

# Discover London at No Cost

London is a great place to be since it offers an immense range of activities and sights for any visitor. From parks to museums, London is simply heaven, where you can have fun all year round. Many of the attractions can be enjoyed free of charge, which is surely good news taking into account the costs of public transportation, accommodation, or meals. Here is an overview of some of the most interesting free attractions offered by the UK's capital.

## Museums

### **British Museum**

British Museum is home to an amazing collection that dates back two million years. There is a unique display of culture including the famous Rosetta stone, Egyptian mummies and other rare artifacts that attract many tourists every year. All of that is for free.



### **Museum of London**

This museum is open every week day for free access to the greatest treasures of history. It tells the appalling stories of raging civil wars and the plague among other events that shaped London.

### **National Maritime Museum**

The National Maritime Museum is a free encounter with the sea world. You will be awed by great ocean liners, be captivated by tales of the transatlantic trade not to mention the fun activities for the whole family.

## Galleries

### **Guildhall Art Gallery**

Guildhall Art Gallery and Roman Amphitheatre is another free haven for tourists as it houses old paintings and also there lies the ruins of a Roman Amphitheatre. The ruins where great gladiatorial combats and public executions took place were discovered as archaeologists worked on the site for the new gallery in 1988.

## **National Gallery**

The National Gallery is home to the world renowned works of Leonardo da Vinci, Renoir, Cezanne and Van Gogh.

## **National Portrait Gallery**

Those interested in art can visit the National Portrait Gallery for a collection dating back ages. You will see thousands of portraits of famous faces as well as a display of masterly artistic skills.



Parks

## **Hyde Park**

This is one of the biggest parks in the world, spanning a whole 350 acres. It is the perfect place to relax with more than four thousand trees, alluring flower gardens and a sprawling meadow. People of all ages can have a relaxing time at the huge park with swimming boating, skating and other playing amenities.

People who like to spend all day at the park can have a meal at any of two lake side parks that serve breakfast to dinner. The park is home to many historic buildings like Diana Memorial Fountain and the famous Achilles statue.

## **Kensington Gardens**

This is a Royal Park that houses serene Italian gardens, the serpentine gallery and it is also home to the Peter Pan themed Princess Diana playground.

## **Bushy Park**

It is located to the North of Hampton court palace and is home to more than three hundred free roaming deer. There are plenty other amenities that visitors can enjoy during their stay.

## **St. James Park**

It is the park at the heart of London and home to the Mall and a variety of birds. Children get to play in the park while adults can watch the lovely pelicans, woodpeckers and owls that call the park home. You can spend all day at the park thanks to Inn the Park, a British restaurant where you can eat your fill from

breakfast to dinner.

## **Richmond Park**

Richmond Park is the largest royal park with more than 600 deer living there. It is a fun place to be, thanks to playgrounds, educational facilities, fishing ponds, cycling and horse riding track present at the facility.

Historic sites

A city with rich history like London definitely has some sites to show for it. From ancient houses to past ruins, there are a whole lot of historic sites in the city.

## **Old Royal Naval College**

The Old Royal Naval College is one of the city's most famous landmarks and home to the twin-domed riverside masterpiece. It is open every day and entry is free.

## **Goldsmiths Hall**

Goldsmiths Hall is the place where you can go for exhibitions by contemporary jewelers.



## **Kenwood House**

A captivating historic site in London is Kenwood House located on Hampstead Lane. It is a magnificent house surrounded by spectacular gardens and is home to a stunning collection of art, free for all to see. It is a serene place for children to play and where adults can unwind. There are myriad events at the house which anyone looking for a good time can attend.

## **Queen's House Greenwich**

The Queen's House Greenwich is a stunning landmark that was commissioned by King James I. It has a beautiful tulip staircase, a cubic great hall and orangery opening onto the Greenwich Park from where there is a splendid view of the Royal observatory; all these for free.

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