



Seeing the Capital Differently

Antiques

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Enjoy Your Explorations

many of the historic buildings and museums in London have lovely examples of antiques. Visit Buckingham Palace, Hampton Court Palace, Kensington Palace, Syon House, the Victoria & Albert Museum - the list is endless. The places in this Theme are a selection of the less usual including some of the famous markets

Guards Chapel & Museum

Birdcage Walk, SW1W
020 7414 3271

transport: St James's Park & Westminster u/g; buses 3, 11,12,24,53,77A,88,159,211

facilities: book & gift shop (09.00-16.00); tours by arrangement

opening: daily except Jan 10.00-16.00 (last admission 15.30)

admission charge

this interesting collection of model soldiers has some antique toy soldiers by famous manufacturers

Goldsmiths Company

Foster Lane, EC2V
020 7606 7010 www.thegoldsmiths.co.uk

transport: St Paul's & Mansion House u/g, City Thameslink, Farringdon rail; buses 8,56,100,172,242

opening: by prior application

displaying both antique and modern silverware, this City of London Livery Company has one of the finest collections of English silver in the country. Treasures include the Bowes Cup of 1561 and Benefactors' Plate (Gibbon Salt of 1576, the Rogers Salt of 1602, the Seymour Salt of 1662 and the Feake and Hanbury Cups 1663 and 1665)

Cat Museum

49 High Street, Harrow-on-the-Hill, Middlesex, HA1
020 8422 1892

transport: Harrow-on-the-Hill u/g & rail; buses 258,H17

opening: Thur-Sat 09.30-17.00, Sun 14.00-17.00

admission free

there are 300 representations of the cat in this collection. Many are antiques from across the world and include woodcuts, art-deco ashtrays and nutcrackers

Button Queen

19 Marylebone Lane, W1
020 7935 1505 www.thebuttonqueen.co.uk

transport: Bond Street u/g; buses 3,6,7,10,12,13,15,23, 25,53,55,73,94,98,113,137,139,159,176,189

opening: Mon-Wed 10.00-17.00, Thu-Fri 10.00-18.00, Sat 10.00-16.00

if you want to find antique or modern buttons of any shape or material then this is the place to come

London Silver Vaults

53-64 Chancery Lane, WC2
020 7242 3844

transport: Chancery Lane u/g; buses 8,17,25,45,46,242, 341

facilities: disabled access

opening: Mon-Fri 09.00-17.30, Sat 09.00-13.00
admission free

the vaults, opened in 1952, house several specialist silverware dealers. Although mainly modern items there are occasionally antiques in stock

Alfies Antique Market

Church Street, Lisson Grove, NW8
020 7723 6066

transport: Edgware Road u/g; buses 6,8,16,98,139,189

opening: Tues-Sat 10.00-18.00

this is the largest covered antiques market in London with almost 400 stands

New Caledonian Antiques Market

corner of Long Lane and Bermondsey Street, SE1
020 7525 2122 www.bermondsey-square.com

transport: Borough, Tower Hill & Elephant & Castle u/g; buses 1,42,78,188

opening: Fri 04.00-noon

this covered market was founded in 1855 by Prince Albert, Queen Victoria's consort and was originally in Islington. It moved here just after the 2nd World War and now sells all types of antiques - silverware, paintings, ornaments and furniture

Chelsea Antiques Market

King's Road, SW3
020 7352 5689

transport: Sloane Square u/g; buses 11,19,22,49,211, 319

opening: Mon-Sat 10.00-18.00

this covered market sells books, scientific instruments and theatrical memorabilia

Grays Market

38 Davies Street, W1
020 7629 7034

transport: Bond Street u/g; buses 6,7,8,10,12,13,15,23, 73,94,98,113,137,139,159,189

facilities: Victory Café for snacks

opening: Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00

here you will find antique jewellery, clocks, watches, Roman beads, Georgian rings and items made from Victorian jet

Greenwich Markets

College Approach, High Road, Stockwell Rd and Royal Hill, Greenwich, SE10
020 8293 3110

transport: Cutty Sark DLR, Greenwich rail; buses 177, 180,188,199,286; boat Greenwich Pier

opening: shops, restaurants & bars daily; arts & crafts market Thur-Sun; antiques & collectables market Thur-Fri; food court Sat-Sun

the Thursday market sells everything antique including clocks, ornaments, paintings and furniture

Chenies Manor House

Chenies, Buckinghamshire
01494 762888

transport: Chorleywood u/g & rail, then 1 mile walk

facilities: refreshments, shop, group tours by arrangement

opening: April-Oct Wed-Thur 14.00-17.00

this 15th century building has an interesting collection of antique English dolls

William IV Bar and Restaurant

786 Harrow Road, NW10
020 8969 5944

transport: Ladbroke Grove u/g, Kensal Green u/g & rail; buses 6,18,23,52,187,295,316

facilities: bar food (noon-16.00, 19.00-20.30); restaurant (noon-15.00, 18.00-22.30)

opening: Mon-Thur noon-23.00, Fri -Sat noon-midnight, Sun noon-22.30

a bar with genuine antique furniture

Through the Looking Glass

563 Kings Road, SW6
020 7736 7799

transport: Fulham Broadway u/g; buses 11,22,28,211, 295,C3

need an old mirror - then look no further

Camden Passage Market

Upper Street, Islington, N1
www.islington.gov.uk/whatson

transport: Angel u/g; buses 4,19,30,38,43,56,73,153, 214,274,341

opening: Wed 07.00-14.00, Thur 07.00-16.00, Sat 08.00-16.00 (Wed & Sat (antiques), Thurs (books,prints & drawings))

market and shops selling silverware, jewellery, watches, books, prints and drawings can be found here. Individual shops may be open at other times

East Street, SE17

transport: Elephant & Castle u/g & rail; buses 12,35,40, 45,68,171,176,468,P5

opening: Tue,Wed,Fri,Sat 08.00-17.00; Thur,Sun 09.00-17.00

look at Pierpoint Row for antique jewellery and in the Georgian Village indoor market for antique fabrics and textiles

Jubilee Market Hall

The Market, Covent Garden, WC2

transport: Covent Garden & Leicester Square u/g, Charing Cross u/g & rail; buses 6,9,11,13,15,23,24,29, 77A,91,176

opening: Mon 0600-17.00 (antiques), Tue-Fri 09.00-17.00 (general), Sat-Sun 09.00-17.00 (crafts)

Monday is the day for antiques on this market

Piccadilly Market

St James's Church, 197 Piccadilly, W1
020 7734 4511

transport: Piccadilly Circus & Green Park u/g; buses 9,14, 19,22,38

opening: Wed-Sat 10.00-18.00

another market for all types of goods

Portobello Road Market, W10 & W11

transport: Ladbroke Grove & Notting Hill Gate u/g; buses 23,27,28,31,52,328

opening: daily except Thurs; Mon-Wed, Fri 08.00-18.00, Sat 07.00-17.00 (mainly antiques) Sun 08.00-13.00 (general goods)

the antiques at the junction with Chepstow Road tend to be geared towards tourists; if you are after ceramics or jukeboxes or whatever then look in the Blenheim Crescent and Talbot Road areas

Richmond Hill, Surrey

transport: Richmond u/g & rail; buses 33,65,190,337, 391,419,490,H22,H37,R68,R70

this lovely part of Richmond has art galleries and antique shops

Browns Hotel

30-34 Albermarle Street, W1
020 7493 6020

transport: Green Park & Piccadilly u/g; buses 8,9,14,19, 22,38

this long-established central London hotel has some interesting antique furniture

Cecil Court, WC2

transport: Leicester Square u/g, Charing Cross u/g & rail; buses 24,29,176

an interesting court for shops stocking antique books, maps, stamps and theatre posters

King's Road, SW6/SW10

transport: Fulham Broadway & Sloane Square u/g; buses 11,19,22,49,211,319,328,345

famous for its trendy shops the King's Road also has interesting antique shops

National Liberal Club

1 Whitehall Place, SW1
020 7930 9871

transport: Embankment u/g, Charing Cross u/g & rail; buses 3,11,12,24,53,77A,88,159

the Gladstone Library appears to have 35,000 antique books but in reality they are all wooden fakes as the originals were sold to Bristol University in 1977 in order to avert a financial crisis!

Stephen Kalms Antiques

Vault 31/2 London Silver Vaults, 53/65 Chancery Lane, WC2
020 7430 1254

transport: Chancery Lane u/g; buses 8,17,25,45,46,242, 341

opening: Mon-Fri 09.00-17.30, Sat 09.00-13.00

this antique shop has candlesticks, candelabra, coins and medals

Camden Market

Inverness St, Buck St, High St, Camden Lock, Chalk Farm Road, NW1
020 7284 2084 www.camdenlock.net/markets.html

transport: Camden Town & Chalk Farm u/g; buses 24,27, 29,31,88,134,168,214,253,274,C2

opening: Market Hall daily; Camden Market Thurs-Sun; Camden Lock Wed-Sun;10.00-18.00

inside Stables Antique Market you will find Art-Deco memorabilia, 1950s and 1960s clothing and period fixtures and fittings

Chor Bizarre

16 Abermarle Street, W1
020 7629 9802

transport: Green Park & Piccadilly u/g; buses 8,9,14,19, 22,38

opening: Mon-Sat noon-15.00, 18.00-23.30, Sun 18.00-22.30

a restaurant with Indian antiques

Church Street Market

Edgware Road, W2

transport: Edgware Road u/g; buses 6,8,16,98,139,189

opening: Mon-Sat 08.00-17.00

another antiques market

The Vestry

Byward Street, Tower Hill, EC3
020 7488 4933

transport: Tower Hill u/g, Tower Gateway DLR, Fenchurch Street rail; buses 15,42,78,100; boat Tower Millennium & St Katharines Piers

opening: Mon-Fri 11.30-17.30, Thur 11.30-21.00, afternoon tea 15.00-17.00

this restaurant has antique oak tables made from 200 year old French railway carriage floors

Black Lion pub

59-61 High Street, Plaistow, E13
020 8472 2351

transport: Plaistow u/g; buses 69,241,262,325,473
facilities: bar food, beer garden, restaurant

opening: Mon-Thur 11.00-15.00, 17.00-23.00; Fri-Sat 11.00-23.00

the 16th century pub was originally a coaching inn. With wooden floors it is decorated with antique bits and pieces

Merton Abbey Mills

Station Road, Wimbledon, SW19

transport: Colliers Wood u/g; buses 57,152,200,219

opening: daily with a craft market on Sat and Sun 10.00-17.00

the weekend market in this old water mill has crafts, antiques, pine furniture and a farmer's market specialising in cheeses

Frontispiece

Cabot Place East, Canary Wharf, E14
020 7363 6336

transport: Canary Wharf DLR; buses 277,D3,D7,D8; boat Canary Wharf Pier

opening: Mon- Fri 09.00-19.00, Sat 10.00-18.00, Sun 11.00-17.00

this shop in the modern environment of Canary Wharf stocks half a million antique maps

La Porte des Indes

32 Bryanston Street, W1
020 7224 0055 www.laportedesindes.com

transport: Marble Arch u/g; buses 2,6,7,13,15,16,23,30,36,74,82,98,113,139,189,274

opening: Mon-Fri noon-14.30, 19.00-midnight; Sat 19.00-midnight; Sun noon-15.00, 18.00-22.30

unusual décor for this Indian restaurant - marble waterfall, a carved staircase - all set amid giant palm trees, exotic flowers and antiques

Maggs

50 Berkeley Square, W1

transport: Green Park & Bond Street u/g; buses 8,9,14,19,22,38

opening: Mon-Fri 09.30-17.00

a shop specialising in antiquarian books and maps

Bourdon House

2 Davies Street, W1
020 7629 2444

transport: Bond Street u/g; buses 3,6,7,8,10,12,13,15,23,25,53,55,73,94,98,113,137,139,159,176,189

this manor house, built in 1723-5 with a fine 18th century interior, provides the setting for Mallett of London, antique dealers in furniture and fine art. Here you will

find continental 18th and 19th century furniture, 19th century English furniture and, in the paved courtyard, garden statuary, ornaments and furniture

Mallett's have another showroom at 141 Bond Street, W1 where they display English furniture, works of art and chandeliers, wall lights & glass furniture in the Glass Collection

Coach House

189 Westbourne Grove, W11
020 7229 8306

transport: Royal Oak & Bayswater u/g; buses 7,23,27,28,31,36,70,328

opening: Mon-Sat

this old 19th century garage is now an antique dealers specialising in neo-Gothic armoires and Arts & Craft chairs

Japanese Gallery

23 Camden Passage, N1
020 7226 3347

transport: Angel u/g; buses 4,19,30,38,43,56,73,153,274,341

opening: Mon-Sat 10.00-18.00

amongst the Japanese antiques in this shop are dolls, porcelain and woodcut prints

Sekmet Galleries

47 Camden Passage, N1
020 7354 2308

transport: Angel u/g; buses 4,19,30,38,43,56,73,153,274,341

an antique shop specialising in Georgian and Victorian items especially porcelain

Whitehead Antiques

Angel Arcade, Camden Passage, N1
01933 381095

transport: Angel u/g; buses 4,19,30,38,43,56,73,153,274,341

this shop specialises in antique lamps and lighting

Lucy B Campbell Gallery

123 Kensington Church Street, W8
020 7727 2205

transport: High Street Kensington & Notting Hill Gate u/g; buses 27,28,52,70,328

here you will find antique prints alongside contemporary paintings

Antiquarius

131/145 Kings Road, SW3
020 7351 5353

transport: Sloane Square u/g; buses 11,19,22,137,211,319,C1

opening: Mon-Sat 10.00-18.00

in this indoor antiques market with 200 stalls you should be able to find clothing & lace, art deco brooches, meerscham pipes and silver salt cellars

Façade

196 Westbourne Grove, W11
020 7727 2159

transport: Notting Hill Gate & Bayswater u/g; buses 7,23,27,28,31,70,328

opening: Tue-Sat

this antiques shop has French & Italian chandeliers, sconces and table lamps for sale

Loungelover

1 Whitby Street, E1
020 7012 1234

transport: Shoreditch u/g, Liverpool Street u/g & rail;
buses 8,26,35,47,48,67,78,149,242

opening: Tue-Sat 18.00-midnight

mismatched Victorian chandeliers and other antiques go with mismatched Louis XIV chairs and paintings of dead fish in this rather unusual cocktail bar

Thomas Goode and Co

19 South Audley Street, W1
020 7499 2823 www.thomasgoode.co.uk

transport: Bond Street & Hyde Park Corner u/g; buses 2, 10,16,36,73,74,82,137

a specialist shop for both china and silverware - centre pieces, cutlery, table accessories and antiques

Gallery of Antique Costume and Textiles

2 Church Street, NW8
020 7723 9981

transport: Edgware Road u/g; buses 6,16,18,98,139,189
opening: daily 10.00-17.30

a gallery that establishes old textiles and costume as worthwhile antiques. Besides a collection of original costume and accessories it displays and sells vintage fabrics including silk ribbon, embroidered trim bedcovers, quilts and cushions. A large part of its work entails hiring suitable items to companies for film, television and magazine work

Map World

25 Burlington Arcade, W1
020 7495 5377 www.map-world.com

transport: Piccadilly Circus & Green Park u/g; buses 3,6, 9,12,13,14,15,19,22,23,38,53,88,139,159

this shop in a lovely Arcade stocks antique maps and atlases dating from 1500 to 1850

Robert Whitfield Antiques

Tunnel Avenue Trading Estate, Greenwich, SE10
020 8305 2230

transport: North Greenwich DLR, Westcombe Park rail;
buses 108,188,422

here you will find a good collection of art nouveau and art deco antiques

York Gallery

569 King's Road, SW6
020 7736 2260

transport: Fulham Broadway u/g; buses 11,22,328,C3

visit here to see interesting and collectable antique prints

H & W Deutsch

111 Kensington Church Street, W8
020 7727 5984

transport: High Street Kensington & Notting Hill Gate u/g; buses 27,28,52,70,328

an antique shop stocking candlesticks and candelabra

Gavin Douglas Fine Antiques

75 Portobello Road, W11
020 7221 1121

transport: Ladbroke Grove & Notting Hill Gate u/g; buses 23,27,28,31,52,328

opening: Mon-Sat 10.30-16.30

amongst this dealer's collection you may find antique French and English clocks, candelabra and candlesticks

Langfords

The Plaza, 535 King's Road, SW10
020 7351 4881 www.langfords.co.uk

transport: Fulham Broadway & Sloane Square u/g; buses 11,19,22,49,211,319,328,345

opening: Mon-Fri 10.00-17.30, Sat by appointment

stocks antique candelabra, barometers, maps, scientific and marine instruments

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