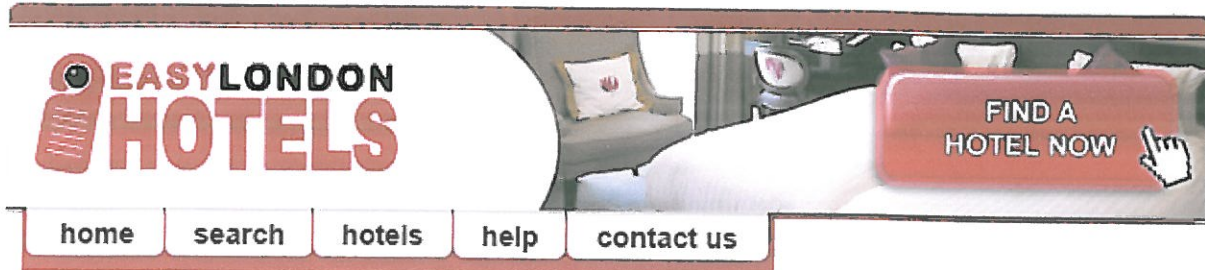


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From the sedate streets of leafy Richmond in the west to the colourful chaos of Shoreditch's markets in the east, this month's Love London spans the whole of the capital, culturally as well as geographically. Read on for a taste of the diverse delights that await you in this exciting city!

Until next month,

Annemarie

On behalf of the easy-london-hotels.com team

London Tips & Tricks



At your convenience

Being stuck in need of a bathroom in an unfamiliar city can be a real nightmare - especially if you've got young children in tow, or a baby that needs changing. Public toilets are a bit like policemen -

there never seems to be one around when you need one! Of course, fast food restaurants are always an option if you're desperate, but we've got a few better suggestions for when nature calls. Read our [brief guide to London's lavatories](#) and you'll never be caught out again...

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Hotel of the Month

Super summer savings at the Park Inn

Ideally located for exploring the nearby areas of Oxford Street, Notting Hill and Bayswater, the [Park Inn Hyde Park](#) is set in a grand Georgian terrace just two minutes from the tranquillity of Hyde Park. This welcoming hotel offers a wide range of services and facilities, including a modern fitness centre, concierge



London Diary

Theatre

- **Chicago**
To July 2008
 The musical will star Duncan James of Blue fame until 8th Sept

Music

- **Prince**
Various dates, 1st Aug - 21st Sept
- **Metro Weekender**
25 - 26th Aug
- **The Rolling Stones**
21st, 23rd & 26th Aug

Art

- **Hockney on Turner watercolours**
To 3rd Feb 2008
- **Dutch Portraits: The**

and wireless internet access. Its Serpentine Bar is the ideal spot for a relaxing pre-dinner cocktail or a nightcap, and Dishes Restaurant serves delicious English and international food. The restaurant is currently offering a 'Chef's Summer Deal' where diners can enjoy a starter, main course and dessert from the set menu that changes daily for just £12.85 per person, including a glass of wine. The Park Inn is offering special room rates for August, too, making it great value for money all round!

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London Inspirations

Retreat to riverside Richmond

With its idyllic riverside location, Richmond really comes into its own at this time of year. Take a walk in [Richmond Park](#), London's largest open space, and see herds of deer roaming freely, or stroll in the Terrace Gardens with their beautifully tended flowerbeds and sloping lawns. Climb to the top of Richmond Hill and your reward is a panoramic view of the capital that's so stunning it's been protected by an Act of Parliament and immortalised by artists such as Turner. After that, you could take a leisurely boat cruise on the Thames, or browse the many designer boutiques. On a summer's evening, join the throngs at one of the many riverside pubs, or head for the village green and enjoy a beer as you watch the cricketers. Among Richmond's many eateries, two deserve a special mention: the Breton restaurant [Chez Lindsay](#), and the family-run Gelateria Danieli on Brewers Lane, serving the most delicious Italian ice-cream imaginable.



[MORE ABOUT RICHMOND](#)

East London's marvellous markets

With four markets all within a short walk of each other, east London is the place to go to explore the capital's market culture - and Sunday's the day to do it. Whether you fancy snapping up a bargain at Brick Lane or soaking up the colourful atmosphere of Columbia Road, a trawl around the stalls is a fascinating way to spend a Sunday. Here are the four you must visit:



[Brick Lane](#) - *Sundays until 2pm*

Stalls include leather, clothing, second-hand furniture and bric-a-brac.

[Petticoat Lane](#) - *open daily but at its biggest and best on Sundays until 2pm*

Specialising in clothing and leather goods.

[Spitalfields](#) - *open daily*

Sunday is the busiest and best day to visit, but if you're interested in something specific it may be better to go in the week, e.g. Thursday for antiques or Friday for fashion and art.

[Columbia Road](#) - *Sundays only, 8am - 2pm*

London's most sweet-scented market, selling a vast

Age of Rembrandt and Frans Hals

To 16th Sept

[Dali And Film](#)
To 9th Sept

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[Notting Hill carnival](#)
26 - 27th
Aug



[State Rooms at Buckingham Palace](#)
To 25th Sept

[India Now](#)
To 30th Sept

A festival celebrating all aspects of Indian culture

[Camden Fringe](#)
To 26th Aug

Brand-new theatre, comedy, dance and more

[The 30th Great British Beer Festival](#)
7th - 11th Aug

[Summer Screen at Somerset House](#)
2nd - 11th Aug

The courtyard is transformed into an outdoor cinema

Weird & Wonderful London

Culture shock

If you're in London this month and you spot a man on a rooftop looking like he's about to jump, don't panic - and don't dial 999. You've probably just seen a sculpture by the artist Antony Gormley, who has installed 31 life-sized casts of his own naked body on bridges, rooftops and streets around the capital as part of his 'Blind Light' exhibition at the Hayward gallery.



Since the cast-iron figures appeared in May, police have been receiving several calls a day from concerned members of the public reporting that they have spotted a suicide jumper! Look out for the figures until the exhibition ends on August 19th.

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Special Offers

[Ramada Docklands Hotel](#)
Friday night special - double

choice of plants and flowers.

Nearest hotels: [196 Bishopsgate](#) or [City Hotel](#)

London Food

Our pick of perfect picnics

Sprawling on a rug, chilled champagne at your elbow; dappled sunshine; a picnic basket bursting with toothsome treats... What better way to spend a sunny afternoon than by picnicking in one of London's beautiful parks?



Whether you prefer an informal spread or a gourmet feast, we've got the ideal [park-and-picnic combination](#) for you. Check out our recommendations and indulge in a deliciously decadent day!

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London Teaser

Think you know London? See if you can identify these famous London streets!



[FIND THE ANSWERS](#)

Win a Weekend in London!

Congratulations to last month's lucky competition winner, Kiri Burton. This month, we're giving you the chance to win a weekend stay for you and a guest at the [Corus Hotel Hyde Park!](#)



With its enviable location overlooking Hyde Park, the Corus Hotel is fabulously central. The nearest tube station, Lancaster Gate, is just a two-minute walk away, and from there it's just three stops on the Central Line to Oxford Circus - a shopper's dream come true!

All rooms at the Corus have recently been refurbished in contemporary style, and offer satellite TV as well as wireless internet and modem connections. The hotel has its own restaurant serving delicious Italian and Mediterranean cuisine, and a stylish bar and lounge that's open until 2am. Other services include 24-hour reception, room service and concierge.

For your chance to win, just answer this question:

How many stops is it from the Corus Hotel's nearest tube station, Lancaster Gate, to Oxford Circus?

- A) 3 B) 4 C) 5

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