

Tour de K+C: A Family Adventure from Earl's Court

Basic information

Thank you for signing up to take part in Tour de K+C: A Family Adventure from Earl's Court to High Street Kensington. 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.



Look out for...

- 1.** Eardley Gardens
Visit 67 Eardley Gardens to see the former home of one of the UK's best loved comedy actors of yesteryear, the Carry On film series' Hattie Jacques. She lived at this address for much of her life and spoke openly about her fondness for living in Kensington + Chelsea. The home today is privately owned but you can still see the Blue Plaque that was unveiled in 1995 by Dad's Army star and close personal friend Clive Dunn.
 - 2.** Brompton Cemetery
Our route will lead you through the centre of the cemetery but feel free to digress and explore fully before heading towards the exit on Southern Walk. The newly refurbished café is open for takeaways and has some outdoor seating if you'd like to stop. The Grade I listed Brompton Cemetery is the well-loved resting place of over 200,000 people, a haven for wildlife and a popular destination for locals and tourists alike. Nestled among the spectacular trees and undergrowth are over 35,000 gravestones and monuments. The cemetery is alive with the amazing stories of all the people buried there since the 1830s, including some well-known names like Emmeline Pankhurst and John Snow. Who's the most famous person you can find? Can you see the year-round Holly Tree or the snake bark tree? - Hint it looks like a snake wrapping itself around a tree!
 - 3.** Ifield Playground and Earl's Court Youth Club
Exit the cemetery and head onto Fulham Road before making a sharp left up Ifield Road. Continue up this road until you come across the small children's play area - stop here for a fun break from the route.
Earl's Court Youth Centre located beside the playpark is a popular space for young people from K+C to hang out with friends, get help with school work as well as learning new skills and play sports and games. The K+C Foundation is incredibly proud to have supported ECYC and most recently helped fund a Bikeability course and new bikes for local children ensuring they could stay active safely during lockdown.
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N.B. Once finished in the playpark, carry on up Ifield Road until you see a crossing. Use the crossing on Ifield Road over Finborough Road and onto Redcliff Square. Carry on up Redcliff Square until the road meets with Coleherne Road and then turn right onto Old Brompton Road.

4. Old Brompton Road
One of the most famous roads in South Kensington due to the many 5* hotels, the world-famous auction house Christies and local cultural institutions like The Troubadour and The Pembroke Pub (formerly The Coleherne). Adele and Jimi Hendrix have performed upstairs in The Troubadour. The most famous resident on this street, however, was Princess Diana where she shared a flat at 60 Coleherne Court with three others before meeting Prince Charles and moving in with him. You'll pass this as you walk down Old Brompton Road.

5. Kynance Mews
A little slice of the English Countryside in London. Kynance Mews is one of South Kensington's prettiest Mews and has been featured in films since the 1960s. Originally used as stables, the mews were created in the 18th century as houses for maids but after World War 2, Londoners realised these buildings could be turned into homes away from the city bustle. Each of the arches you'll pass through were built in 1860 and are now Grade II listed meaning they very little alteration can be done to them. Thanks to Instagram, it has now become a popular destination for Londoners and tourists hoping to see the wisteria in bloom.

6. John Stuart Mill Blue Plaque - 18 Kensington Square
John Stuart Mill was the major British philosopher of the 19th century, whose thinking profoundly influenced subsequent debate on politics, society and individual liberty. Throughout his life he championed individual freedom and social reform, including equal rights for women. John moved to Kensington Square with his 8 brothers and Mother and it is where he wrote two of his most famous books - A System of Logic (1843) and Principles of Political Economy (1848).



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And finally...

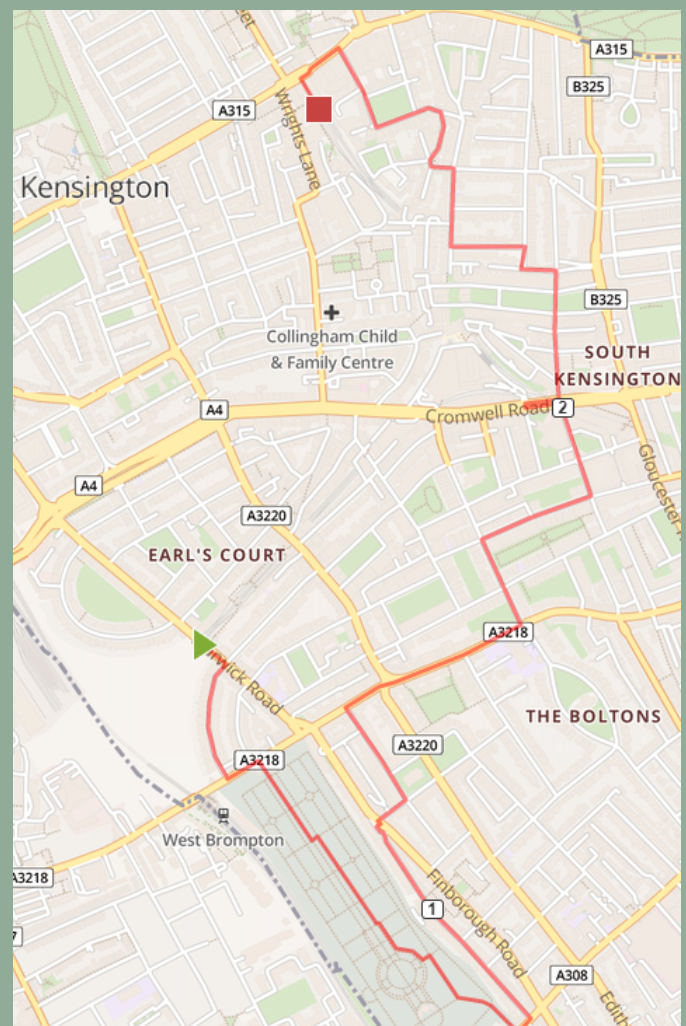
7. 155 High Street Kensington - High Street Art Window XANADU BY ORLANDA BROOM

Two artworks by Orlanda Broom are installed as the latest editions to KCAW x High Street Windows. They depict wild places that are uninhabited and timeless, offering a glimpse of paradise that would ultimately ensnare and/or is potentially lost to us. The first artwork, 'Xanadu', references Romantic poet Coleridge and his poem 'Kubla Khan' whilst the second artwork, displayed next door, is titled 'Wisp' - an abstract form in monochrome and reminiscent of a ghostly presence or cloud. Broom's landscapes represent re-imagined places which are celebratory, and in some senses, a rose-tinted view of the natural world. The surface joyousness is tempered by an uneasy sense of abandonment. The Kensington + Chelsea Foundation is delighted to be Kensington + Chelsea Art Week's partner of the year for 2021. Please have a look at their [website](#) to see what else they'll be installing over Summer.

You can view your map online using [Mapometer](#) or by downloading Strava onto your smart device and searching for Tour de K+C: A Family Adventure in Earl's Court.

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 and down, across, backwards and diagonally.

K L D H J F B A K M S C N H P
O A M O P U D K W S L E A N W
J D Y L C N A E U Q O A W O E
H B M L H E L N J L N R N T S
I R Y A E I G S Q M D L K T T
F O B N L G A I F X O S D I W
T K K D S H R N A C N C I N A
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U O D A F D E W T Y K X U D S

Dalgarno Estate

Kensington

Friends

Westway

Neighbourhood

Community

Notting Hill

London

Ladbroke Grove

Holland Park

Kings Road

Family

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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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