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The Savoy Concierge's guide to London



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WELCOME TO LONDON



There's no better time to experience London than August. The city truly comes into its own with golden evenings, weekends by the river, and a calendar full of world-class events that make it impossible to stay indoors.

Whether you fancy catching Brigadoon under the stars at Regent's Park Open Air Theatre, or dancing the night away at All Points East there's something to match every mood. Music fans will be spoiled this month with Coldplay lighting up Wembley across six spectacular nights, while Blackpink and Shawn Mendes take to London's biggest stages.

Food lovers can graze their way through the Hampton Court Palace Food Festival, and cinema fans can settle in at Barbican's outdoor screenings, where films like Dune and Love & Basketball are served alfresco with city skyline views. Sport is in full swing too, with the return of the Premier League with London's new trophy winners, Tottenham and Chelsea.

And of course, the streets come alive with the unbeatable energy of Notting Hill Carnival — a celebration of culture, music, and pure joy.

We look forward to welcoming you to The Savoy this month.

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Rahim Ismail, Head Concierge

MEET THE TEAM

As one of the most iconic hotels in the world, The Savoy has the finest concierge team London has to offer who work tirelessly to ensure that every guest's stay is nothing short of perfect. We invite you to meet our team.



Rahim Ismail
Head Concierge



Mahin Ahmed
Concierge



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Concierge



Zibi Kedziora
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Concierge



George Knights
Concierge Coordinator

EVENTS

Summer Opening of Buckingham Palace

Buckingham Palace

Until 28th September 2025

Buckingham Palace is recognised around the world as the home of the monarch, the focus of national and royal celebrations. Buckingham Palace's magnificent State Rooms open to visitors each summer. Explore the rooms used by members of the Royal Family to receive official guests during ceremonial occasions and much more.

Labyrinth on the Thames

Greenwich

1st-10th August 2025

London's waterways become the stage for Labyrinth on the Thames, a floating festival that blurs the lines between immersive art, performance and riverfront revelry. Guests drift from installation to installation, discovering everything from live jazz to kinetic sculptures beneath the arches and towpaths of the capital. It's part dreamscape, part soirée and wholly unlike anything else in the city.

Regent's Park Open Air Theatre

Regent's Park

2nd August - 20th September 2025

This summer, the magic of Brigadoon returns to London and where better than under the stars at Regent's Park? Expect lush Scottish highlands brought to life through sweeping melodies, misty romance, and the dreamy charm of Alan Jay Lerner's timeless tale. Between the tree-lined setting, chilled rosé, and West End calibre cast, it's the kind of theatre night that feels like a midsummer dream.

All Points East Festival

Victoria Park

16th-24th August 2025

This year's All Points East is shaping up to be a summer standout, with a knockout line-up including RAYE, Tyla, Cleo Sol, and Chase & Status. The crowd? Cool, diverse, and very much here for the vibe — whether that's lounging on the grass with a Negroni in hand or dancing front row. With food pop-ups, art installations, and curated chill zones, it's more than a festival.

Hampton Court Food Festival

Hampton Court

23rd-25th August 2025

A feast fit for royalty, this summer food festival takes place in the grand courtyards of Henry VIII's former home. Expect everything from truffle arancini to English sparkling wine, alongside cookery demos and picnic spots that are practically made for Instagram. History meets high-end grazing.

EVENTS

Notting Hill Carnival

Notting Hill

23rd-25th August 2025

London's most iconic street party roars back with feathered costumes, steelpan rhythms, and Caribbean soul pulsing through West London. From sunrise sound systems to sizzling jerk chicken stalls and Soca-fuelled parades, it's an unapologetic celebration of culture, colour, and community. This is London at its most alive.

Battersea River Walk Market

Battersea

Everyday

A locals' favourite with a stylish twist Battersea's riverside market brings small-batch coffee, seasonal flowers, fresh pastries and independent makers to the waterfront. Whether you're in the mood for brunch with a view or just a good browse, it's the perfect weekend wind-down. Bonus: the skyline views are always a treat.

The Barbican Outdoor Cinema

The Barbican Centre

20th-31st August 2025

Set against the brutalist beauty of the Barbican, this year's open-air screenings serve up cult classics and big-screen favourites like from Dune, Love & Basketball and Little Shop of Horrors. With headphones for crisp sound, cocktails in hand, and a twinkling city backdrop, it's the kind of cinema night that feels like a little slice of summer magic. Arrive early, claim your deckchair, and let the films do the rest.

Greenwich + Docklands International Festival

Greenwich

22nd August - 6th September 2025

Public space becomes performance space at this bold, outdoor arts festival, with aerial dancers, street theatre and large-scale spectacles popping up across London's riverside boroughs. From human pyramids in parks to dramatic installations on rooftops, it's culture with a twist and always free to enjoy.

Coldplay: Music of the Spheres Tour

Wembley Stadium

22nd, 23rd, 26th, 27th, 30th and 31st August 2025

Coldplay bring their intergalactic Music of the Spheres tour to Wembley for six epic nights of lights, sound and emotion. Expect glowing wristbands, sky-high visuals and enough singalong anthems to shake the rafters. It's not just a gig, it's a euphoric, feel-everything spectacle.

The Florist

AT THE SAVOY

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Sunday & Monday:
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EXHIBITIONS

Millet: Life on the Land

National Gallery
From 7th August 2025

Offering a rare and moving look at one of 19th-century France's most quietly revolutionary painters. Marking 150 years since his death, the exhibition showcases Millet's intimate portrayals of rural life—most notably *L'Angelus* (1859). Born into a farming family, Millet captured the dignity of the working class with a realism that was both radical and deeply human, influencing artists such as Van Gogh.

More than Human

Design Museum
Opens August 2025

A groundbreaking exhibition that merges art, science, and radical ecology to ask one urgent question: how can design help the planet thrive? Showcasing over 140 works from more than 50 global artists and designers, the exhibition challenges visitors to look beyond human needs. Highlights include seaweed architecture by Julia Lohmann and surreal artworks for octopuses by Shimabuku.

José María Velasco - A View of Mexico

National Gallery
Until 17th August 2025

See the first UK exhibition of Mexico's much-loved artist, José María Velasco. Velasco, working in Mexico in the 19th century, was a man of many interests. He was fascinated by advances in geology, the archaeology of his home country, the study of local flora, and the increasing presence of industrialisation.

Ed Atkins

Tate Britain
Until 25th August 2025

Ed Atkins is best known for his computer-generated videos and animations. Repurposing contemporary technologies in unexpected ways, his work traces the dwindling gap between the digital world and human feeling. He borrows techniques from literature, video games, music and theatre to examine the relationship between reality, realism and fiction.

Kiefer / Van Gogh

Royal Academy
Until 26th October 2025

Vincent van Gogh has had an enduring influence on Anselm Kiefer. See work by both artists side by side this summer. In 1890 Vincent van Gogh painted his final works. Seventy-two years later an eighteen-year-old Anselm Kiefer received a travel grant to follow in the footsteps of Van Gogh, starting in the Netherlands, through to Belgium, Paris and Arles in the south of France. This focused exhibition, set across the three rooms of the RA's smaller galleries, is the first to consider the lasting influence that Van Gogh has had on Kiefer.

SPORTING EVENTS

10 AUG

Football:
FA Community Shield
Wembley Stadium

16 AUG

Football:
Tottenham Hotspur vs Burnley
Tottenham Hotspur Stadium

17 AUG

Football:
Chelsea vs Crystal Palace
Stamford Bridge

22 AUG

Football:
West Ham United vs Chelsea
London Stadium

23 AUG

Football:
Brentford vs Aston Villa
Gtech Community Stadium

Football:
Arsenal vs Leeds United
Emirates Stadium

Please note: dates and times for the
above events are subject to change.

24 AUG

Football:
Crystal Palace vs Nottingham Forest
Selhurst Park

Football:
Fulham vs Manchester United
Craven Cottage

30 AUG

Football:
Chelsea vs Fulham
Stamford Bridge

Football:
Tottenham Hotspur vs Bournemouth
Tottenham Hotspur Stadium



FA Community Shield- www.thefa.com



Wembley Stadium - www.wembleystadium.com



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CONCERTS

2 AUG

Oasis:
The Oasis Live '25 Tour
Wembley Stadium

5 AUG

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The O2 Arena

6 AUG

Jin:
#RUNSEOKJIN_EP.TOUR
The O2 Arena

15 AUG

BLACKPINK:
Deadline World Tour
Wembley Stadium

16 AUG

BLACKPINK:
Deadline World Tour
Wembley Stadium

Shawn Mendes:
On the Road Again Tour
The O2 Arena

Martin Garrix:
Live DJ Set
Gunnelsbury Park

22 AUG

ENHYPEN:
Walk the Line World Tour
The O2 Arena

Coldplay:
Music of the Spheres Tour
Wembley Stadium

23 AUG

Coldplay:
Music of the Spheres Tour
Wembley Stadium

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26 AUG

Coldplay:
Music of the Spheres Tour
Wembley Stadium

27 AUG

Coldplay:
Music of the Spheres Tour
Wembley Stadium

30 AUG

Coldplay:
Music of the Spheres Tour
Wembley Stadium

31 AUG

Coldplay:
Music of the Spheres Tour
Wembley Stadium



BLACKPINK World Tour - blackpinkmusic.com



Coldplay - Music of the Spheres World Tour - www.coldplay.com



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10.30am - 6pm



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NEW RESTAURANTS

Pintxito

Covent Garden

Open now

Pintxito is a lively Basque pintxo bar in the heart of Covent Garden. With just 30 seats inside and a handful more on the terrace, Pintxito captures the spirit of San Sebastián with its daily-changing counter of baby squid, gildas, and king oyster mushrooms with piquillo. This informal, no-reservations gem is an ideal for the spontaneous looking for West End bites.

Noreen

Marylebone

Open now

After a day navigating the crowds of Oxford Street, Noreen promises a deliciously refined pit stop. Headed by former Harrods chef Mehdi Hani, the menu celebrates the bold flavours of the Middle East, showcasing dishes from a traditional tannour oven and minqala grill. With cocktails crafted by Mr Lyan Studio, Noreen brings both substance and style to central London's dining scene.

Cafe Murano

Marylebone

Open now

Angela Hartnett opens a new location of her Cafe Murano. The new Dorset Street location follows the beloved formula: simple, seasonal Italian fare like porchetta tonnato and slow-braised rabbit gnocchi. With whispers of a pasta shop and terrace space, this refined yet relaxed addition is sure to resonate with Marylebone's stylish set.

Kora

Chelsea

Open now

Mediterranean dining continues to define London's culinary scene, with Chelsea now welcoming Kora, a stylish new opening at Beaufort House. The concept reimagines timeless classics with elegant flair, offering dishes like yellowtail kingfish in Amalfi lemon consomme and charred lamb shoulder with rose harissa. With Bottarga already thriving nearby, Kora is poised to charm Chelsea's discerning crowd.

Cafe Linea

Chelsea

Open now

Bringing a European arcade charm, Cafe Linea is the all-day opening set to transform the former Saatchi Gallery restaurant into a bright, design-led destination. Created by the Godik family, whose family pedigree includes Gaucho, and helmed by Chef Partner Carolina Ferpozzi, the menu moves fluidly from banoffee bostocks at breakfast to ricotta dumplings and curried chicken pie by night. With interiors by the team behind Chiltern Firehouse and a generous terrace, Café Linea is poised to become a cornerstone of Chelsea.



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The Best Facial

45 minutes	£145
75 minutes	£195
90 minutes	£235

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14 King Street, Covent Garden

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OUR THEATRE RECOMMENDATIONS

Burlesque

Savoy Theatre
Until 6th September 2025

This glitzy musical arrives in the West End after sold-out performances in Glasgow and Manchester. It's a visual feast: stunning costumes, dazzling dance routines and a fizzing atmosphere. The tale follows Ali, a smalltown girl arriving in New York in search of her Mum who, it turns out, happens to run a burlesque club. Ali performs, and becomes a sensation. And the audience generally gets into a tizzy of excitement!

Hercules

Theatre Royal Drury Lane
Until March 2026

Playing at the huge, beautiful Drury Lane Theatre – a newly refurbished space that creates a brilliant atmosphere even before the show starts. Disney have pulled out all the stops to make this spectacle a fitting follow up to 'Frozen' which ran at the theatre for 3 years. There is much to like here: the strong choreography is consistently high energy, the huge puppets are a wonder to behold, and the costumes are mighty fine. That said, it's not going to make you think too much – but hey, it's a Disney extravaganza!

Stereophonic

Duke of Yorks Theatre
Until 11th October 2025

This comes to the West End after being much hyped from its run on Broadway – it received the most ever Tony nominations for a play. It's set in a recording studio (very effective – as the audience you feel like you're in there with them) and follows the agony and ecstasy of the musicians as they struggle to record their new album. The band bears a striking resemblance to Fleetwood Mac – indeed there was a lawsuit over this, and their squabbles and relationships are agonisingly portrayed.

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Bridge Theatre
Until 20th August 2025

Hosted at the newly built Bridge Theatre, it is in-the-round - so you can book a seat, or be part of the standing and following audience immersed in the action. Directed by Nicholas Hytner, this is a revival of the hugely successful 2019 version which got rave reviews ('5 stars might not be enough'). It's gender fluid, and brilliantly, inventively funny. With Bunny Christie's design and Arlene Phillips' movement – what's not to like?

Till the Stars Come Down

Theatre Royal Haymarket
Until 27th September 2025

This is one of those new plays that really is unmissable. Written by Beth Steel, and first shown at the National, it's about three sisters on the day of a family marriage in the East Midlands. All the wedding clichés are there - drunken flirting, awkward aunts, 11th hour dress crisis: but they're shown in a completely original, zinging way. It's beautifully staged in a kind of actors' chalked circle, and the performances are blazing. The characters are real and endearing, and you do genuinely get involved in their lives.

PICK OF THE MONTH



Darren Muylers

As part of our role, we make it a point to explore and experience the best restaurants across London. We try and test them ourselves to ensure we're offering guests the finest recommendations. This month's pick comes from Darren.

If you're after a show that leaves you buzzing with emotion and humming all the way home, *Just For One Day* hits all the right notes. This new production brings the spirit of Live Aid to the stage — not just as a concert reimagined, but as a powerful and personal journey through one of the most unforgettable cultural moments of the 20th century.

What I enjoyed most was how naturally it weaved together huge musical moments with real, human stories. It's not simply a parade of anthems, although hearing Queen, David Bowie and U2 live on stage is a thrill, but a show with real depth. Through monologues and archive footage, the production paints a vivid picture of the world in 1985 and the urgency behind Bob Geldof's call to action.

The standout moment comes midway through the second act, when *Radio Ga Ga* and *We Are the Champions* fill the theatre. The audience clapped in rhythm, sang along, and for a few minutes, it truly felt like Wembley Stadium in '85. That shared energy was electric. And just as you're lifted, the show grounds you again — a scene where a mother in Ethiopia recounts her story while *Drive by* by The Cars plays quietly in the background. That contrast is what makes the show so special.

I think this production offers more than an evening of great music. It's a rich experience, one that combines storytelling, music history, and a strong message about the power of unity. Many of you might remember Live Aid first-hand and appreciate the care taken to honour both the spectacle and the cause. Younger theatre-goers will come away with a newfound respect for what the concert achieved. With its thoughtful detail, emotional range, and world-class cast, *Just For One Day* is ideal for those who value meaningful entertainment with a strong sense of place in history.



Just for one day
www.theliveaidmusical.com



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TOUR OF THE MONTH

Summer is here, so it is the perfect time to head to the coast. Experience the varied and storied English coastline telling tales of battles and legends, with gorgeous views across the water from beautifully rugged cliffs. Then, head inwards to the historic and beautiful city of Canterbury and visit the world-renowned Canterbury Cathedral.

Private Gardens Tour

9.00am – 5.30pm
Duration: 8-9 hours



Hampton Court Palace- www.hrp.org.uk

A private garden specialist guide and separate chauffeur driver will meet you at The Savoy. We will then head first to Kensington Palace to take a look at the Sunken Garden with its delightful ornamental flower beds, encircling an ornamental pond, modelled on the Pond Garden at Hampton Court Palace.

We will then drive south to visit Hampton Court Gardens - these world famous gardens loop around the river Thames and have an almost fantastical Alice in Wonderland feel to them. It includes the world's oldest puzzle maze, the great vine grapes, the kitchen gardens - growing fruit and vegetables, stunning spring flowers, cherry trees, over a million daffodils and a range of wildlife that spring to life - including blackbirds, blue tits, robins and deer.



Windsor Castle - www.rct.uk

The next stop is Royal Windsor to visit the Savill Gardens - this is absolutely the best garden to visit with regards to plants, flowers and landscaping and is a pilgrimage for gardeners from across the world. It was originally created in 1931 by Sir Eric Savill as a three-acre Spring woodland garden - it is now one of the most important gardens in the south of England. It covers 35 acres and is a loosely connected series of seasonal gardens set in an undulating landscape.

During the day we can include a wonderful Afternoon Tea at the Fairmont Hotel, formerly the home of Baron Schroeder who grew orchids. The Orchid room has been turned into a beautiful conservatory, overlooking lush gardens. Alternatively, we can stop for a lovely, hearty, traditional English pub lunch along the way.

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