

THE CASUAL TOURIST GUIDE TO **SOUTH** LONDON



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Digital Map

How to add the digital map to your phone

To help you visualise where each recommendation is in relation to the others, and to help you navigate when you're on the ground in London, I've made a Digital Map to complement this guide.

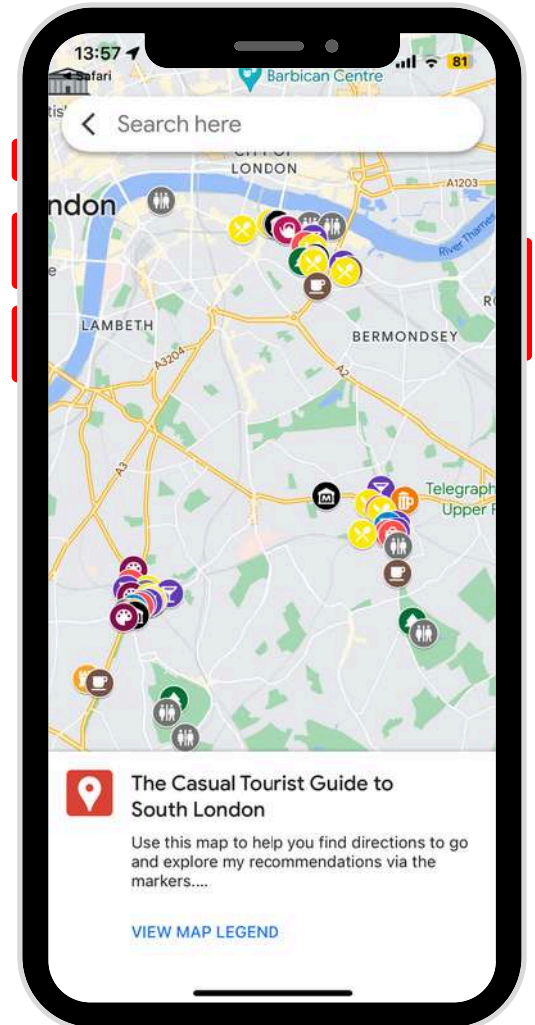
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The map works in any internet browser even if you don't have the Google Maps app.

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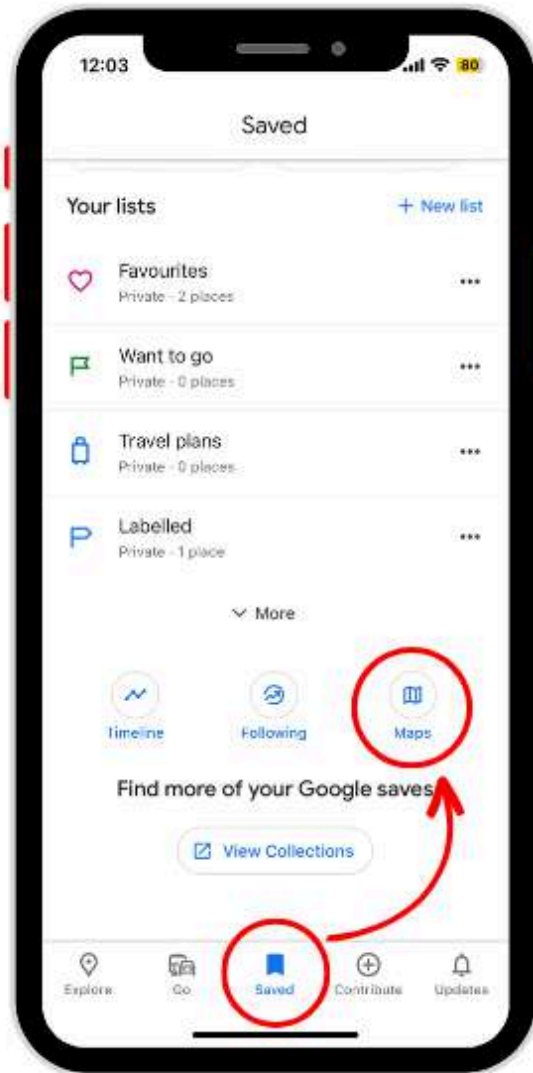


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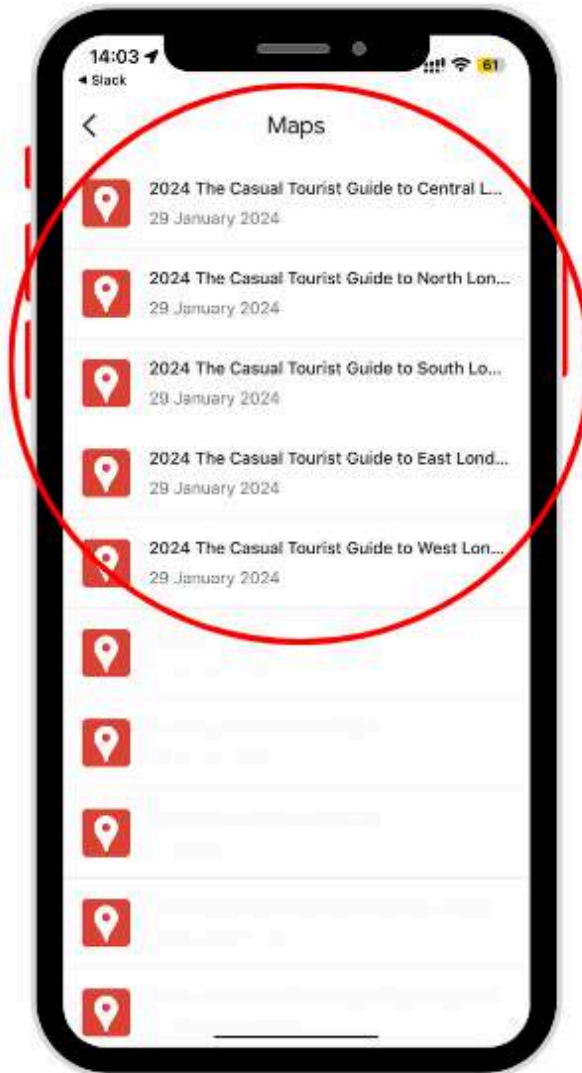
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2. Open the Google Maps app, and click on "Saved" in the bottom middle.
3. Click "Maps" in the menu.
4. You'll see the Digital Map in this list. Click it to view.
5. There you go! Click "View Map Legend" to control which category of pins is shown (this feature is only available on iOS systems and desktop).

See the screenshots on the next page.

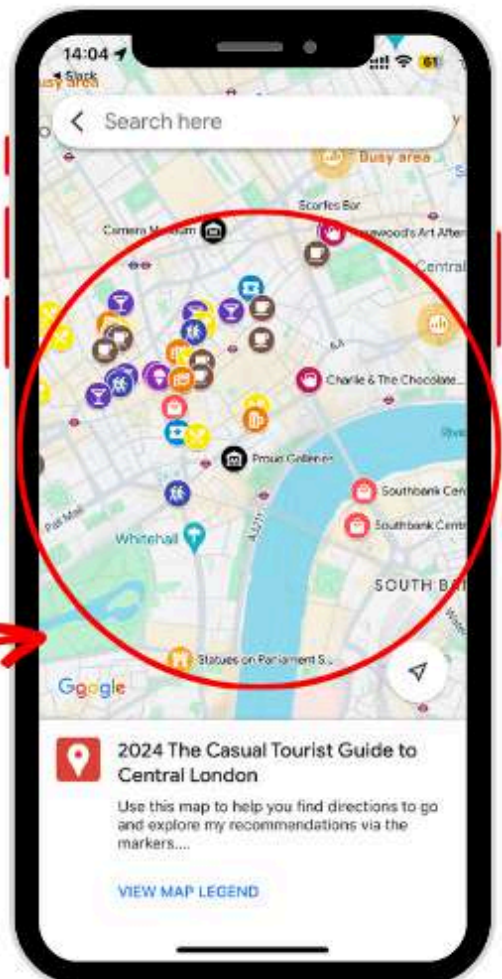
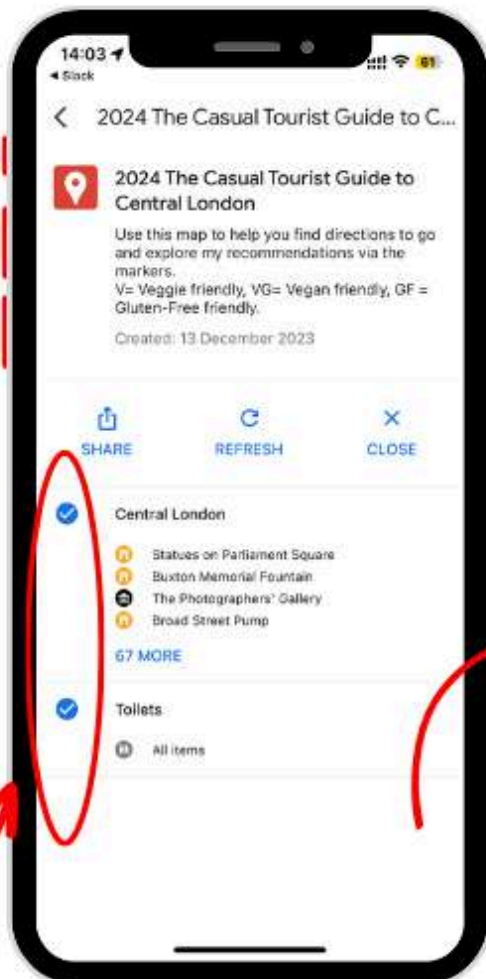
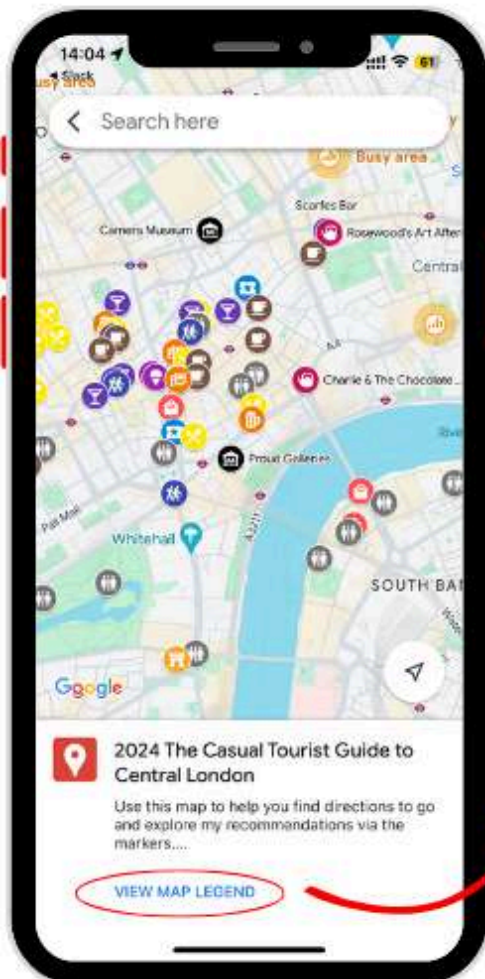
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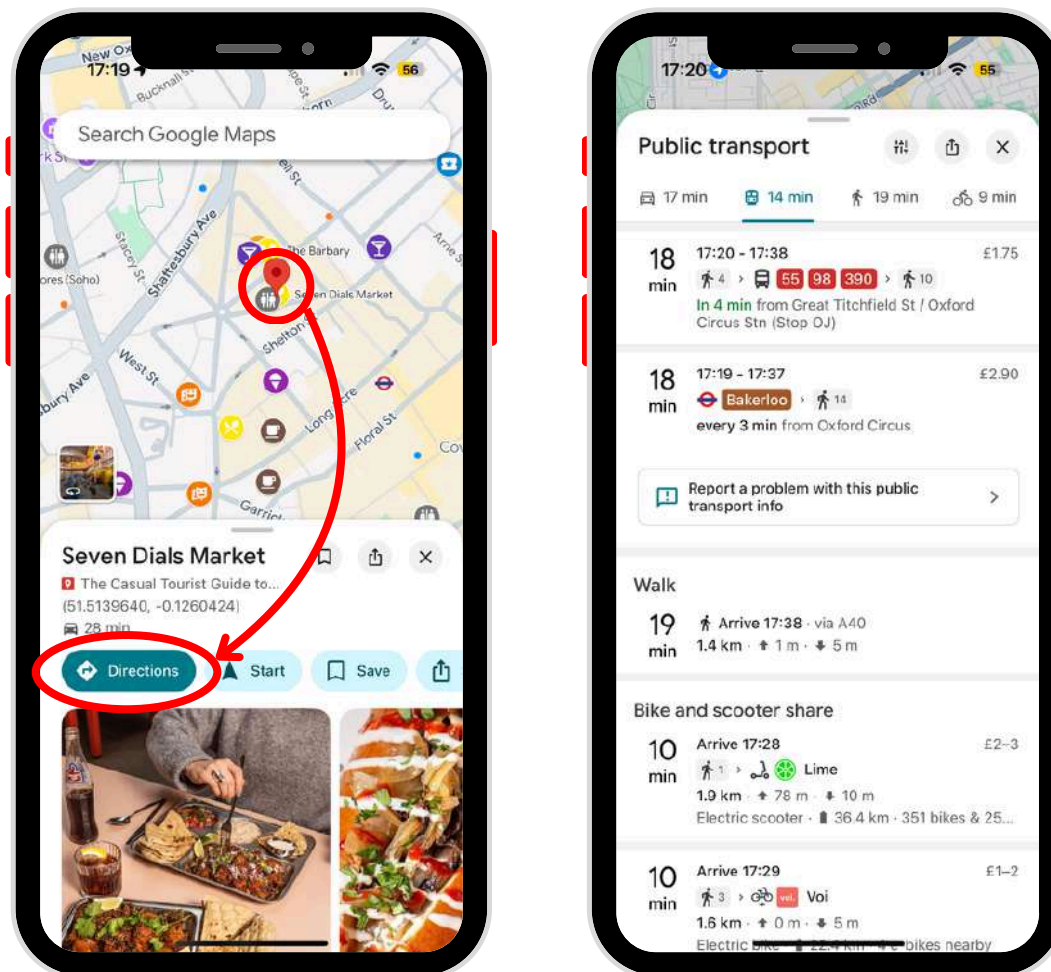
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Step 5: this feature is only available on iOS devices and desktop

How to get directions to a pin on the map

Know where you want to go next? Just click on its pin, then click “directions” to see all of your transport options, including walking directions.



Troubleshooting

If you're struggling to get your map working, here are common solutions:

1. Is your Google Maps app updated to the latest version?
2. Are you logged into the same Google Maps account across your devices? If your map is showing up on one of your devices but not the others, it's usually because you're using different accounts.
3. Can you try accessing your Digital Map on a desktop first, while logged into your Google account?

And finally, if you're still having problems, just email us at hello@loveandlondon.com and we'll be happy to help you out.

Welcome to The Casual Tourist Guide to South London!

I'm really excited about this specific guide because it covers three areas that tourists usually miss out on: Bermondsey, Peckham and Brixton. But also, to give the tourists some credit, many Londoners haven't even made it to Brixton and Peckham. When I take them though, they remember how interesting the areas are and how much fun it is to explore them. Bermondsey is more centrally located, so more Londoners are familiar with it - they've usually hit a pub or two in the area in recent times.

There's a lot more to south London but I've chosen three of my favourite areas that I think have the best stories, and the most options for you to do. Let me give you a brief rundown of each of them...



Area guide:

Bermondsey

Until the mid 20th century, the now-upscale area of Bermondsey was home to tanneries, leather makers, other types of factories and the impoverished working class that kept those places going. You'll still see remnants of this history, mostly in the ex-factory buildings that have been converted to offices and flats, but in other small ways too.

These days, Bermondsey – despite being so close to London Bridge, one of London's busiest train stations – has quite a village-like feel to it, so expect relaxed vibes around here. It's quite a trendy area to live in, having gone through gentrification, and there are so many great independent cafes, restaurants and shops to explore here, as you'll soon see.

BTW, you'll also see a few spots labelled with the area "Southwark", which is the neighbour of Bermondsey.



Peckham

Peckham was a largely rural area until the 19th century when the ease of horse-drawn carriages helped to build up the area and make it a more desirable place to live. This happened more and more as public transportation started to become more readily available across the city, especially when a bus service (with horses) from Peckham to London was set up in 1851, the first of its kind that was known to run a reliable timetable and have pre-designated stops. The ability to get much more easily from Peckham to other places in London was a huge advantage for the area, which is why Peckham saw more than a century of affluence and popularity amongst the wealthy young adult population. It also became a popular area for shopping, which brought people in from across the city.

Fast forward to the 1970s and due to low employment rates and little opportunity for residents, Peckham went into a steep decline, with a reputation for gang activity and poverty.

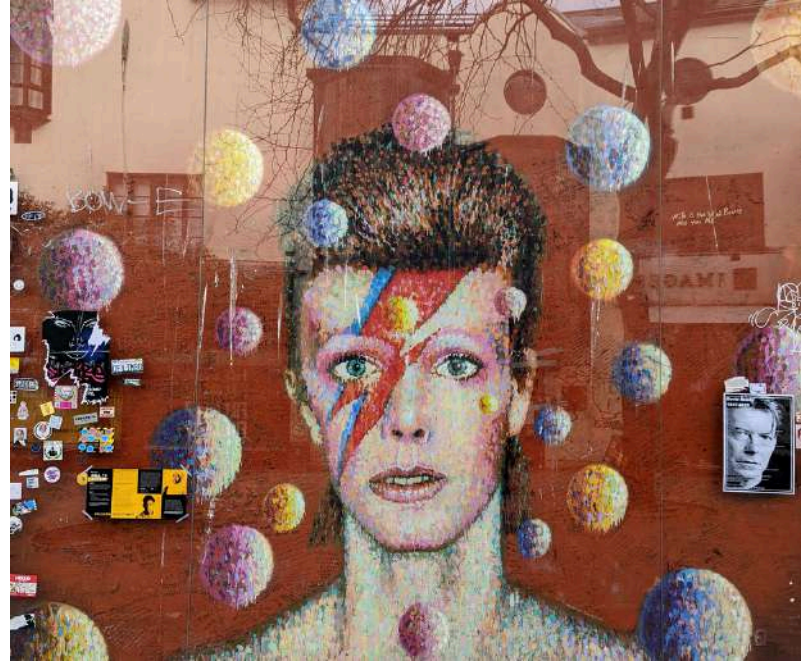
But with the introduction of the Overground train line and Peckham Rye station in the early 2010s, in combination with steep increases in housing costs across the entire city that forced people to move away from pricier areas, Peckham started to see rapid growth and gentrification, for better and for worse. But part of the beauty and intrigue of this area is the fact that immigrant communities continue to flourish and make major contributions to the culture here, making it an incredibly colourful and interesting area to explore or live in.



Brixton

Until a couple of centuries ago, Brixton was just a small village with not much going on, but it went through a huge transformation between the 1860s and 1890s when trains and trams started to link the area to central London. Even today, Brixton is at the southern end of the Victoria line, and is super easy to get to from many parts of London.

In 1880, one of the area's main streets, Electric Avenue, was the first street in south London to be lit by electricity, hence the name. And yes... Eddy Grant's song is about this street!



Then in the early 1900s, Brixton became popular with theatre workers because of its affordable housing and easy links to the West End, which began the area's association with arts and culture. And while Brixton boomed again in 1925 with the introduction of novelties like department stores and cinemas, Brixton was heavily bombed during the world wars and the area went into a decline from a housing shortage.

In the 40s and 50s, many immigrants arriving in London, particularly those who came from the West Indies, settled in Brixton. This period is called the "Windrush Era", named after the first boat that brought immigrants from Jamaica to England, and this group of people continue to positively influence Brixton and the rest of London to this day.

Unfortunately, due to rising housing prices across London, Brixton's gentrification has pushed out much of the Windrush Era-community who cannot afford the steep increases. Because of this, I've made an effort to include a diverse mix of recommendations in Brixton, with some businesses being Black-owned, celebrating Afro-Caribbean cuisines, etc. (and this is the case in Peckham as well). Plus, it's really cool to try places and foods you might have never thought to try before... that's the fun of travel, isn't it?

About the recommendations...

You'll see that I've separated the recommendations in this guide into their respective categories: food and markets, shopping, etc. Then, in each category, I have grouped together the ones that are in the same area, to help make it a bit easier to understand where they are in relation to each other.

Don't forget I've also provided you with a printable checklist to help you organise your visit, and you've got the Digital Map that will show you distances and directions as well. The three areas in this guide aren't within walking distance of each other (remember that London is HUGE so most things worth visiting aren't close anyway) so with all of these tools you can plan accordingly.

If you have any questions or problems, feel free to shoot us an email at hello@loveandlondon.com and my team and I will be happy to help.

About this guide

This guide is a PDF that's NOT meant to be printed, in order to save ink and paper, plus it has links on almost every page. So instead, just save it to your devices so you can always reference it.

We made the one-page checklist to be easily printable, so feel free to do that - or you can save it to your phone and add checkmarks digitally.

You'll see some symbols under each recommendation - here's what they mean:



HOURS



VEGGIE FRIENDLY



WEBSITE (CLICKABLE)



VEGAN FRIENDLY



LOCATION (CLICKABLE)



GLUTEN-FREE FRIENDLY



WHEELCHAIR FRIENDLY

And here's the cost guide:

£ - up to £20 (*per person*)

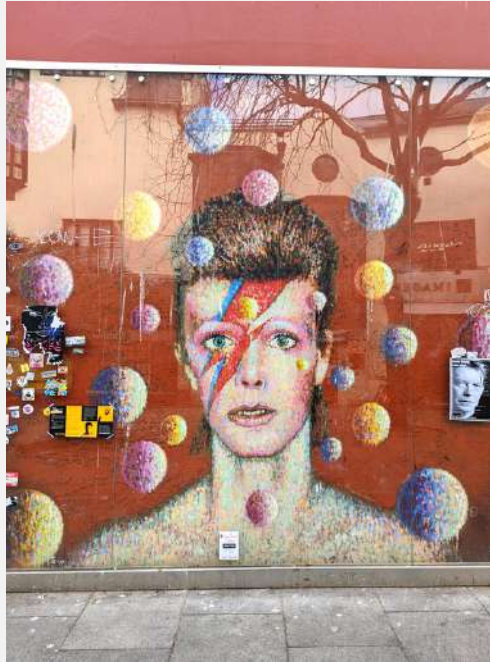
££ - £21 up to £40

£££ - £41 up to £70

££££ - £70 +

Finally, the less fun part... please do not share this guide with anyone beyond those you're travelling with. It's meant to be used only by those who have (kindly) paid for it, and any distribution beyond that is against the law.

OK, now go have fun!



SIGHTS AND POINTS OF INTEREST



OLD OPERATING THEATRE MUSEUM



An operating theatre is the name for an operating room, and a couple of centuries ago, when electricity was non-existent, they tended to be in quite unique spaces that allowed as much daylight as possible to stream in during the stressful procedures. So the Old Operating Theatre is in the attic of an early eighteenth-century church of the old St. Thomas' Hospital (which is now just down the street), where you can see original tools and artefacts that were used when the theatre originally opened in 1822. This is the oldest surviving surgical theatre in Europe and it gives a great insight into the history of medicine and surgery. Access to the attic is up a narrow 52-step spiral staircase.

Adult tickets from £10 and kids £6.50, book in advance.



Thu - Sat 10:30am - 5pm, Sun 12pm - 5pm (last entry at 4:15pm)

£ | Bermondsey



OLD OPERATING THEATRE MUSEUM



Photos courtesy of Old Operating Theatre Museum

FASHION AND TEXTILE MUSEUM



The Fashion and Textile museum was founded in 2003 by British design icon Dame Zandra Rhodes, and sits in one of the most recognisable buildings in Bermondsey, designed by renowned Mexican architect, Ricardo Legorreta. You can't miss that orange facade! It's the only museum in the UK that's dedicated to "showcasing contemporary fashion and textile design, displaying a broad range of innovative fashion and textiles from designers and makers around the world." Stop in for a visit and you'll find one building-wide exhibition, which allows you to deep-dive on the current theme, and if you were to return a few weeks later, you'd find a brand new exhibition to do it all over again with, because they only stay around for a few weeks before a new one is featured.

This is a must-visit for fashion and design fans. Before you go, check to see what workshops, talks or events they have on that you might be able to attend while you're there.

Adult tickets start at £12.65 and for kids under 12 it's free.

 Tue – Sat 11am – 6pm (Thursdays till 8pm, last entry at 45 mins before closing)

£ | Bermondsey



FASHION AND TEXTILE MUSEUM



Photos courtesy of Fashion and Textile Museum

LEATHERMARKET GARDENS



This cute little park tucked away in some back streets of Bermondsey is at its peak in the spring and summer months when its rose garden is in full bloom. Grab a sandwich from a cafe on Tanner Street, head to the park, find a comfy space on a patch of grass and enjoy this little patch of heaven, beautifully framed by historic buildings and the imposing Shard building.

 Always open

Free | Bermondsey



SOUTH LONDON GALLERY



The South London Gallery, also called the SLG for short, was established way back in 1891 on its current site by philanthropist William Rossiter to 'bring art to the people of south London'. But today there are multiple gallery spaces: the original Victorian gallery at 65 Peckham Road, with its eclectically curated gift shop and restaurant (mentioned later in the guide), and the "Fire Station", an old fire station building that was beautifully renovated and opened to the public in 2018.

When you start your day in Peckham, I recommend heading here first. The Fire Station has a permanent exhibition all about the history of, and important places around, Peckham, with an interactive digital map and contributions from Peckham-ites who have seen this area change over the decades due to major gentrification. The rest of the exhibitions are rotating, so no visit is ever the same, and it's all free to explore - just be sure to leave a donation, as that's what keeps the gallery going.



Wed 12pm - 9pm, Thu - Sun 12pm - 6pm

Free | Peckham



SOUTH LONDON GALLERY



Photos courtesy of South London Gallery

EXPLORE PECKHAM RYE PARK AND PECKHAM RYE COMMON



Not far from the busy Peckham high street of Rye Lane are Peckham Rye Park and Peckham Rye Common, which together make up 113 acres of green space. Londoners head here on sunny days to meet friends, lay in the sun and just relax. You can also do some exploring as there are some hidden gardens and water features ready to be discovered. My favourite part of this area is the Sexby Gardens, created in 1907 and still providing so much beauty, with wisteria-topped pergolas, bubbling water features, budding flowers and plants, and more to appreciate. Make your way there and you'll find other features to explore, like the Japanese Garden and the River Peck.

 Daily 7:30am - sunset

Free | Peckham



BROCKWELL PARK



Photos courtesy of Brockwell Park

In London, we are so lucky to have big beautiful green spaces that are free for the public to enjoy, and Brockwell Park is one of those spaces; it's truly the heartbeat of Brixton and the surrounding areas during the warmer months.

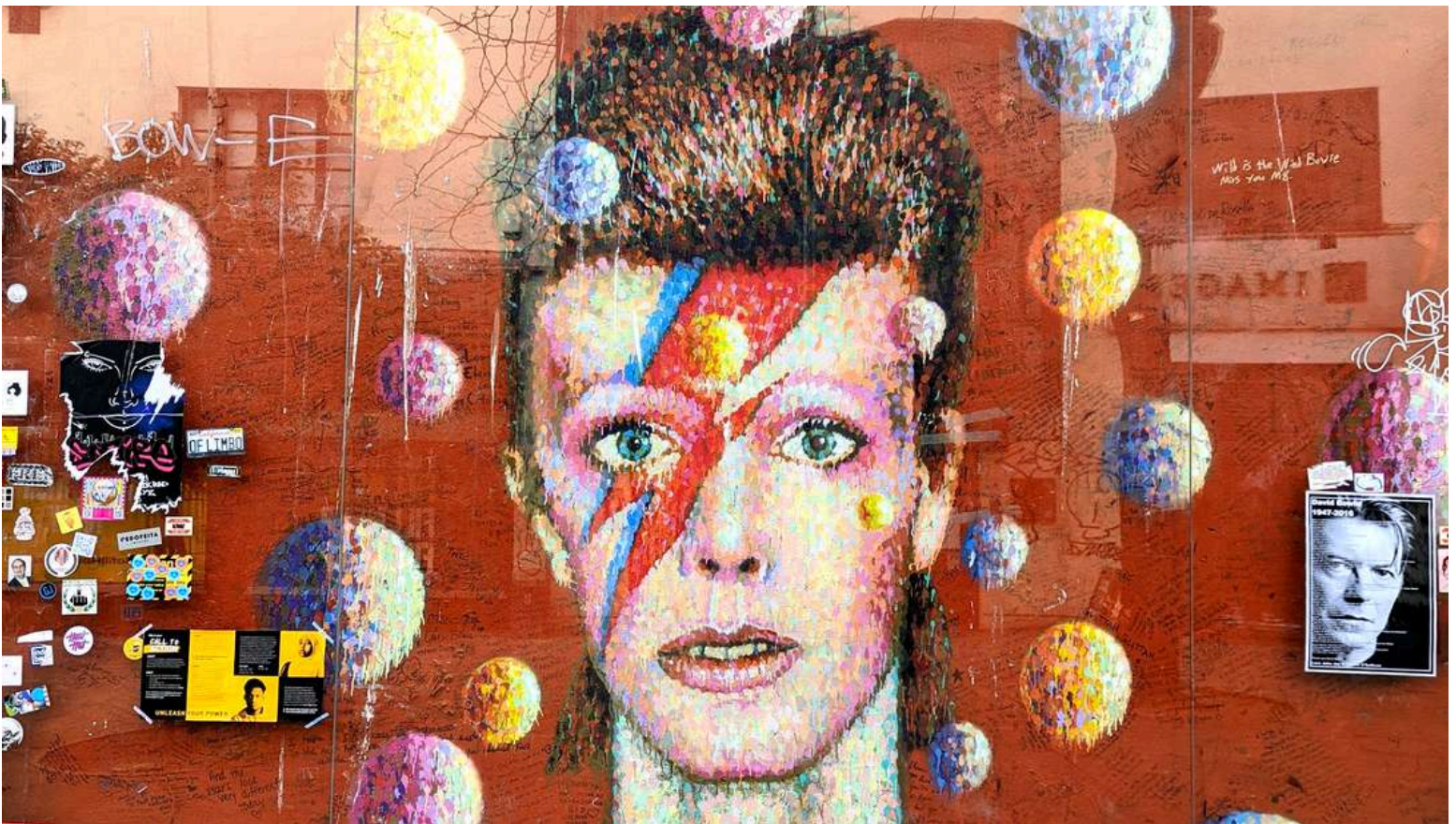
Local Londoners flock here on dry, sunny days to host a picnic with friends, exercise, walk their dogs and to just feel like they've escaped the hustle and bustle of the city for just a little while. The park is also host to many events, markets and pop-ups across the year, and its most famous landmark is the Brockwell Lido (lido = public swimming pool) where for just a few pounds anyone can go for a swim on one of London's hotter days. If you find yourself getting hungry or thirsty while you're exploring, head to Brockwell Hall, a historic country manor house with a cafe on the ground floor.

 Daily 7:30am - sunset

Free | Brixton



DAVID BOWIE MEMORIAL



David Bowie grew up in Brixton, so upon news of his death in 2016, the area went above and beyond in celebrating his life and contributions to the music industry. One of the memorials that can still be seen today is a piece of art painted by Australian artist James Cochran, who depicted Ziggy Stardust on a wall of the Morley's department store, just across the road from the Brixton Tube station. It's been covered so that it remains intact and protected for everyone to enjoy, and it's located just around the corner from where Bowie was born on Stansfield Road.

Free | Brixton



BLACK CULTURAL ARCHIVES



Black Cultural Archives is the only national heritage centre dedicated to collecting, preserving and celebrating the history of the African and Caribbean communities in Britain, and it's perfectly set in Brixton, an area that people from these communities have called home for many decades now. According to the BCA website, it "grew from a community response to the New Cross Massacre (1981); the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (1984); underachievement of Black children in British schools; the failings of the Race Relations Act 1976; and the negative impacts of racism against, and a lack of popular recognition of and representation by, people of African and Caribbean descent in the UK."

Head inside the beautifully modern building to see the current temporary art exhibition, the permanent Black British history timeline on the first floor, or to pop into the gift shop to pick up a unique souvenir. You can also browse the museum's archives - just be sure to book ahead of time to do so. It's all free to see, just be sure to leave a donation to help keep it that way!



Wed 12pm - 5pm, Thu - Fri 11am - 5pm

Free | Brixton



BLACK CULTURAL ARCHIVES



Photos courtesy of Black Cultural Archives

BRIXTON WINDMILL



Brixton is the location of London's only surviving, operating windmill, which is over 200 years old. Located on a quiet backstreet of Brixton, within Windmill Gardens, you can go see it in action, and it's usually open for tours on the second weekend of every month from April to October. The windmill is often used as a community space and for event hires, and what's super interesting is that the windmill is now used by volunteer millers to produce Brixton Windmill flour, which you can buy at Ashby's Grocers just around the corner!

Adult tickets from £5, book in advance.

£ | Brixton



AFRICAN AND CARIBBEAN WAR MEMORIAL

The African and Caribbean War Memorial is the UK's national memorial to African and Caribbean service people who fought in the world wars, and is an extension of the commemorative plaque and culture project that the Nubian Jak Community run to highlight the contributions of Black and ethnic minority people in the UK. The Imperial War Museum has over 70,000 memorials to the first and second world wars but there wasn't one dedicated to commemorating the contributions made by more than two million servicemen and servicewomen from the Caribbean and Africa, so the community set out to change that.

The African and Caribbean War Memorial sits next to the Black Cultural Archives in Windrush Square, which commemorates the arrival of the MV Empire Windrush, which arrived in England from Jamaica on 22nd June 1948, carrying 492 migrants, and is regarded as a symbol of the beginnings of modern British multicultural society. Many of the migrants that would have taken that same route across the Atlantic put their lives on the line to support the UK during WWII.



Free | Brixton





ACTIVITIES



DRINK ALONG THE BERMONDSEY BEER MILE



Photo courtesy of Bianca Road Brewery

There's something in Bermondsey that tons of Londoners don't even know about... the Bermondsey Beer Mile. Here you'll find a bunch of innovative microbreweries and distilleries housed under a line of railway arches. While for most of the week these businesses are producing their wares to be shipped off around the country, on Saturday afternoons, most are open and ready to welcome Bermondsey locals and tourists alike to come and enjoy their drinks. So on a Saturday, you'll find groups of friends making their way along the mile, getting in as many tasty pints and gin drinks as they can. If you're a fan of beer and cider, definitely join along!

And if you're not keen to do it on your own, you can join one of [London Brewery Tours's Bermondsey Beer Mile experiences](#), led by Des de Moor, beer writer and sommelier, and author of London's Best Beer, Pubs and Bars.

Adult tickets from £54 (tour lasts 4 hours 30 mins). Or do it yourself!

£-£££ | Bermondsey



HAVE AFTERNOON TEA AT TING AT THE SHANGRI-LA



Photo courtesy of TING

For incredible views of London's skyline and one of the best afternoon tea experiences in the city, Ting is THE place to book. Located on the 35th floor of the Shard, you'll get a full service afternoon tea starting with finger sandwiches, freshly baked scones with clotted cream and preserves, as well as an array of fresh pastries. The theme of the afternoon tea changes every few months (detailed on their website), so don't expect a perfectly traditional offering, but it's always a bit magical. You'll be able to pick from a curated selection of fine teas, or opt for a sparkling upgrade with champagne.

 Daily 12pm - 3:30pm

££££ | Southwark



PECKHAMPLEX



Peckhamplex is a south London institution. In a city of what often feels like overpriced EVERYTHING, quirky cinema Peckhamplex is still offering tickets for just £6.99 no matter when you visit. And they have a big range of films on offer, from the major Hollywood blockbusters to relatively unknown indies, so no matter your taste you can find something you'll enjoy. A visit to Peckhamplex is a great option for a super affordable rainy day activity.

£ | Peckham



BROWSE RYE LANE



Rye Lane is Peckham's "high street", or main street. Originally named "South Street", back in the 1700s when Peckham was just a small village on the outskirts of London, it was a main thoroughfare for getting into the city, so it became a hotspot for colourful market stalls and other businesses helping to feed London's increasing population.

It's now still a bustling street where the area's diverse residents shop for all types of things, and the shops and market stalls on this street are so varied it's incredible. It's also regarded as a symbol of the area's major gentrification in the last ten years, which has been harmful for the African and Caribbean communities that traditionally made up the majority of the Peckham population.

Walk up and down this road and take note of the juxtaposition, and stop at a couple of historic shops. There's the most famous African-owned business in the area, Bim's African Food Store, opened in the 1990s by Risikat Bola Amole, a Peckham treasure who was the national president of the Association of Food and Vegetable Exporters of Nigeria, and a major advocate for immigrants. There's also Khan's Bargain, which was originally Holdren's Department Store when it was founded in the 1880s, and its Art Deco facade dates back to the 1930s when the shop was owned by Selfridges.

Peckham



GO BEER TASTING AT LONDON BEER LAB



Brixton's elevated train lines have provided space for small businesses to set up under the archways, and one of those is London Beer Lab. This microbrewery is a great little spot to go and try a hyper-local beer or two, but if you can manage to snag a booking, take part in one of their (quite affordable) tastings. You'll try ten unique beers and learn about how they're brewed in such a small space, and afterwards you can hang around and have more of your favourites. They also do some highly-rated beer-making workshops for the brewing aficionados. If you really want to have a day of local beer tastings, head to Brixton Brewery afterwards for more drinks!

If you want to give a beer tasting for two as a gift, [Virgin Experience Days offers this](#) (two adult tickets from £36).

££ | Brixton



LONDON BEER LAB



Photos courtesy of Virgin Experiences and London Beer Lab

SEE A SHOW AT ELECTRIC BRIXTON



Many artists, both famous and emerging, make an effort to play a gig in Brixton while in London. For a long time the area had a large musical influence, and so if you like to see live shows, that's totally doable.

Electric Brixton is a popular venue for live music, and is also a club, with its biggest nights playing house music. If you go to a gig here, you could hang around afterwards and keep the party going till dawn.

You'll find a mix of small and large shows, including comedy nights and emerging artist performances, so check their website to see if anything sticks out to you that would make extending your evening in Brixton worth it.

Brixton



ELECTRIC BRIXTON



Photos courtesy of Electric Brixton

VISIT THE RITZY CINEMA



The Ritzy Cinema has a lot of history to it. Originally opening as the Electric Pavilion back in 1911, it was one of England's first cinemas, with seating for over 750 people in its main auditorium. But in 1976, it shut and was almost demolished. Thankfully though, the local council and management came to an agreement to reopen it as an arts cinema, which is similar to how you'll see it today, but now with five screens, gold and red plush seats, a bar, a cafe and a classic Edwardian exterior that dates back to its early days.

If you find yourself wanting to escape the London weather, grab some tickets to a showing at The Ritzy. Along with a range of movies, from blockbusters to indie films being played, they also offer autism-friendly and dementia-friendly screenings at a reduced price, and "Happy Mondays" with cheap-as-chips tickets.

£ | Brixton



RITZY CINEMA



Photos courtesy of Ritzy Cinema

TOUR BRIXTON'S MURALS



Photo courtesy of CityUnscripted

Wander around Brixton for a bit and you'll notice the area's affinity for stunning wall murals. Many of them commemorate people important to the Brixton community, while others make political statements. You could easily walk around and admire the ones you can find (pretty easy) or if you want a bit more help, book a Brixton tour with CityUnscripted; the tours are private, so you can request to see lots of murals. When I toured with their guide Sean Taylor, he was able to explain the stories behind the murals they passed by.

Tours start from £91.50, book in advance, or just find the murals on your own.

££££ | Brixton





CAFES AND SWEET TREATS



WATCHHOUSE BERMONDSEY



Photos courtesy of WatchHouse Bermondsey

The tiny WatchHouse cafe on Bermondsey Street is housed in what was, you guessed it, a watch house. It sheltered the guards watching over the graveyard of St Mary Magdalen's Church next door, which a couple of centuries ago had a bit of a problem with, um, cadaver theft. These days, it's a high-end cafe serving top-notch coffee, pastries, and sandwiches. Feel free to take your order onto the grounds of the church - it's a lovely place to sit on a nice day.

If you head to [Maltby Street Market](#) you'll see another [location of this cafe](#), under the railway arches. Less chance for hauntings, I guess.



Mon - Fri 7:30am - 4:30pm, Sat - Sun 8am - 6pm

££ | Bermondsey



ST. JOHN BAKERY



Photo Courtesy of St. John

St. John, the restaurant by Fergus Henderson, is a London institution. But it started as a bakery - this bakery, located in Bermondsey - and expanded to a restaurant in Smithfield and a few other hot food spots around the city. If you're in the area, then pop over to the bakery to see if the large blue door is open. If it is, grab yourself one of St. John's legendary doughnuts. I personally loveeeee the cookie custard option.



Fri 8am - 4pm, Sat 9am - 5pm, Sun 9 am - 4pm

£ | Bermondsey



OLD SPIKE ROASTERY



Photos courtesy of Old Spike Roastery

There are quite a few places to grab a coffee in Peckham nowadays, but this one is super special. Old Spike Roastery was the first coffee-related social enterprise in the UK back when it opened its cafe and roastery in 2014, and to this day it's at the forefront of using coffee for good. Their mission is to help end homelessness in the UK, which they are working towards in two ways. The first is by training people experiencing homelessness, so they can gain valuable skills for future employment, which they also assist them in finding. Additionally they direct 65% of profits to projects working to end homelessness.

Stop into the cafe, grab a coffee and support an amazing cause all at the same time. And if you decide to take home a bag of their responsibly-sourced coffee beans, know that Old Spike plant a tree for every bag sold.

 Mon - Fri 7:30am - 5pm, Sat - Sun 8:30am - 5pm

£ | Peckham



KATAKATA BRIXTON



Photo courtesy of KataKata

KataKata is, admittedly, a bit of a walk from the main parts of Brixton. But trust us, this completely underrated gem is worth it. You'll eventually spot the colourful and quirky cafe-front and you can't help but feel a bit of cheer even if it's a grey winter day. Stop inside and you'll be greeted by a friendly face who will sit you down and give you a menu of delicious-sounding veggie, vegan and pescatarian-friendly crepes and galettes at a super affordable price. Choose your favourite and also pick something from what might be the best-value smoothie and juice menu in London. Then enjoy the eclectic decor, a lot of which was donated or given new life as a secondhand piece, while you wait for your food to arrive. Coffee here is great too, FYI. The name KataKata originates from the Cameroonian dialect of Douala, meaning 'to be creative in overcoming challenges in the face of difficulty', which its owners say is what the cafe represents.

Bring cash!

 Daily 11am - 11pm

£ | Brixton



SHOPPING



BOROUGH YARDS



Tucked behind Borough Market, Borough Yards is a cute little spot for shopping, dining and people-watching. It has an eclectic mix of indie and mid-size brands like Malin & Goetz, Linnet Jewellery and Handmade Stories. You'll get everything from fashion and accessories to homewares, books and handmade items. I recommend going for a browse if you're in the area, particularly if you want something a little more unique than the usual touristy stuff.

 Opening times vary by store

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BOROUGH YARDS



Photos courtesy of Borough Yards

FLEA AT VINEGAR YARD



On Saturdays and Sundays, the popular al fresco food and drink spot Vinegar Yard (you'll see it later on in this guide) hosts Flea, a vintage and makers market. Small, independent vendors set up for the weekend to sell antique homewares, vintage clothing, handmade jewellery, beautiful London-themed art, and much more. The selection is fantastic and the sellers are kind and friendly. If you're after a unique souvenir to take home, this is a great spot to try to find one.

 Vinegar Yard: Thu – Fri 5pm – 10:30pm, Sat 12pm – 10:30pm, Sun 12pm – 6pm
(Open for indoor drinks till 12am on Fridays and Saturdays)

 Flea: Sat – Sun 11am – 5pm

Free to visit – ££ | Bermondsey



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FLEA AT VINEGAR YARD



Photos courtesy of Vinegar Yard

MARY'S LIVING AND GIVING SHOP



Photo courtesy of Mary's Living and Giving Shop

This tiny charity shop sells donated clothing and accessories, and their selection is incredibly curated, so expect beautiful pieces from well-known brands for both men and women. It's not the cheapest, but the selection is second-to-none, and you won't have to spend an hour sifting through piles of clothing to discover your next favourite find.

I've actually picked up a few great books in this shop as well, so be sure to browse their selection while you're there.

 Tue - Sat 10am - 6pm

Free to visit - £ | Bermondsey



MOROCCO BOUND



Morocco Street was, back in the day, known for its tanneries (a workshop where animal skins are tanned) and being home to some of London's printing industry. Moroccan leather was considered some of the best leather out there at the time, so it was used to bind books, hence the name "Morocco Bound" for this cosy cafe-slash-bookshop. For book fans, definitely pop into this adorable little spot for a bit of browsing, or grab a coffee, tea or beer and sit and relax for a while.

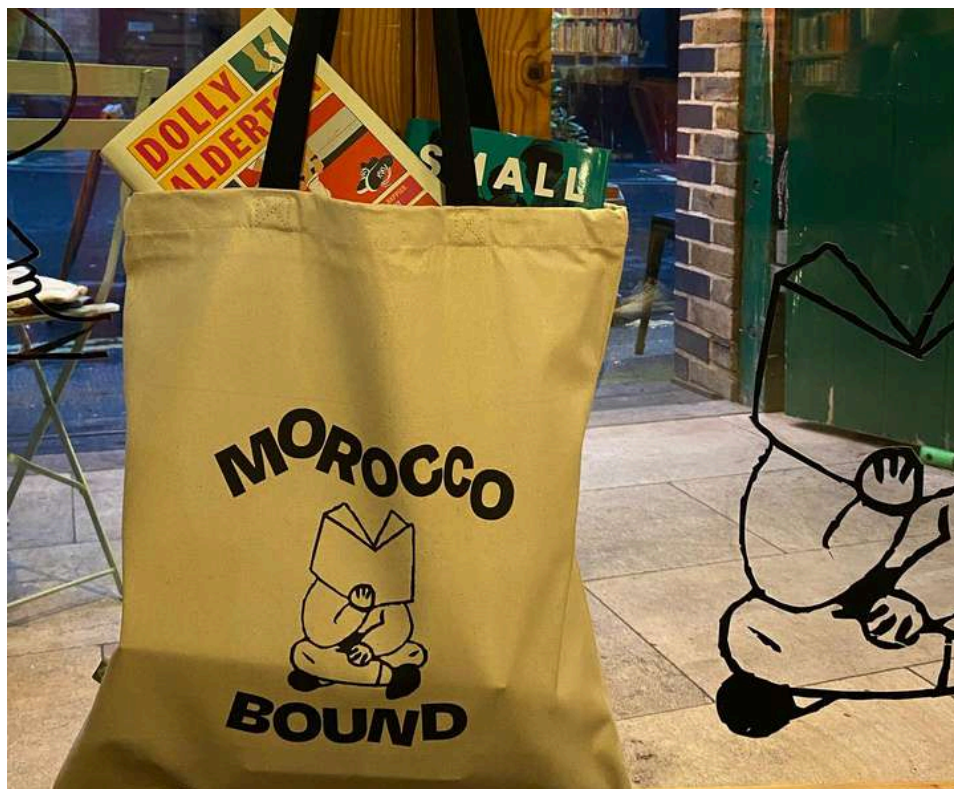


Mon 10am - 6pm, Tue - Wed 10am - 10pm,
Thu - Fri 10am - 11pm, Sat 11am - 11pm, Sun 11am - 7pm

Free to Visit - £ | Bermondsey



MOROCCO BOUND



Photos courtesy of Morocco Bound Bookshop

LITTLE SISTER VINTAGE



Photo courtesy of Little Sister Vintage

Nicola Brierly, the owner and founder of Little Sister Vintage, started her vintage journey ten years ago with a little shop on eBay. She grew that into a successful business, which led to an amazing offer to open a small shop in Holdron's Arcade in Peckham. Nicola hand-picks every piece she has on display, so you'll find a super curated and special selection of pieces, no need to wade through tons and tons of racks to find your perfect gem. She's usually at the shop, and she's happy to help with recommendations or styling advice if needed. Currently she sells women's clothing only.

 Daily 11am – 6pm

Free to visit – ££ | Peckham



TRAID



Photo courtesy of Traid

Traid is a charity shop chain (so money spent there goes to charity) that's known for having decent prices and a BIG selection, and the Traid location on Rye Lane in Peckham does not disappoint. Give yourself some time to browse in here and you could come away with some amazing, affordable gems to take home. They've also got a selection of homewares that are being given another life.



Mon – Sat 11am – 7pm, Sun 11am – 5pm

Free to visit – £ | Peckham



ROUND TABLE BOOKS



If you've ever bought books for children, you might have noticed a pretty distinct lack of diverse main characters in your local children's bookshop. Round Table Books wants to change that. It started as a pop-up in Brixton for just one week, to celebrate the one-year anniversary of Knights Of, an indie book publisher whose aim is to diversify perspectives in book publishing as much as possible. The pop-up was so popular that it was crowdfunded and transformed into a permanent shop in Brixton Village. Pop into the shop for a selection of books for young children up to teens, with a diverse range of main characters and stories.



Sun - Fri 11am - 5:30pm, Sat 10am - 5:30pm

Free to visit - £ | Brixton



ROUND TABLE BOOKS



Photos courtesy of Roundtable Books

DIVERSE



Photo courtesy of Diverse

What began as a silver jewellery stall in Brixton's market has evolved into a beautiful shop known for its inclusive and ethically curated selection of gifts, cards, books and homewares. The store features work by artists and designers of colour, offering a range of unique, handcrafted products that reflect the wonderfully diverse community of Brixton. For lovely souvenirs, I really love the tote bags with iconic art from various South London locations, beautiful prints, pottery and more.

🕒 Tue - Wed 11am - 6pm, Thu 1pm - 6pm, Fri - Sat 11am - 6pm, Sun 12pm - 4pm

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BOOKMONGERS



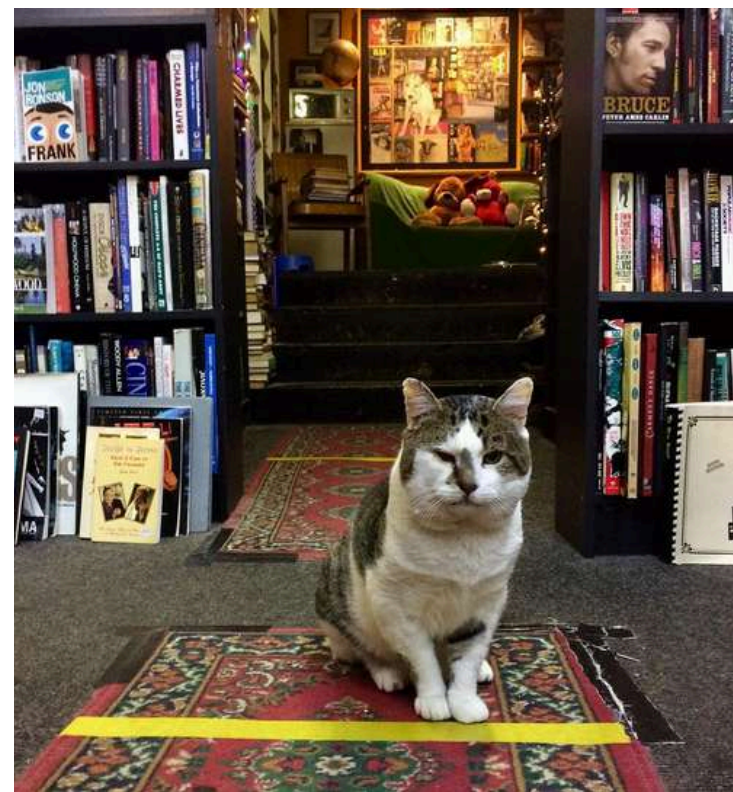
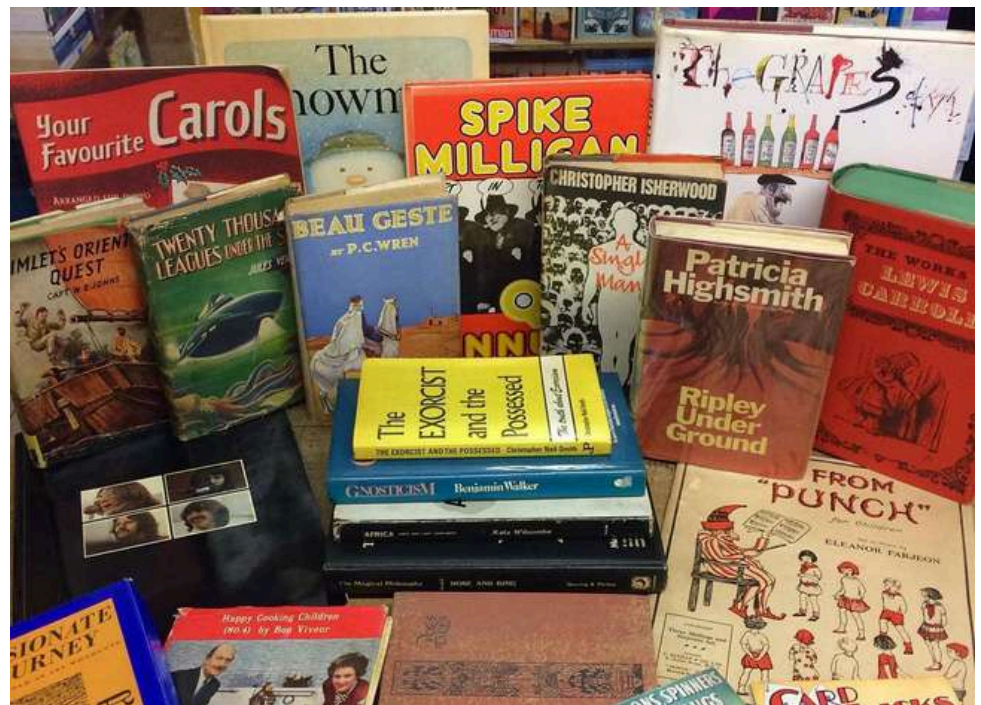
I love anything secondhand, and Bookmongers has been on the secondhand book scene since 1992, when it quickly became a Brixton institution. Step inside and you'll see books stacked from floor to ceiling, so if book porn is your thing then this shop is your freaking fantasy. Also selling new copies of titles that might not be on the secondhand scene just yet, you can find almost ANYTHING in this tiny shop, it's a bit mind-blowing. Browsing is absolutely encouraged, so don't be scared to take your time finding the perfect new book (or two). And keep an eye out for the famous Popeye, a formerly stray cat that makes his way around the shop when he's not busy perusing Brixton Village across the road. You might notice tributes to their past resident shop pets around the shop.



Mon - Sat 10:30am - 6:30pm, Sun 11am - 5pm

Free to visit - £ | Brixton





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PURE VINYL RECORDS



I think you'll find that no other shop in south London has a better vibe than Pure Vinyl Records, as there's always BANGING music playing away, which you can't help but enjoy even when just walking past. Founded by Claudia Wilson, famous in the local music community, the shop opened in 2015 and calls itself a "welcoming and friendly vinyl record shop". They sell both secondhand and new records, and specialise in soul, funk, jazz, reggae plus a selection of classic rock, world, and soca.

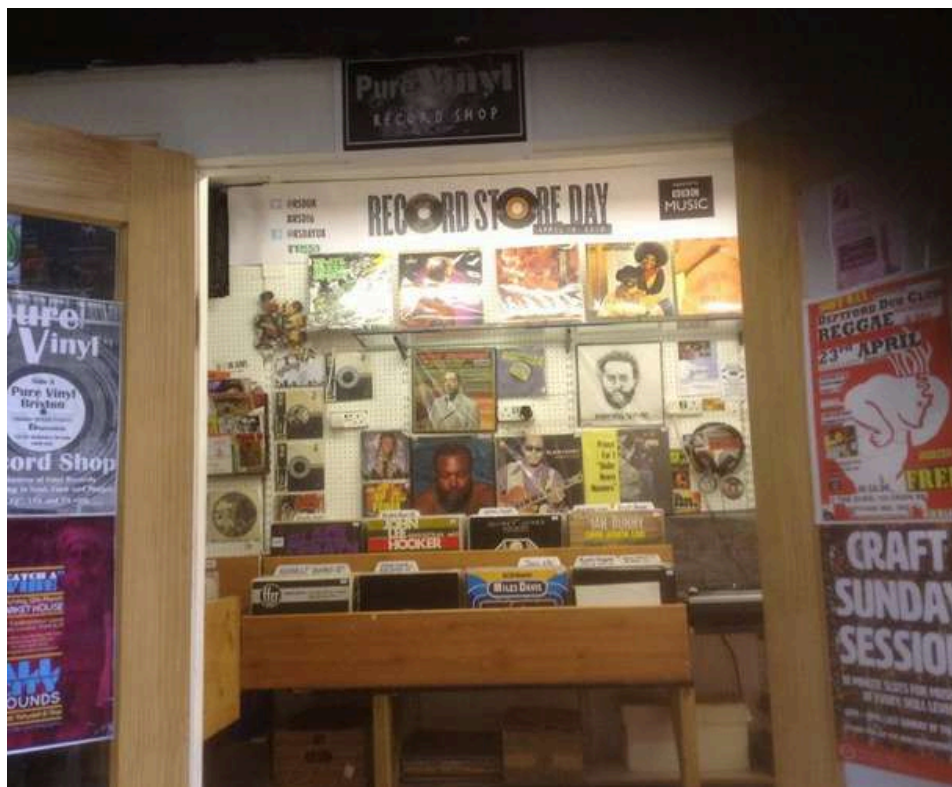
They often host events and even sometimes host "open decks night" where anyone can come in and play what they want. [Check their Facebook page to see what's happening soon.](#)

🕒 Mon - Tue 11:30am - 6pm, Wed & Sat 11am - 6pm, Thu - Fri 11am - 7pm, Sun 12pm - 5pm

££ | Brixton



PURE VINYL RECORDS



Photos courtesy of Pure Vinyl Records



STREET FOOD AND RESTAURANTS

KIN + DEUM



I LOVE Thai food, and I think Kin + Deum is one of my favourite places in London for it. Founded and run by three siblings, K+D do a bit of a modern take on the Thai delicacies you know and love (and some you don't, but which are definitely worth trying). The menu is paired with local Thai drinks, plant tonics, and cocktail recipes that come from the owners' favourite bars in Bangkok. All of it is enjoyed in their simple-yet-stylish dog-friendly dining room. Everything I've had here is great, but ask for a recommendation if you're not sure what to go for.

 Mon - Fri 12pm - 3pm & 5pm - 10:30pm, Sat - Sun 12pm - 10:30pm

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KIN + DEUM



Photos courtesy of Kin + Deum

MALTBY STREET MARKET



When I’m at London Bridge station, if I want to hit up a market to eat at, I usually skip Borough Market and head here, to Maltby Street Market. Located down a little alleyway called Rope Walk (which is where they used to make ship ropes a couple of centuries ago), you'll find a really diverse mix of street food stalls selling cuisines from all around the world. It's not huge, but it's curated, and you won't get lost trying to decide between a hundred different options for lunch.

The market is complemented by some brick-and-mortar restaurants and gin distilleries located under railway arches, which are worth a visit too.

 Sat 10am – 5pm, Sun 11am – 4pm

Free to visit | £ - ££ | Bermondsey



JOSÉ



Whenever I'm craving tapas (Spanish cuisine served in a small-plates style) I head to tapas bar José. It's a tiny place that takes no reservations, but it's worth it. Expect the usual Spanish treats like tortilla and patatas bravas, but their constantly-rotating menu also has some fantastic dishes you're unlikely to have tried before, but will be glad when you do. Ask for recommendations if you need some help choosing. Oh, and the 50+ Spanish wines and sherries list is not to be ignored.

Arrive early or late to reduce your wait time.

 Sun - Wed 12pm - 9pm, Thu - Sat 12pm - 10:15pm

£ - ££ | Bermondsey



JOSÉ



Photos courtesy of José Pizarro

THE GARRISON



The Garrison has been a Bermondsey institution since 2003, and it's actually one of my top choices for a Sunday Roast in the area. Serving up both meat and vegetarian roast options with a classic British selection of seasonal veggies, Yorkshire puddings and some housemade gravy, it's really not one to miss. On other days, they do a solid menu full of innovative British-style dishes, along with a daily fish counter.

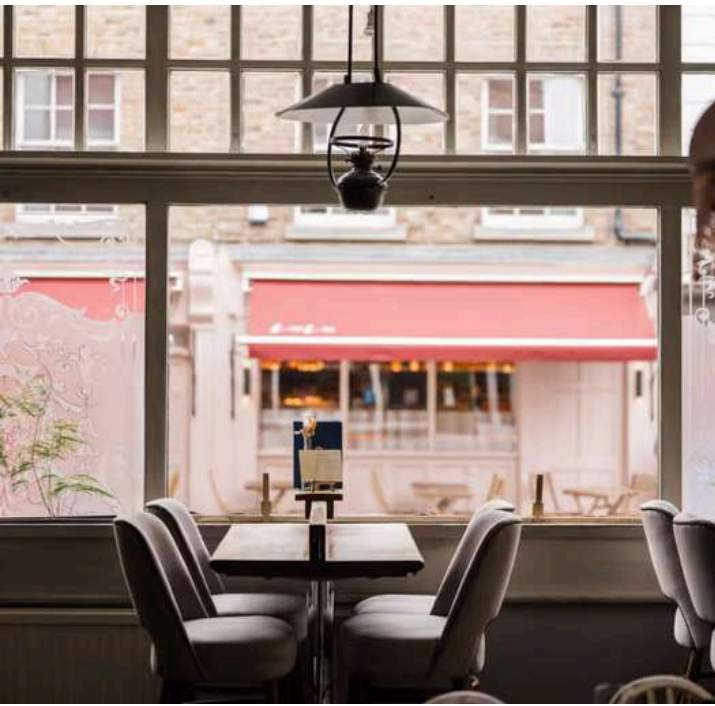


Mon - Sat 12pm - 11pm, Sun 12pm - 10pm

££ | Bermondsey



THE GARRISON



Photos courtesy of The Garrison

VINEGAR YARD



Located in the shadow of The Shard, Vinegar Yard is a colourful outdoor food and drink space that's a fun spot to gather and eat and drink with friends. Head inside, grab a table and then visit one of the pop-up food vendors to grab some affordable street food; my favourite is the "pachos" (poppadom nachos) at Baba G's. Then grab a cocktail or a beer enjoy! This spot is super popular with Londoners who work in the area and want to have a drink at quitting time, as its long tables make it great for bigger groups to visit. Vinegar Yard is covered during the colder months and open-air in the summer.

Visiting on a Saturday or Sunday? This is where Flea, mentioned in the Shopping section, is located, so go for a bit of a browse before you get to eating and drinking.

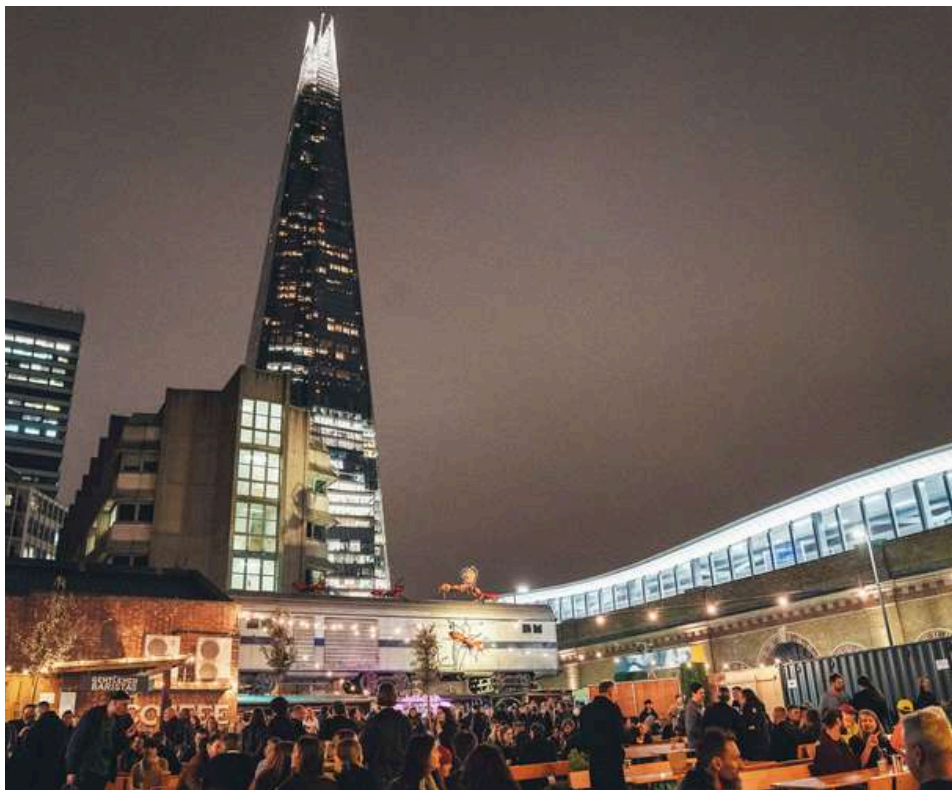
 Wed - Fri 5pm - 10:30pm, Sat 12pm - 10:30pm

Free to visit | £ - ££ | Bermondsey



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VINEGAR YARD



Photos courtesy of Vinegar Yard

ANDANZA



If you're after tasty, affordable tapas in a fun, laid-back spot, Andanza London has you covered. The menu's packed with Spanish favourites. Think manchego drizzled with honey, crispy croquettes, padron peppers and everyone's favourite patatas bravas. There's plenty for veggies and gluten-free eaters too.

 Mon - Sat 12pm - 11pm, Sun, 12pm - 7pm

££ | Borough



ANDANZA



Photos courtesy of Andanza

PLANTS OF ROSELYN



I love this spot! This is one of my favourite Thai restaurants in all of London, with tasty, beautifully-presented Thai dishes that are traditional but with a contemporary twist. Everything is great on this menu, but also be sure to try one of their cocktails, with a fave being the butterfly pea gin and tonic. This spot is ideal when you've got veggies or vegans with you.



Mon - Fri 12pm - 3pm & 5pm-10pm, Sat - Sun 12pm - 10pm

££ | Bermondsey



PLANTS OF ROSELYN



Photos courtesy of Plants of Roselyn

COACH HOUSE AT THE GEORGE



Tucked just off Borough High Street, The Coach House at The George is one of those classic London pubs with TONS of history. Back in the day, it was where travellers parked their coaches while the London Bridge gates were locked for the night, and now it's the perfect spot for a pint and some proper pub grub.

Think fish and chips, pies, burgers and more, all best enjoyed in the spacious courtyard on a sunny day. Inside's just as cosy too, with quiz nights, live music and allll the big sports matches on TV.



Sun - Wed 10am - 11pm, Thu - Sat 10am - 1am

£ - ££ | Borough



COACH HOUSE AT THE GEORGE



Photos courtesy of Coach House at The George

PADELLA



Not quite in Bermondsey (but only a few minutes' walk away) I couldn't not include Padella, a cool Italian spot known for simple, delicious and affordable pasta dishes, in this guide. You basically CANNOT go wrong with anything you order, and the menu changes fairly frequently, but I do LOVE their cacio e pepe and the burrata starter. There are no reservations and the wait for a table gets very long very quickly. So prepare to go early, add your name and mobile number to the virtual queue, and go have a drink or two nearby as you wait for your ten-minute warning. It's worth it!



Mon - Wed 11:30am - 3:45pm & 5pm - 10pm, Thu - Sat 11:30am - 3:45pm & 5pm - 10:30pm, Sun 11:30am - 3:45pm & 5pm - 9pm

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PADELLA



Photos courtesy of Padella

BOROUGH MARKET FOOD TOUR



If Borough Market is a must-do on your London list, I think the best way to PROPERLY do it is via a food tour. Without one, you're destined for a lot of overwhelm and extensive amounts of time being spent in lines waiting to be served, as the market gets INSANELY busy. Plus, doing a tour means you have an expert guide not only leading the way for you to experience the best food and drink on offer, but also teaching you all about the history of the 1,000-year-old market and each dish you taste along the way. I love Devour Tours' [Borough Market tour](#), which starts in the morning and also takes you to Leadenhall Market (one for the Harry Potter fans).

 **Borough Market:** Tue - Fri 10am - 5pm, Sat 9am - 5pm, Sun 10am - 4pm

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BOROUGH MARKET FOOD TOUR



Photos courtesy of Eating Europe

BANCONE



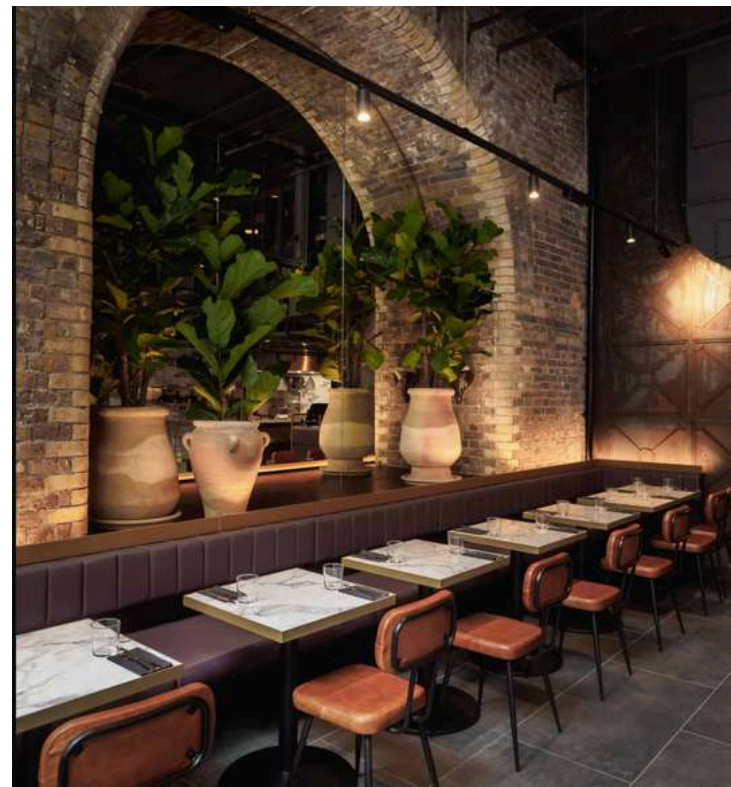
In a sleek location in Borough Yards, Bancone is fitted with an open-plan kitchen, and serve interesting takes on traditional pasta classics that are FULL of flavour. It's a great spot to drop in for a casual lunch or visit for a more refined sit-down meal in the evening. For any GF or vegan folks, you'll also be thrilled to know you're completely covered here.

 Mon - Wed 11:30am - 10pm, Thu - Sat 11:30am - 10:30pm, Sun 11:30am - 9:30pm

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BANCONE



Photos courtesy of Bancone

MARKET PLACE



Market Place Peckham is an indoor market that's designed to cater to small and up-and-coming businesses. There's a really cool mix of vendors in here, selling everything from wigs to custom sneakers to plants, and the best part is the diverse mix of cuisines on offer. Some of these include Addis Taste (Ethiopian), Tianjin Dumpling (Chinese), Muazu's Suya & Kitchen (West African), and Say Mum's Meals (Caribbean). Cheap and cheerful, this is a great spot to have lunch or dinner in Peckham.

If you want to visit for lunch, aim for 12pm or later to make sure all of the food stalls have opened by then.

🕒 Mon - Thu 11am - 10pm, Fri - Sat 11am - 11:30pm, Sun 11:30pm - 9:30pm

🕒 Food Traders: Mon - Thu 12pm - 9pm, Fri - Sat 11am - 10pm, Sun 11am - 9pm

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MARKET PLACE



Photos courtesy of Market Place

PECKHAM LEVELS



Peckham Levels is a community space with over 100 local and independent creative businesses, all housed in what used to be a multi-storey car park! A few years ago, this disused piece of architecture got a massive facelift. Now, the top floor is home to an indoor market where you can get drinks and street-style food. Open for lunch and dinner, Peckham Levels is buzziest in the evenings and on the weekends, when locals get out of work and head there to let off some steam with some cracking views of the London skyline.



Wed - Fri 9am - 12am, Sat 12pm - 12am, Sun 12pm - 10pm

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PECKHAM LEVELS



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RYE LANE CORNERHOUSE



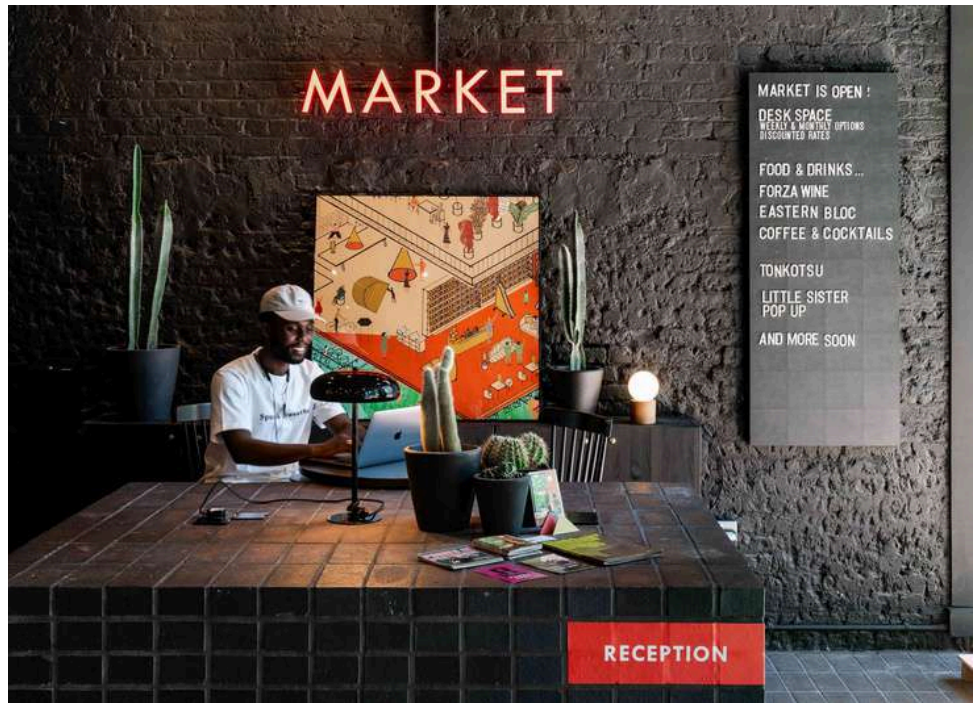
Rye Lane Cornerhouse (previously named Market Peckham) is a bit of a destination. Head here during the day, and on the ground floor you'll find lots of small food vendors ready to serve you a tasty, affordable lunch (Tonkotsu is a fave), quaint homewares store H.O.S.E.F, and a Black-owned vintage shop (mentioned in the Shopping section). Head here in the evening, and not only can you eat well, but you can also have a few drinks at cocktail bar Jazu while the DJ plays some vibey tunes. Once you've had a few, if you feel like you just want to dance, head to the basement to Peckham Audio for late-night tunes. Just FYI, there's a rooftop wine bar called Forza Wine, but I've not had great experiences there.

 Mon - Fri 8am - 12am, Sat 9am - 12am, Sun 9am - 11pm

££ | Peckham



RYE LANE CORNERHOUSE



Photos courtesy of Rye Lane Cornerhouse

ARTUSI



Neighbourhood Italian restaurant Artusi is arguably one of the best Italian restaurants in London, which is a bit of a hidden gem... not many people know about it, but now you do! It's more modern than traditional, with pasta dishes that are simple but with unique ingredient combos that hit you with flavours you may not recognise, but which you'll really love. Pastas are made fresh daily, and produce is sourced as locally as possible. Definitely book ahead!



Mon 6pm - 9:30pm, Tue - Thu 12pm - 2:30pm & 6pm - 9:30pm,
Fri - Sat 12pm - 2:30pm & 6pm - 10pm, Sun 12pm - 4pm

££ | Peckham



ARTUSI



Photos courtesy of Artusi

GANAPATI



Ganapati is a colourful, friendly neighbourhood gem that has many times been said to be one of the best Indian restaurants in south London. The dishes here are influenced by the specialities of the southern part of India, like Kerala and Karnataka. Stop in for just some street snacks or for a full-blown meal, and you'll notice that the restaurant is ALWAYS packed during peak meal times, no matter the day. The cocktails are also really good here, with many of their signature drinks using unique ingredients that are popular in India.



Tue – Fri 12pm – 2:45pm & 5:30pm – 10:30pm, Sat 12pm – 10:30pm, Sun 12pm – 10pm

££ | Peckham



GANAPATI



Photos courtesy of Ganapati

POP BRIXTON



Pop Brixton opened up a few years back and it really quickly became a popular spot for both Brixtonians and visitors to the area to drink and eat in a casual, fun setting. It started as a temporary community initiative to drive progress and bring prosperity to locals through enterprise, which is important around here due to the gentrification that has quickly pushed much of the local community out. But due to its popularity and success, it will be sticking around! Space is provided to small local businesses like secondhand clothing sellers, food and drink vendors, and more. They also host free community workshops to help people learn about things like business, gardening and more.

So when you spend your money here, you're helping contribute to not only a small local business, but a great project overall. It does get super busy here on the weekends, on sunny evenings and when major sporting events are happening, so plan ahead!

 Thu - Sat 12pm - 12am, Sun 12pm - 11pm

£ - ££ | Brixton



POP BRIXTON



Photos courtesy of Pop Brixton

FISH, WINGS & TINGS



Founded by Trinidadian chef Brian Danclair, a Brixton local with quite the CV, Fish, Wings & Tings quickly became a local institution when it opened at the end of Brixton Village in 2012. It's regarded as one of the best spots in London for Caribbean cuisine, with its jerk chicken and veg roti being some of their most popular dishes. Brian himself is quite the celeb around the market these days too, especially since he buys the restaurant's ingredients as locally as possible, some coming right from the nearby stalls! So stop in here for an affordable but yum meal after browsing the market.

BTW - "tings" is slang for "things"!

 Tue - Thu & Sun 12pm - 10pm, Fri - Sat 12pm - 10:30pm

£ | Brixton



FISH, WINGS & TINGS



Photos courtesy of Fish Wings & Tings

KAOSARN



Kaosarn is a family-run Thai restaurant serving up delicious handmade Thai delicacies. When they opened in Brixton Village market in 2011, Kaosarn quickly became super popular with locals looking for affordable-yet-fantastic food in a buzzy atmosphere. One of Kaosarn's additional selling points is the fact that it's BYOB with no corkage fee, so you can bring your own drinks, which helps keep your meal super affordable. Definitely book ahead because the few tables available are always taken super quickly on weekends and in the evenings.



Tue - Thu 12pm - 3pm & 5:30pm - 10pm, Fri 12pm - 3pm & 5:30pm - 10:30pm, Sat 12pm - 10:30pm, Sun 12pm - 9pm

££ | Brixton



KAOSARN



Photos courtesy of Kaosarn

BRIXTON VILLAGE AND MARKET ROW



Brixton Market (the collective name for Brixton Village and Market Row) first began in the 1870s when Brixton was starting to become popular due to its new connectivity to central London. It was quite popular straight off the bat and still is to this day. The partially-covered market is filled with both small, temporary vendors selling fresh foods to locals as well as "permanent" vendors with their own shop spaces selling a huge range of items from wigs to exotic foods to records to plants. Dotted between all of these amazing shops are welcoming coffee spots and restaurants with cuisines from around the world.

I've mentioned a few of my favourite spots within the market in the rest of this guide, but definitely take the time to browse for a while to see if anything strikes your fancy to either eat, drink or take home as a souvenir.



Mon 8am – 6pm, Tue – Sun 8am – 12am

Free to visit | £ – ££ | Brixton



BRIXTON VILLAGE AND MARKET ROW



Photos courtesy of Brixton Village and Market Row



PUBS AND BARS



THE WOOLPACK



I love a good British pub, and The Woolpack is top notch. Staff are always super friendly and inviting, even when the bar is rammed after everyone leaves their nearby offices. You'll find a nice selection of small-batch local beers and spirits alongside a very British food menu, including Sunday roast (only on Sundays, obviously).

There's a garden out the back as well, which is partially covered so you can enjoy it even when the British weather rears its head (which is more often than I'd like, of course).



Mon - Sat 12pm - 11pm, Sun 12pm - 10pm
(kitchen services close at 9:30pm from Mon - Sat and 9pm on Sundays)

££ | Bermondsey



THE WOOLPACK



Photos courtesy of The Woolpack

NINE LIVES



Nine Lives is a little speakeasy-style bar on Bermondsey Street that you would totally miss if you didn't know it was there. Nestled in the Victorian-style basement is a sexy cocktail spot that is serving some of the best drinks in the area. The name comes from their ethos of giving everything they touch an "extra life". Nothing is wasted, from decor treasures to drink ingredients. If you get peckish while you're here, their legendary chef "El Tigre" from Guadalajara, Mexico will make you tacos, tostadas and more, all with seasonal ingredients. This is a great spot for a date!

Nine Lives also has a cosy outdoor area open for most of the year, and their summer block parties are super popular, so watch out for announcements of upcoming ones on their [Instagram account](#).

 Tue 5pm - 10pm, Wed 5pm - 11pm, Thu - Fri 5pm - 12am, Sat 3pm - 12am

££ | Bermondsey



NINE LIVES



Photos courtesy of Nine Lives

PEDRO'S WINE BAR



Tucked under a railway arch on Bermondsey's Beer Mile (as mentioned in the activities section), Pedro's Wine Bar is a cosy little slice of Portugal in South East London. The team here are super friendly and know their stuff when it comes to wine. Expect everything from crisp Vinho Verde to bold reds from the Douro Valley. The tapas-style dishes are delicious, too (think salt cod fritters and pastel de natas for dessert), and there's both indoor and outdoor seating so you can sip and snack whatever the weather.



Mon Closed, Tue - Fri 3:30pm - 11pm, Fri - Sun 1:30pm - 11pm

££ | Bermondsey



PEDRO'S WINE BAR



Photos courtesy of Pedro's Wine Bar

GONG



One of the most luxurious and unique bars in London, Gong is located alllllll the way at the top of the Shard, western Europe's tallest building. If you're after a sexy, romantic cocktail spot that will surely impress your guest (or yourself – totally go on your own too!) then make a reservation at Gong. Along with views that you literally will not get anywhere else in the city, Gong also features cosy "chambers" for you to curl up in, a champagne bar, and a swimming pool.

Each cocktail on the menu at Gong is one half of a pair, connected to its "twin" by one shared ingredient. This makes sense as the name "Gong" comes from the name "dougong", a structural element of interlocking wooden brackets, a traditional piece of Chinese architecture that you'll see incorporated into the bar's decor.

Having a drink at Gong is a great way to take advantage of the views from the Shard without paying for the viewing platform ticket, which doesn't include anything beyond entrance. Cocktails are NOT cheap here but if you're already thinking of paying for the platform ticket, you might as well go to Gong instead and pay the same amount to get a nice drink. Book in advance though; this is a very popular and special cocktail experience.

 Mon - Wed 3pm - 11:30pm, Thu - Sat 12pm - 1am, Sun 12pm - 11:30pm

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GONG



Photos courtesy of Gong

FRANK'S CAFE



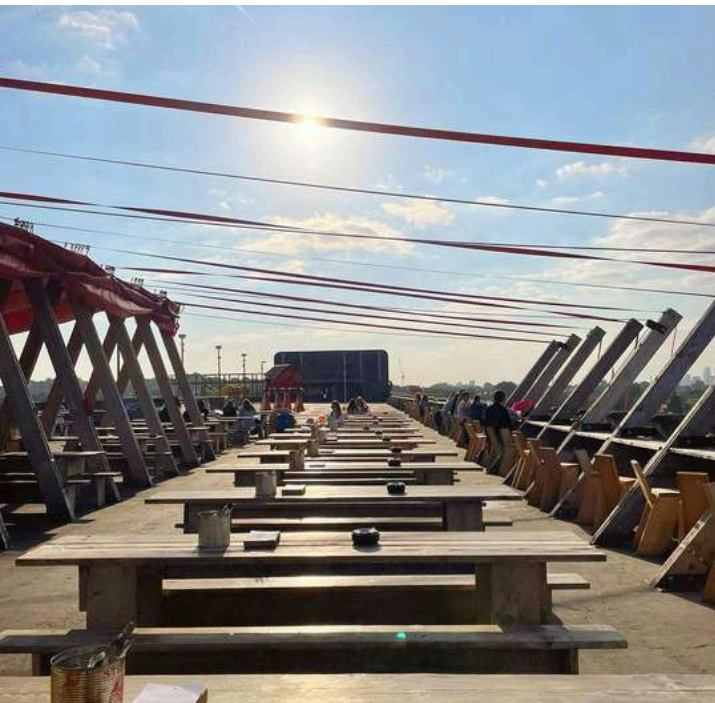
Frank's Cafe (which is not a cafe but rather a rooftop bar) is a London icon. Often, when speaking to a Londoner about Peckham, the first thing they'll ask is "have you been to Frank's?" Located on the rooftop of a converted multi-storey car park (parking lot), Frank's gives us skyline views and good drinks without the pretentiousness and insane price tag that almost every other sky-high bar in this city has. Along with drinks, you can enjoy brunch, lunch and dinner up here.

Frank's is open seasonally, so check their website before you visit to make sure they're welcoming guests. No reservations and no cash!

££ | Peckham



FRANK'S CAFE



Photos courtesy of Frank's Cafe

PRINCE OF PECKHAM



Owner of Prince of Peckham, Clement Ogbonnaya, is one of the only Black pub owners in all of London. He started the Prince of Peckham back in 2017 to create a space that helped to counteract the gentrification happening in the area, and to welcome everyone no matter who they are.

With that, we've also been given a great pub that does banging Caribbean food (the kitchen is run by some guys called "White Men Can't Jerk") and is host to some amazing weekly events. Visit on a Monday and it's Hot Mess Monday, so grab yourself a stack of wings for only £10. Other days you might find yourself playing retro video games or joining in on a pub quiz while you sip your pint. It's all a good time.

 Mon 4pm - 12:30am, Tue - Thu 12pm - 12:30am, Fri - Sat 12pm - 2:30am, Sun 12pm - 12:30am

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PRINCE OF PECKHAM



Photos courtesy of Prince of Peckham

BUSSEY ROOFTOP BAR



At the top of the iconic Bussey Building is the Bussey Rooftop Bar, a "tropical oasis" that's the tallest drinking spot in the area. Head up here for tasty cocktails, a range of beers and wines, and classic 360 degree Peckham views over the city skyline. When you get peckish (hungry) then you can grab a slice of pizza from Share a Slice, who will then donate one to feed someone in need.

Bussey Rooftop Bar is open seasonally so check their website to see when they're open. If it's raining, don't worry - it's covered!

££ - £££ | Peckham



BUSSEY ROOFTOP BAR



Photos courtesy of Bussey Rooftop bar

THE CLF ART LOUNGE & ROOF GARDEN



CLF is one of those places that you'd never visit if you didn't have someone telling you about it and saying "YOU GOTTA GO". This cool, lounge-y speakeasy is where you can sip reasonably-priced cocktails and crisp wine as you listen to jazz music, watch comedy, see cabaret or watch other forms of entertainment, so you will NOT be bored. You could also head to the rooftop, which is open year-round, for more drinks, a DJ and well... a good time. If you get hungry, pick something from the authentically Dominican menu, like the bollitos de yuca, which are cassava croquettes filled with cheese.

 Tue - Wed 5pm - 11pm, Thu 5pm - 11:30pm, Fri - Sat 5pm - 1am, Sun 3pm - 10pm

£ | Peckham



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CHIP SHOP



Opened by Michael and Cidalia Rodriguez, Chip Shop was born from Michael's love of fish and chips and also hip hop, so he started a business that combined the two. Of course they do fish and chips here (even a vegan version) as well as burgers and wings, but the venue has become super famous over the years for its live music events, and they've even had famous rappers like Klashnekoff and Ice T perform here. Other times you might find an open mic night where people from around the world get up and perform. On key nights out, like Fridays and Saturdays, expect big, loud vibes!



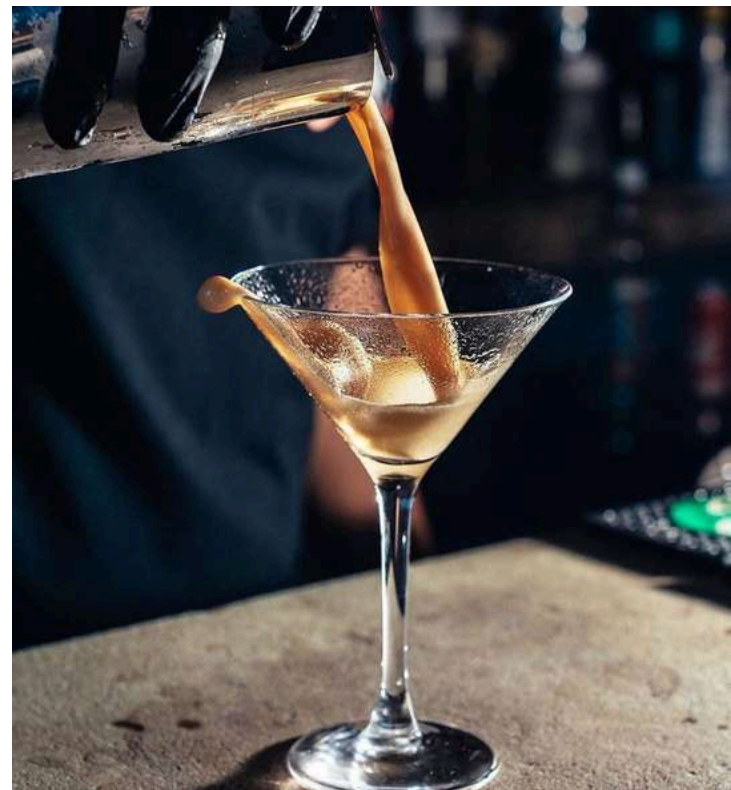
Thu 6pm - 12am, Fri 6pm - 1am, Sat 3pm - 1am, Sun 3pm - 12am

££ | Brixton



* ACCESSIBLE TOILETS AT BRIXTON VILLAGE 1 MINUTE AWAY

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Sights and Points of Interest

- ☐ BE Old Operating Theatre Museum
- ☐ BE Fashion and Textile Museum
- ☐ BE Leathermarket Gardens
- ☐ PE South London Gallery
- ☐ PE Peckham Rye Park and Peckham Rye Common
- ☐ BX Brockwell Park
- ☐ BX David Bowie Memorial
- ☐ BX Black Cultural Archives
- ☐ BX Brixton Windmill
- ☐ BX African and Caribbean War Memorial

Cafes and Sweet Treats

- ☐ BE Watchhouse Bermondsey
- ☐ BE St. John Bakery
- ☐ PE Old Spike Roastery
- ☐ BX KataKata Brixton

Street Food and Restaurants

- ☐ BE Kin + Deum
- ☐ BE Maltby Street Market
- ☐ BE José
- ☐ BE The Garrison
- ☐ BE Vinegar Yard
- ☐ BE Andanza
- ☐ BE Plants of Roselyn
- ☐ SW Coach House at The George
- ☐ SW Padella
- ☐ SW Borough Market Food Tour
- ☐ SW Bancone
- ☐ PE Market Place
- ☐ PE Peckham Levels
- ☐ PE Rye Lane Cornerhouse
- ☐ PE Artusi
- ☐ PE Ganapati
- ☐ BX Pop Brixton
- ☐ BX Fish, Wings & Tings
- ☐ BX Kaosarn
- ☐ BX Brixton Village and Market Row

Activities

- ☐ BE Bermondsey Beer Mile
- ☐ SW Afternoon Tea at Ting at The Shard
- ☐ PE Peckhamplex
- ☐ PE Rye Lane
- ☐ BX London Beer Lab
- ☐ BX Electric Brixton
- ☐ BX Ritzy Cinema
- ☐ BX Tour Brixton's Murals

Shopping

- ☐ SW Borough Yards
- ☐ BE Flea at Vinegar Yard
- ☐ BE Mary's Living and Giving Shop
- ☐ BE Morocco Bound
- ☐ PE Little Sister Vintage
- ☐ PE Traid
- ☐ BX Round Table Books
- ☐ BX Diverse
- ☐ BX Bookmongers
- ☐ BX Pure Vinyl Records

Pubs and Bars

- ☐ BE The Woolpack
- ☐ BE Nine Lives
- ☐ BE Pedro's Wine Bar
- ☐ SW Gong
- ☐ PE Frank's Cafe
- ☐ PE Prince of Peckham
- ☐ PE Bussey Rooftop bar
- ☐ PE The CLF Art Lounge and Roof Garden
- ☐ BX Chip Shop

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Book/Reserve here

Booked/Bought?

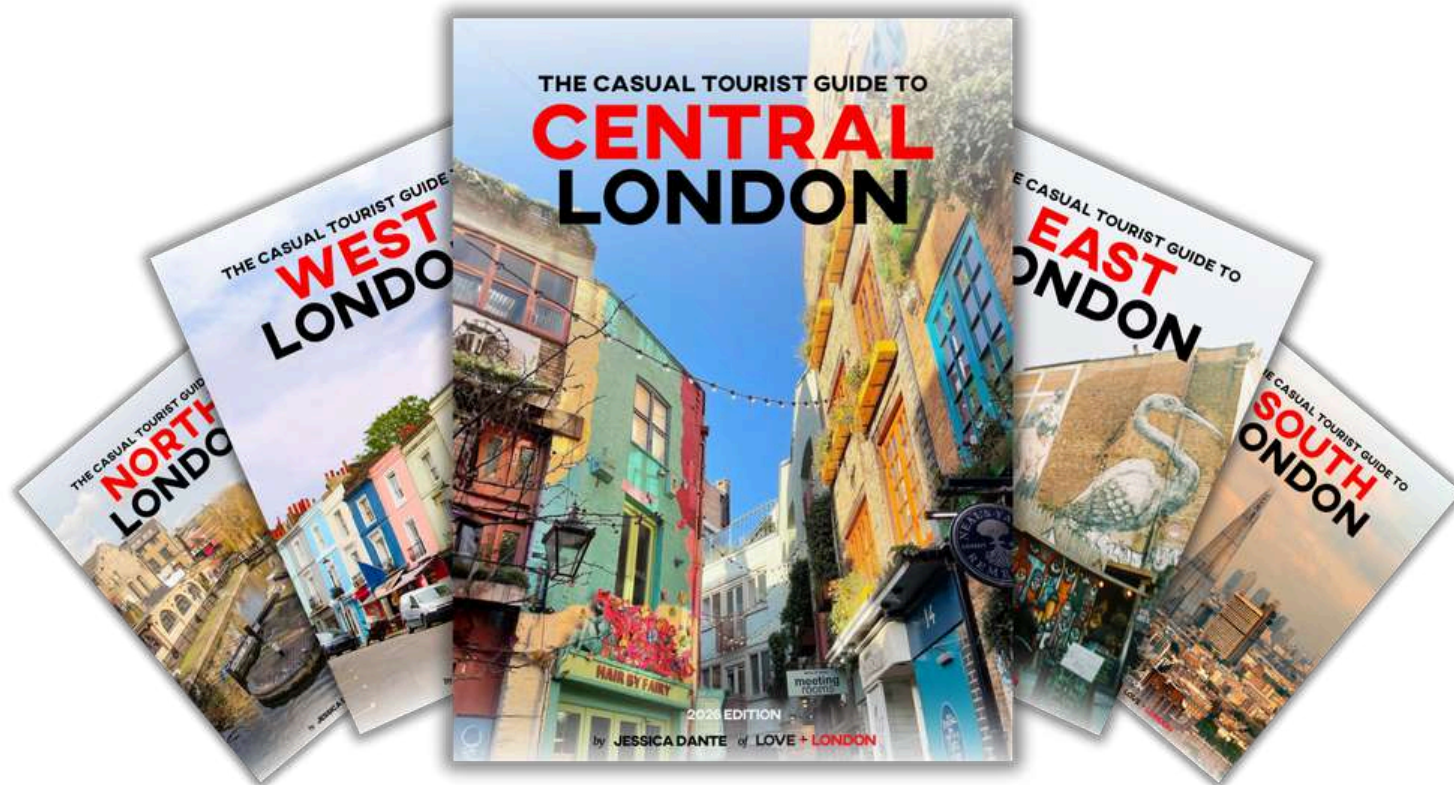
Afternoon Tea at Ting at the Shangri-La	Book in advance	☐
Beer Tasting at London Beer Lab	Book in advance	☐
Electric Brixton	Reserve if you can	☐
Brixton Murals	Reserve if you can	☐

Street Food and Restaurants

Kin + Deum	Make a reservation	☐
Borough Market Food Tour	Book in advance	☐
KaoSarn	Reserve if you can	☐
Ganapati	Reserve if you can	☐
Bancone	Reserve if you can	☐
Andanza	Reserve if you can	☐

Pubs and Bars

Gong	Book in advance	☐
Nine Lives	Reserve if you can	☐
Chip Shop	Reserve if you can	☐
Pedro's Wine Bar	Reserve if you can	☐



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