



# London: The City Experience

7 days | 10 days with Edinburgh 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. Get acquainted with this 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  
2 dinners with beer or wine, including a signature farewell dinner experience and ride on the London Eye  
Expert Tour Director  
Sightseeing tour with a local guide  
4-day Tube pass  
Private deluxe motor coach

## Included highlights

Trafalgar Square  
Big Ben  
Buckingham Palace  
Ride on the London Eye  
Covent Garden  
Charming pubs & eclectic eateries

## 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 → 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 Baroque-style 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*

Get to know London at your leisure or add an excursion.

+ Stonehenge & Salisbury

### Day 5: Free day in London

*Included meals: breakfast*

Spend a free day exploring London or add an excursion.

+ Westminster Abbey & Afternoon Tea

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

*Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner*

Enjoy a free day in London or add an excursion. This evening, 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 celebrating your trip with 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 visit Edinburgh, Scotland.

## + Edinburgh extension

Take a train to Edinburgh and continue your tour to explore this historic, hilly city. You'll discover the charms waiting at the end of every close during a guided tour. Spend your extra time in Edinburgh however you'd like, and lean on your Tour Director to point you toward the most exciting sites.

## Edinburgh → 3 nights

### Day 7: Train to Edinburgh

*Included meals: breakfast*

Board a high-speed train and travel to Edinburgh, Scotland.

*Please note: Porterage is not included for the train transfers. Travelers must be comfortable lifting and carrying all luggage over steps, onto platforms, and into luggage storage*

### Day 8: Sightseeing tour of Edinburgh

*Included meals: breakfast*

Get to know Edinburgh in all its medieval beauty on a tour led by a local expert.

- View the elegant Georgian New Town and the Royal Mile, two UNESCO World Heritage sites.
- Pass the King George statue, Bute House, and Sir Walter Scott monument.
- Enter Edinburgh Castle to view the Scottish crown jewels and Stone of Scone.

Spend a free afternoon in Edinburgh or add an excursion.

*Please note: The order of today's activities are subject to change.*

+ Abbotsford House & Melrose Abbey

### Day 9: Free day in Edinburgh

*Included meals: breakfast*

Spend a free day in Edinburgh or add an excursion.

This evening, enjoy a farewell drink as you celebrate your trip with your fellow group members.

+ Coastal Scotland & St Andrews Pub Lunch

## Flight Home

### Day 10: 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.com/LWE](https://goaheadtours.com/LWE) | 1-800-597-0350

## Day 3: Windsor Castle

\$125 (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 longest-inhabited 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

\$149 (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: Westminster Abbey & Afternoon Tea

\$159 (5 hours, departs in the afternoon with tea and snacks)

Visit Westminster Abbey, the famous Gothic church near the Houses of Parliament. With a local guide leading the way, you'll discover Westminster's storied history. Learn about its service as a coronation church for the monarchy since 1066 and resting place of many important Britons, from Queen Elizabeth I to Isaac Newton and Charles Dickens. Then, sit down for afternoon tea where you will enjoy the classic English tradition accompanied by specialties like finger sandwiches, scones and clotted cream, and pastries. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

## Day 6: Tower of London

\$109 (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 8: Abbotsford House & Melrose Abbey

\$109/\$119\* (5 hours, departs in the afternoon with lunch)

Travel through the Scottish Borders region to Abbotsford, where you'll enjoy an included lunch. Continue on to Abbotsford House, the 19th-century estate of Sir Walter Scott. The poet designed his home in the Romantic style to imitate the elaborate baronial estates of British aristocrats. Today, it serves as a museum for Scottish memorabilia and artifacts that Walter Scott collected throughout his lifetime. Later, visit the ruins of Melrose Abbey, one of the most impressive of the four Borders abbeys. Please note: Due to renovation projects, groups will visit Dryburgh Abbey through the end of 2024. Dryburgh is regarded as the most peaceful of the four Borders abbeys thanks to its location set within the woods along the River Tweed.

### Day 9: Coastal Scotland & St Andrews Pub Lunch

\$145/\$155\* (8 hours, departs in the morning with lunch)

Travel from Edinburgh to the beautiful Scottish coast, stopping to explore the traditional fishing village of Anstruther in East Neuk. Then, join a local guide for a visit to St Andrews, famous for being the birthplace of golf—as well as the location of Scotland's oldest university. When you arrive, sit down to a traditional pub lunch of fish and chips—a local favorite. Then, pass by the 16th-century grounds of St Andrews University, the alma mater of Prince William, who met Kate Middleton here. You'll also enter the ruins of the town's medieval cathedral and 13th-century castle, which overlooks the North Sea. After your tour, enjoy free time to explore the town before returning to Edinburgh.

\*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.com/terms](https://goaheadtours.com/terms)