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London - A Visitor's Guide



Synopsis

** NEW EDITION - UPDATED FOR 2017 **Who is this book for? - People needing useful tips, plenty of practical advice, and honest reviews by a local Londoner, who has personally visited every attraction himselfHonest reviews of 200 landmarks, attractions, galleries, palaces, parades and day tripsDetailed information about times, prices, and the time required to enjoy each attractionPlenty of photos and maps - original photos throughout, and street maps at the backExample itineraries - two weeks of carefully planned itineraries, with tips and timingsChoosing a hotel - the author takes you inside 20 hotels from the Premier Inn to The RitzTop 10 lists - a chapter full of handy lists like the top 10 must-dos, and 10 best for kidsSelf-guided walks (bonus chapter in ebook only) - eleven sightseeing walks with mapsMoney-saving tips like how to see inside St Paul's and Westminster Abbey for freePractical advice about discount passes, everyday prices, and where to get free Wi-FiAll budgets covered - from free museums and galleries, to a tour of the palace200 travelogue-style reviews by a local Londoner, who has personally visited all of themBest attractions for kids - Madame Tussauds, London Eye, London Zoo +moreFamous landmarks - Tower of London, Houses of Parliament, Downing St +moreRoyal Family - Windsor Castle, Buckingham Palace, Kensington Palace +moreGalleries and museums - British Museum, National Gallery, Tate Modern +moreParades - Ceremony of the Keys, Changing the Guard, Trooping the Colour +moreFurther afield - Oxford, Cambridge, Canterbury, Stonehenge, Stratford, Bath +moreHow to use London transport - detailed information about buses, boats, taxis and trainsBus and train fares - learn all about fare zones, daily caps, photocards +moreOyster, travelcard or contactless? - learn which card is best for you, and how it worksTips and advice - how to pay, how to read the timetables and maps +moreFrom the author: "The best thing about this book is that I'm a local, and I've been to all of these attractions myself. And I don't just regurgitate the same old spiel that you find in 95% of guidebooks. It's not the kind of guide where I just tell you the basics, and leave it at that. I'll take you inside each location and share my experiences with you. Maybe I enjoyed them, and maybe I didn't... I'll give you an honest opinion, alongside exact information about opening times and prices. If you're new to London then I'll explain how to ride the buses, taxis and trains, and if you enjoy walking then I've created some self-guided walks (bonus chapter in ebook only), plus two weeks-worth of example itineraries. I've also included some Top 10 lists, a chapter full of popular day trips, and a review of every hotel I've ever stayed at, from the Premier Inn to The Ritz. It's a good little travel companion to keep in your pocket."London - A Visitor's Guide from <https://www.londondrum.com> is the perfect travel companion

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Customer Reviews

I am planning a quick trip to London and truly enjoyed this guidebook. It contains a summary of all major (and most minor) attractions, great information on navigating public transportation, several walking tours, and a smattering of suggested day trips from London. Most importantly, though, it entertained me with irreverent humor and hysterically honest accounts of the author's experiences. I've never read a guidebook cover to cover until now - this isn't your average dry and boring travel guide!

Imagine your goofy uncle retired from teaching and self-published a travel guide. There's some sexist language and corny self-deprecating humor, and heaven knows it needs a thorough copy edit (lots of its/it's style errors). But this is a surprisingly worthwhile book with practical reviews of less well known London destinations. It makes me want to go back to London and hit many of the places he reviews. Mr. Cross' scoring system gives you an idea of how much time to allocate for each destination as well as value for cost, and whether or not kids will hate it. This book is a great value at \$3.99 (digital). One note: destinations are not listed in the Table of Contents. The full list of places

is at the beginning of "Landmarks and Destinations" section.

Excellent compilation. Tickling humour. A rather unusual guide to London. Even if you do not plan to visit London, it has a wealth of info on the city. The photographs embellish the charming writing.

In a few months, I'll leave for London, again. I've visited several times, but not recently. I bought this book on a whim the other day. Heaven knows, I don't really *need* another London guidebook. But I'm glad I got it. I've read most of it straight through, laughed out loud a couple of times, and enjoyed almost every single entry. If you're easily offended, or if you lack a basic sense of humor, do yourself a favor and skip this book. It's a very personal look at an impressive number of attractions in London, by a guy who's got aging knees, a suspicion of armed individuals, a healthy dislike of hordes of screaming children, and other attitudes on display. That's all fine with me; I hate screaming children too. As my trip approaches I'll refer to this book as I list my final itinerary. I've been to London more than half a dozen times, and there are a few things in here I'd never heard of and might want to see.

Spot on everything. Went to globe theatre just like he said. The seats he recommended were perfect, dry and bought the cushions (thank you). Play was fantastic. Great book made a great vacation

I found this very entertaining and informative. And repetitive (inevitable with all the cross references). And I have a "serious" guide book too, but this gave me a perspective that the serious guide doesn't. I found Mr. Cross's irreverence a great relief to standard guides, and I'll probably read this again, long after I have left London, just for the laughs.

This guy tells it like it is. Giving you his preferences up front, he then proceeds to tell you the best (and worst) of each place he visits. Times open, which bus and tube line to take to get there, prices, and special ratings for whether it's good for kids, easy to get to, good value for the money, and worth going are just some of the things he tells you. He also has a website you can visit for more up-to-date info, though this is pretty current as it's the 2017 edition. Worth it just for armchair travelers, and if I ever make it back over there, I'll definitely have this as one of my guide books.

First of all, I love all things British. I have just begun reading this book, and so far, I love it. I smiled

through the writer's introduction, and laughed out loud - several times, on the first page. I am looking forward to reading what seems to be a very well-researched travel guide to one of the world's greatest cities.

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