A KENSINGTON CHRISTMAS GUIDE 2026



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EXPLORE KENSINGTON THIS FESTIVE SEASON

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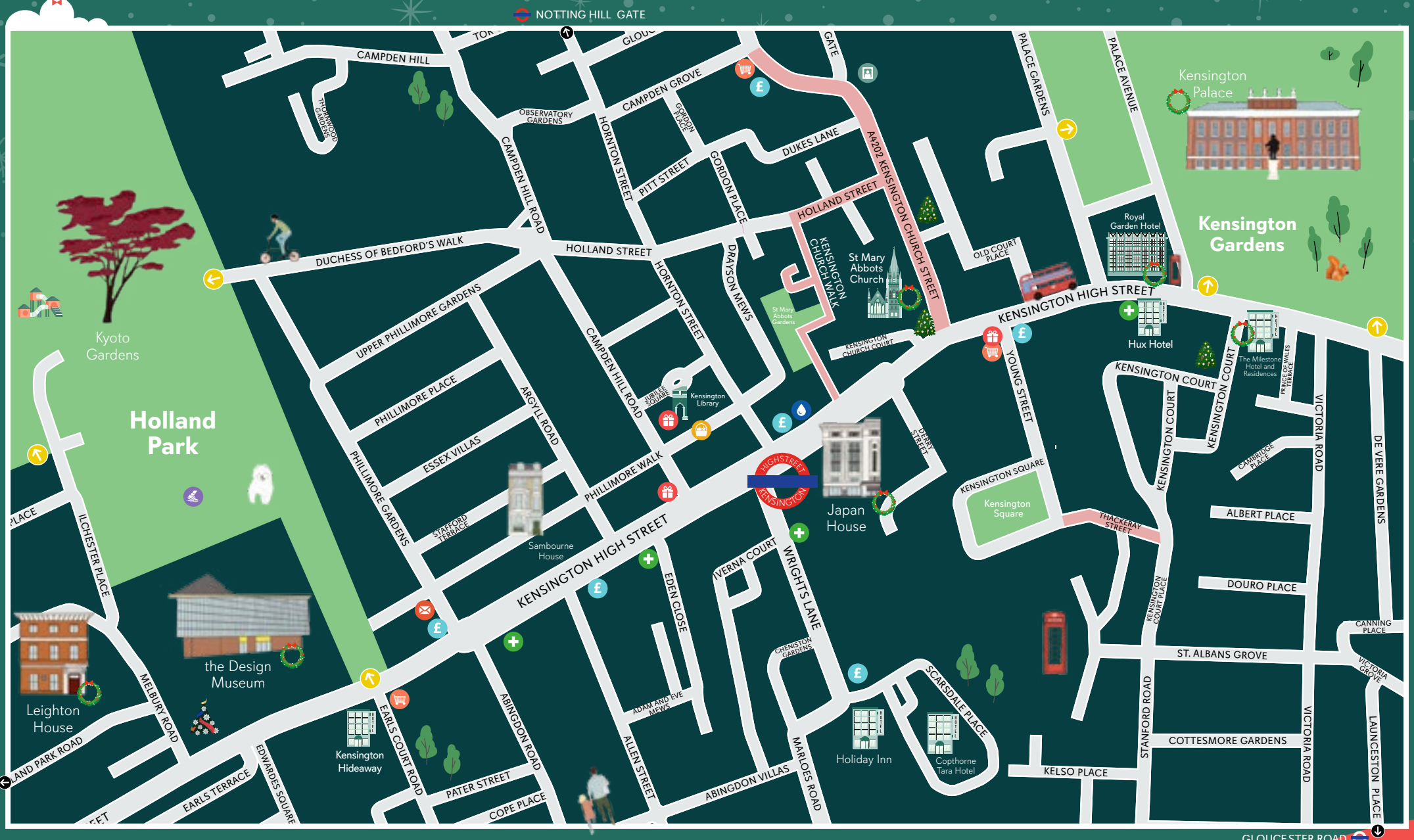

- Park entrance
- Tube station
- Police station
- Hotel
- Playgrounds
- Supermarket
- Water Fountain
- ATM
- Pharmacy
- Post Office
- Weekend Market
- Gallery
- Sports Facilities
  Including an outdoor gym, tennis courts, football pitches, cricket nets
- Village-feel neighbourhoods
- Some Christmas Festive highlights
- Kindness in Kensington gift drop off points:
  Kensington and Chelsea Library, Whole Foods and Santander
- Visit Kensington's Christmas Trees
- Colours of Kensington Christmas tree

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WELCOME TO CHRISTMAS IN KENSINGTON

Kensington sparkles at Christmas with rich culture, unique festive shopping and cosy dining. Explore festive moments across the neighbourhood.

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Scan for full festive listings.

KENSINGTON ADVENT 2026

01
Grab your last minute Advent Calendars from **Neuhaus**. W8 6SU
❄
Kindness in Kensington gift wrapping at **Refettorio Felix***, 2-4pm, SW5 9EB

02
Waterstones Kensington Christmas Shopping Evening, 5pm to 9pm, W8 7RL
❄
Magical Festive Tour at **Wholefoods** 5pm to 7pm. W8 5SE

03
Treat yourself to a warming porridge and coffee at **Acai Berry** for just £1
❄
Hyde Park Winter Wonderland (19 Nov to 3 Jan)

04
Christmas Music at **Leighton House** 7pm to 9pm. W14 8LZ
❄
Gallery presents global dance music legend Paul Oakenfold. Doors open 10pm. W8 4PT

05
Festive craft and Wreath making workshops at the **Holland Park Ecology Centre.** W8 6LU
❄
Christmas with Opera Holland Park at **St Mary Abbots Church**. 7pm, W8 4LA

06
High Street **Kensington Farmers' Market**, Phillimore Walk 10am to 2pm, W8 7RX

07
Buy your Christmas wreath from the lovely Flower stalls on **Kensington High Street**

08
Festive Afternoon Tea at the **Milestone Hotel** (30 Nov to 4 Jan), W8 5DL

09
Get stylish children's Christmas clothes and gifts at **Trotters**, W8 6SU

10
Festive Shopping Evening at **Japan House London** 4pm to 8pm. W8 5SA

11
Enjoy a meal around the festive tree in **Kensington Court**

12
Children's Christmas Tree Ornaments workshop at **Leighton House** 1pm to 4pm. W14 8LZ
❄
Solana Winter Series at **Gallery**. W8 4PT

13
Kensington Farmers' Market, 10am to 2pm, W8 7RX
❄
Hyde Park Sausage Walk, 12 to 2pm
❄
LaCage: show this QR code for a free glass of mulled wine

14
Kindness in Kensington gift wrapping at **Dalgarno Trust***, 1-3pm. W10 5QB
❄
Visit London's most festive pub, the **Churchill Arms**, W8 7LN

15
Treat yourself to Christmas Afternoon Tea at **Origin Kensington** (3 to 27 Dec), W8 4PT

16
LAIKA presents Wildwood: The Exhibition at **the Design Museum** (15 Oct to 10 Jan). W8 6AG

Enjoy a winter stroll in **Kensington gardens** and visit the **Kensington Palace** Christmas tree

17
Enjoy a Christmas Feast with a difference at **Dishoom** (16 Nov to 23 Dec), W8 5SE

18
Have fun with little ones and Breakfast with Elves at **The Ivy**, (5 to 23 Dec). W8 4SG

19
Celebrate the Persian festival of Yalda at **Leighton House**, 19 December 6pm to 8:30pm. W14 8LZ
❄
Solana Winter Series at **Gallery**. W8 4PT

20
High Street **Kensington Farmers' Market**, Phillimore Walk 10am to 2pm, W8 7RX
❄
Nine Lessons & Carols by candlelight, St Mary Abbots Church 5.30pm, W8 4LA

21
Give your pup a pre-Christmas glow up at the Self Dog Wash at **Big City Dog.** W8 7RG

22
Discover Victoria's Countryside Christmas at **Kensington Palace** (25 Nov to 3 Jan) W8 4PX

23
Grab a festive **Knoops** hot chocolate and pick up your last minute shopping

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MERRY CHRISTMAS



Visit businesses' respected websites for additional information and bookings. www.highstreetkensington.co.uk

GIFT GUIDE

Unique Gifts

- the Design Museum Shop
  Get £10 off membership with code NEIGHBOUR10 (includes gift membership vouchers)
- Japan House London
- VICKISARGE
- Pomegranate Jewellery
- Leighton House shop
- Kensington Palace shop
- Richard Young Gallery

Crowd Pleasers

- Zara Home
- Laderach
- Waterstones
- Trotters
- L'Occitane
- Neuhaus
- lululemon
- Cass Art
- Non Stop Party Shop
- Bayley & Sage
- Space NK
- Altimus (ski wear)
- Leonidas

TOP FESTIVE HIGHLIGHTS

- Victoria's Countryside Christmas at **Kensington Palace** (25 Nov to 3 Jan)
- Christmas carol service and concerts at **St Mary Abbots Church**
- December Farmers' markets at **Phillimore Walk** (every Sunday 10am to 2pm)
- Christmas events at **Leighton House**
- Visit the **Colours of Kensington Christmas tree installation** at the Design Museum plaza
- Donate a gift and support the **Kindness in Kensington** Christmas appeal
- Admire the Christmas tree in **Kensington Court** and enjoy a festive meal at one of the many nearby restaurants.

FESTIVE DINING

- **The Milestone Hotel** – Festive Afternoon Tea (to 4 Jan)
- **Dishoom** – Festive Feast (to 23 Dec)
- **The Ivy** – Breakfast with Elves (5 to 23 Dec)
- **Origin Kensington** – Christmas Afternoon Tea (3 to 27 Dec)
- **ffiona's** – Festive Menu and magical atmosphere (to 23 Dec)
- **Local Pubs for Festive Dining** - The Abingdon, Scarsdale Tavern, The Britannia, The Goat Tavern, Prince of Wales, Elephant and Castle, Builders Arms and The Greyhound
- **Maggie Jones's** – Enjoy a cosy lunch in this historic restaurant
- **the Design Museum** – Worlds of LAIKA Afternoon Tea (to 10 Jan)
- **Joseph's** – Lebanese Festive Menu
- **Lucky Grill** - Kensington's newest addition

Christmas charity gift appeal 2026

Kindness in Kensington

Donate a gift and help vulnerable people in our community this Christmas. *Scan the QR code to find out more and register to join the gift wrapping sessions.

HISTORIC ROYAL PALACES

KENSINGTON PALACE

25 Nov 2026 - 03 Jan 2027

VICTORIA'S COUNTRYSIDE CHRISTMAS



Explore Princess Victoria's rooms dressed for the festive season

Pre-book now. Members go free

SPACE TO STIR AND BE STIRRED

TOWER OF LONDON • HAMPTON COURT PALACE • BANQUETING HOUSE
KENSINGTON PALACE • KEW PALACE • HILLSBOROUGH CASTLE AND GARDENS

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