Tour de K+C: A Family Adventure in Chelsea

Basic information

Thank you for signing up to take part in Tour de K+C: A Family Adventure in Chelsea. We hope you have a brilliant time exploring our wonderful borough. There is so much to see so we really hope you find something new. Kensington + Chelsea may be London's smallest borough with just over 156,000 residents living in our community but it is packed full of interesting sights to discover. We've picked out just a few for your trail but how many others can you discover?

Look out for...

- The Venus Fountain in Sloane Sqaure
- The Venus Fountain shows the kneeling figure of Venus in bronze holding a vase and pouring water from a conch shell, surmounting a large bronze vase-shaped basin, which sits on a narrow three step stone base within an octagonal stone pool lined with blue ceramic tiles. The basin is decorated with a relief depicting Charles II and Nell Gwynn seated by the Thames. Charles II picks fruit from a tree, whilst Nell Gwynn fans herself. An impish cupid sits nearby with two arrows ready, a deer and hound run in the background, and a swan swims by on the Thames.

National Army Museum

2. The National Army Museum is a place where everyone can get lost in the themed rooms and discovering the history of the British Army. A fully interactive - and free - museum offering little soldiers the chance to dress up in the iconic red uniform of the guardsmen as well as practice marching, driving a tank, creative workshops and more. The Museum is open and following all Covid-19 safety guidelines but booking before visiting is essential though and available through the website.

King's Road

One of London's most iconic shopping streets, the King's Road became open to the public in 1830 - so for almost 300 years people have been shopping on this one street alone. Most famous for its association with Sixties style and fashion legends Mary Quant and Vivienne Westwood, the King's Road has become a destination for style. But many other legends have lived and worked on this road over the years. Legendary film director Sir Carol Reed, the man who won the first ever BAFTA for his film Odd Man Out and directed the 1968 version of Oliver! lived at number 213 King's Road. Can you see his Blue Plague? 484 King's Road was the headquarters for Swan Song Records owned by Led Zeppelin until they were forced to move out in 1983. King's Road was also home to the first UK Starbucks...how many are there now? Over 1,000!



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Bywater Street

• Arguably London's most colourful street, Bywater Street is not only iconic for the pastel coloured homes lining the streets, but it's the address for one of MI6's most infamous spies! A pretty street with multi-coloured homes is the last place you'd expect the shady spy George Smiley to live and that's what makes it's so great. Don't worry, we're not revealing any national security secrets by telling you this. George Smiley is only a spy in John Le Carré's novel series and the 1979 BBC adaptation of Tinker Tailor Solider Spy saw filming take place in No.9. If you were a spy, what colour would you paint your home? In the TV series, the front door was bright red...not very secret agent style at all! Maybe James Bond will move in one day...

5. St Luke's Church Playground and Gardens Tucked away just behind King's Road, St Luke's Church is one of Chelsea's most famous churches. The nave, 60ft in height, is the tallest of any parish church in London, and the tower reaches a height of 142 feet. Most notably, Charles Dickens married Catherine Hogarth here in 1836. Just behind the church is the newly refurbished playground and picnic area. Equipped with plenty of swings, picnic tables, jungle gyms, and climbing frames, this is a great area to burn off some energy. The gardens just next door are great, too with their many unusual but attractive flower displays.

6. 13 Mallord Street - 'Silly old bear'

• 'The prettiest little house in London' was the birthplace of Christopher Robin and Winnie the Pooh. Christopher lived in a nursery on the top floor of the house with his nanny, Olive Rand. After a year they were joined by a Harrods teddy bear, which came to be known as Winnie-the-Pooh. Winnie was the name of a black Canadian bear in the zoo and Pooh was the name Christopher had given to a swan. When the London Evening News asked Milne to write a story for them in Christmas 1925, he chose to write down a bedtime story he had told his son about his bear. The story became the first chapter of Winnie-the-Pooh (1926). The book was modelled on Christopher Robin and his toys, which in addition to Pooh, included Piglet, Eeyore, Kanga, Roo and Tigger. Beloved by generations, Christopher Robin, Winnie the Pooh and his friends have entertained us all. Who's your favourite?

"You're braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think."

-Christopher Robin







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And finally...

- Housed in the former headquarters of Michelin, the chic restaurant, features art nouveau stained glass and art. The restaurant has been part of the Fulham Road for over 100 years. Whether you visit for coffees, breakfast, lunch or dinner in the ground floor Oyster Bar; cocktails and bar snacks in La Maison Rémy Martin bar – or for an opulent dining experience in the elegant Claude Bosi restaurant you'll always be welcome in this house.
- 8. Pavilion Road and Duke of York Square A campaign by conservation charity 'Elephant Family', 50 life size elephants have been installed across Chelsea and are aiming to raise awareness of elephant conservation. These creatures have all been handcrafted from Lantana camara, a natural plant material and took over 5 years to make! Each sculpture is inspired by a real elephant that the creators live with. A few individuals may have broken away from the main grazing group though to explore Pavillion Road and Duke of York Square – can you find them? Send us a picture using #TourDeKC and #HerdTheNews.

Thank you for taking part in our adventure, we hope you had fun and got to see lots of cool things. Let us know your favourite and share any photos you have by tagging us on social media or use #GiveWhereYouLive and #TourDeKC.

A quarter of children in Kensington + Chelsea are living in poverty and, since the Covid-19 pandemic began, our local food banks are reporting that demand for their services has doubled or in some cases tripled. Thank you for choosing to support the K+C Foundation, your generosity ensures we can build a better life together.

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Complete this wordsearch of places across Kensington + Chelsea. The clues go up adn down, across, backwards and diagonally.

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Draw something from your walk today and share it with us on social using #TourDeKC and #GiveWhereYouLive and tagging us.

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Wordsearch answers

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