Summer Walking tours in London

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Trafalgar Square

It is in the centre of London. There is the figure of Admiral Nelson on top of the 50-meter column. He is the British hero who defeated the French at the Battle of Trafalgar in 1805.



Trafalgar Square

It is a popular meeting place for people & pigeons.



Mermaid and dolphin sculptures adorn the fountains at the base of Nelson's column.

The National Gallery

It is one of London's great treasures. There are more than 2300 of world's finest paintings.



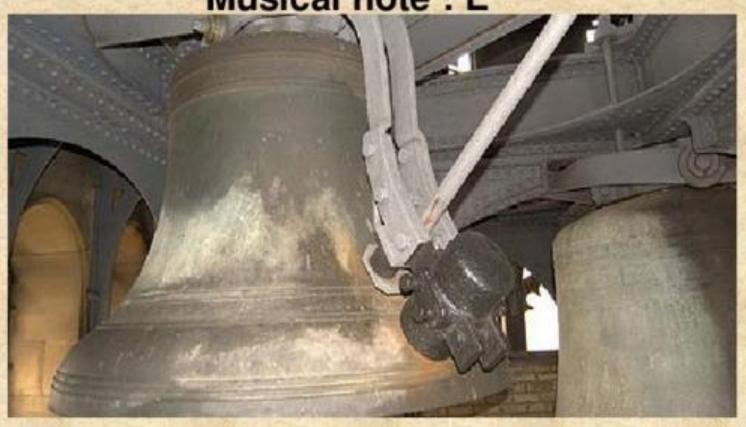
The Houses of Parliament Real Big Ben

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Height: 2.2m

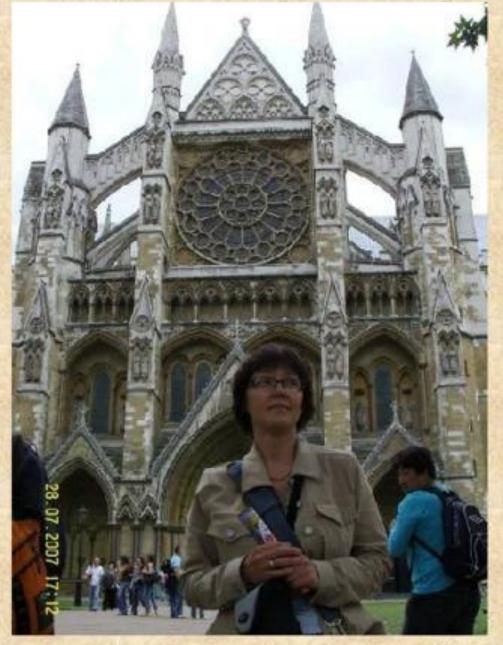
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Westminster Abbey

Westminster Abbey is steeped in more than a thousand years of history. Benedictine monks first came to this site in the middle of the tenth century, establishing a tradition of daily worship. The present church, begun by Henry III in 1245, is one of the most important Gothic buildings in the country,



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The Abbey has been the coronation church since 1066 and is the final resting place of seventeen monarchs.

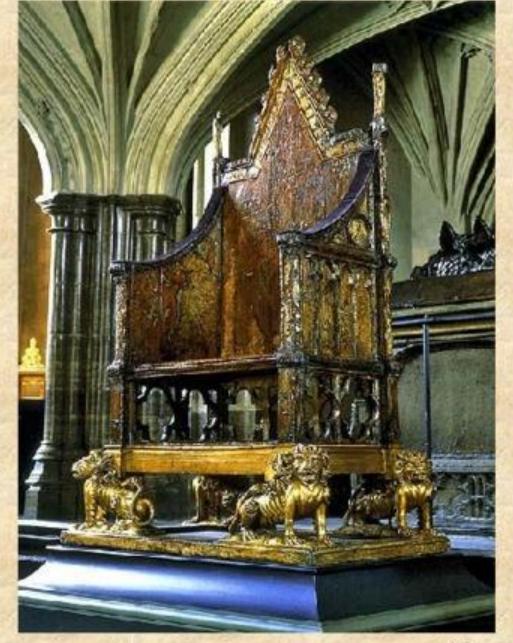


Westminster Abbey

The throne on which British sovereigns are seated at the moment of coronation.

It has been used at every coronation since 1308.

There was the Stone of Scone upon which the kings of Scotland are crowned; but the Stone is now being kept in Scotland.



Buckingham Palace

It is the royal heart of London. Her Majesty the Queen lives here. It has served as the official residence of British Monarchy since 1837.



Buckingham Palace

The Victoria
Memorial stands
in front of
Buckingham
Palace.

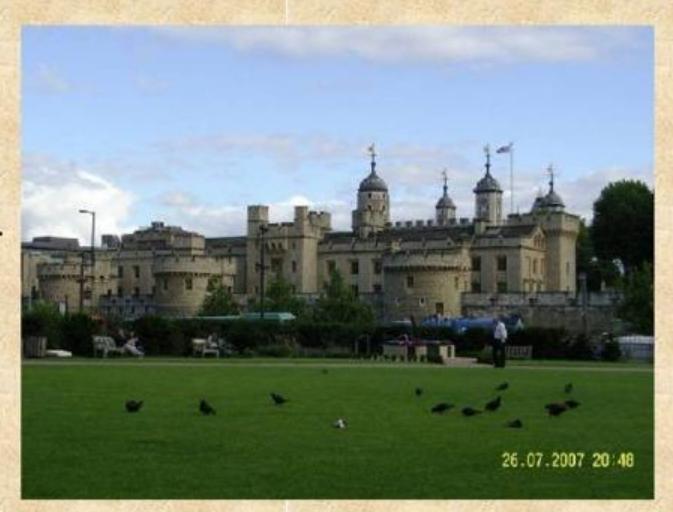


Buckingham Palace

It is a very popular place for tourists.



It has been a royal palace, a royal mint, an arsenal, a military fortress and a prison. Now it is a great tourist attraction.



King Henry VIII (1491 – 1547)

- He had 6 wives and two of them were beheaded by his order
- in the Tower. He was a very important monarch. Under him Britain became richer and powerful. He became head of the Church of England.



Queen Elizabeth I (1533 – 1603)

- She was a very popular and strong queen. She is known for saying:
- "I have the body of a weak and feeble woman, but I have the heart and stomach of a King.."



The White Tower within the Tower of London is nearly 1000 years old.



The River Thames

The Thames is the second longest river in the United Kingdom and the longest river entirely in England. The Thames has a length of 215 miles(346km).



London Eye

Do you like to ride on a big wheel? London Eye is just the thing!



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The London Eye became one of London's most popular landmark.





It was open in 2000.
It carries 5 000 000 million passengers a year in its 32 pod-like capsules.