



# New Year's Eve in London: The City Experience

#### 7 days | 9 days with London extension

London was once considered the capital of the world—and it shows. It has a history that stretches back 2,000 years, and a culture as rooted in the local pub as it is in world-class museums. Celebrate the arrival of the new year with millions of other revelers in true British fashion. Then, get acquainted with the city at your own pace, whether that means strolling through Kensington Gardens, entering Westminster Abbey, or seeing Big Ben up close.



#### Your tour package includes

5 nights in a well-located hotel
5 breakfasts
3 dinners with beer or wine, including a celebratory New Year's Eve dinner with Champagne toast
Expert Tour Director
Sightseeing tour with a local guide
4-day Tube pass
Private deluxe motor coach

#### Included highlights

New Year's Eve in London Trafalgar Square Big Ben Buckingham Palace Ride on the London Eye Covent Garden

#### Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for at least 1.5 hours daily across mostly flat terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with few hills or stairs.

#### Group size

15-38

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#### Overnight Flight → 1 night

#### Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to London today.

#### **London** $\rightarrow$ 5 nights

#### Day 2: Arrival in London

Included meals: welcome dinner
Welcome to England! Meet your Tour Director
and fellow travelers at tonight's welcome dinner.

#### Day 3: Sightseeing tour of London

Included meals: breakfast
View the regal landmarks of England's vibrant
and cosmopolitan capital on a guided
sightseeing tour.

- Pass the grand Trafalgar Square and Baroquestyle St. Paul's Cathedral, perched atop Ludgate Hill
- See Westminster Abbey, the setting for royal coronations, weddings, and funerals
- View icons like Big Ben, the London Eye,
   Tower Bridge, and the Tower of London
- Stop by Buckingham Palace, where you may catch the Changing of the Guard

Enjoy a free afternoon in London or add an excursion.

+ Windsor Castle

#### Day 4: Free day in London

Included meals: breakfast
Spend a free day in London or add an excursion.
+ Stonehenge & Salisbury

#### Day 5: New Year's Eve celebration

Included meals: breakfast, dinner
Enjoy a free day in London or add an excursion.
This evening, ring in the new year with your
fellow travelers with a celebratory dinner and a
Champagne toast.

+ Kensington Palace & Afternoon Tea

# Day 6: A ride on the London Eye & farewell dinner

Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner
Spend a free day in London or add an excursion.

Later, take in spectacular views of the city's skyline from the London Eye. Take a tour through the Covent Garden area of the West End before saying goodbye to your group at a farewell dinner.

+ Tower of London

#### Flight Home

#### Day 7: Departure

Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport for your flight home or extend your stay to continue exploring London.

#### + London extension

Extend your stay in London and your next quintessentially British experience will be just a Tube (that's what the Brits call the subway) ride away. Lean on your Tour Director to point you toward the city's best, and set off to chase your own sense of adventure.

#### **London** $\rightarrow$ 2 nights

#### Day 7: Free day in London

Included meals: breakfast
Enjoy a free day in London or add an excursion.
+ Thames River Cruise & Pub Dinner

#### Day 8: Free day in London

Included meals: breakfast
Spend a free day in London. This evening, enjoy
a farewell drink as you celebrate your trip with
your fellow group members.

#### **Flight Home**

#### Day 9: Departure

Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

## Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.\* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: **goaheadtours.ca/LW8 | 1-800-754-5066** 

#### **Day 3: Windsor Castle**

\$175CAD (5 hours, departs in the afternoon) Led by a Blue Badge Guide, you'll travel to Windsor for a guided tour of the world's largest and longestinhabited castle. Founded by William the Conqueror in 1070, Windsor has been the British Royal Family's preferred retreat for the past 900 years. Step inside the State Apartments and St. George's Chapel, where knighting ceremonies of the Most Noble Order of the Garter take place. View the exhibit of royal treasures within the castle. You'll then have time to stroll through the town of Windsor and have a look at Eton College, a prestigious prep school attended by Princes William and Harry. Please note: When the Windsor Castle excursion falls on a Wednesday, entrance will be replaced by an excursion to Hampton Court. For any departures where the Windsor Castle excursion falls on a Tuesday, the excursion will be moved to another day on tour or cancelled. Additionally, St. George's Chapel is closed to the public on Sundays. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

#### Day 4: Stonehenge & Salisbury

\$215CAD (7 hours, departs in the morning)

After a scenic drive through gently rolling countryside, arrive at Stonehenge, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of England's most recognizable icons. Get an informative overview of the its history at the visitor's center before exploring the monument. Then, head to the nearby town of Salisbury to peruse its famed Charter Market and visit Salisbury Cathedral, home to one of the four surviving original copies of the Magna Carta. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

#### Day 5: Kensington Palace & Afternoon Tea

\$190CAD/\$200CAD\* (4.5 hours, departs late morning)

Nestled in Kensington Gardens on the corner of Hyde Park, Kensington Palace has served as the London residence for members of the Royal Family for hundreds of years. Explore the palace's elaborate State Apartments before making your way to the adjacent Orangery for a traditional afternoon tea, served with finger sandwiches, scones, and Cornish clotted cream.

#### Day 6: Tower of London

\$149CAD (3 hours, departs in the morning)
Enter the Tower of London, a UNESCO World Heritage
Site famous for its dark history of treason,
imprisonment, and beheadings. With a local Blue Badge
Guide leading the way, you'll explore the nooks and
crannies of this royal castle, seeing ancient coin
collections, suits of armor, and the glittering Crown
Jewels as you go. Explore exhibitions about the Royal
Mint and old armaments before watching a live
historical reenactment and visiting the White Tower.
This excursion requires advance reservation and must
be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

#### **Extension excursion options**

#### Day 7: Thames River Cruise & Pub Dinner

\$175CAD (5 hours, departs in the afternoon, dinner included)

Step aboard a riverboat for a cruise down the Thames and take in views of the London skyline, Tower Bridge, Southbank, and more from the water. As you travel from Tower Pier to Westminster Pier, you'll snap photos of Shakespeare's Globe, the National Theatre, and Jubilee Gardens before disembarking and taking a tour through the Covent Garden area of the West End. Then, sit down for a three-course dinner including beer or wine at a local pub. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

\*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at goaheadtours.ca/terms