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Welcome to Kensington in the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea, the home of culture, art, design, food and green spaces.

Explore all that Kensington has to offer. The heart is tree lined Kensington High Street from where you can weave up and down and discover Kensington's independent shops, blue plaques, beautiful green spaces and wonderful museums. The area is packed with places to eat. From the tube station everything is within a short walk.

Enjoy Kensington and come back soon!

-  Blue plaque site
-  Park entrance
-  Bike rack
-  Bus stop
-  Tube station
-  Embassy
-  Police station
-  Fire station
-  Hotel
-  Playgrounds
-  Supermarket / Retail
-  ATM
-  Parking
-  Pharmacy
-  Warner Music
-  Post Office
-  Farmer's Market
Every Sunday 10am to 2pm
-  Sports Facilities
Including an outdoor gym, tennis courts, football pitches, cricket nets
-  Village-feel neighbourhoods

See over for more information and ideas for things to do in Kensington.



KENSINGTON OLYMPIA © Step-free access from street to platform

ROYAL ALBERT HALL, MUSEUMS

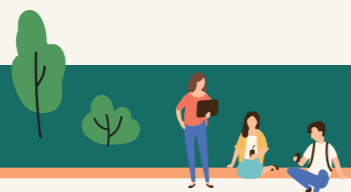


Token Loyalty Card

If you live or work in Kensington, you can also benefit from Token, Kensington's loyalty scheme with offers from local businesses. Simply register your details on the Opportunity Kensington website and download the Token card directly to the wallet app of your mobile device. Physical cards also available from select retailers.



Scan the QR code to register your details to get your Token card!



Neighbourhoods with Village feel off the High Street

Neighbourhoods off the High Street are populated with small, independent shops, galleries, restaurants, cafés and traditional pubs. With a background of Victorian architecture and blue plaques you can weave up and down, around and about as you explore and discover. These streets are highlighted on the map like this —

KENSINGTON CHURCH WALK

Abbots Walkway from Kensington High Street to Holland Street through St Mary Abbott's with tucked away independent shops including jewellery, vintage, ladies wear with green space.

HOLLAND STREET

Elephant & Castle Pub, cafés, specialist retailers including jewellery, ladies wear, galleries, gift shop, hair and beauty.

KENSINGTON CHURCH STREET

Winding from the corner of St Mary Abbots on High Street Kensington to Notting Hill Gate. Traditionally known for its art and antiques shops, pubs, restaurants, cafés and specialist shops.

STRATFORD ROAD

Devonshire Arms Pub, neighbourhood restaurants, cafés, small independent shops and essential services.

THACKERAY STREET

Located off Kensington Square (Kensington's oldest square founded 1685) it has traditional pubs such as the Builders Arms and the Greyhound as well as an eclectic mix of galleries, restaurants, cafés and independent shops.

HILLGATE VILLAGE

The Hillgate Pub links to a tucked away side street of cafés and restaurants leading to the Coronet Theatre Print Room.

LAUNCESTON PLACE

Galleries, restaurant, café, flowers and other services.

Blue Plaques

Look out for the Blue Plaques attached to buildings in and around Kensington High Street marking the buildings where famous people have lived or worked, or where significant events have taken place. The people commemorated are from all walks of life, including artists, musicians, writers, scientists, politicians, and social reformers.

The scheme for the blue plaques is run by English Heritage, designed to celebrate the unique relationship between people and place – and we certainly have that connection in Kensington with over 50 blue plaques in the area.

Our map includes the locations of the blue plaques in the area, but be aware that some aren't blue and some aren't round either. The popular blue plaques we recognise today were only introduced after the Second World War.

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| 01 Lansdowne House | 27 Sir Henry Newbolt |
| 02 Evelyn Underhill | 28 Colonel R E Crompton |
| 03 Aubrey House | 29 William Makepeace Thackeray |
| 04 Siegfried Sassoon | 30 Sir Edward Burne-Jones |
| 05 Charles Morgan | 31 Sir John Simon |
| 06 John McDougal Stuart | 32 Sir Hubert Parry |
| 07 Dame Marie Rambert | 33 Sir John Stuart Mill |
| 08 Bill Brant | 34 T S Elliot |
| 09 Ford Madox Ford | 35 Samuel Palmer |
| 10 Dame Agatha Christie | 36 Henry James |
| 11 Prebendary Wilson Carlile | 37 Dame Ivy Compton-Burnett |
| 12 Sir Edward Henry | 38 Sir Terrance Ratigan |
| 13 Frank Bridge | 39 Sir William Rothenstein |
| 14 Muzio Clementi | 40 Ugo Foscolo |
| 15 Sir Max Beerbohm | 41 Goldsworthy Lowes Dickinson |
| 16 Percy Wyndham Lewis | 42 Sir David Low |
| 17 James Clerk Maxwell | 43 Walter Pater |
| 18 King Haakon VII | 44 Thomas Daniel |
| 19 James Joyce | 45 William Holman-Hunt, OM |
| 20 Jean Sibelius | 46 Cetshwayo kaMpande, King of the Zulus |
| 21 Kenneth Grahame | 47 Sir Luke Fildes |
| 22 Sir Charles Stanford | 48 Marcus Stone |
| 23 Radclyffe Hall | 49 Sir Hamo Thorneycroft |
| 24 Walter Crane | 50 Lord Leighton |
| 25 William Makepeace Thackeray | 51 Sir Phil May |
| 26 Ezra Pound | 52 Gilbert Keith Chesterton |

Find out more at www.opportunitykensington.co.uk/blueplaques

Playgrounds and Play Areas

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| 01 Diana Memorial Playground | 03 Chess Playground |
| 02 Holland Park Playground and toddler park | 04 Holland Park Adventure Playgrounds |

Holland Park has several playgrounds and children will love the adventure playground, featuring a zip line and giant climbing frames.

In Kensington Gardens visit Diana Memorial Playground. Inspired by the stories of Peter Pan, this playground is designed to spark children's imaginations and transport them to a magical world of adventure and play.

Enjoy Kensington

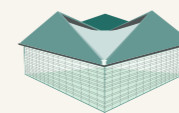
Kensington is a vibrant and culturally rich area. From museums and parks to interactive exhibitions and immersive experiences, there's something for everyone in Kensington.



JAPAN HOUSE

Japan House is the cultural home of Japan in the UK and is a great opportunity to learn about Japan. Activities include arts and crafts workshops, storytelling sessions, cultural exhibitions and virtual reality experiences as well as a shop and a traditional Japanese restaurant. Find

out more at www.japanhouselondon.uk



THE DESIGN MUSEUM

The Design Museum is dedicated to contemporary design in all its forms and offers a range of exhibitions, events and workshops to inspire creativity. The museum offers free displays and major temporary exhibitions that explore different aspects of design. Find out more at designmuseum.org

OUTDOOR SPACE

We have lots of beautiful green spaces in Kensington including Holland Park and Kensington Gardens, both free and open to the public. Parks are marked on the map in dark green with entrances shown by →

Sports facilities in Holland Park include tennis courts, a football pitch, cricket pitch, cricket nets, petanque, netball and tennis courts all available for hire plus a free outdoor gym.

KENSINGTON PALACE AND MUSEUMS

Explore Leighton House and Sambourne House, museums which hold regular workshops, events and activities. Find out more at www.rbkc.gov.uk/museums

You can book tickets to visit Kensington Palace, a Royal Palace since the 17th Century and where Queen Victoria was born. It is an official residence for many of the royal family. Tickets can be booked in advance at: www.hrp.org.uk/kensington-palace