

Great Britain

An aerial photograph of London, England, taken during the golden hour of sunset. The River Thames flows through the center of the city. On the left bank, the Elizabeth Tower (Big Ben) and the Houses of Parliament are illuminated. In the foreground, the spire of Westminster Abbey is prominent. On the right bank, the London Eye is visible, along with other city buildings and bridges. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue.

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The London Eye

Лондонский глаз

The London Eye is a giant 135-metre tall Ferris wheel situated on the banks of the River Thames in the British capital.

It is the tallest Ferris wheel in Europe, and the most popular paid tourist attraction in the United Kingdom, visited by over 3.5 million people annually.

The London Eye is located on the South Bank of the River Thames in London.



Westminster Abbey

Вестминстерское Аббатство

Westminster Abbey is a Gothic church in London that is the traditional place of coronation and burial for English monarchs. Located next to the Houses of Parliament in the heart of



The Tower of London Лондонский Тауэр

An ancient fortress in London. Now it's a museum of armour and also the place where Crown Jewels are kept. It comprises not one, but 20 towers. The oldest of which, the White Tower. Many stories associated with British history come from the Tower. In 1483 King Edward IV's two sons were murdered in the so-called Bloody Tower. Of course, no visit to the Tower would be complete without seeing the ravens; huge black birds. Legend states that if the ravens were to leave the Tower the Crown will fall, and Britain with it. Under the special care of the Raven Master, the ravens are fed a daily diet of raw meat. And there is no danger of them flying away, because their wings are clipped.





The Bloody Tower

Кровавая башня

The Bloody Tower was built by King Henry III between 1238 - 1272

The Bloody Tower was originally named the Garden Tower. But was given this nickname from the murderous events which were believed to have occurred in the building. It is believed to first derive its name from the suicide in it of Henry Percy. It was then believed to be the scene of the murder of the two little Princes in the Tower – Edward V and his brother the Duke of York.

Finally it was believed that Henry VI also met his death here. Others who suffered imprisonment or death in the Bloody Tower included: Henry Percy died there in mysterious circumstances in 1585; Hanging Judge Jeffreys , Sir Thomas Overbury, poet and many others.



The White Tower *Белая Башня*



- The **White Tower** is a central tower, the old tower, at the Tower of London. It was started in 1078 by William the Conqueror who ordered the White Tower to be built inside the south-east part of The City walls, near the River Thames. This was as to protect London from outside invaders. William ordered the Tower to be built of stone. The tower was finished around 1087 by his sons and successors, William Rufus and Henry I.



Stonehenge

Стоунхендж

Stonehenge is a prehistoric monument located in the English county of Wiltshire (Уилтшир), about 13 kilometres north of Salisbury (Солсбери). One of the most famous sites in the world, Stonehenge is composed of earthworks surrounding a circular setting of large standing stones.

The University of Cambridge Кембриджский университет

The University of Cambridge (informally Cambridge University, or simply Cambridge) is a public, research university located in Cambridge, United Kingdom. It is the second-oldest university in both England and the English-speaking world and the seventh-oldest globally. It is one of the best universities in the world. Graduates of the University have won a total of 61 Nobel Prizes, the most of any university in the world. Academic staff of the University won a total of 52 Nobel Prizes, second most of any academic institution (after Columbia University).



Madame Tussauds

Мадам Тюссо

Madame Tussauds is a wax museum in London with branches in a number of major cities. It was founded by wax sculptor Marie Tussaud and was formerly known as "Madame Tussaud's". Madame Tussauds is a major tourist attraction in London, displaying waxworks of historical and royal figures, film stars, sports stars and famous murderers.



Windsor Castle Виндзорский

Windsor Castle is a medieval castle and royal residence in Windsor. The original castle was built after the Norman invasion by William the Conqueror, and since the time of Henry I it has been used by a succession of monarchs. The castle includes the 15th-century St George's Chapel (капелла св. Георгия). More than five hundred people live and work in Windsor, making it the largest inhabited castle in the world.



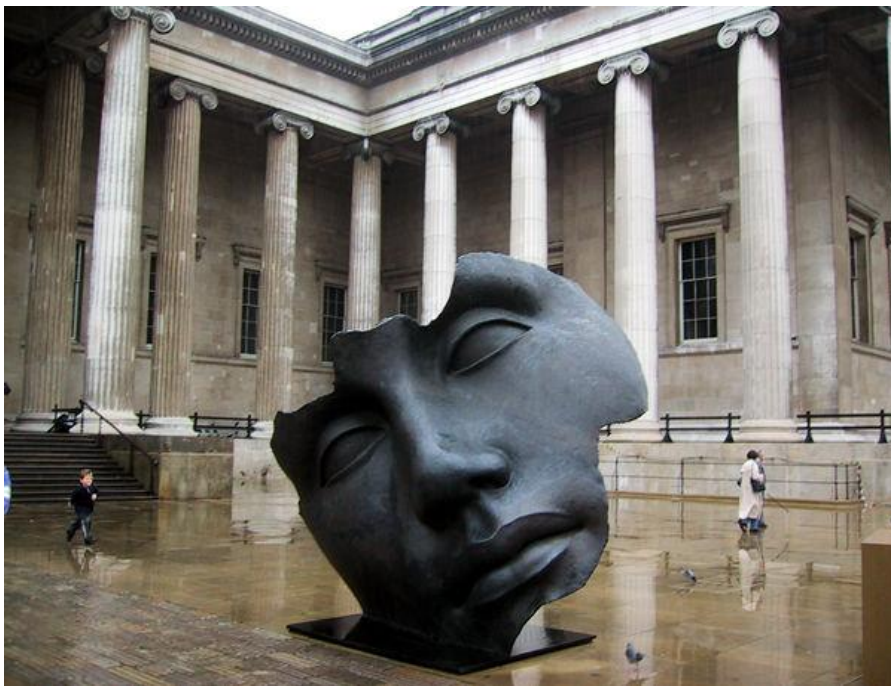


The Tower Bridge Тауэрский мост

Tower Bridge is a beautiful monument in London, over the River Thames. It is close to the Tower of London, which gives it its name. It has become an iconic symbol of London.

The British Museum Британский музей

The **British Museum** is a museum of human history and culture in London. Its collections, which number more than seven million objects, are among the largest and most comprehensive in the world and originate from all continents, illustrating and documenting the story of human culture from its beginnings to the present



The Royal Albert Hall

Королевский Альберт Холл

- The **Royal Albert Hall** is a concert hall situated in London.
- The Royal Albert Hall is one of the UK's most treasured and distinctive buildings, recognizable all over the world. Since its opening by Queen Victoria in 1871, the world's leading artists from every kind of performance genre have appeared on its stage. Each year it hosts more than 350 performances including classical concerts, rock and pop, ballet and opera, award ceremonies, school and community events, charity performances .





Big Ben Биг Бен

Big Ben is the nickname for the great bell of the clock at the north end of the Palace of Westminster in London. It celebrated its 150th anniversary in May 2009. The tower is 96.3 metres high (roughly 16 stories).



Buckingham Palace

Букингемский дворец

Buckingham Palace is the London home and primary residence of the British monarch. Buckingham Palace has 775 rooms. These include 19 State rooms, 52 Royal and guest bedrooms, 188 staff bedrooms, 92 offices and 78 bathrooms. Buckingham Palace is the Queen's official London residence and is used to receive and entertain guests on state, ceremonial and official occasions for the Royal Family. The Palace is located between The Green Park, Hyde Park and St. James's Park. Buckingham Palace's 19 state rooms, ballroom and gardens are open to visitors during August and September.





Kensington Palace *Кенсингтонский* *дворец*

- **Kensington Palace** is a royal residence set in Kensington Gardens in London, England. It has been a residence of the British Royal Family since the 17th century. Kensington Palace is also used on an unofficial basis by Prince Harry, as well as his cousin Zara Phillips.
- It was the official residence of Diana, Princess of Wales (until her death in 1997).



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