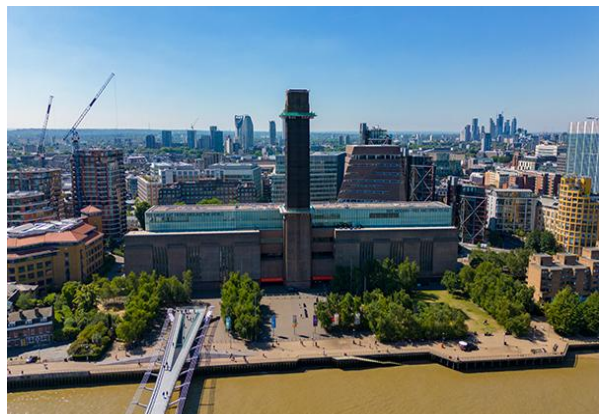




Tour Information



VAN GOGH IN LONDON





The tour commences and concludes at **Doubletree by Hilton London Kensington**

100 Cromwell Road

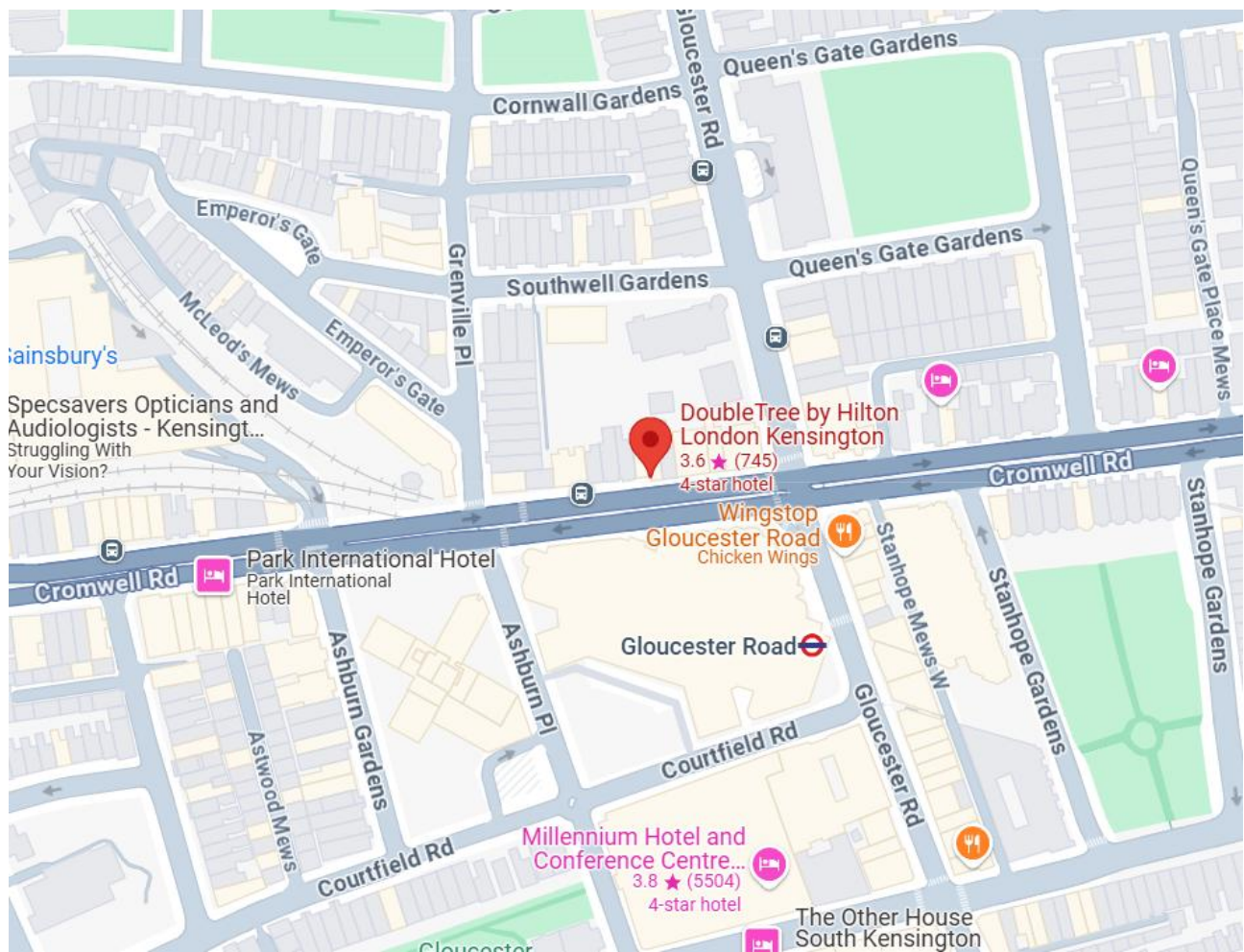
London

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Transport

Please note that transport to the hotel is not included in the price of the tour.



If you are travelling by car:

We don't recommend travelling by car as parking is extremely limited and the hotel has no parking facilities. The nearest parking would be at the Millennium Gloucester Hotel where they have 25 parking spaces available in a secure underground parking lot with 24/7 access and security guards. This would be on a first come, first served basis and priority will be given to the Millennium Gloucester Hotel's guests.

If you are travelling by train:

The closest tube station is Gloucester Road which is approximately 2 minutes' walk from the hotel. The nearest train station is West Brompton which is a 19-minute walk away.

Accommodation

Doubletree by Hilton London Kensington

The Doubletree is a 2-minute walk from Gloucester Road tube station, 7 minutes away by foot from the Natural History Museum and 1 mile from Hyde Park. The bedrooms are modern and comfortable and feature en-suite bathrooms, TV, telephone, wi-fi, air-conditioning/heating and tea and coffee making facilities.

The hotel has a restaurant and bar, as well as a business centre and a gym plus a private landscaped garden.

More information can be found via the hotel's website:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/lcyskdi-doubletree-london-kensington/>

Check-in and departure from the hotel

On the day of arrival, you will be able to check-in at the hotel from 15:00 and the tour manager will meet you in the evening at the welcome reception.

On the last day, the tour will not finish until approximately 18:00 so you should check with your tour manager, or the hotel reception, where luggage should be stored until your departure.

Extra nights

If you have booked to stay an extra night at the hotel, this is on bed and breakfast basis and check out from the hotel is at 12:00 noon.

Dining

On the first night, there will be a welcome reception and lecture followed by a private 3-course dinner with wine. Breakfast on all days of your stay is included in the price, but meals other than these stated are not included.

Special requests

If you haven't already done so, please notify Travel Editions of any special requests as soon as possible to allow sufficient time to make the necessary arrangements.

Places Visited

National Gallery

The National Gallery celebrated its 200th anniversary in 2024. Located in Trafalgar Square the gallery was founded in 1824 and houses a collection of more than 2300 paintings dating from the mid-13th century to 1900. Home to some of Van Gogh's paintings with the most famous being his *Sunflowers*. The National Gallery acquired *Sunflowers* in 1914 with the assistance from the Courtauld Fund. Other painters include *A Wheatfield with Cypresses*, *Farms near Auvers*, *Long Grass with Butterflies* and *Two Crabs*. Please note that sometimes artwork is loaned out to other museums.

<https://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/>

Courtauld Gallery

The Courtauld's permanent collection includes paintings, drawings, prints, sculpture and decorative arts ranging from the Renaissance through to the 20th century. The Gallery is renowned for its remarkable group of Impressionist and Post-Impressionist paintings, including the world-famous *A Bar at the Folies Bergère* by Édouard Manet, *Self-Portrait with Bandaged Ear* by Vincent van Gogh and the most significant collection of works by Cézanne in the UK. These masterpieces are presented in The Courtauld Gallery's spectacular LVMH Great Room, one of the largest spaces in Somerset House, alongside works by artists including Degas, Gauguin, Monet, Renoir and Seurat. Please note that sometimes artwork is loaned out to other museums.

<https://courtauld.ac.uk/gallery/>

Tate Modern Gallery

Tate Modern is an art gallery in London, housing the UK's national collection of international modern and contemporary art (created from or after 1900). It forms part of the Tate group together with Tate Britain, Tate Liverpool and Tate St Ives and is located in the former Bankside Power Station, in the Bankside area of the London Borough of Southwark. Tate Modern is one of the largest museums of modern and contemporary art in the world. Please note that sometimes artwork is loaned out to other museums.

<https://www.tate.org.uk/visit/tate-modern/visit-tate-modern-family>

Van Gogh House

Van Gogh House is a non-profit contemporary arts organisation based in the South London boarding house where a young Vincent Van Gogh lived from 1873-74. Built in the 1820s, by 2012 the property had fallen into a state of disrepair and, after 7 years of restoration, the house opened in summer 2019 with a small, dedicated team. Established as a site of creative production, 87 Hackford Road remains dedicated to preserving Van Gogh's remarkable career while supporting the next generation of artists, writers, and designers.

<https://vangoghhouse.co.uk/visit/>

Gladwell & Patterson Gallery

Originating in the City of London in 1752, Gladwell & Patterson's flagship gallery is located on London's famous Beauchamp Place in Knightsbridge. Gladwell & Patterson is an internationally renowned gallery with a history that can be traced back to the mid-eighteenth century. Their focus is on fine oil paintings, watercolours and sculpture, specializing in Impressionist, Post-Impressionist and Nineteenth Century art works as well as landscapes and portraits by leading artists practicing today.

<https://www.gladwellpatterson.com/>

Your Lecturer

Dr Peter Higginson specialises in the art and culture of early modern Europe, and the modern period. He has taught numerous university courses abroad and has wide experience in leading cultural tours to different parts of Europe including Bilbao, Rome, Venice, Florence, Paris and further afield to Cuba. Caravaggio is probably his greatest artistic passion and formed the focus of his doctoral research. His enthusiasm, knowledge and commitment have earned him rave reviews from the many clients who have travelled with him on a Travel Editions' tour over the years.

Practical Information

Tour manager - Your tour manager will be on hand throughout the tour to ensure that everything operates according to plan. If you have any problems or questions, please see him or her immediately – it is often possible to resolve complaints or problems very quickly on the spot and do everything to help you enjoy your holiday.

Tipping –To keep our tours affordable, we do not increase the tour price by adding in tips. However, in the tourism industry, there is a certain level of expectation that when receiving a good service, one does award with a tip. Tour Managers, Representatives, Guides and Drivers appreciate a tip at the end of their involvement with the tour, but this is entirely at your discretion. We believe in allowing you to tip according to your level of satisfaction with their services.

Grading – This tour has been graded as **Moderate**: Walking between sites, lots of standing for viewing.



Insurance

Although this is a UK holiday, please note that, should you cancel your holiday, the amount paid is non-refundable. For this reason, you may wish to take out insurance just in case an unforeseen event caused you to have to cancel the tour. As well as covering cancellations, your travel insurance will also cover your baggage and personal belongings in case they are lost or stolen.



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