

Barking & Dagenham Scout District

Out and About

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*A guide to days out and activities located in
and around the Scout District of Barking &
Dagenham*

Greater London North East Scout County

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Introduction

Out and About is a simple guide to places that Scout Groups would find interesting to visit. It aims to include locations that are within easy reach of Barking & Dagenham although places of special interest further afield are included for day trips.

The details in here are correct at the time of going to print. It is strongly recommended that Groups make contact with each location to plan their visit well in advance.

Groups are also reminded that they will need to follow all the Scouting Guidelines regarding activities. In particular Groups must complete a One Day Activity Form and ensure they are using the Home Contact Scheme. Trips, which involve an overnight stay of any form, must stick to the Nights Away Scheme and Groups must prepare a Nights Away Notification Form in advance. Information on these resources can be found at:

<http://www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/nightsaway>

<http://www.scoutbase.org.uk/ps/activities/>

<http://www.scoutbase.org.uk/ps/nightsaway/>

<http://www.scoutbase.org.uk/library/hqdocs/facts/>

<http://www.scoutbase.org.uk/library/hqdocs/por/>

If you know of any useful additions to this guide then please contact:

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Art Galleries

National Gallery

Address: The National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, London, WC2N 5DN
Website: <http://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/>
Email: information@ng-london.org.uk
Telephone: 020 7747 2885

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Daily 10am-6pm Wednesday 10am-9pm (Closing starts 5 mins before)
Closed 1 January and 24-26 December.2007, 10am-5pm

Facilities: Café, dining rooms, shops

Location: <http://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/plan/information/gettinghere.htm>

Notes: Some areas of the Gallery will be closed for staff training on Monday mornings until 11am.

National Portrait Gallery

Address: National Portrait Gallery, St Martin's Place, London, WC2H 0HE
Website: <http://www.npg.org.uk/live/>
Email:
Telephone: 020 7312 2463

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Open daily 10am - 6pm. Late night opening Thursday and Friday until 9pm
Last admission is 45 minutes before the Gallery closes. Closing commences 10 minutes prior to the stated time. The Gallery is closed 24-26 December.

Facilities: Café, restaurant

Location: <http://www.npg.org.uk/live/opening.asp>

Notes: There are charges for special exhibitions throughout the year. Ticket prices vary. Please note that photography is not allowed anywhere in the Gallery.

Tate Britain

Address: Tate Britain, Millbank, London, SW1P 4RG
Website: <http://www.tate.org.uk/>
Email: visiting.britain@tate.org.uk
Telephone: 020 7887 8888

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Daily, 10.00-17.50. Exhibitions open 10.00-17.40 (last admission 17.00)

Facilities: Café, restaurant, shop

Location: <http://www.tate.org.uk/britain/information/gettinghere.htm>

Notes: On the first Friday of each month, the gallery is open 18.00-22.00 (last entry to exhibitions 21.00, exhibitions close 21.40) Collection Display rooms are open until 21.40. Photography and video filming are not normally allowed at Tate.

Tate Modern

Address: Tate Modern, Bankside, London, SE1 9TG
Website: <http://www.tate.org.uk/>
Email: visiting.modern@tate.org.uk
Telephone: 020 7887 8888

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Sunday - Thursday, 10.00-18.00 Friday and Saturday, 10.00-22.00
Last admission into exhibitions 17.15 (Friday and Saturday 21.15)

Facilities: Café, restaurant, shop

Location: <http://www.tate.org.uk/modern/information/gettinghere.htm>

Notes: Photography and video filming are not normally allowed at Tate.

Castles & Houses

Mount Fitchet Castle

- Address:** Mountfitchet Castle, Stansted, Mountfitchet, Essex CM24 8SP
Website: <http://www.mountfitchetcastle.com/>
Email: info@mountfitchetcastle.com
Telephone: (0) 1279 813237
- Costs:** Castle: Adults £5.50, Children £4 Toy Museum: Adults £3.80, Children £3
Combined: Adults £9.30, Children £7 (Groups of 15 or more)
- Opening Times:** Castle: 11th March - 11th November 2007, 10am-5pm
Toy Museum: February half-term - November, 10am-5pm
The Toy Museum is open for pre-booked school groups all year round.
- Facilities:** Tea room, gift shop
- Location:** Mountfitchet Castle is situated in the village of Stansted Mountfitchet in Essex, only 2 miles from junction 8 of the M11 - just follow the brown tourist signs to the centre of Stansted Mountfitchet village.
- Notes:** One adult free for every fifteen children with every pre-booked party (except during special events weeks)

Queen's House

- Address:** National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London, SE10 9NF
Website: <http://www.nmm.ac.uk/>
Email: bookings@nmm.ac.uk
Telephone: (0) 20 8858 4422
- Costs:** Entry is free
- Opening Times:** Monday–Sunday 10.00–17.00
- Facilities:** Cafe
- Location:** <http://www.nmm.ac.uk/server/show/nav.2839>
- Notes:** All three sites are closed 24–26 December.

Kew Palace

- Address:** Kew Palace, Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 3AB
Website: <http://www.hrp.org.uk/KewPalace/>
Email: kewpalace@hrp.org.uk
Telephone: (0) 870 751 5179
- Costs:** Group rate: Adults £4.50, Child £2.25 (under 16)
- Opening Times:** Kew Palace is open from 24 March to 28 October 2007. Open Monday 11.00 to 17.00. Tuesday to Sunday 10.00 to 17.00. Last admission to the palace is at 16.15
- Facilities:** Cafes
- Location:** <http://www.hrp.org.uk/KewPalace/planyourvisit/gettingthere.aspx>
- Notes:**

Eastbury Manor House

Address: Eastbury Manor House, Eastbury Square, Barking, IG11 9SN
Website:
Email: eastburyhouse@lbbd.gov.uk
Telephone: 020 8724 1000

Costs: Entry is free. Educational visits can be paid for by arrangement

Opening Times: The house is open to public on Mondays and Tuesdays and the first and second Saturday of each month.

Facilities: Cafe

Location: <http://www.barking-dagenham.gov.uk/4-eastbury/eastbury-menu.html>

Notes: Group visits and visits at other times are possible by prior arrangement with the manager.

Coalhouse Fort

Address: Coalhouse Fort, East Tilbury, Essex, RM18 8PB
Website: <http://www.coalhousefort.co.uk/>
Email: info@coalhousefort.co.uk
Telephone:

Costs:

Opening Times: <http://www.coalhousefort.co.uk/events.htm>

Facilities:

Location: <http://www.coalhousefort.co.uk/locate/location2.htm>

Notes:

Dover Castle

Address: Dover Castle, Dover, Kent
Website: <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.14571>
Email:
Telephone: 01304 211067

Costs: Adult £9.80 Child £4.90

Opening Times: <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.14578>

Facilities: Restaurant, café

Location: <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.14578>

Notes: Group bookings available on (0) 1304 211067

Windsor Castle

Address: Windsor Castle, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 1NJ
Website: <http://www.windsor.gov.uk/attractions/castle.htm>
Email: bookinginfo@royalcollection.org.uk
Telephone: 020 7766 7304

Costs: Adult £14.20 Child (5-16) £8

Opening Times: Daily 9.45am – 4 p.m. March to October 9:45 – 3 November to February

Facilities: Restaurant, café

Location: <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.14578>

Notes: Discounts for groups of 15 people or more. Adult £12.80, Concession (Senior/Student) £11.40, Child (5-16 years) £7.20. All pre-booked school groups have use of the Education Centre facilities during their visit, receive a Teachers' Resource Pack on confirmation of booking, and may have a themed introductory talk at the Centre.

Leeds Castle

Address: Leeds Castle, Maidstone, Kent, ME17 1PL
Website: <http://www.leeds-castle.com/>
Email: enquiries@leeds-castle.co.uk
Telephone: 01622 765400

Costs: Standard Group Visit – non-guided Adult £10.50 Child (4-15) £7

Opening Times: Castle: 10:30 –6 Grounds: 10-7
Closed to day visitors on 3rd & 4th November and Christmas Day 2007

Facilities: Restaurant, kiosk

Location: <http://www.leeds-castle.com/goto.php?sess=u1342802|p125|n183|c262437|s0|g1|d0>

Notes: Group rates available. Guided tours available at extra cost.

Hever Castle

Address: Estate Office, Hever Castle, Hever, Nr Edenbridge, Kent, TN8 7NG
Website: <http://www.hever-castle.co.uk/>
Email: mail@hevercastle.co.uk
Telephone: (0) 1732 865224

Costs: Grounds & Castle: Adult £10.50 Child (5-15) £5.70

Opening Times: 31 Mar – 31 Oct: Daily: Gardens 11-5 Castle 12-5
See website for Winter opening times

Facilities: Adventure playground, maze, water maze, exhibitions, restaurants, shops

Location: <http://www.hever-castle.co.uk/contact/default.asp>

Notes: Group rates available, see <http://www.hever-castle.co.uk/groupvisits/>

Hampton Court Palace

Address: Hampton Court Palace, Surrey, KT8 9AU
Website: <http://www.hrp.org.uk/HamptonCourtPalace/>
Email: hamptoncourt@hrp.org.uk
Telephone: (0) 870 752 7777

Costs: Palace, maze & Gardens: Adult £13 Child Under 16 £6.50

Opening Times: 25 Mar – 27 Oct: 10-6 28 Oct – 29 Mar: 10-4:30

Facilities: Gardens, restaurants, shops

Location: <http://www.hrp.org.uk/HamptonCourtPalace/planyourvisit/gettingthere.aspx>

Notes: Group rates are available

Fishbourne Roman Palace

Address: Fishbourne Roman Palace, Salthill Road, Fishbourne, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 3QR
Website: <http://www.sussexpast.co.uk/property/site.php>
Email: adminfish@sussexpast.co.uk
Telephone: 01243 785859

Costs: Adult £6.80 Child (5-15) £3.60

Opening Times: <http://www.sussexpast.co.uk/property/openingtimes.php>

Facilities:

Location: <http://www.sussexpast.co.uk/property/location.php>

Notes: Group rates are available. Education workshops are also offered for £50. Worksheets are available from the website.

Royal Gunpowder Mills

Address: Royal Gunpowder Mills, Beaulieu Drive, Waltham Abbey, Essex, EN9 1JY
Website: <http://www.royalgunpowdermills.com/>
Email: info@royalgunpowdermills.com
Telephone: 01992 707370

Costs: Adult £6 Child (5-16) £3.50

Opening Times: 11-5 Weekends and Bank Holidays only from Sat 28 Apr to Sun 7 Oct
Open Wednesdays during the Summer School Break

Facilities: Café, shop

Location: <http://www.royalgunpowdermills.com/directions.htm>

Notes: Guided group visits available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays by appointment.

Churches

The Temple Church

Address: Temple Church, Temple, London, EC4Y 7BB
Website: <http://www.templechurch.com/>
Email: Henrietta@templechurch.com
Telephone: 020 7353 8559

Costs:

Opening Times:

Facilities:

Location: <http://www.templechurch.com/FindUs/default.html>

Notes:

St. Martin in the Fields

Address: St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London, WC2N 4JJ
Website: <http://www.stmartin-in-the-fields.org/>
Email: info@smitf.org
Telephone: 020 7766 1100

Costs:

Opening Times:

Facilities: Café, shop

Location: <http://www2.stmartin-in-the-fields.org/page/aboutus/aboutus.html>

Notes:

All Hallows by the Tower

Address: All Hallows by the Tower, Byward Street, London, EC3R 5BJ
Website: <http://www.allhallowsbythetower.org.uk/>
Email: parish@ahbtt.org.uk
Telephone: (020) 7481 2928

Costs:

Opening Times:

Facilities: Brass Rubbing

Location: http://www.allhallowsbythetower.org.uk/finding_us.htm

Notes:

Gardens & Caves

Chislehurst Caves

<i>Address:</i>	Old Hill, Chislehurst, Kent, BR7 5NB
<i>Website:</i>	http://www.chislehurstcaves.co.uk/
<i>Email:</i>	enquiries@chislehurstcaves.co.uk
<i>Telephone:</i>	(020) 8467 3264
<i>Costs:</i>	Tour Charges: Adults £5, Under 16's and OAP's £3, Under 5's free
<i>Opening Times:</i>	Wednesday to Sunday. 45 minute guided tours start hourly, first tour is at 10am and the last at 4pm
<i>Facilities:</i>	Gift shop, free car & coach parking, restaurant
<i>Location:</i>	The Caves are a short walk from Chislehurst Railway station, in Caveside Close near the "Bickley Arms" public house
<i>Notes:</i>	Open every day during local school and Bank Holidays (except Christmas and New Year). Groups can have a private tour at a reduced rate. Groups can arrange a private evening tour, including a meal. Tour guides are available to visit groups.

Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew

<i>Address:</i>	Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 3AB
<i>Website:</i>	http://www.hrp.org.uk/KewPalace/
<i>Email:</i>	info@kew.org
<i>Telephone:</i>	020 8332 5655
<i>Costs:</i>	Adults £12.25 Children under 17 (to be accompanied by an adult) Free Late Entry (45 minutes before Glasshouses close) £10.25
<i>Opening Times:</i>	1 April – 2 Sep 9:30 – 6:30 (Mon-Fri) 9:30-7:30 (Sat, Sun, Bank Holiday) 3 Sep – 27 Oct 9:30 to 6 28 Oct – 8 Feb 9:30 – 4:15
<i>Facilities:</i>	Cafes, shops
<i>Location:</i>	http://www.kew.org/visitor/findkew.html
<i>Notes:</i>	

London Landmarks

Tower Bridge

Address: Tower Bridge Exhibition, Tower Bridge, London, SE1 2UP
Website: <http://www.towerbridge.org.uk/>
Email: enquiries@towerbridge.org.uk
Telephone: (0) 20 7403 3761

Costs: Groups of 10 or more, lasts 1 hour and 30 minutes
£5.50 adults, £2.70 children, £4.00 seniors and students (with valid I.D.)
Other visits and group rates are available

Opening Times: Open Daily.
1 April - 30 September: 10:00 - 18:30 (last admission 17:30)
1 October - 31 March: 09:30 - 18:00 (last admission 17:00)
Closed 24th, 25th and 26th December

Facilities:

Location: <http://www.towerbridge.org.uk/TowerBridge/English/Howtofindus/>

Notes:

Tower of London

Address: The Tower of London, London, EC3N 4AB
Website: http://www.hrp.org.uk/TowerOfLondon/visitorservices_TOL@hrp.org.uk
Email: visitorservices_TOL@hrp.org.uk
Telephone: (0) 870 756 6060

Costs: Group Rate: £14.40 adults, £8.55 children (under 16)

Opening Times:

01 March - 31 October:	Tuesday-Saturday	09:00 - 18:00
	Sunday – Monday	10:00 - 18:00
Last Admission 17:00 Groups of 10 or more, lasts 1 hour and 30 minutes		
01 November - 29 February	Tuesday - Saturday	09:00 - 17:00
	Sunday - Monday	10:00 - 17:00
Last Admission 16:00		

Facilities: Restaurant, café, shops

Location: <http://www.hrp.org.uk/TowerOfLondon/planyourvisit/gettinghere.aspx>

Notes: All internal buildings close 30 minutes after the last admission. The Tower closes one hour after the last admission. The Tower is closed 24-26 December and 1 January (inclusive).

HMS Belfast

Address: HMS Belfast, Morgan's Lane, Tooley Street, London, SE1 2JH
Website: <http://hmsbelfast.iwm.org.uk/>
Email:
Telephone: 0207 940 6300

Costs: Group Rate: Adult: £ 7.60 Children (under 16): Free

Opening Times: Open daily except 24, 25 and 26 December.
1 March - 31 October: 10.00 am - 6.00 pm (last admission 5.15 pm)
1 November - 28 February: 10.00 am - 5.00 pm (last admission 4.15 pm)

Facilities: Café

Location: <http://www.hrp.org.uk/TowerOfLondon/planyourvisit/gettinghere.aspx>

Notes: Please note: children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Please allow 1½ - 2 hours for your visit.

The Monument

Address: Junction of Monument Street and Fish Street Hill
Website: <http://www.themonument.info/>
Email:
Telephone: 020 7626 2717

Costs: £2.00 per adult and £1.00 per child (under 16)

Opening Times: Open daily 9.30am-5.30pm (last admission 5.00pm)

Facilities:

Location:

Notes: The Monument will be closed for 18 months from 30th July 2007 for essential repairs and restoration work and will re-open early 2009.

St. Katharine Docks

Address:
Website: <http://www.skdocks.co.uk/>
Email:
Telephone:

Costs:

Opening Times:

Facilities:

Location:

Notes: St Katharine Docks were one of the commercial docks serving London, on the north side of the river Thames just east (downstream) of the Tower of London and Tower Bridge.

Thames Barrier

Address: 1 Unity Way, Woolwich, London, SE18 5NJ
Website: <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/regions/thames/323150/335688/341764/>
Email: learningcentre@environment-agency.gov.uk
Telephone: 020 8305 4188

Costs: Adults £2 Children £1

Opening Times: Open seven days a week. (closed Christmas and New Year's day.)
Apr-Sep 10:30am to 4:00pm Oct-Mar 11:00am to 3:30pm

Facilities: Café

Location:

Notes: The Learning Centre is an educational centre for school groups.

London Eye

Address: British Airways London Eye, Riverside Building, County Hall, Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7PB
Website: <http://www.londoneye.com/>
Email: customer.services@ba-londoneye.com
Telephone: (0) 870 990 8883

Costs: Walk Up Standard Flight: Adult £15 Child (5-15 years) £7.50
Pre-booked Standard Flight: Adult £14.50 Child (5-15 years) £7.25

Opening Times: Winter: October – May 10.00am - 8.00pm Daily
Summer: June – September 10.00am - 9.00pm Daily

Facilities:

Location: British Airways London Eye is situated on the South Bank of the River Thames, opposite the Houses of Parliament. Our ticket office is located inside County Hall, which is the building directly next to the London Eye.

Notes: A10% discount is offered to groups of 15 or more fare paying guests both for the London Eye and the London Eye River Cruise Experience. For more details on group and school group discounts, call (0) 870 990 8886

London Dungeons

Address: Merlin Entertainments (Dungeons) Limited, Registered Number: 3671067, Registered Office: 3 Market Close, Poole, Dorset, BH15 1NQ
Website: <http://www.thedungeons.com/en/london-dungeon/>
Email: LondonDungeon@MerlinEntertainments.biz
Telephone: 0871 360 2049

Costs: Adult: £19.95 Child: £13.95

Opening Times: <http://www.thedungeons.com/en/london-dungeon/opening-times.html#content>

Facilities:

Location: <http://www.thedungeons.com/en/london-dungeon/directions.html#content>

Notes: There are also dungeons in York and Edinburgh.

Golden Hinde

Address: Unit 1 & 2, Pickfords Wharf, Clinck Street, London, SE1 9DG
Website: <http://www.goldenhinde.org/>
Email: eleanor.hardy@goldenhinde.org
Telephone: 08700 11 8700

Costs: Adult: £6 Child: £4.50

Opening Times: Ship: Usual times:10am – 6pm, 7 days a week.

Facilities: Shop

Location: <http://www.goldenhinde.org/visitor.html>

Notes: Ship opening times may vary.

Hay's Galleria

Address: Hay's Galleria, London Bridge City, Tooley Street, London, SE1
Website: <http://www.haysgalleria.co.uk/>
Email: marketing@samaprop.co.uk
Telephone: 020 7940 7770

Costs:

Opening Times:

Facilities: Hay's Galleria is an eclectic mix of shops, restaurants, bars and craft stalls

Location: <http://www.haysgalleria.co.uk/Hays/HaysGalleria.nsf/here>

Notes:

Museums

Natural History Museum

<i>Address:</i>	Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, London, SW7 5BD
<i>Website:</i>	http://www.nhm.ac.uk/
<i>Email:</i>	http://www.nhm.ac.uk/about-us/contact-enquiries/forms/
<i>Telephone:</i>	(0)20 7942 5000
<i>Costs:</i>	Entry is free
<i>Opening Times:</i>	Open every day 10:00 – 17:50. Last admission 17:30
<i>Facilities:</i>	Various food outlets, shop, eating area, cash machines, telephones, information desk, meeting point
<i>Location:</i>	http://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit-us/getting-here/
<i>Notes:</i>	The Museums are open every day, including Sundays and bank holidays, but closed 24 - 26 December.

Cutty Sark

<i>Address:</i>	The Cutty Sark Trust, 2 Greenwich Church Street, Greenwich, London, SE10 9BG
<i>Website:</i>	http://www.cuttysark.org.uk/
<i>Email:</i>	enquiries@cuttysark.org.uk
<i>Telephone:</i>	(020) 8858 2698
<i>Costs:</i>	Entry to the exhibition at this time is free
<i>Opening Times:</i>	The Visitor Centre is open 7 days a week, from 11:00 to 17:00. Last admission 16:30. The Visitor Centre is closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Boxing Day)
<i>Facilities:</i>	Various food outlets, shop, eating area, cash machines, telephones, information desk, meeting point
<i>Location:</i>	The visitor centre entrance faces the river, next to the conservation site in Cutty Sark Gardens, Greenwich, SE10 9HT.
<i>Notes:</i>	Please note the Cutty Sark suffered a major fire on Monday 21st May 2007. The exhibition has now reopened but can be subject to short notice closures at times. Please contact us to confirm opening times on the day of your visit. All admission fees contribute to the Cutty Sark Conservation Project. Please be aware there is no access to the ship

Science Museum

Address: Exhibition Road, South Kensington, London SW7 2DD
Website: <http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/>
Email: http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/about_us/contact_us.aspx
Telephone: 0870 870 4868

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Open 10am – 6pm every day except 24 to 26 December.

Facilities: Various food outlets, shop, eating area, cash machines, telephones, information desk, meeting point

Location: <http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/visitmuseum/gettinghere.aspx>

Notes: Entry is free, but charges apply for the IMAX 3D Cinema, simulators and some special exhibitions. The museum has an outreach team that can visit groups.

Victoria & Albert Museum

Address: V&A South Kensington, Cromwell Road, London, SW7 2RL
Website: <http://www.vam.ac.uk/>
Email: vanda@vam.ac.uk
Telephone: (0) 20 7942 2000

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: 10.00 to 17.45 daily. 10.00 to 22.00 Fridays (selected galleries remain open after 18.00.). Closed 24, 25 & 26 December
The tunnel entrance to the V&A is open from 10.00 - 17.30 daily but may be closed, on occasion, on the advice of London Underground.

Facilities: Various food outlets, shop, eating area, cloakroom

Location: http://www.vam.ac.uk/your_visit/travel/

Notes: Some exhibitions and events carry a separate charge

National Maritime Museum

Address: National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London, SE10 9NF
Website: <http://www.nmm.ac.uk/>
Email: bookings@nmm.ac.uk
Telephone: (0) 20 8858 4422

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Monday–Sunday 10.00–17.00

Facilities: Cafe

Location: <http://www.nmm.ac.uk/server/show/nav.2839>

Notes: All three sites are closed 24–26 December.

The British Museum

Address: Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3DG
Website: <http://www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk/>
Email: information@thebritishmuseum.ac.uk
Telephone: (0)20 7323 8000 (0)20 7323 8299

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Open every day 10.00-17.30. Open late Thursdays and Fridays

Facilities: Shops, cafes, picnic area

Location: http://www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk/visiting/getting_here.aspx

Notes: Visits to the Museum are free but you must book for any group of 10 or more.

Imperial War Museum

Address: Imperial War Museum London, Lambeth Road, London, SE1 6HZ
Website: <http://www.iwm.org.uk/>
Email: mail@iwm.org.uk
Telephone: (0) 20 7416 5320

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Open daily (except 24, 25 and 26 December) 10.00am - 6.00pm

Facilities: Cafe

Location: <http://london.iwm.org.uk/server/show/nav.00b002001>

Notes: Special exhibitions may charge an admission fee. Groups are classified as ten or more people and must book in advance

Museum of London

Address: Museum of London, London Wall, London, EC2Y 5HN
Website: <http://www.museumoflondon.org.uk/>
Email: info@museumoflondon.org.uk
Telephone: 0870 444 3851

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Open daily: Mon to Sat: 10am-5.50pm, Sun: 12pm-5.50pm,
Last admission: 5.30pm. Closed 24 to 26 December and 1 January.

Facilities: Shop

Location: Museum entrance is located on a pedestrian high walk which can be reached by stairs, escalators or lifts from Aldersgate Street; London Wall; or St Martins-le-Grand

Notes: Some of the galleries are closed for refurbishment, reopening in 2009. If you plan to bring a group of 10 or more school, college or other visitors, please call the box office on 0870 444 3850 or email groups@museumoflondon.org.uk.

Royal Air Force Museum

Address: Royal Air Force Museum, Grahame Park Way, London, NW9 5LL
Website: <http://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/>
Email: <http://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/london/contact/>
Telephone:

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Open Daily:
Milestones of Flight, Historic Hangars and Bomber Hall: 10.00 - 18.00
Grahame White Factory: 10.00 - 12.00
Battle of Britain Hall: 12.00 - 18.00
Aeronauts Interactive Centre: Weekends & school holidays 10.00 - 18.00
Weekdays 10.30 - 16.30
Closed: 24-26 December 2007, 1 January & 7-11 January 2008

Facilities: Restaurant, café, picnic area, shop

Location: <http://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/london/planavisit/travelling.cfm>

Notes:

Bank of England Museum

Address: Bartholomew Lane, EC2R 8AH, off Threadneedle Street.
Website: <http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/education/museum/visiting/faq.htm>
Email: museum@bankofengland.co.uk
Telephone: (0) 20 7601 5545

Costs: Admission is free for everyone and includes a free Museum Guide.

Opening Times: Monday to Friday, 10.00 - 17.00. Closed at weekends and Bank Holidays
Opening times available by recorded message on +44 (0)20 7601 5545.

Facilities: NO areas to eat

Location: <http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/education/museum/visiting/how.htm>

Notes: Small groups can arrange to have a short introduction to the Museum.

Design Museum

Address: Design Museum, Shad Thames, London, SE1 2YD
Website: <http://www.designmuseum.org/>
Email: info@designmuseum.org
Telephone: 0870 909 9009

Costs: £7 adults £4 students + concessions Free for under 12s

Opening Times: Daily 10am - 5.45pm. Last admissions at 5.15pm. The Design Museum is open on all bank and national holidays, except 25 + 26 December

Facilities: Shop, café

Location: <http://www.designmuseum.org/info/getting-here>

Notes:

Museum of Childhood

Address: V&A Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Road, London, E2 9PA
Website: http://www.vam.ac.uk/moc/your_visit/
Email: moc@vam.ac.uk
Telephone: (0)20 8983 5200

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Everyday 10:00-17:45. Last admission 17:30. The Museum is closed on 25 and 26 December and 1 January every year

Facilities: Café

Location: http://www.vam.ac.uk/moc/your_visit/

Notes: The V&A Museum of Childhood has services for all types of groups to ensure that your visit is enjoyable. Groups of 10 or more are asked to notify us in advance.

Duxford

Address: Imperial War Museum Duxford, Cambridgeshire, CB22 4QR
Website: <http://duxford.iwm.org.uk/>
Email: duxford@iwm.org.uk
Telephone: (0) 1223 835 000

Costs: Adult (person aged 19 - 59 years) £14.95 Children under 16 Free

Opening Times: Open daily except 24, 25 and 26 December.
Summer 2007 (17 Mar to 28 Oct) 10.00 am - 6.00 pm (Last admission 5pm.)
Winter (29 Oct - 14 Mar 2008) 10.00 am - 4.00 pm (Last admission 3pm.)

Facilities: Restaurant, Coffee Shop, Shop

Location: <http://duxford.iwm.org.uk/server/show/nav.00d002002>

Notes: Book your visit through the Department for Learning and one adult leader enters FREE with every six children. They have resources and materials for Cub and Scout badges.

The Old Operating Theatre

Address: Museum & Herb Garret, 9a St. Thomas St, London SE1 9RY
Website: <http://www.thegarret.org.uk/>
Email: curator@thegarret.org.uk
Telephone: 020 7188 2679

Costs: Adult £5.25 Children under 16 £3

Opening Times: Open daily: 10.30am to 5.00pm Open Bank Holidays except Christmas Day and Boxing Day and closed 15th Dec - 5th Jan.

Facilities:

Location: <http://www.thegarret.org.uk/find.htm>

Notes: Each group (of over 10), booking in advance, receive a free lecture/introduction to the Museum

Sherlock Holmes Museum

Address: The Sherlock Holmes Museum, 221b Baker Street, London, NW1 6XE
Website: <http://www.sherlock-holmes.co.uk/>
Email:
Telephone: 020 7935 8866

Costs: Adult £6 Child (Under 16) £4

Opening Times: Open daily (except Christmas Day) 9.30 am -6pm

Facilities: Shop

Location: <http://www.sherlock-holmes.co.uk/home.htm>

Notes: Group discount of 10% is offered. Each child will be given a postcard each, a badge, and a business card of Sherlock Holmes, as well as the Museum pamphlet on arrival.

National Archives

Address: The National Archives, Kew, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 4DU
Website: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/>
Email: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/contact/form/>
Telephone: (0) 20 8876 3444

Costs:

Opening Times: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/visit/times.htm>

Facilities: Restaurant, cloakroom, museum, bookshop

Location: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/visit/where.htm>

Notes: Special options are available for groups. Some rules apply to certain areas of the archives.

Barleylands Farm Museum

Address: Barleylands Farm, Barleylands Road, Billericay, Essex. CM11 2UD
Website: <http://www.barleylands.co.uk/>
Email: info@barleylands.co.uk
Telephone: 01268 290229

Costs: £4

Opening Times: Open Daily: 10-4 (Mar to Oct) 10-5 (Nov to Feb)

Facilities: Farm, miniature railway, craft village, farm shop, tearoom

Location: http://www.barleylands.co.uk/contact_us/directions.htm

Notes: Opening times for other sections may vary, see website for details

London Ambulance Museum

Address: London Ambulance Service Museum, London Ambulance Service NHS Trust, Aldborough Road South, Ilford IG3 8HQ

Website: <http://www.londonambulance.nhs.uk/aboutus/history/history.html>

Email:

Telephone: 020 8557 1767

Costs:

Opening Times:

Facilities:

Location:

Notes: Visits are by appointment only

Observatories & Planetariums

Royal Observatory

Address: National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London, SE10 9NF

Website: <http://www.nmm.ac.uk/>

Email: bookings@nmm.ac.uk

Telephone: (0) 20 8858 4422

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: Monday–Sunday 10.00–17.00

Facilities: Cafe

Location: <http://www.nmm.ac.uk/server/show/nav.2839>

Notes: All three sites are closed 24–26 December.

Parks & Beaches

Grays Beach

Address: Grays Beach Riverside Park
Website: <http://www.thurrock.gov.uk/graysbeach/>
Email:
Telephone:

Costs: Entry to the park and children's play areas is free

Opening Times: April to October 8:00am to dusk October to March 8:00am to 4:00pm
School Holiday Activities, Easter and Summer 10:00am to 5:00pm

Facilities: Sand area, bouncy castle, pedal karts, crazy golf, café, shop

Location: <http://www.thurrock.gov.uk/graysbeach/content.php?page=directions>

Notes: Parties and coaches welcome, group discounts available.

Lee Valley Park

Address: Lee Valley Regional Park Information Service, Lee Valley Park Farms,
Stubbins Hall Lane, Crooked Mile, Waltham Abbey, Essex, EN9 9EG
Website: <http://www.leevalleypark.org.uk/>
Email: info@leevalleypark.org.uk
Telephone: 01992 702 200

Costs:

Opening Times:

Facilities: Many. See website for details

Location:

Notes: The park offers many activities for youth groups including orienteering, walking, bird watching, conservation and tours. They are aware of badge requirements and many activities can help a balanced programme.

The Millennium Centre

Address: The Millennium Centre, The Chase, Dagenham Road, Rush Green,
Romford, RM7 0SS
Website: <http://www.barking-dagenham.gov.uk/8-leisure-envir/park-country/millennium/millen-c-menu.html>
Email: martin.page@lbbd.gov.uk
Telephone: 020 8595 4155

Costs:

Opening Times: April - September: 10am - 5pm (Weekends 1pm - 5pm)
October - March: 10am - 4pm (Weekends 1pm - 4pm)

Facilities: Café

Location:

Notes: Eastbrookend Country Park & The Chase Local Nature Reserve are close.

Railways & Cruises

Epping Ongar Railway

Address: Epping Ongar Railway
Website: <http://www.eorailway.co.uk/>
Email: malcolmhills@talk21.com
Telephone:

Costs: Fares: Adult £5 Children (under 16) £3

Opening Times: Timetable: <http://www.eorailway.co.uk/timetable.htm>

Facilities:

Location: http://www.eorailway.co.uk/find_us.htm

Notes:

Thames Cruises

Address:
Website: <http://www.citycruises.com/>
<http://www.londonducktours.co.uk/welcome/default.asp>
<http://www.thamescruises.com/>
<http://www.thamesleisure.co.uk/>
<http://www.bateauxlondon.com/>

Email:
Telephone:

Costs:

Opening Times:

Facilities:

Location:

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Theatres

Shakespeare's Globe

<i>Address:</i>	Shakespeare's Globe, 21 New Globe Walk, Bankside, London, SE1 9DT
<i>Website:</i>	http://www.shakespeares-globe.org/
<i>Email:</i>	info@shakespearesglobe.com
<i>Telephone:</i>	(0) 20 7902 1400
<i>Costs:</i>	Book online (via Seetickets, a ticket agency) 24 hours. A booking and transaction fee applies. Call the Theatre Box Office on 020 7401 9919
<i>Opening Times:</i>	See their calendar of events for details
<i>Facilities:</i>	Brasserie, bar, shop
<i>Location:</i>	http://www.shakespeares-globe.org/visiting/howtofindus/
<i>Notes:</i>	700 X £5 tickets for every performance

Theme Parks

Legoland

Address: Legoland Windsor, Winkfield Road, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 4AY

Website: <http://www.legoland.co.uk/>

Email: visitorservices@legoland.co.uk

Telephone: 08705 04 04 04

Costs: 1 Day ticket : Adult £33 Child £25

Opening Times: <http://www.legoland.co.uk/planyourvisit/times.htm>

Facilities: Cafes, shops

Location: <http://www.legoland.co.uk/planyourvisit/directions.htm>

Notes: Special prices apply to groups of 12 or more people visiting Legoland Windsor on the same day. For further information call 01753 626100. Combo tickets for Chessington World of Adventures and Thorpe Park are available.

Diggerland

Address: Diggerlands in Devon, Durham, Kent and Yorkshire

Website: <http://www.diggerland.com/>

Email: mail@diggerland.com

Telephone: 08700 344437

Costs: Under 3's enter Diggerland free of charge. Anyone aged 3 to 65 pays £12.50 per person to enter Diggerland. Over 65's pay £6.25 to enter Diggerland

Opening Times: <http://www.diggerland.com/visiting/opening.htm>

Facilities: Cafes, shops

Location: <http://www.diggerland.com/visiting/getting.htm>

Notes: Offer discounted entry on groups of 10 or more, with free entry for adults on a ratio of 1 adult: 10 children for supervisory purposes. Pre-book group visits by contacting Head Office 08700 344437

Wildlife

Tropical Wings

Address: Wickford Road, South Woodham Ferrers, Essex, CM3 5QZ.
Website: <http://www.tropicalwings.co.uk/>
Email: tropicalwings@tiscali.co.uk
Telephone: 01245 425394

Costs: Group Rates (Minimum 15 paying individuals in group) Adult £5.85
Child £3.65 Senior £4.75
Private Encounter / Special Sensory Session: £35.00 each (max 35)
Guided Tour: £125.00 each (max 20 individuals) Goody Bags £2.50 each

Opening Times: Open every day. 9.30am to 5.30pm (March 19th 2007 - October 27th 2007).
Last Admissions – One hour before closing time.

Facilities: Guided tours, butterfly tea rooms, farm shop, picnic and play area and more

Location: <http://www.tropicalwings.co.uk/directions.htm>

Notes:

Wellgate Community Farm

Address: Collier Row Road, Collier Row, Romford, RM5 2BH
Website: <http://www.wellgatecommunityfarm.org.uk/>
Email: wellgate.farm@ukonline.co.uk
Telephone: 01708 747 850

Costs: Entry is free

Opening Times: 9.00am - 3.30pm daily 9.00am - 12 noon on Bank Holidays

Facilities: Picnic area, shop

Location: <http://www.wellgatecommunityfarm.org.uk/contact.html>

Notes: The farm has opportunities for volunteers and puts on educational shows.

London Zoo

Address: ZSL London Zoo, Outer Circle, Regent's Park, London, NW1 4RY
Website: <http://www.zsl.org/zsl-london-zoo/>
Email: <http://www.zsl.org/contact-us.html>
Telephone: 020 7722 3333

Costs: Adult £14.50 Child (3-15) £11

Opening Times: 10am - 5.30pm: Mar 5 - Oct 21, 10am - 4.30pm: Oct 22 - Oct 28,
10am - 4pm: Oct 29 - Feb 2008

Facilities: Picnic area, shop, café

Location: <http://www.zsl.org/zsl-london-zoo/visit/how-to-find-us.125.AR.html>

Notes: Book group tickets now on 020 7449 6235 or buy group tickets online

Whipsnade Zoo

Address: ZSL Whipsnade Zoo, Dunstable, Bedfordshire, LU6 2LF
Website: <http://www.zsl.org/zsl-whipsnade-zoo/>
Email: <http://www.zsl.org/contact-us.html>
Telephone: 01582 872171

Costs: Adult £14.50 Child (3-15) £11

Opening Times: 10am - 6pm: Mar 25 - Sept 15 10am - 6pm: Sept 16 - Oct 6
10am - 5pm: Oct 7 - Oct 27 10am - 4pm: Oct 28 - Dec 31

Facilities: Picnic area, shop, café

Location: <http://www.zsl.org/zsl-whipsnade-zoo/planning-your-visit/how-to-find-us.160.AR.html>

Notes: Closing times remain at 6pm Monday to Saturday and 7pm on Sundays and Bank Holidays only until Saturday 15 September 2007

Paradise Wildlife Park

Address: White Stubbs Lane, Broxbourne, Hertfordshire, EN10 7QA
Website: <http://www.pwpark.com/>
Email: <http://www.pwpark.com/pages/general/contactUs.asp>
Telephone: 01992 470490

Costs: Adult £12 Child (2-15) £9

Opening Times: 1st March to 31 October 09:30 - 18:00
1st November to 28 February 10:00 - 17:00

Facilities: Picnic area, shop, café

Location: <http://www.pwpark.com/pages/general/directions.asp>

Notes: Groups of 20 or more receive a discount. Special details are available for educational visits: <http://www.pwpark.com/pages/education/guidelines.asp>

Mole Hall Wildlife Park

Address: Mole Hall Wildlife Park & Butterfly Pavilion, Widdington, Saffron Walden Essex, CB11 3SS
Website: <http://www.molehall.co.uk/>
Email:
Telephone: 01799 540400 01799 541359

Costs: Adult £6.50 Child (3-15) £4.50

Opening Times: Summer: Daily 10 – 5:30 Winter: Daily 10:30 to 4 or Dusk (excl 25th Dec)

Facilities: Café, shop

Location: <http://www.molehall.com/1586/>

Notes: Group rates are available. Rates are cheaper in the winter. Information for groups at : <http://www.molehall.com/25943/>

Hayes Hill Farm

Address: Hayes Hill Farm, Stubbins Hall Lane, Waltham Abbey, Essex, EN9 2EG
Website: <http://www.leevalleypark.org.uk/>
Email: hayeshill@leevalleypark.org.uk
Telephone: 01992 892781

Costs: Adult £6.50 Child (3-15) £4.50

Opening Times: Open 1st Mar to 31st Oct: Last admission half hour before closing.
Weekdays 10.00am-4.30pm Weekends 10.00am-5.30pm or dusk

Facilities: Tea room, picnic area, play area, pet centre

Location: Junction 26 of M25, then A121, then B194: 2 miles north of Waltham Abbey.
Nearest BR station is Waltham Cross, 3 miles away.

Notes: Educational visits, guided or unguided, covering the range from pre-school to college are fully provided for, telephone the youth and schools service on 01992 702227.

Small Breeds Farm

Address: Small Breeds Farm Park and Owl Centre, Kington, Herefordshire, HR5 3HF
Website: <http://www.owlcentre.com/>
Email: hayeshill@leevalleypark.org.uk
Telephone: 01544 231109

Costs: Adult £6 Child £4

Opening Times: Daily: 10:30am - 5:30pm. (except Christmas Day)

Facilities: Tea room, picnic area, play area, pet centre

Location: <http://www.owlcentre.com/findingus.html>

Notes: Discounts are available for pre-booked groups of 20 or more people.

Colchester Zoo

Address: Maldon Road, Stanway, Colchester, Essex, CO3 0SL
Website: <http://www.colchester-zoo.co.uk/>
Email: <http://www.colchester-zoo.co.uk/index.cfm?fa=contact>
Telephone: 01206 331292

Costs: Adult £13.99 Child (3-14) £7.75

Opening Times: Open daily (except Christmas Day): 09:30 - 18:30 Summer holidays
09:30 - 18:00 Easter – September, June & July to start of holiday.
09:30 - 17:00 October - March (or dusk if earlier)

Facilities:

Location: <http://www.owlcentre.com/findingus.html>

Notes: Discounts are available for groups of 15 or more paying people that book 2 weeks in advance

Wildwood

Address: Wildwood, Herne Common, Herne Bay, Kent, CT6 7LQ
Website: <http://www.wildwoodtrust.org/>
Email: info@wildwoodtrust.org
Telephone: 0871 7820081

Costs: Adult £9 Child (3-14) £7

Opening Times: 10-6 (last admission 4.30pm)
October 1st onwards 10am - 5pm (or 10am - 4pm during the winter)

Facilities: Restaurant, woodland play area, picnic area, shop

Location: <http://www.wildwoodtrust.org/information.htm#wherearewe>

Notes: Group deals are available for groups of 10 or more. Resources and educational materials are available on the website.

Marsh Farm Country Park

Address: Marsh Farm Road, South Woodham Ferrers, Essex, CM3 5WP
Website: <http://www.wildwoodtrust.org/>
Email: info@wildwoodtrust.org
Telephone: 0871 7820081

Costs: Adult £6 Child (3-16) £3.50

Opening Times: Daily from 10 Feb – 26 Oct. Weekends only from 27 Oct – 16 Dec
10 – 4 Extended times (to 5) weekends/Bank Holidays/28 May – 31 Aug

Facilities: Shop, tea room

Location: http://www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk/find_us.php

Notes: Discounts available for group bookings.

Old MacDonald's Farm

Address: Old MacDonald's Farm, Weald Road, Brentwood, Essex, CM14 5AY
Website: <http://www.oldmacdonaldsfarm.org.uk/>
Email: info@oldmacdonaldsfarm.org.uk
Telephone: 01277 375 177

Costs: Adult £9.50 Child (3-16) £7.50

Opening Times: Apr 1 – Sep 30: 10-5 weekdays, weekends and Bank Holidays
Oct 1 – Mar 31: 10-4 weekdays & weekends

Facilities: Shop, tea room

Location: http://www.oldmacdonaldsfarm.org.uk/contact_details.htm

Notes: Special options and discounts available for group visits

London Wetland Centre

Address: Queen Elizabeth's Walk, Barnes, London, SW13 9WT
Website: <http://www.oldmacdonaldsfarm.org.uk/>
Email: info.london@wwt.org.uk
Telephone: 020 8409 4400

Costs: Adult £8.75 Child (4-16) £4.95

Opening Times: 25 Mar to 27 Oct: 9:30 to 6 28 Oct to 31 Dec: 9:30 to 5

Facilities: Café, shop

Location: http://www.wwt.org.uk/howtofindus/174/how_to_find_us.html

Notes: Special options and discounts available for group visits

Martin Rapley 'Bug Man'

Address:
Website: <http://www.martinrapley.co.uk/>
Email: info@martinrapley.co.uk
Telephone: 01255 863812

Costs: Schools: London, Essex, Suffolk, Norfolk, Kent and Herts : £330 per day.
Outside above counties - £480 per day

Opening Times:

Facilities:

Location:

Notes: Wildlife and Science Presenter, Martin Rapley F.R.E.S. - The Bug Man, visits schools, museums, events etc throughout the year bringing a unique range of science shows

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