerk chicken, all accompanied by pineapple and watermelon for a touch of freshness.

## *Address*

Carnaby St, Soho, London W1B 5PW, UK

## *How to get there?*



Piccadilly Circus Station  
Piccadilly and Bakerloo Line



Oxford Circus Underground Station  
Bakerloo, Victoria and Central Line

## *Business hours*

Monday:	12pm to 12am
Tuesday:	12pm to 12am
Wednesday:	12pm to 12am
Thursday:	12pm to 12am
Friday:	12pm to 12:30am
Saturday:	12pm to 12:30am
Sunday:	12pm to 11pm

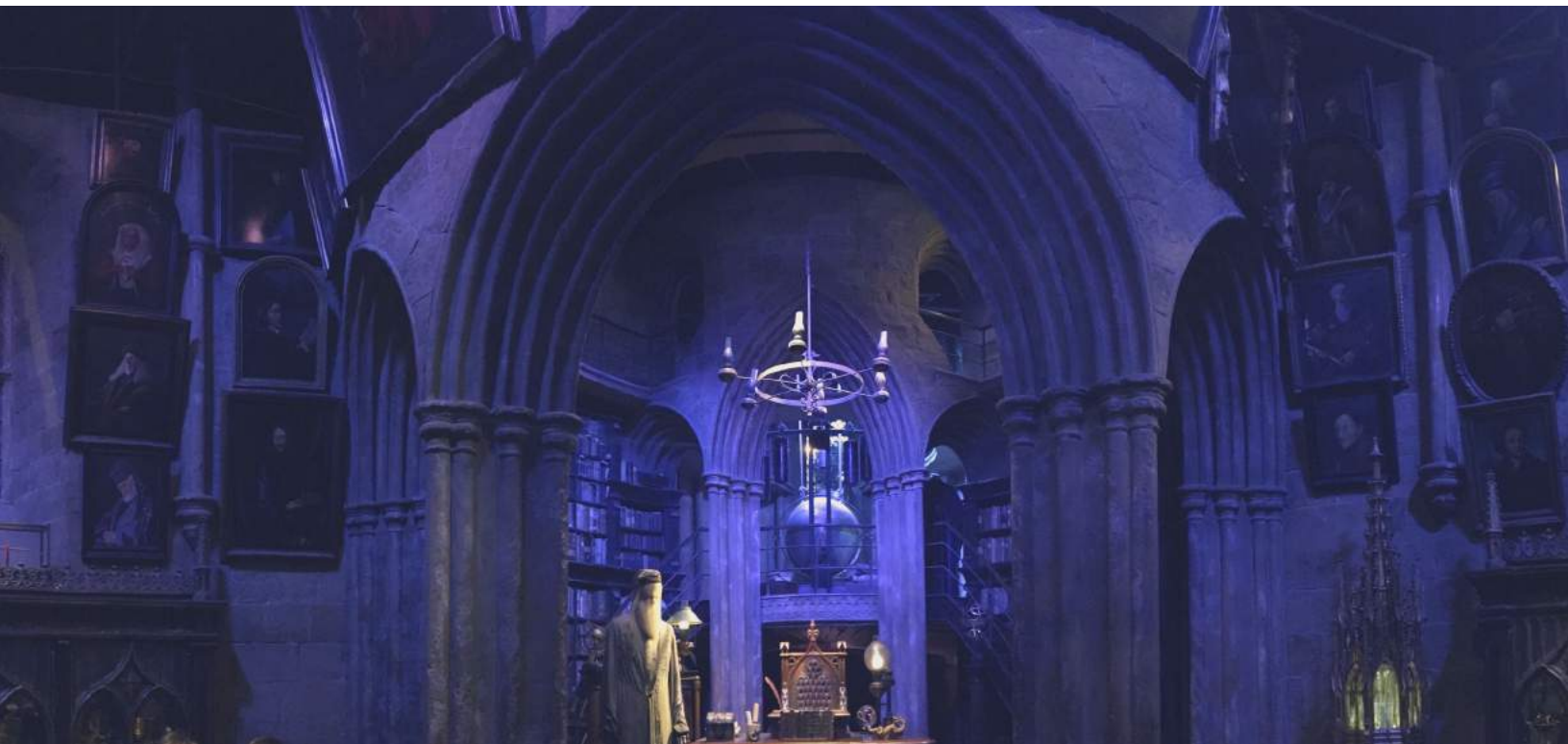
## *Booking*

<http://www.therumkitchen.com/>



# *OUR FAVORITES SPOTS*





# *Harry Potter Tour*

*If, like us, you watch the eight films each year as soon as cool weather arrives, the question does not even arise. It's a must stop in the most magical universe of the world. Even though the last book was released in 2007 and the last movie appeared on our screens more than 7 years ago, the Harry Potter frenzy is still very much alive in London and even more so at Warner Bros Studios.*

Since 2017, there is even a new section specially designed for the Forbidden Forest, you can find Aragog and Buck through the enchanted woods. Be ready for the most magical day of your journey, in every sense of the word! You'll find Gryffindor, Diagon Alley, the Magicobus, the Dursley's House, Hagrid's House and the Ministry of Magic on your wizarding tour. You'll see the movies from a completely different angle after your visit, it's guaranteed. We can not reveal everything to you to keep you a few surprises, but we had a real crush on Dumbledore's office and the potions room, where we were completely transported to another universe.

The details and realism of the objects used during the filming are really impressive and we can only be hypnotized by the many sets made accessible to the public.

Of course you can't go to Hogwarts without mentioning the incredible Grand Hall of the castle. Whether you're a Slytherin, Ravenclaw, Hufflepuff or Gryffindor, you'll be amazed to find yourself in the same place your favorite characters have been shooting for over a decade. The room is decorated differently depending on the time of year when you visit the studios.





During our fall visit, the theme of Halloween was put forward. However, if you go there from mid-November to the end of January, the Grand Hall will be decorated with the most beautiful decorations of the Yule Ball, the evening taking place during the Triwizard Tournament of the fourth volume.

Before returning to the muggle world, don't forget to visit the Hogwarts Express after passing through the 9 ¾ platform. To end the day in style, go toast with a good butterbeer at The Leaky Cauldron! It's very sweet, but it's worth it!

## *Address*

Studio Tour Drive, Leavesden WD25 7LR, UK

## *How to get there?*



Several organized tours offer sightseeing as well as transportation to get to the studios.

## *Business hours*

Monday:	8am to 6pm
Tuesday:	8am to 6pm
Wednesday:	8am to 6pm
Thursday:	8am to 6pm
Friday:	8am to 6pm
Saturday:	10am to 5pm
Sunday:	10am to 5pm

## *Booking*

<http://www.wbstudiotour.co.uk/>

# *Hyde Park*

*The perfect place to get some fresh air and stretch your legs after a good beer at the local pub!*

The park is huge and is full of pretty sections all different from each other. You will be able to admire and feed the swans near Kensington Palace, the home of William, Kate, George and Charlotte. However, be careful since the pigeons are quite voracious too.

By venturing a little further in the walking paths, you will find the corner of the Italian gardens, absolutely splendid with all its sumptuous fountains. During the fall, the place is particularly fabulous, a true nature paradise in the middle of the most vibrant city in the world.







## *How to get there?*



Knightsbridge Station  
Piccadilly Line



Lancaster Gate Station  
Central Line



Hyde Park Corner Underground Station  
Piccadilly Line



Queensway Station  
Central Line

# *Westminster Abbey*

*You can't stay in London without visiting Westminster Abbey, a majestic place of recollection where all kings and queens of England were crowned. The Abbey is simply beautiful and well worth the detour.*

Even if we are not really church people, we were impressed by the splendor, uniqueness and immensity of the place. We have been completely transported to another world, where royalty and wealth coexist as faith and history. Usually we are not very big fans of guided tours, but we really enjoyed the information from the audio guide. Treason, revenge, jealousy and great romance populate the memories of the abbey and its permanent residents. The grave of Elizabeth 1st knows something about it...

If you are passionate about history and the monarchy, it will take you at least one and a half hour to go around the monuments. Even today, a minute of silence given to prayer takes place every hour of the day. Regardless of your religious or spiritual beliefs, Charles Darwin's resting place, as much as Isaac Newton's, Lewis Carroll's and Charles Dickens's, will impress you without a doubt!

## *Address*

20 Deans Yd, Westminster,  
London SW1P 3PA, UK

## *How to get there?*



Westminster Station  
Circle, District and Jubilee Line

## *Business hours*

Westminster Abbey hours may vary greatly depending on the day of worship, public holidays, etc. It is therefore strongly recommended to check the calendar on the website at the following address:

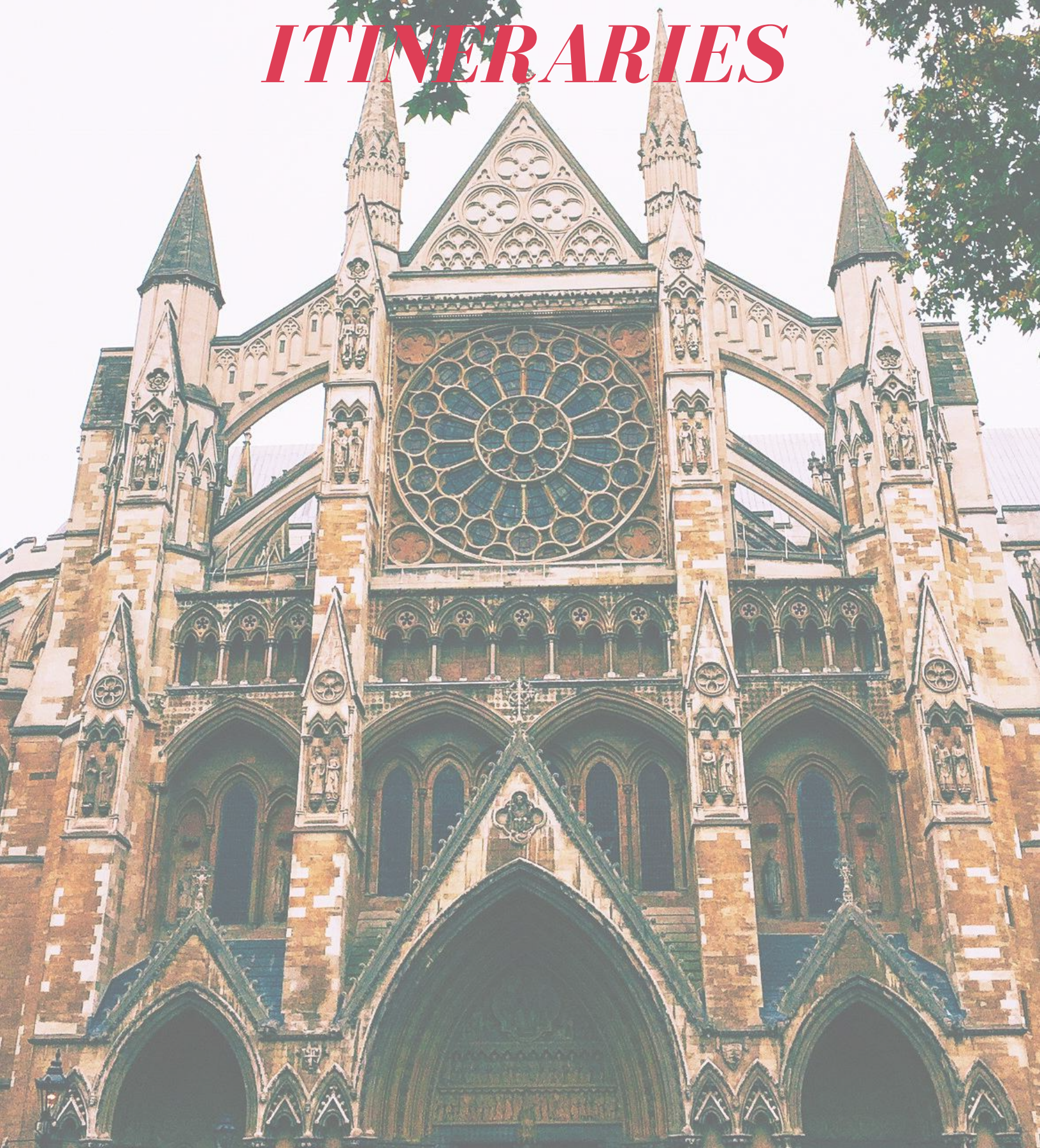
***<http://www.westminster-abbey.org/visit-us/opening-times>***

## *Booking*

***<http://www.westminster-abbey.org/>***



# *OUR ITINERARIES*







## A royal adventure

*If like us, you watch *The Crown* and you are completely fascinated by everything that surrounds the British royalty, this day will amaze you.*

### BUCKINGHAM PALACE

To start your day, visit the world's most famous palace, Buckingham Palace. Its huge doors adorned with the effigy of the royal family and the famous changing of the Guard are just the beginning of your adventure. If you visit London during the high season (July to September), you can enter this elegant fortress and immerse yourself in the heart of the monarchy. From the throne room to the royal banquet to the ballroom, you will not know where to look.

### TOWER OF LONDON

Not only has this mythical tower been the place of imprisonment for the greatest criminals in British history, such as Anne Boleyn, Guy Fawkes and Jane Gray, but it is also the place where you can admire the fabulous Crown Jewels. Covered with diamonds, rubies and other precious stones, the many crowns and royal scepters are simply hypnotizing. You can also take the opportunity to admire and walk on the glass bridge of the Tower Bridge, located just a few steps away.

### CHURCHILL ARMS

Winston Churchill has been an important figure in the life of the British, and the Royals are no exception. To end your princely day, go to the Churchill Arms and have a bite. You'll live a real incursion in the 40s and in the Thai culture in the heart of a living garden. Even if you think it's a funny mix at first, the diversity of this place is really unique. The Victorian-inspired decor and their varied selection of beers blend perfectly with their succulent pad thai and colorful flowers.





## Inside your favorite stories

*Harry Potter fans, cinema addicts and glamor seekers, it's a day made especially for you!*

### HARRY POTTER TOUR

Who has not dreamed of receiving his letter from Hogwarts and being part of the Order of the Phoenix? The Harry Potter Tour is the perfect opportunity to immerse yourself in the magical universe of the serie. The Great Hall, Gryffindor dorms and the Potions Room will have no secrets for you after your visit. You'll also be able to see the famous entrance to the Chamber of Secrets and enjoy a butterbeer. So take your wand, get on your broom and fly to the magic world of Harry Potter.



### NOTTING HILL

Colorful classy houses and English elegance are at their peak. This is the perfect corner for a romantic walk with your SO, a nice coffee in hand, planning to move overseas! We didn't meet Hugh Grant, but we literally fell in love with the neighborhood and its charming little cafes.



### SKETCH

Glamorous is the perfect word to describe Gallery, and Sketch is THE place to be in London. With pink velvet circular banquettes and walls lined with art, you'll feel like you're dining in a museum. You can then continue your evening in one of the bars of the complex and enjoy a glass of champagne to feel like a real movie star.



## Exquisite London

*This day has been designed so that you can discover the best of London, from an historic and a gastronomic point of view.*

### LONDON EYE

Although it is a bit expensive, the view of the city is simply phenomenal. We did it at night and since it was Remembrance Day, there were fireworks! It was amazing to see the entire city illuminated as well and from as high. The tour lasts about thirty minutes and gives the impression of being in a real spaceship, floating in the air in the glass cabin.

### WESTMINSTER ABBEY

With nearly 1000 years of existence, this monument was the host of several royal weddings and all the coronations of the kings and queens of United Kingdom. From your first steps inside, you'll be overwhelmed by the vastness of the place and all the history that resides there. You can also take the opportunity to say hello to Big Ben a few steps away. However, note that the building is under renovation for the next 4 years, so your pictures of the famous clock will not look like what you saw on Instagram.

### CAHOOTS

To end your gateway on a perfect note, you must go to Cahoots for a last drink in London. This time capsule will transport you directly to the London of the 40s. With its decorations in the image of the Tube, you can enjoy more than 50 cocktails, all concocted masterfully by the mixologists of the place. Cahoots is, in our opinion, a real must in London.



# *INTERVIEW*

*WITH JAMES WEBER OF ONE LOST TRAVELLER*





# LONDON LIKE A LOCAL

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AN INTERVIEW WITH JAMES WEBER  
OF @ONE LOST TRAVELLER

*James is a freelance photographer and a doctor in chemistry! Resident of London, he tells us his secrets in this interview.*

## **What is your favorite secret spot ?**

London is like a maze, you walk down a street, take the next left and you find yourself somewhere else that you didn't think existed! I've just discovered a new favourite spot of mine; it's near the Walkie Talkie Tower at Monument station - perfect for some hand-held motion blur photos with the traffic and the iconic red buses passing by.

## **Name a fun fact that most people don't know about London ?**

This is one of my favourites facts about London; whenever a Royal Navy ship docks at the Port of London (Tower Wharf), by law they are required to give one barrel of rum to the Constable of the Tower. This tradition dates back to the Middle Ages, when the Constable of the Tower offered protection to merchants and ships, in return for a portion of their cargo. Today, though it is more of a ceremonial act.

## **Where can you eat the best fish and chips in town ?**

Whenever you visit London, you have to try fish and chips at Poppies on Hanbury street near Liverpool Street station. Words cannot describe how delicious and crispy the battered fish is, or how soft and fluffy their chips are. Just don't forget to add salt and vinegar to the chips!

## **Describe a typical day in London ?**

I would be lying if I said it was dull. Two days are never the same. There is the morning rush hour where everyone heads to work, with people running down escalators to catch their tube train - it's hectic during rushing hour. It usually settles down before midday, where you'll find lines of people outside markets and food shops waiting to buy their lunch. A word of warning, underground stations and the tube trains get very packed during morning and evening rush hour; be prepared to get "cosy" with strangers onboard - a bit of perfume or aftershave goes a long way. Towards the evening things are a bit more relaxed and the atmosphere changes from the city rush to a more sociable feel, where people head out for food and drinks.

## **What is your favorite neighborhood and why?**

I would say Notting Hill; there are some colourful housing there (very colourful, just like Copenhagen), but there is also a pub called the "Churchill Arms" which has so many flowers decorating it that during spring time, it's even more colourful than the houses!

## **What do you like to photograph most in London? Landscapes, people, buildings, nature, abstract art?**

While I appreciate the various architecture in London, I do enjoy street/urban photography a lot. There is something about capturing that brief moment on the street that will likely never happen again, incorporating some motion blur to give that sense of movement to an otherwise still scene.



**How would you describe London in one word?**

That's a tough one! I would say "elegant" - you don't really know the true beauty of London until you visit, there is something for everyone to appreciate.

**What is your favorite time to be in London?**

Springtime is my favourite time - walking through Richmond Park early in the morning and catching a glimpse of a deer makes you realise that a city isn't always about buildings and cars.

**Name a place that is overrated in London?**

The south bank in London. Sure, there's the London Eye, which is a big attraction, but for me personally it's overrated. Head over to the Shard for a more aerial view of London's cityscape.

**What amaze you the most about this city?**

There are so many different types food to eat! Any type you want to try; there will be a place that sells it and you won't get bored of finding something. It's safe to say that you won't visit the same restaurant twice!!

*We want to thank James for his time and for his wonderful photos! James also has a passion for Japan and we highly recommend you to follow his journeys to the Land of the Rising Sun on his instagram account: @onelosstraveller.*





*BON VOYAGE !*

