WELCOME BACK TO ROYAL GREENWICH

Royal Greenwich is a world-class destination, boasting maritime history, military links and a stunning World Heritage Site which draws tourists from around the globe.

It’s all about time in Greenwich – home of Greenwich Mean Time – and we’re pleased it’s now the right time to open slowly and safely to welcome you back.

As well as our impressive attractions beginning to reopen, a summer series of leisure, learning, culture and events is coming to Royal Greenwich. Bringing people together again, celebrating our key workers and encouraging local tourists to enjoy home like never before, Royal Greenwich – It’s Time will be bursting into every corner of the borough.

Immerse yourself in the military history of the Woolwich Arsenal, once the beating industrial heart of pre-war London, or head over to Charlton to marvel at the best-preserved Jacobean manor house in London.

Greenwich town centre and Greenwich Park make up the Maritime Greenwich World Heritage Site, with world-famous places to visit like the Royal Observatory, National Maritime Museum and Cutty Sark.

Over on the Greenwich Peninsula, why not treat yourself in the discounted designer shops at Icon Outlet at The O2, take your friends on an adventure at Up at The O2 or reach the heights on the Emirates Air Line cable car.

One of London’s greenest boroughs, with the longest length of riverside in the capital, Royal Greenwich has lots of open spaces, beautiful parks and Thames-side paths, perfect for a walk, run or bike ride to discover hidden gems or just to sit and watch the world go by.

Combine all this with our fabulous pubs and restaurants and you’re ready for a wonderful time.

Visit and enjoy safely
Tourism and hospitality businesses are reopening in phases and have changed their practices to maintain public and staff safety. We advise that you check carefully before you travel.

‘We’re Good To Go’ is the official UK mark to signal that a tourism and hospitality business has worked hard to follow Government and industry guidelines and has a process in place to maintain cleanliness and aid social distancing. Keep an eye out for the mark when planning your visit!

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HIGHLIGHTS
Royal Greenwich is a beautiful, historic, buzzing area of London. There’s green space and open air plus some of the best architecture in the world. Greenwich has an outstanding maritime and royal heritage and it’s also one of the fastest growing and contemporary parts of the capital. Discover gems in all corners of the borough including Woolwich, Charlton, Eltham and at Greenwich Peninsula.

1 Stand on the Meridian Line and see the time ball drop at 1pm at the Royal Observatory
2 Enjoy views of the World Heritage Site and beyond from the top of Greenwich Park by the Royal Observatory
3 Discover epic stories of exploration at the National Maritime Museum
4 Be amazed by the magnificent interiors of the Painted Hall at the Old Royal Naval College
5 View glorious royal art collections in the delightful Queen’s House
6 Experience life on board the world’s last remaining tea clipper, Cutty Sark
7 Browse the arts and crafts stalls at Greenwich Market and sample great street food
8 Sample award-winning craft beers and see how it’s made at Meantime Brewery
9 Speed down the river to Greenwich Peninsula where you can take a flight on the Emirates Air Line cable car
10 Climb the roof of the world’s most popular entertainment venue at Up at The O2
11 Stop off at the NOW Gallery for the latest contemporary art exhibitions
12 Do more at The O2, from dining out and outlet shopping to trampolining, movies and tenpin bowling.
13 Explore 19 acres of award-winning gardens, set against the backdrop of the historic Eltham Palace
14 Immerse yourself in the rich military history throughout the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich
15 See an enormous engineering marvel up close at the Thames Barrier

Cruise to the City
Greenwich to Tower Pier in 23 minutes
The City of London is just a quick boat ride away. Discover famous landmarks, incredible architecture, art galleries, and history around every corner.

Plan your visit at the City Information Centre
cityoflondon.gov.uk/cic
At the time of going to press, the following events are confirmed to be running and have Covid-19 safety and distancing requirements in place. Please check ahead to find out any further details to help with your planning and how to pre-book where applicable.

1. **Luna Cinema**  
   Old Royal Naval College, Greenwich. 4 – 6 Aug  
   Classic cinema under the stars in the incredible grounds of the Old Royal Naval College. Wrap up warm and relax in your socially distanced space. Choose from Judy, Rocket Man and Dirty Dancing.

2. **Royal Arsenal Farmers’ Market**  
   Artillery Square, Woolwich. 8 & 29 Aug, 12 & 26 Sep  
   On the second and last Saturday of every month, Royal Arsenal Riverside hosts its very own Farmers’ Market. Providing quality locally sourced artisan food from bakers, greengrocers, cheesemongers and florists.

3. **Royal Greenwich Residents’ Rainbow**  
   Royal Greenwich, throughout Aug & Sept  
   A colourful community event to bring together every part of the borough in a vivid celebration of what makes Royal Greenwich great.

4. **Alice in Wonderland**  
   Various parks in Royal Greenwich. 7 – 17 Aug  
   Stunning dancing, much-loved characters and superb music brings the famous tale to life in a magical ballet production from Let’s All Dance. Suitable for the whole family.

5. **Greenwich + Docklands International Festival**  
   Various locations. 28 Aug – 12 Sep  
   London’s leading festival of free outdoor theatre and performing arts has been reimagined this year. GDIF 2020 includes uplifting installations and outdoor arts presented on people’s doorsteps, celebrating local places and togetherness.

6. **Totally Thames**  
   Various locations. 1 – 30 Sep  
   A month-long celebration of the River Thames with arts events, active adventures, environmental initiatives, heritage and education programmes.

7. **Slices of Time by Emmanuelle Moureaux**  
   NOW Gallery, Greenwich Peninsula. 1 – 27 Sep  
   Inspired by the gallery’s location, near to the Meridian Line, this earth shaped installation expresses the flow of time with shades of colours and white. Each layer reflects the now, the past and the future.

8. **Woolwich Carnival**  
   Woolwich. 12 Sep  
   An annual celebration of community and culture for Woolwich and the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

9. **Open House London**  
   Various locations. 19 – 20 Sep  
   The annual weekend that gives free access to buildings of remarkable architectural interest. New this year are themed, self-guided walking and cycling routes.

10. **Greenwich Comedy Festival**  
    National Maritime Museum. 23 – 27 Sep  
    Some of the UK’s finest comedians take to the stage in the picturesque surroundings of the grounds of the National Maritime Museum. There’s also fantastic street-food, craft beer and more to make for a perfect evening.

11. **Tudor Falconry at Eltham Palace**  
    Eltham Palace and Gardens. 19 – 20 Sep  
    The 16th century was the last golden age of falconry when the art became an elitist sport and Henry VIII practiced it to excess! Learn all about the Tudor obsession as you join the finely robed royal falconers and their talented team of birds in the palace grounds.
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Royal Observatory Greenwich (reopening 3 Aug)
The Royal Observatory, designed by Sir Christopher Wren was completed in 1676. The Prime Meridian of the World, zero longitude, is marked in the courtyard, where you can stand with a foot in each hemisphere. Watch the famous Greenwich Time Ball drop at 1pm – a signal that dates back to 1833, and see the impressive green laser which brightly illuminates the Meridian Line after dusk.

National Maritime Museum (reopening 10 Aug)
The National Maritime Museum opened in 1937. Its collections include the coat that Admiral Lord Nelson was wearing at the Battle of Trafalgar when he was fatally shot. There are some great interactive exhibits for kids and adults alike. Four new galleries tell the stories of global explorers and their encounters with people, places and environments across the world’s oceans.

The Queen’s House Art Gallery (reopening 10 Aug)
The Queen’s House was the first classical building in England. You can see art by J.M.W. Turner, Joshua Reynolds, William Hogarth and the Armada Portrait of Elizabeth I here. Architect Inigo Jones was influenced by the Italian style and built the House over the main road so the Queen had access to both Greenwich Park and the old Tudor palace.

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St Alfege Church
St Alfege Church is at the heart of Greenwich town centre and open for private prayer. There has been a church here for over a thousand years, dedicated to Alfege, the Archbishop of Canterbury who was martyred by Vikings on this site in 1012. The present church is nearly 300 years old and was designed by Nicholas Hawksmoor.

Old Royal Naval College
The Old Royal Naval College was designed by Sir Christopher Wren in 1682 as a home for retired British seamen. The atmospheric grounds and courtyards contain some of the most inspiring architecture anywhere in the world. The site is home to the Painted Hall, the neoclassical Chapel of St Peter and St Paul and the remains of the original Tudor palace!

The Painted Hall
The incredible ceiling at the Painted Hall took 18 years to complete and has been brought back to radiant life following a major conservation project. An epic 18th century masterpiece, known as the UK’s Sistine Chapel, tickets include entry to the Painted Hall, a multimedia guide and a guided/self-guided tour of the grounds and buildings.

Greenwich Market
London’s favourite market was established by Royal Charter in 1700 and originally sold fruit, vegetables and livestock. Nowadays it’s the centre of Greenwich shopping life, with shops and stalls all undercover, packed with art, antiques, fashion, jewellery, handmade gifts and delicious street food from all over the world.

The Fan Museum (reopening 2021)
One of the most fascinating and unusual museums in the UK, the Fan Museum holds a world-renowned collection of fans and fan leaves. Situated in two beautiful red-brick Georgian houses opposite Greenwich Theatre, the Museum holds an ongoing series of themed exhibitions which complement the permanent displays.

Tourist Information
The ideal first call for information and inspiration is at Greenwich Tourist Information Centre.
- Tourist information
- Bureau de Change
- Local attractions tickets
- Travel tickets
- London attractions tickets
- Coach tour tickets
- Guided walks
- Maps and guides
- Accommodation & access
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Opening times
Wednesday-Sunday, 10am-5pm
Closed 24-26 December

GREENWICH TOWN CENTRE
Step off the traditional tourist trail and see some of the amazing Royal Greenwich attractions you might not even know about. See seven counties from the top of Severndroog Castle, try some delicious craft beer at the Meantime Tasting Rooms, meet the animals of Maryon Wilson Animal Park or visit an engineering wonder of the world – the Thames Barrier.

Love walking? Perhaps you’re a keen cyclist? Or maybe you’re just looking for a perfect picnic spot. The Royal Borough has acres of beautiful parks and wide open spaces just waiting for your next adventure.

Explore a little further and find your favourite part of Royal Greenwich.
Woolwich is an amazing mix of cultures with lots of history and great places to see and visit. There are some distinctive and delicious places to eat and drink and some beautiful walks and rambles to be had over commons and through woodland, as well as beside the river Thames.

Woolwich has always been a garrison town through its associations with the foundations of the Royal Navy, the Royal Artillery Regiment and the Royal Arsenal. Many of the historic buildings still exist, from the Royal Military Academy and Royal Brass Foundry in the Royal Arsenal to the magnificent façade of the Royal Artillery Barracks on Woolwich Common. Just across the road from the Barracks are the remains of The Royal Garrison Church of St George, with its decorative archways, impressive altar and stunning mosaics all still intact.

A new cultural hub, Woolwich Works, will open in the Royal Arsenal in 2021. It includes a large-scale concert venue, rehearsal rooms, studio spaces, restaurants and internationally renowned artistic companies.
Eltham is in the south of the royal borough with beautiful parks and gardens, Tudor and Art Deco architecture and where children’s author E. Nesbit lived.

Eltham Palace and Gardens is a mix of medieval palace and a millionaire’s mansion. Henry VIII spent his childhood years here. In the 1930s, Stephen and Virginia Courtauld built their art deco home to incorporate the medieval great hall. The 19 acres of award-winning gardens are currently open to visitors.

Well Hall Pleasaunce is where E. Nesbit, author of The Railway Children had a house. Visit for the woodland glen, the ornamental garden and the last remaining Tudor Barn in London, now a restaurant and bar.

Severndroog Castle is a Gothic tower situated on Shooter’s Hill, one of the highest points in London. As it has narrow spaces, the Castle has not yet reopened, but the surrounding woodland is perfect for a walk. When open, it is possible to climb to the top for gorgeous views over seven different counties.

Eltham Lodge is regarded as one of England’s finest houses and maintains many of its original 17th century features. It is home to Royal Blackheath Golf Club, considered one of the oldest in the world.

Charlton has grown from a tiny Tudor village surrounding the manor house to become home to one of the engineering marvels of the world – the Thames Barrier.

Opened by the Queen in 1984, the Thames Barrier protects Londoners from the unpredictable river and its surging spring tides. It’s well worth a trip to see it up close from the banks of the Thames.

Charlton House, in the village up the hill, past Charlton Athletic football ground, is the finest and best preserved Jacobean manor house in London. The interior boasts original staircases, carved marble fireplaces, intricate plasterwork ceilings and beautiful walled gardens and grounds including a Peace Garden and local favourite, Charlton Park.

Across the road from here are the well-hidden but utterly charming, Maryon and Maryon Wilson Parks. Part of the former Maryon Wilson family estate, this beautifully landscaped corner of Charlton contains both grassland and woodlands – all in a valley setting. Nestled in the middle is Maryon Wilson Animal Park – the happy home of many animals including sheep, goats, pigs, ponies, a busy duck pond and even a herd of friendly fallow deer.
EAT & DRINK

There are lots of great places to eat and drink in Royal Greenwich, and all those that are able to reopen have safety, space and comfort as top priority.

Visit The Trafalgar Tavern for its rich history, tip-top tipples and classic pub lunches. Relax on the outdoor terrace or enjoy the panoramic riverside views.

The Old Brewery at the Old Royal Naval College has a beautiful, spacious dining room that houses the original brewing tanks for Greenwich’s local brewery, Meantime Brewing Co. It also has an expansive outdoor terrace. Davy’s Wine Vaults is taking bookings for the inside bar and dining area as well as two outdoor terraces. Brimming with unique character and charm, you will find modern British dishes on the menu plus an interesting and diverse selection of wines.

Enjoy the bold flavours of authentic Tibetan and Nepalese cuisine at Kailash Momo in Woolwich or dine alfresco on the terrace at The Guard House in the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich.

There’s plenty more, including the best pie and mash in London at Goddards of Greenwich, an entire street of incredible restaurants all under one roof at The O2 and a whole world of street food in Greenwich Market, featuring noodles, pasta, vegan delights and sweet treats.

SHOPPING

You can get all sorts of exciting and interesting goodies in the markets and boutiques of Royal Greenwich, plus over 60 premium brands at ICON Outlet at The O2.

Greenwich Market has been here for hundreds of years and today it’s better than ever. A big favourite with Londoners, it’s overflowing with stalls and independent shops run by vintage clothing sellers, jewellers, collectors and all sorts of others. And there’s a whole range of delicious street food from all over the world to keep you going while you wander.

Pick up the perfect souvenir in the gift shops of your favourite museums. Get yourself a little telescope at the Royal Observatory, or perhaps some tea on board Cutty Sark or a model ship in the National Maritime Museum.

Take a peek into Made in Greenwich, packed with locally made delights including upcycled bags from umbrellas and jewellery made of pottery salvaged from the Thames. There are also some fabulous markets in Woolwich to look out for, packed with artisanal food and drink, as well as local crafts and unique gifts.

GETTING AROUND

Now is the time to rediscover our local neighbourhoods and support local business. If you can, use walkways or cycling routes to get to your destination while enjoying the beautiful Royal Greenwich scenery. There are also plenty of spacious public transport options that can double up as fun things to do at off peak times:

Boats provide a spacious and scenic way to travel.

Uber Boat by Thames Clippers
With contactless journeys, fresh air throughout, double the capacity for bikes and naturally more space, there is also a range of enhanced hygiene and social distancing measures to allow for a safer transport option through London.

Board the Thames Clippers at:
Greenwich
Greenwich Peninsula
Woolwich (Royal Arsenal)

Southeastern and Thameslink trains run from London Bridge to Greenwich, Charlton, Eltham and Woolwich.
Chariton 7 mins
Woolwich Arsenal 13 mins
London Bridge 8 mins
Cannon Street 16 mins

For the safety of cyclists and pedestrians, TfL and The Royal Borough of Greenwich are creating more space for people to safely walk or cycle. Temporary cycle lanes, wider pavements and space for social distancing in town centres are among the changes being made as part of Streetspace for London.

The Thames Path provides a high-quality, traffic-free walking and cycling route for the majority of the length of the Royal Greenwich riverside. A number of walking routes pass through the borough, including Capital Ring, Green Chain Walk and the Jubilee Greenway.

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Sail to and from Greenwich and relax with a drink as you breathe in the views.

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