

Visit London

ITINERARY NIGHTS: London (6)



LONDON! *The name alone conjures images of kings and queens, knights on chargers, lords and ladies, the River Thames and Tower Bridge. Your brief taste of London will surely whet your appetite for more. This city of great history, a former Roman settlement named Londinium that measured only one square mile, today measures over 620 square miles. This conglomeration of overgrown villages, each with its own distinct character defies simple description. Many centuries of Londoners, both native and adopted, have shaped the city to reflect a cosmopolitan mixture of voices and styles. Though your stay here will be short, enjoy your time in the city where history crashes head-on into the present.*

DAY 1 Fly overnight to England.

DAY 2 LONDON Welcome to elegant London, one of the world's most popular and accessible cities. A TSA Tours representative will greet you at the airport and escort you to your hotel. Relax, unpack, and then get acquainted with this historic British capital.

DAYS 3-7 LONDON You now have five free days to

explore the largest city in Europe. A great way to begin is with a London "hop-on and hop-off" bus tour, stopping at all the popular attractions from Big Ben to Buckingham

Palace. Stroll the colorful street markets of Portobello Road, buy marmalade at Fortnum & Mason, or shop like royalty at Harrods in Knightsbridge. Visit the National Gallery, Madame Tussaud's, or the British Museum, where the history of civilization awaits you.

Among the major works on display is the Rosetta Stone. Discovered in Egypt in 1799, this tablet allowed linguists to finally decipher ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics after thousands of years of mystery.

Also on display are the Elgin Marbles, "stolen" from the Acropolis in Greece. Other highlights include the unparalleled collection of Egyptian mummies, Iron Age Britain, and the Sutton Hoo Treasures.

Cross a drawbridge to the Tower of London to see the

Crown Jewels; go to the Whispering Gallery under the dome of St. Paul's Cathedral; or take a ride on The London Eye. In London "the play's the thing." Make the most of your time in Europe's greatest theatre city by attending a performance at one of the West End's historic theatres.

You can also choose to travel through the scenic Cotswolds to Stratford-upon-Avon in Warwickshire, the birthplace of William Shakespeare. The Bard is believed to have been born here April 23rd, 1564. Tour the town, the birthplace and adjoining Shakespeare Museum, and visit Anne Hathaway's Cottage in the picture postcard village of Shottery. Continue your adventures with a visit to Warwick Castle, the finest medieval castle in England. This 14th century castle was home to the Earls of Warwick, including Richard



Neville, a crucial figure in the Wars of the Roses and known as "Kingmaker." Don't miss the wax exhibition by Mme. Tussaud, and be sure to see the medieval dungeon, the torture chamber and the ghost tower!

Other tours outside of the city that may interest you include the Georgian city of Bath, a town famous since Roman times for its mineral baths and hot springs; Windsor Castle, the weekend retreat of the royal family; or 5000-year-old Stonehenge, the most important prehistoric monument in Britain.

DAY 8 DEPART A TSA Tours representative will accompany you to the airport. Fly home with great memories of London, experienced *your way!*



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