

# LONDON

## Immersion



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# A World Apart

The story of travel involves more than a ticket and a passport. It should weave together discovery, education and humanity, the best elements of any compelling tale. Your personal travel story begins with our commitment to delivering authentic experiences with local people.

The incomparable value of your journey lies in the personalized care you receive from your Travel Director and the knowledge you gain from expert guides and lecturers, who call this area home.

By eliminating logistical worries, your multilingual Travel Director allows you to immerse yourself comfortably in your surroundings. This high-caliber professional makes you feel safe and important by creating a convivial, welcoming atmosphere.

The other important characters in this story are the guides and lecturers, whose regional expertise shines in their insider perspective and commentary. With these specialists at your side, become intimately engaged in the rhythm of the community, adding another memorable chapter to the rich story of your life.

From London's medieval royal banquet halls to its tranquil parkland and Georgian squares, your latest chapter immerses you in one of the world's most influential and exciting cities.

*Above: St. Paul's Cathedral*

## Inspiring Moments

- Stand inside **Westminster Abbey**, and envision all the contributions of the great scientists, writers, explorers and leaders buried or memorialized in this church and its grounds.
- Indulge in afternoon tea at the **Houses of Parliament**.
- Sail the same route Henry VIII used to travel to **Hampton Court Palace**, his lavish estate on the River Thames.
- Stand inside **St. Paul's Cathedral**, redesigned by Christopher Wren after the Great Fire of 1666.
- Step back in time in **Shakespeare's Globe**, an authentic re-creation of the 16th-century original.
- Stroll along the **Thames Path**, London's riverfront walk that takes you by some of the city's most iconic sights.



## Dear Alumni and Friends,

Join us on a journey across the pond for a seven-night adventure in London. From your convenient base in the heart of the sophisticated borough of Kensington and Chelsea, enjoy unique and informative walking tours that delve into the city's historical legacy and architectural splendor.

Explore historic and present-day political culture in London. Visit iconic sites and uncover royal secrets in Westminster and Richmond.

London's unique juxtaposition of old and new is most evident when you visit Shakespeare's reconstructed Elizabethan Globe Theatre. Across the ultra-modern Millennium Bridge, explore London's oldest section known as the City.

Experience this dynamic city's history, culture and tradition. Space is limited to 28 travelers on this unforgettable journey, so we encourage you to make your reservation today!

Sincerely,



Leslie Hayes  
Program Coordinator  
The University of Kentucky Alumni Association

Travel insurance is strongly recommended. You will receive information from the UK Alumni Association concerning travel insurance after you book your trip.

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### | UNESCO |

Two of London's UNESCO World Heritage sites are featured in this program:

1. **Westminster Abbey**
2. **Palace of Westminster**

Right: Westminster Abbey





Kensington Gardens

Immerse yourself in pure, joyful Englishness as you settle in to explore London, an ancient, yet gloriously modern city that overlooks the Thames. Delve into this well-preserved city's political, royal and architectural heritage. Enter the wiggled world of barristers and judges when you explore the Inns of Court and Houses of Parliament. Experience London's medieval past on walking tours through Westminster and Richmond. Step inside the world of kings and queens with visits to Westminster Abbey and sumptuous Hampton Court. Whether you're strolling through Hyde Park, enjoying proper afternoon tea or hopping on the Tube to explore the City, treasure each moment as you take London's centuries-old narrative and make it your own.

#### DAY ONE

#### IN TRANSIT

Depart your gateway city for London, England.✈

#### DAY TWO

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#### LONDON, ENGLAND

Upon arrival, transfer✈ to Citadines South Kensington London.

#### ACTIVE TRAVEL for CULTURAL EXPLORERS

Immersion Programs are moderately paced with a good balance of included activities and excursions and time to explore on your own. Travelers should be physically fit, able to walk distances of up to 3 miles, exit and enter trains quickly and navigate stairs, hills and uneven terrain.

**Excursion: *Welcome to London.*** Take a guided walk through London's South Kensington neighborhood, where the city's trendiest restaurants and shops are located. With the Gloucester Road Underground Station just steps from the hotel door, everything in London and its environs is within easy reach.

This evening, enjoy a Welcome Reception and Dinner with your fellow travelers.

#### DAY THREE

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#### LONDON

**Educational Focus: *London, Past and Present.***

**Excursion: *Law and Order in London.***

Hear tantalizing gossip and learn the British legal system's history as you roam the warren of cloisters, courtyards and tranquil gardens that make up the Middle and Inner Temples of the Inns of Court. Peek into a shop where traditional wigs and robes are made for judges and barristers. See the Royal Court of Justice, the 12th-century Temple Church and more.

**Local Flavor:** Savor a delicious dinner tonight at a London restaurant.

#### DAY FOUR

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#### LONDON

**Excursion: *The City of Westminster.*** Away from London's busy streets, 1,000 years of history come alive as you explore Westminster, situated along the beautiful Thames. Your guide weaves tales of intrigues and monarchic mysteries as you witness the architectural splendor of 700-year-old Westminster Abbey,





the place where kings and queens are crowned. Walk past the Jewel Tower built to house Edward III's treasures. Traverse streets lined with beautiful Georgian homes, and visit areas where famous political salons are hidden. In the afternoon, make your way through Parliament Square to the neo-Gothic Houses of Parliament. Marvel at the golden spires and statues that adorn the building's magnificent façade, and view the Elizabeth Tower and Big Ben that stands at the northern end. View Westminster Hall and the Queen's Robing Room. In the lavishly decorated House of Lords, note the portraits of monarchs lining the walls, and admire the glowing stained-glass windows that were repaired from their World War II damage.

**Local Flavor:** Indulge in the British tradition of afternoon tea at the Houses of Parliament.

#### DAY FIVE

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#### LONDON

**Independent Exploration:** Enjoy a day at leisure or join the Elective Excursion.

**ELECTIVE | *The Cotswolds and Oxford.*** Wind your way along narrow country lanes to the idyllic storybook world of the Cotswolds. Breathe in the scent of fragrant wisteria and honeysuckle twining among thatched cottages of honey-colored stone. Continue to Oxford University, the heart of hallowed academia. Stroll through the centuries-old university campus. Take in the stunning architecture of its ivy-clad buildings, and visit one of the colleges.

#### DAY SIX

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#### LONDON

**Excursion: *The City.*** Explore the 2,000-year-old streets of London's oldest section,



known as the City. Visit St. Paul's Cathedral, the majestic baroque structure designed by Christopher Wren in 1710. Venture into the crypt to view memorials of great heroes. Cross the contemporary steel Millennium Bridge to stand in Shakespeare's Globe. From the thatch of the roof to the Elizabethan-era construction methods, the materials and techniques used to build this 20th-century theater created an amazingly authentic re-creation of the 16th-century playhouse that staged many of the Bard's plays. Standing in the yard of the 20-sided theater, it is easy to imagine oneself as a groundling standing in the same spot during Shakespeare's day and watching a play.

**Local Flavor:** Enjoy English specialties for lunch at a local pub.

**Educational Focus: *Literary London.***

Discover how London inspired many of England's literary greats, and learn about the city's role in some of the greatest pieces of literature.



Oxford

## DAY SEVEN

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## LONDON

**Excursion: London's Tudor Suburbs.** From Henry VII's defeat of Richard III at the Battle of Bosworth Field in 1485 until the death of Queen Elizabeth I, the Tudor dynasty reigned. Start your Tudor-era exploration by visiting the remains of Richmond Palace. As you sail up the River Thames to Hampton Court Palace, admire its unique blend of Tudor and 17th-century baroque architectural styles. Experience the grandeur of the palace's royal apartments, Great Hall and mysterious Haunted Gallery. Outside, witness blooming gardens, an 18th-century grapevine still producing grapes today. Lose yourself in the U.K.'s oldest surviving hedge maze.

**Local Flavor:** End the day of sightseeing with drinks at a local pub.

## DAY EIGHT

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## LONDON

**Independent Exploration:** Today is at leisure. Explore the fashionable shops of Oxford Street, view London's contemporary artistic glories at Tate Modern, or visit Greenwich to stand on the Prime Meridian.

Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a toast to your London adventure and a Farewell Dinner.

## DAY NINE

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## IN TRANSIT

Transfer✈ to the airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

**Note:** The itinerary, including hotels, is subject to change. The itinerary sequence on your trip dates may not be the same as above. You will receive a detailed itinerary with your confirmation. Walking is required on many excursions, and surfaces may be uneven or unpaved.

✈ Provided for AHI FlexAir participants

B/L/D denotes included breakfasts, lunches and dinners.

🍷 Elective experiences available at an additional cost

## ACCOMMODATIONS

(With baggage handling.)

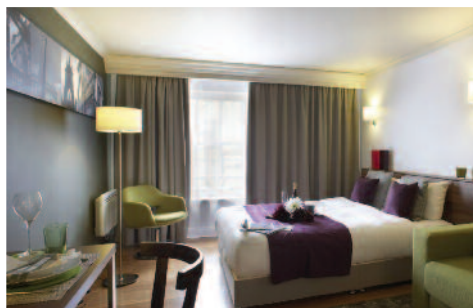
- 7 nights in London, England, at the first-class Citadines South Kensington London.

## MEALS

- Enjoy an **extensive meal program**, featuring seven breakfasts, one lunch and three dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Sample authentic regional specialties during select meals at featured local restaurants.
- Take advantage of leisure time to try the local cuisine independently.
- Attend a Welcome Reception and Dinner.
- Gather for a Farewell Dinner.

## YOUR EXCITING TRAVEL PROGRAM

- **Informative educational programs**, presented by local experts, will enhance your insight into the region.
- **Personal VOX listening devices** allow you to hear every word from your expert guides.
- Tipping of excursion guides and drivers.
- **The following excursions:**
  - Tour the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea.
  - Explore the Inns of Court.
  - Visit the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey.
  - Travel to Richmond, and explore Hampton Court Palace.
  - Explore the City, St. Paul's Cathedral and Shakespeare's Globe.



## AHI TRAVEL EXPERTISE

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

*Before you go:*

### ► TRAVEL CONSULTANTS |

These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, meals, accommodations and more as they guide you through the reservation process.

### ► PASSENGER SERVICE

**REPRESENTATIVE** | Once you have reserved your spot, enjoy personalized assistance from this specialist, your one point of contact who will help you with everything from arranging flights to booking elective activities to fulfilling special requests.

### ► TRAVEL INFORMATION |

Receive extensive destination information and travel tips compiled by our travel-savvy team to fully prepare you for your journey.

*Once you arrive:*

On the ground, three layers of top-quality professionals offer their insiders' perspective. From suggesting the best café or pub to sharing a laugh over the stories of the day, our dedicated team takes your adventure to the next level.

### ► TRAVEL DIRECTOR |

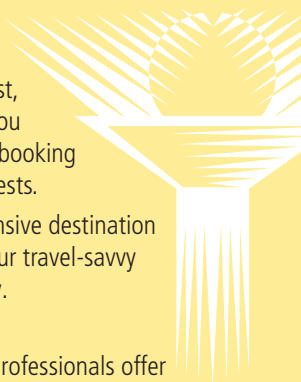
Throughout your journey, you will be in the care of a seasoned AHI travel professional who will manage all the logistics, allowing you to relax and simply soak up the ambience. Resourceful, knowledgeable and attentive, your Travel Director helps to ensure you enjoy an unforgettable travel experience.

### ► EXPERT GUIDES |

Who better to show you around than the people who live there? We've specially selected informed and enthusiastic local professional guides who understand the needs of our educated and curious travelers. Warm and genuine, they're ready to share their passion for their country with you.

### ► LECTURERS |

Coming from all walks of life, our entertaining local lecturers open your eyes to history and current events. The breadth of their knowledge deepens your appreciation for the region and its heritage.



## CITADINES SOUTH KENSINGTON LONDON

Stay in the heart of London's most popular borough. Our travel experts have carefully selected this first-class property for its prime location. It is ideally located for exploring the region's renowned landmarks, while providing opportunities to immerse yourself in local life. Of utmost importance is the quality of the services, amenities and accommodations, allowing you fully enjoy your stay.

# Reserve your trip to London today!

**Trip #:3-23250W**

Send to: London Immersion  
The University of Kentucky Alumni Association  
c/o AHI Travel  
International Tower-Suite 600  
8550 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60631

Please contact AHI Travel at **800-323-7373** with questions regarding this trip or to make a reservation.

Full Legal Name (exactly as it appears on passport)

(1) \_\_\_\_\_  
Title First Middle Last Date of Birth

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Sharing with \_\_\_\_\_ . (Form sent separately.)

**I/we authorize you to make my/our reservations as follows:**

**Accommodations desired (please number in order of preference):**

\_\_\_\_\_ Studio \_\_\_\_\_ Deluxe Studio

**Land Program and AHI FlexAir**

☐ I/we reserve the Land Program and request the round-trip AHI FlexAir to and from London, England, to depart from:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Departure City

☐ Please contact me regarding air options.

☐ Please send me information on upgrading my flights.

**Land Program**

☐ I/we will make my/our own air arrangements and transfers.

**Single Accommodations**

☐ I prefer single accommodations at an additional cost (limited availability).

☐ I request assistance in securing a roommate but will accept a single, if one is available at this time, and pay the single supplement. Should a roommate be found, I understand the supplement will no longer apply.

Reservations are subject to availability and processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations to be paid in full by **March 17, 2017** (75 days prior to departure). Reservations received after this date must be accompanied by payment in full. Final payment may be made by personal check, MasterCard, Visa, Discover or Amex. Make checks payable to AHI Travel.

Eligibility: Membership in the UK Alumni Association is a requirement for participation in this program. One membership is required for every family. Alumni, friends of the University and parents are welcome. Annual memberships are \$45 for single or \$55 for joint. If you are not a current member of the UK Alumni Association, please enclose a separate check payable to the UK Alumni Association for the appropriate amount and please mail it with your deposit.

Enclosed is a deposit of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$600 pp required) to reserve \_\_\_\_\_ place(s).

☐ Accept my check made payable to **AHI Travel**.

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**Please note:** Any payment to AHI International constitutes your acceptance of the terms and conditions set out herein, including but not limited to the cancellation terms.





**NOT INCLUDED**-Fees for passports, visas, entry/departure fees, personal gratuities, laundry and dry cleaning; excursions, meals and beverages not described in this brochure as included, travel insurance and all items of a strictly personal nature.

**MOBILITY AND FITNESS TO TRAVEL**-Participants should be in good health and able to walk moderate distances over varied terrain. Participants needing individual assistance for walking, dining or other personal needs must be accompanied by an able companion who will assist them. The right is retained to decline to accept or to retain any person as a member of this trip who, in the opinion of AHI Travel is unfit for travel or whose physical or mental condition may constitute a danger to themselves or to others on the trip, subject only to the requirement that the portion of the total amount paid which corresponds to the unused services and accommodations be refunded.

**AIR TRANSPORTATION**-The price of air transportation offered by AHI Travel is based on Advance Purchase Excursion fares. After tickets are issued, penalties up to 100% of the ticket price may be levied. If connecting flights are requested, special promotional fares may be used, in which case penalties of as much as 100% may be assessed by the airlines if reservations are changed or canceled after ticketing. After departure, if the reservations are changed, you will be charged the higher, all year Economy class fare. VARIATIONS TO THE GROUP ITINERARY MUST BE REQUESTED NO LATER THAN 60 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. Passengers who choose to make their own airline reservations independently will be wholly responsible for any airline fees or penalties incurred as a result of program cancellation and/or change in travel dates, or airline schedule(s).

**BAGGAGE**-Baggage restrictions vary according to the airline policy and the class of service flown. Details will be provided with your pre-departure information. Baggage allowances are subject to change by the carrier without notice. Excess baggage charges for additional or oversized/overweight pieces are expensive and not included in your trip price; plan your wardrobe accordingly. Transport of baggage and personal effects is at the owner's risk throughout the travel program.

**RESPONSIBILITY OF PARTICIPANT**-This program includes accommodations in an apartment in London. It is the responsibility of each participant to leave his/her apartment at the conclusion of the program in as good a condition as it was when the program began. Participants may be assessed charges for repairs or cleaning required due to damage beyond normal wear and tear caused or permitted by a participant.

**AUTHORITY TO USE IMAGES AND AUDIO RECORDINGS**-On occasion, AHI Travel obtains, from its staff, or from trip participants, photographic or video images of passengers and trip activities. By participating in this travel program, you authorize AHI Travel, without providing compensation to you, or obtaining additional approvals from you, to include photographic and video recordings of you, as well as voice recordings included with any videos, in AHI Travel's sales, marketing, advertising, publicity and/or training activities.

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**CANCELLATION**-All cancellations for any reason will be subject to a \$250 per person administrative fee. You may choose, at the time of cancellation, to apply the withheld administrative fee to a future AHI Travel program that will operate in the current calendar year or year following. Cancellation from 120 days to 76 days prior to departure will result in forfeiture of 10% of the entire cost of the trip per person; 75-30 days, 50% of the trip cost per person; cancellation from 29 days up to the time of departure will result in 100% forfeiture of the entire cost of the trip. Injury, illness, trip delays and lost baggage are a few of the things that can cost you more than just your vacation. They can also cost a lot of extra money you hadn't planned on spending.

That's why the University of Kentucky Alumni Association recommends our Alumni Travel Protection Plan to all alumni and/or members who travel. This plan not only insures your vacation but, more importantly, it provides the peace of mind you deserve while traveling. You're covered from the moment you leave home until the moment you return. If your vacation is cancelled for a covered reason, you'll get your money back - money to reschedule your vacation! The University of Kentucky Alumni Association recommends travel insurance to all alumni and/or members who travel. For details on travel protection coverage, please contact the Alumni Association toll-free at 800-269-2586 or visit [www.ukalumni.net/travel](http://www.ukalumni.net/travel). All cancellations must be submitted in writing to AHI Travel. CANCELLATION OF TRIP OPTIONS-Purchases of optional excursions, trip extensions and additional hotel nights become fully non-refundable 45 days prior to departure. Air transportation and private transfer purchases are subject only to penalties assessed by the airlines and transfer suppliers.

# LAND PROGRAM

**June 1-8, 2017**

## Studio

Double Bed or Two Twin Beds (247-269 sq. ft.)

**Full Price** **\$3,245**

**Special Savings** **\$250**

**Special Price\*** **\$2,995\***

## Deluxe Studio

Double Bed and Single Sofa Bed (279-301 sq. ft.)

**Full Price** **\$3,445**

**Special Savings** **\$250**

**Special Price\*** **\$3,195\***

**\*Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel.**

**VAT is an additional \$395 per person.**

All prices quoted are in USD per person, based on double occupancy (unless otherwise stated).

Single accommodations are an additional \$995 for Studio and \$1,195 for Deluxe Studio. (Limited availability).

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*Let us arrange your flights!*

**May 31-June 8, 2017**

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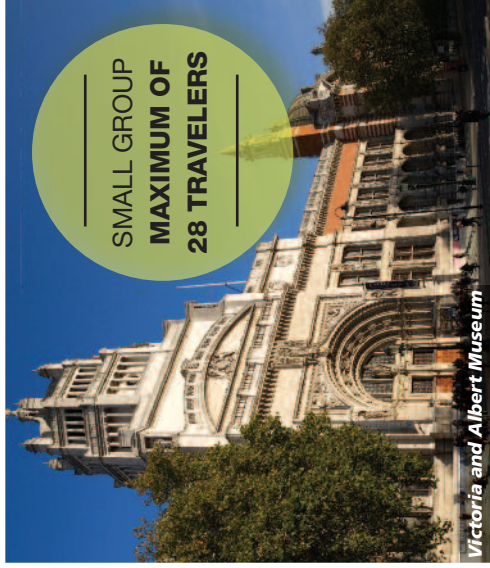
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*Pub, Kensington*



*Victoria and Albert Museum*

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