



London Highlights with Chelsea Flower Show

7 days | 2 people | Arrival Sunday, May 15, 2022 | Reference # 2040333Bak2

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Trip summary

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SUN, MAY 15, 2022

Day 1

LONDON

The Adventure Begins

- Airport Meet & Greet - Assistant (Off-Hours)
- Heathrow Airport (arrival) - Vehicle/Driver

The Bloomsbury

Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

MON, MAY 16, 2022

Day 2

LONDON

Explore a City of Contrasts

- City Highlights - Tower of London, St. Paul's Cathedral & London Eye (8 hrs) - Private

The Bloomsbury

Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

TUE, MAY 17, 2022

Day 3

LONDON

The Main Event

- Chelsea Flower Show - Vehicle Driver Guid

The Bloomsbury

Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

WED, MAY 18, 2022

Day 4

LONDON

Quintessential Castles

- 1/2 Day Hampton Court Palace (4 hrs) - Vehicle/Guide/Driver

The Bloomsbury

Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

THU, MAY 19, 2022

Day 5

LONDON

Fairytale Castles and Royal Realms

- Windsor Castle & Kew Gardens(9 hrs) - Vehicle/Guide/Driver

The Bloomsbury

Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

FRI, MAY 20, 2022

Day 6

LONDON

A Bit of Time on Your Own

- Museums At Leisure - Self-Guided
- Fortnum & Mason Afternoon Tea - The Diamond Jubilee Tea Salon - Tea

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Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

SAT, MAY 21, 2022

Day 7

LONDON

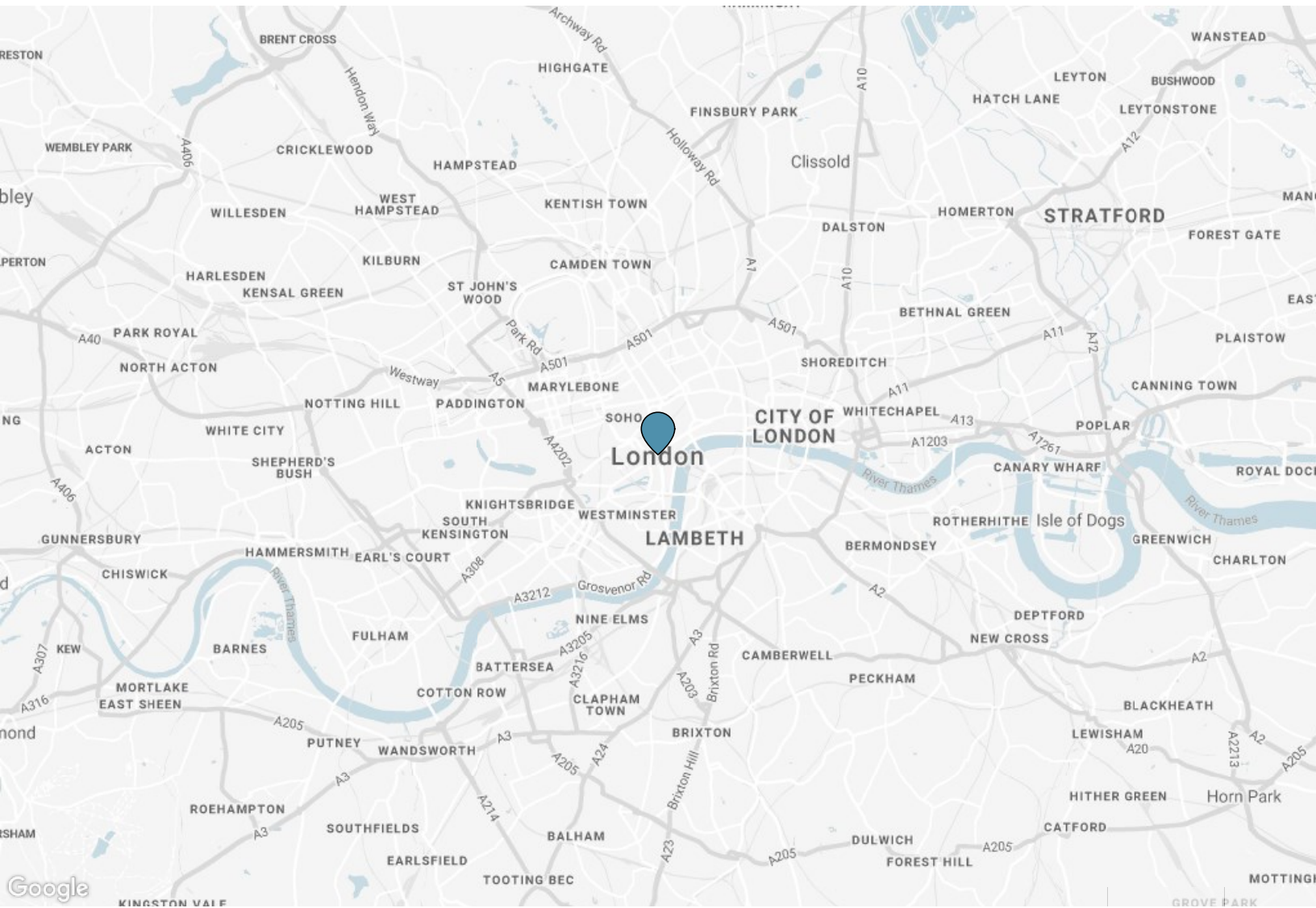
Until Next Time...

- Heathrow Airport (departure) - Vehicle/Driver

Depart (Int'l Airport)

1 DBL (2 Adults)

Trip map



Trip details



DAY 1 - SUN, MAY 15, 2022: LONDON

The Adventure Begins

For your added comfort, a Meet & Greet assistant will be waiting for you in the Arrivals Hall of the airport after you pass through customs. They'll direct you to your transfer, assist in the hotel check-in process, and take you through your travel documents.

Meet your private driver and vehicle for an airport transfer.

Where you're staying

[The Bloomsbury](#)

Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)



DAY 2 - MON, MAY 16, 2022: LONDON

Explore a City of Contrasts

Meet your private driver and guide, and set out on a full day tour to familiarize yourself with London's signature sights. In order to avoid the crowds later in the day, you'll first make your way to the majestic Tower of London, heading through London's historic center, passing Pudding Lane where the Great Fire of London started in 1666. Upon arrival, you'll visit the Tower, an 11th century castle initiated by William the Conqueror, classified as a UNESCO World Heritage Site and home of the priceless Crown Jewels. From there, head through the City of London, home to the Bank of London and the London Stock Exchange, arriving to St. Paul's Cathedral for a visit of England's largest church, used for Sir Winston Churchill's funeral, and the Queen's 2002 Golden Jubilee. Pause midday in historic Covent Garden Market for an opportunity to spot street performers, unique souvenirs, and lunch at leisure, with many deli and bakery stalls to choose from. Afterward, make your way to view London's iconic Buckingham Palace, the residence of the Queen, before continuing through Westminster, renowned home of Hyde Park, the Houses of Parliament with Big Ben, Piccadilly Circus, Bond Street, and more. Wrap up your tour as you take to the skies for a magnificent vantage point over London, celebrating your day with fast track entry for a nearly 30-minute ride on the world famous The London Eye observation wheel.

Where you're staying

[The Bloomsbury](#)

Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)





DAY 3 - TUE, MAY 17, 2022: LONDON

The Main Event

Meet your private driver at your hotel for a transfer to the Chelsea Flower Show, the perfect place to indulge your green thumb. The Chelsea Flower Show brings together the very best show gardens, flowers and gardening from around the world. See the magnificent floral displays, model gardens, English garden tools and a host of garden structures and artifacts by world famous names at this classic event. Admire the incredible designs that highlight innovation, creativity and sustainability. After witnessing the latest in garden trends, return to your hotel with a private transfer.

Where you're staying

The Bloomsbury

Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)

DAY 4 - WED, MAY 18, 2022: LONDON

Quintessential Castles

Enjoy a private half day guided tour of Hampton Court Palace, the former home of King Henry VIII. Located upstream of Central London on the River Thames, The Palace was extended and developed after he acquired it in the 1520's. Its many royal occupants have ensured the palace has fabulous furnishings, tapestries and paintings. The Palace is set in 60 acres of formal gardens, which include the famous maze and Tudor kitchen, designed to feed the court of King Henry the VIII every day, which numbered over 600 people! View The Privy Garden. As it appears today, it is one of the most accurately reconstructed gardens thanks to the detailed records of the original 1702 garden. Admission tickets for Hampton Court Palace are included in your Welcome Package, and must be brought with you on your tour today.

Where you're staying

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Deluxe Room with Breakfast, 1 DBL (2 Adults)



DAY 5 - THU, MAY 19, 2022: LONDON

Fairytale Castles and Royal Realms

Meet your private guide and driver and embark on a full day tour to Hampton Court and Windsor Castle. You'll first set your sights on the 16th century Hampton Court Palace, driving via the royal Richmond Park where if you're lucky, you may catch glimpses of deer on the way. Arriving when Hampton Court Palace opens its doors, you'll enjoy a visit of both the palace and gardens. Described as 'The Greatest Palace in Britain', Hampton Court has 500 years of history within its walls. Set in 60 acres of gardens, the palace was the center of Royal life from Henry VIII to George II. The palace houses some of the finest paintings from the Royal Collection, with art from the 16th, 17th and early 18th centuries on display. From there, head to Windsor via Runnymede and pass the site where the Magna Carta was signed in 1215. In the afternoon, you'll arrive to Windsor Castle where you'll be dazzled with a visit of what's amazingly both the oldest and the largest occupied castle in the entire world. The castle's dramatic site encapsulates 900 years of British history. It covers an area of 26 acres and contains, as well as a royal palace, a magnificent chapel and the homes and workplaces of a large number of people. The magnificent State Apartments are furnished with some of the finest works of art from the Royal Collection, including paintings by Rembrandt, Rubens, Canaletto, and Gainsborough. Afterward, take a panoramic drive around Windsor, passing Eton College before returning to London.

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DAY 6 - FRI, MAY 20, 2022: LONDON

A Bit of Time on Your Own

London is host to an array of world-class museums, which you are free to explore and enjoy at your leisure. Many museums in London have free entry, and are accessible via the London Underground (the Tube). For your convenience, here are some of the more prominent museums in the city, and their corresponding Underground station: The British Museum (Holburn station), The National Gallery (Trafalgar Square, Charing Cross station), the Victoria & Albert (South Kensington station), The Wallace Collection (Bond Street station) or the London Transport Museum (Covent Garden station).

For over 300 years, Fortnum & Mason has been sourcing and selling superb quality tea. In 1926, this famous grocery store was transformed into a unique department store with a restaurant that offered afternoon tea to its customers. The tradition of taking tea and that "little bit of something" between lunch and dinner had long been a feature of smart households, and in the Roaring Twenties at Fortnum's it was defined by a menu featuring the finest teas, delicate sandwiches and exquisite cakes. The fourth floor was made home to the much loved St. James's Restaurant in good time for the 250th anniversary in 1957, specialising in superb dining and fine afternoon tea. So, for generations, afternoon tea has become an essential part of any visit to 181 Piccadilly. On March 1st 2012, with enormous joy and excitement, the refurbished St James's restaurant were opened by HM, the Queen accompanied by Their Royal Highnesses the Duchess of Cornwall and the Duchess of Cambridge, and renamed The Diamond Jubilee Tea Salon.

Where you're staying

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DAY 7 - SAT, MAY 21, 2022: LONDON

Until Next Time...

Meet your private driver and vehicle for an airport transfer.

Where you're staying

Depart (Int'l Airport)

Ask Karen about these options



\$ \$ \$
1/2 Day Black Cab Beatles Tour (3 hrs) - Vehicle/Driver



\$ \$ \$
1/2 Day Royal Warrant Walking Tour (3 hrs) - Guide



\$ \$ \$
Downton Abbey (9 hrs) - Vehicle/Driver-Guide



\$ \$ \$
Leeds Castle & Canterbury (9 hrs) - Vehicle/Guide/Driver

Accommodation

LONDON

The Bloomsbury

Named after its eclectic neighborhood, The Bloomsbury hotel and its architecture reflect the true nature and history of this area and a number of literary icons who used to create here. This property is an excellent choice for travelers seeking comfort and intimacy in a historical setting. The neighborhood itself is often referred to as London's hidden gem, with its elegant garden squares, and streets lined with a selection of shops and boutiques. It is also settled in close proximity to Theatreland, Soho and Covent Garden. The hotel's furnishings, artwork, lighting, and color palette create a feel more akin to a private home than a traditional hotel. A beautiful restaurant, claimed to be one of London's most sought after alfresco dining hotspots, as well as a glamorous club bar make this property truly fit in with the atmosphere of its surroundings.

Room: **Deluxe Room**

Feel refined and glamorous while unwinding in the Deluxe Room, handsomely equipped with either queen or king-sized bedding, wooden furniture, bold fabrics, stylish lamps and finished off with a calming neutral palette of colors. Averaging at 302 sq.ft., each room has a generous-sized desk for work, an inviting armchair to relax in, and enough space to comfortably accommodate two guests. The room features marble bathrooms with heated floors, walk-in showers and a separate bath. The amenities include free WiFi, Nespresso coffee machine, as well as a 40" flat screen TV.

The fine print

- Your deposit is due immediately on booking (30% of program price, minimum \$350). The balance is due 90 days prior to departure.
 - Cancellations of confirmed bookings 90 days or more prior to departure will receive full refund minus a \$350 (per person) administrative fee and any non-refundable paid fees (e.g. non-refundable airfare, cruise or hotel deposits). 60-89 days will be subject to loss of 30% of program price. 30-59 days will be subject to loss of 50% of program price. 29 days or less will be subject to loss of 100% of program price.
 - Tour quotes do not include airfare to/from the trip start point unless noted on the itinerary
 - Cost increases in currency exchange, government fees, taxes, surcharges or hotel/lodge tariff increases between quote date and start date are payable by the client.
 - Availability cannot be guaranteed until booked. We will exercise best efforts to book hotels per the itinerary, however, in busy seasons and with client bookings made within 90 days of tour date we may be forced to offer substitutes.
 - Payment of the program price constitutes your acceptance of the terms and conditions set out at www.privateguided.com/terms-and-conditions
 - Living Standards and practices at destination may differ from those in North America with respect to provisions of utilities, services and accommodation.
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