





The Tower of London

The Tower of London is the London's oldest building. Since William the Conqueror built it in the 11th century, this castle has been a Royal palace, a prison, a place of execution, a zoo, the Royal Mint, and an observatory. Today it's a museum and houses the Crown Jewels. There is a gift shop.





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The Big Ben

The world-known clock. Everyday about 500 tourists come to London to see the Big Ben. Built in 1858, it was named after an architect whose name was Ben (Benjamin). The interesting fact is that you are not allowed to get inside the Big Ben if you aren't an Englishman. No tourists allowed.





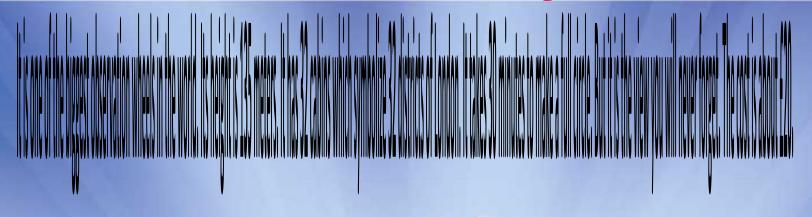
Madam Tussaud's Museum

The most famous museum of waxworks. It presents all famous people from singers and actors to Prime Ministers and Presidents. All the waxworks are of such a good quality, that sometimes you can mistake them for a real person.





London Eye





Parks of London

London is famous for its parks.
Combined, all these parks cover more land than the Principality of Monaco. The most well-known is the Hyde Park





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ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

It was built on the highest point of London 300 years ago. It is the London Bishop's residence and is the most popular place of visit. The price of visit is £16.



PICCADILLY CIRCUS



The place is far from what is called "a circus". It is a well-known meeting point of the city.

It has become so popular, that is now considered to be a place to visit for all

the tourists.

London National Gallery



The gallery has more than 2000 works of world-known artists of XIII-XX centuries. You can spend the whole day there and it will not be enough. What is interesting, is that the gallery is free for everyone.

Westminster Abbey

Westminster Abbey also known as Collegiate Church of St. Peter is a Gothic church on the scale of a cathedral. **Westminster Abbey has** been the traditional place of coronation and **burial for English** monarchs for a long time.



Today it is still used for the celebration of great events in the country's history and for regular worship.

Buckingham Palace

Buckingham Palace is the official London residence of the Sovereign. The daily ceremony of the Changing of the Guards takes place in its courtyard. The palace was built in 1703 by the Duke of Buckingham.







Whitehall



Whitehall is a street in central London running from Trafalgar Square to the Houses of Parliament and containing many important buildings and government offices, such as the Treasury, Admiralty and others. In the centre of the roadway stands the Cenotaph, the memorial to the fallen of both world wars. The Prime Minister's residence at No. 10 Downing Street is directly connected to Whitehall.

The Houses of Parliament



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Its official name is the Palace of
Westminster. Most of the building was
built in 1840 after the fire of 1834
destroyed the old palace. At the north
end of the building, by Westminster
Bridge, there is the famous clock tower,
Big Ben. In fact Big Ben is really the name
of the bell in the tower, not of the clock.

PLACES OF INTEREST IN LONDON



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