

WELCOME TO LONDON

TOURIST FOLDER-THE MOST INTERESTING PLACES

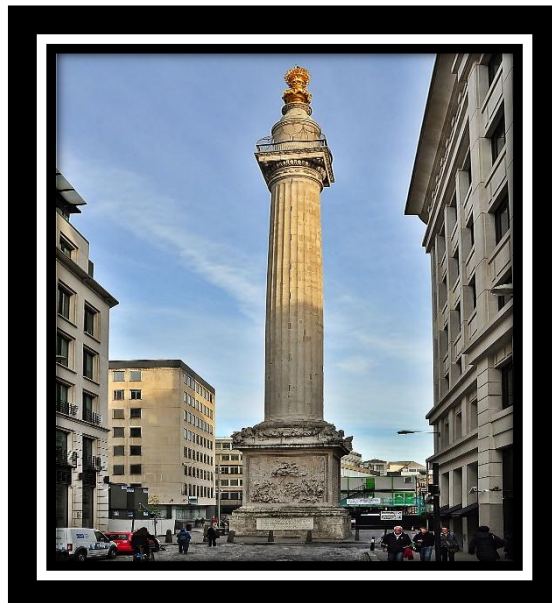
THE LONDON EYE

It's new and it's fun. Ride up in the sky and look down on London. The London Eye is 135 metres high and is the slowest big wheel in the world. It has 32 capsules which carry 25 passengers each. The London Eye is on the South Bank of the Thames in the exact centre of London.



THE MONUMENT

Another good place to see London from the sky. You can climb to the top of the 300-year-old Monument and look out over the city. It's the tallest stone column in the world. The column is exactly 61.5 metres tall and 61.5 metres from where the Great Fire of London started in 1666.



ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

This famous church, rebuilt after the Great Fire, is near the Monument. It's the fifth cathedral on this site. Visit the famous Whispering Gallery – you can hear people whisper 30 metres away.



CAMDEN MARKET

London has lots of markets, but Camden is the best. You can buy lots of exciting things here- unusual clothes and some great records. The market is open at the weekend- the best day to go is Sunday. It's London's second most visited tourist attraction (after the British Museum).



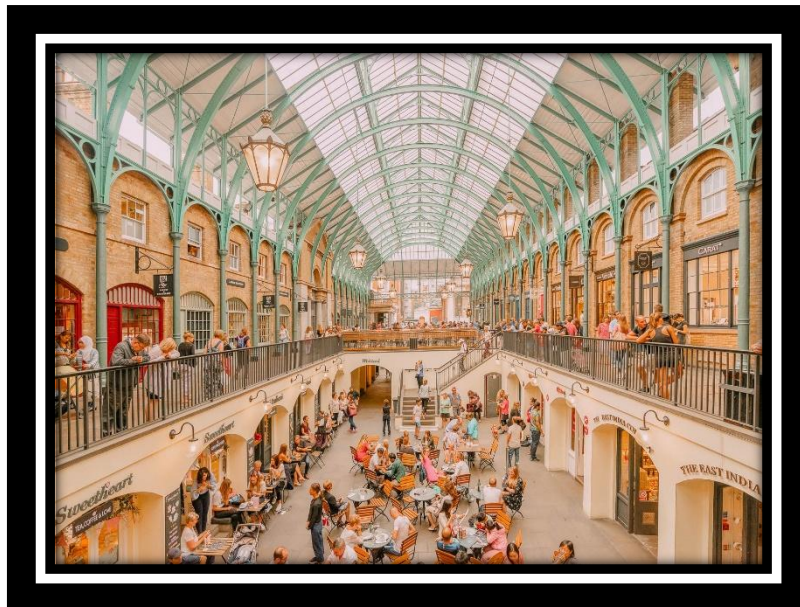
REGENT'S CANAL

You can take a sightseeing boat along the canal from Camden past Regent's Park and London Zoo. There are sightseeing tours every hour from April to October. From November to March the boats only go at the weekend.



COVENT GARDEN

Once London's biggest flower, fruit and vegetable market, the Covent Garden piazza is now another great place for shopping and also has lots of cafes and restaurants. You can usually see buskers and street theatre here- but be careful of pickpockets.



BIG BEN

What is Big Ben? Is it a clock? In fact, Big Ben is really the name of one of the clock's bells and it weighs over 13 tonnes. Big Ben is in the clock tower of the Houses of Parliament. The tower is 95.7 metres high and it's on the River Thames.



MADAME TUSSAUD'S

Come here and see models of famous people, from film stars and characters to kings and queens. It's open every day of the year except Christmas Day. A popular attraction is the 'Spirit of London' time ride- you sit in the back of a real black taxi and 'travel' through London's history in five minutes. And don't miss the Chamber of Horrors!



THE LONDON AQUARIUM

Meet sharks face to face! This aquarium has over 365 kinds of the fish- more than one for every day of the year. The aquarium makes its own seawater and every year it uses salt equal to the weight of nine London double-decker buses. It's on the South Bank of the river, next to the London Eye and is open every day from 10am-6pm.

