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Immersion Programs are moderately paced with a good balance of included activities and excursions and time to explore on your own. Travelers should be physically fit, able to walk distances of up to three miles, exit and enter trains quickly and navigate stairs, hills and uneven terrain.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy 10 days of apartment living in the borough of Kensington and Chelsea near London's top attractions.
- Embark on walking excursions that introduce you to the varying personalities of London's neighborhoods.
- Enjoy **afternoon tea** at the Houses of Parliament.
- Explore the British
 Museum with an expert
 guide.
- Journey outside the city to the university town of Oxford and the Roman spa town of Bath.
- Walk in the footsteps of The Beatles and discover their favorite haunts.

ith a history that is more than 2,000 years old, London has grown from a simple Roman encampment to one of the world's most influential and exciting cities. England, and especially London, is familiar because of our countries' shared history, and yet the customs and culture from across the pond continue to fascinate and intrigue us. Lose yourself in the great city of London on this expertly planned itinerary that delves into the city's political and royal culture and its artistic heritage. Like a local, hop on the Tube or a train to make your way around the city. Venture outside London to the university town of Oxford and the Roman city of Bath. From proper afternoon tea to world-class museums, London offers something wonderful around each turn. Come discover the secrets of timeless and unforgettable London.

Dear Johns Hopkins Alumni and Friends,

We are pleased to invite you on an exciting trip to London. This expertly planned itinerary allows you to envelop yourself in the best of London and English culture. Over 10 nights, get an in-depth look into London and its fascinating history. See its most iconic landmarks, stroll through its famous parks and stop into the local pubs for a pint. We'll also venture outside of London to visit the cities of Oxford and Bath.

Best of all, we'll stay in the stylish borough of Kensington and Chelsea. Fashionable shops, great restaurants, historic attractions and more are just steps away. And if you want to venture to other parts of the city, you will have a Visitor Oyster Card to use on the Tube.

Come, discover London and the ease, value and fun of group travel. Our itinerary has been planned so that you still have plenty of time to explore independently, allowing you to pursue your individual interests and make discoveries of your own!

Space on this spectacular journey is limited, so be sure to make your reservations today!

Sincerely,

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Marguerite I. Jones, A&S '74, Bus '88 Travel Program Director Office of Alumni Relations The Johns Hopkins University "London is a modern Babylon."

> ~ Benjamin Disraeli (1804-1881), two-time British prime minister

"So poetry,
which is in Oxford
made an art, in London
only is a trade."

~ John Dryden (1631-1700), English poet and playwright

"A broken heart is a very pleasant complaint for a man in London if he has a comfortable income."

~ George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950), Irish playwright

"The man who can dominate a London dinner table can dominate the world."

~ Oscar Wilde (1854-1900), Irish writer

South Kensington



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Westminster Abbey

DAY ONE

IN TRANSIT

Depart for London, England.*

*Provided for AHI FlexAir participants.

DAY TWO

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LONDON, ENGLAND

Upon arrival, transfer to Citadines Prestige South Kensington London.

Excursion: *Introduction to Kensington and Chelsea.* Take a guided orientation walk of the neighborhood around your hotel. You will be in what many consider to be the heart of London. The borough of Kensington and Chelsea is home to the city's most fashionable restaurants, shops and even royalty. The hotel is just steps from Kensington Palace and Gardens, Hyde Park, Royal Albert Hall, the

| UNESCO |

The **Palace of Westminster and Westminster Abbey** and the **City of Bath** are UNESCO World
Heritage sites featured in this program.



Top: Buckingham Palace | Above: Beefeater, Tower Bridge

Victoria and Albert Museum and many other attractions.

Local Flavor: Step into a Kensington pub for lunch.

This evening, kick off your London adventure with a Welcome Reception and Dinner.

DAY THREE

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LONDON

Excursion: The City of Westminster.

Hop on the Tube this morning and head to Westminster, home to London's most iconic sites, for a walking tour. See Westminster Abbey, the Jewel Tower and streets lined with beautiful Georgian homes. Tour Westminster Palace, aka the Houses of Parliament.

Local Flavor: Indulge in a most British tradition, afternoon tea, at the Houses of Parliament.



South Kensington

South Kensington is a neighborhood in Kensington and Chelsea, the fashionable West End borough, and it is the ideal location for launching your London adventure. World-class museums, shops and parks are just a short stroll from your hotel. Visit three of London's top museums: the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Natural History Museum and the Science Museum. Whether you are looking for a souvenir or simply window shopping, browse through chic boutiques, antique shops and more. Just north of your hotel are the city's most beautiful green spaces. Step into Kensington Gardens, a public park that once served as the gardens for Kensington Palace. Head east through the park into Hyde Park, which hosted the 1851 world's fair.

Above: Kensington Gardens

Independent Exploration: The rest of the day is at leisure to explore London on your own. Stroll through Hyde Park and listen to the colorful orators at Speaker's Corner. Explore the Victoria and Albert Museum, the National Gallery or Tate Britain. The choices are yours!

DAY FOUR

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LONDON

Excursion: *The Old Palace Quarter.* Return to the City of Westminster today. Take

the Tube to Green Park, where you'll begin a guided walk that takes you by Buckingham Palace, The Mall and St. James's Palace. Stroll through cobblestone lanes and narrow alleys as you explore 2,000 years of London history.

Independent Exploration: The afternoon is at leisure to explore London on your own. Browse through London's famous department stores for mementos of your trip, visit Trafalgar Square or get ready for an evening at the theater.

Local Flavor: Join your fellow travelers for a drink and conversation in a neighborhood pub. The first drink is included.

DAY FIVE

BIL

OXFORD

Excursion: *Oxford.* Travel to the town of Oxford, home of the oldest university in the English-speaking world. Stroll through the storied campus, and visit Christ Church College.

Educational Focus: *English Literature.*

Trace the development of the English literary tradition.

Local Flavor: Enjoy lunch in Oxford.

Independent Exploration: Enjoy free time in Oxford before returning to London.

DAY SIX

В

LONDON

Educational Focus: *Shakespeare.* William Shakespeare and the city of London each had a significant impact on the other. Learn the role each played in the development of the other.

Excursion: *The City.* "The City" refers to a very specific area, the oldest part of London.



Roman Baths, Bath

From St. Paul's Cathedral to the Tower of London, explore the storied streets of this district. Afterward, tour Shakespeare's Globe, a faithful reproduction of the original theater.

Local Flavor: Join your fellow travelers for a drink and conversation in a neighborhood pub. The first drink is included.

DAY SEVEN

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LONDON

Educational Focus: *British Explorers.*

Delve into Britain's storied history of exploration. Hear the stories of intrepid and curious individuals, such as Sir Francis Drake, Captain James Cook, David Livingstone and others, and how their discoveries not only changed maps, but the world.

Excursion: *British Museum.* An expert guide takes you through one of the world's best museums. Marvel at items such as the Book of the Dead, the Rosetta Stone and other fascinating and important items from antiquity.

Independent Exploration: Spend the afternoon at leisure. Stroll through The Regent's Park, visit Churchill's War Rooms or discover the dark history of the Tower of London.

Local Flavor: Enjoy dinner this evening at a restaurant in London.

Aquae Sulis, shortly after they conquered the island in the first century. With more than 1,170,000 liters (more than 309,000 gallons) of fresh steaming spring water available daily, this fount of mineral water was a natural place to build a public bath. Roman baths offered a place to socialize as well as maintain one's personal hygiene. The size of the facilities at Bath suggests it was a destination for pilgrims and travelers. During the Middle Ages, it became one of England's famous wool towns and even earned a place in "The Wife of Bath," the notoriously ribald story from Chaucer's anthology, "The Canterbury Tales." During the 18th century, the city blossomed into a showcase of neoclassical architecture. Bath devel-

Romans built the city of Bath, then called

DAY EIGHT

В

LONDON

Excursion: Law and Order in London.

oped harmoniously with its Roman foundations

resulting in the Georgian city becoming one of

the most fashionable places outside of London.

Stroll through the Inns of Court, London's very traditional community of barristers. Get the scoop on the centuries of history and gossip that developed behind these walls.

Independent Exploration: The rest of the day is at leisure. Head to Borough Market for lunch and a stroll. Take a ride on the London Eye for a spectacular view of the city.





Top: Oxford University | Above: Abbey Road crosswalk

DAY NINE

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Excursion: *Bath.* In the first century, the Romans founded a town around the thermal springs here. Bath transformed into a prosperous medieval wool town, and during the 18th century evolved into an elegant Georgian town with neoclassical Palladian architecture while still maintaining the integrity of its Roman beginnings. See Pulteney Bridge, the Circus, the Royal Crescent and the Roman baths, built around Britain's only natural hot springs.

Independent Exploration: Spend the afternoon at leisure in Bath. Enjoy lunch and a walk through the town on your own.

DAY TEN

В

LONDON

Excursion: *Magical Mystery Tour.* Explore London with a Beatles' perspective.



Westminster Bridge

See Abbey Road Studios, the iconic Abbey Road crosswalk, Carnaby Street and many more landmarks of 1960s' London.

Independent Exploration: Spend the rest of the day at leisure. Explore the department stores and fashionable boutiques of Oxford Street and pick up a few mementos. Looking for more culture? Many of London's museums are free to enter. Stroll through the Tate Modern for a look at some of the world's best contemporary art.

DAY ELEVEN

BID

LONDON

Independent Exploration: Enjoy a full day at leisure. Embark on an adventure of your own design! Visit Hampton Court

| ACCOMMODATIONS |









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Stay in the heart of London's most exclusive borough, Kensington and Chelsea. The Citadines Prestige South Kensington London is within walking distance of three Tube stations, allowing you to explore London as you wish. Just steps from Hyde Park, the Victoria and Albert Museum, Royal Albert Hall and some of the city's most exclusive boutiques and restaurants, this aparthotel also delivers the comforts of home. Enjoy modern amenities, including Wi-Fi and a fully equipped kitchenette.

Palace, home of Henry VIII, for a look at Tudor England, or stop at one of London's famous hotels for afternoon tea. Another option is to visit Greenwich, where you can stand on the Prime Meridian.

Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a festive Farewell Reception and Dinner.

DAY TWELVE

Transfer to the airport for the return flight to your gateway city.*

Note: Due to operational conditions, the order of events in this itinerary will vary depending upon your travel dates. A date-specific itinerary will be sent to you prior to departure.

Included meals indicated each day as $B \mid L \mid D = Breakfast \mid Lunch \mid Dinner$.



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Day 3 London

Day 4 London

Day 5 London | Oxford

Day 6 London

Day 7 London

Day 8 London

Day 9 London | Bath

Day 10 London

Day 11 London

Day 12 Return to Gateway City*

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Many excursions in this program involve an element of walking.

♣Provided for AHI FlexAir participants.

^{*}Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel. VAT is an additional \$395 per person.

| INCLUDED FEATURES |

ACCOMMODATIONS

• 10 nights at the first-class Citadines Prestige South Kensington London in London, England.

MEALS

- Enjoy an extensive meal program, featuring 10 breakfasts, two lunches and three dinners. Tea or coffee is included with all meals, plus wine with dinner. Take advantage of leisure time to try local cuisine independently.
- Sample authentic regional specialties at local restaurants.
- Attend festive Welcome and Farewell Dinners.

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(For details, please see the day-by-day itinerary.)

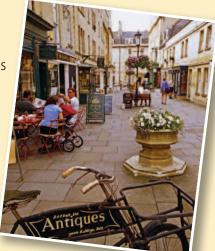
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- -Stroll through Westminster, and visit the Houses of Parliament.
- -Enjoy afternoon tea at the Houses of Parliament.
- -Explore the area known as the Old Palace Quarter, and see Buckingham Palace, the Mall and more.
- -Journey to the great university town of Oxford and visit Christ Church College.
- -Take a tour of the British Museum with an expert guide.
- -Discover the secrets of the City of London, see St. Paul's Cathedral and more!
- -Visit the Globe Theatre.
- -Discover the Inns of Court, London's fascinating legal quarter.
- -See Bath's famous Roman ruins and Georgian architecture.
- Walk in the footsteps of The Beatles.

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