

1. The Big Ben and The Palace of Westminster



We start our tour of London from the Westminster district on the River Thames. The most eye-catching attraction is the building complex which includes the Big Ben clock tower and the Palace of Westminster. The Palace of Westminster is a historic neo-Gothic palace; seat of the UK House of Commons, House of Lords and associated offices. It consists of three wings. The most important rooms are located in the central axis. In the middle is the Central Lobby, on both sides of it, at the same distance are the Lords Chamber and the Commons Chamber. At the north end, there is the Elizabeth Tower, also known as Big Ben. In the opposite part of the palace there is the Victoria Tower, the top of which at a height of 98.5 meters is the highest point of the complex.

2. Tate Modern



Walking along the bank of the Thames, we reach the museum of contemporary art - Tate Modern. The museum is housed in what was once the main hall of Bankside Power Station. The conversion of the building into a museum was completed in 2000. Admission to the museum is free, so you can enter for a while to see the building from the inside. Together with Tate Britain, Tate Liverpool, Tate St Ives it is part of the Tate Gallery. From the beginning of its existence, Tate Modern is considered one of the most interesting museums in the world presenting modern art, next to the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

3. The Globe Theatre



Next to the Tate Modern there is Shakespeare's Globe Theater. This theater was working in the years 1599-1642 and was the most important and largest theater at that time. One of the shareholders was William Shakespeare and mostly his plays were staged there. Nowadays, there are daily guided tours where you can learn about the history of the theater. There are also theater performances every day. Watching the show on the Globe Theater is a truly ama



4. St. Paul's Cathedral



After visiting the Tate Modern and the Globe Theater, you can cross the Millennium Bridge to the opposite side of the River Thames. There, in the City of London district, there is the largest cathedral in Great Britain - St. Paul. Work on its construction was completed in 1710 and the cathedral has the second largest dome in the world. Admission to the cathedral is paid and the ticket is quite expensive. However, there are holy masses in the cathedral every day, and this is the only way to see the interior for free.

5. Greenwich



We are heading to the Greenwich district. You can go there by boat or metro. Greenwich is most famous for the zero meridian passing there. Outside of the zero meridian, you will have the opportunity to visit several museums there, such as the Royal Astronomical Observatory and the Maritime Museum. You can also visit the Planetarium and the Cutty Sark ship that once sailed in international waters. There is also a beautiful park in Greenwich, located on a small hill. It offers a beautiful view of central London.

6. Tower Bridge



On the way to Greenwich, we also come across Tower Bridge, a Victorian drawbridge. The bridge, which was erected in 1872, is one of the main attractions in the city. A characteristic element of the bridge are the towers connected by two platforms, which are footbridges. You can admire the Tower Bridge from the outside, but you can also go inside the towers and take a walk on the upper decks. Entry to the towers is payable, and the ticket also entitles you to enter the museum next door. The main highlight on the upper deck is the glass floor.

7. Oxford Street



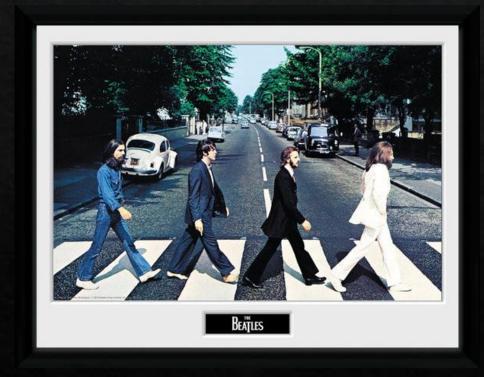
Lots of people come to London for shopping. No wonder, because London is a fashion center and the city is home to all of the biggest fashion houses. The main street visited daily by millions of tourists and Londoners is Oxford Street. It is the longest shopping street in Europe. Clothing stores here predominate, but there are also cosmetic and electronics stores. You will find exclusive clothing stores from famous designers as well as chain stores. There is literally everything on Oxford Street.

8. Harrods



One of the most famous department stores in the world, Harrods, is located in the vicinity of the museums in Kensington. This department store is so famous because for many years members of the royal family used to obtain food and other goods there. Harrods was founded in 1849, there are over 300 stores with exclusive goods. You won't find chain stores there, only designer boutiques. It is worth entering Harrods, even just for a walk, to see the interiors and interesting decorations on the walls and ceilings. In addition to the department store, the Harrods Group includes Harrods Bank, Harrods Estates, Harrods Casino, Harrods Aviation and Air Harrods.

9. Abbey Road



And now a real treat for fans of The Beatles. Abbey Road. This is where the music studio is located, where The Beatles recorded their album. A few meters from the studio, there is the famous pedestrian crossing where team members had a photo session. The photo taken at this aisle was featured on the Abbey Road album cover. The original pedestrian crossing where The Beatles were photographed was moved a few meters. However, in 2010, the pedestrian crossing was included in the List of Monuments of Great Britain by English Heritage.

10. Buckingham Palace



A visit to London is impossible without a visit to Buckingham Palace. The Queen of England lives in the palace with her closest family. The palace can be admired from the outside. Every second day in the morning there is a ceremonial changing of the guard, attended by the entire royal guard. Buckingham is closed to the public except during the summer period. The Queen spends her holidays in her summer palace and then tourists have the opportunity to visit Buckingham in the middle. Of course, only a few rooms are available to see, but it's still an amazing opportunity to go inside.

