# London's most popular museums

# **The Tower of London**



The Tower of London was built at the beginning of the eleventh century by William the conqueror. The tower was expanded during the thirteenth century into the fortified complex that we know today. The Tower's most popular attraction is its famous collection of Crown Jewels.

#### National Gallery



The National Gallery is one of London's most important museums. It has an impressive collection of paintings covering the period between 1260 and 1900, with works from virtually all renowned artists of the era.

#### Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum



Touted as "London's favorite tourist attraction", the statues at Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum have been thrilling visitors since Tussaud's opened her first permanent exhibit in 1835.

#### **Imperial War Museum**



Originally established to pay homage to the British contribution to World War I, the Imperial War Museum now covers all major twentieth-century conflicts involving Great Britain.

# **The British Museum**



The British Museum is the largest museum in the United Kingdom with a collection of more than seven million objects. Its collection encompasses artifacts from many civilizations and spans a period of more than two thousand years.

### The Victoria and Albert Museum



 With a permanent collection that tops four million pieces, the Victoria and Albert Museum is the largest decorative arts museum in the world. It's also one of London's most interesting and diverse museums.

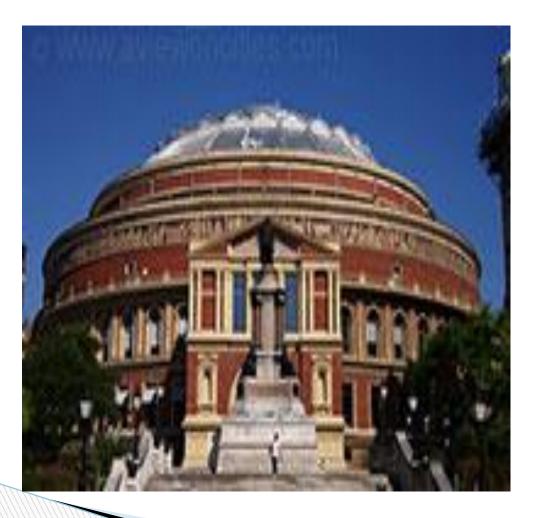
#### **Albert Memorial**





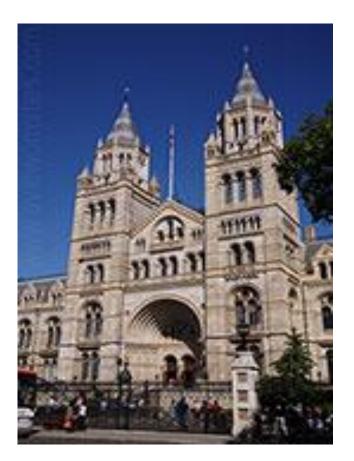
The Albert Memorial was commissioned by Queen Victoria as a tribute to her late consort, Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha. The High Gothic monument was completed in 1876, fifteen years after prince Albert died at the age of forty-two.

# **Royal Albert Hall**



The red brick Royal Albert Hall was built in the nineteenth century as a multifunctional music and entertainment hall. Today it is one of London's most recognizable landmarks and a top European performing arts venue.

#### **Natural History Museum**



 What started as the private collection of a single individual evolved into one of the largest museums of natural history of the world. The museum is housed in a magnificent neo-Romanesque building, designed by Alfred Waterhouse.

#### **Tate Modern**



Tate Modern has an excellent collection of modern art, from 1900 until now. It is housed in a former power station. Since its opening in 2000 it has become one of London's most popular museums.

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