

#4: Natural History and Science Museum Tour

Overview: See the best of Science and Technology, as well as Natural History. Take it from someone who loves both D.C. and London museums, these rival, if not exceed, the Smithsonian!!

We'll start by walking to Westminster Abbey and Parliament – pausing for photos and admiring the views. Then we'll take the tube to South Kensington.



Tour the **Natural History Museum**. 70 million items call this exciting, interactive, life and earth science museum home. Highlights include: “Dinosaurs” - the ultimate prehistoric exhibition; “Creepy-Crawlies” - guaranteed to have you scratching in seconds; “Human Biology” - the must-see exhibition about the evolution of the species; “The Power Within” – a sensational earthquake experience; and “Ecology and Mammals”. “The Vault” - a permanent exhibition of gems and rare meteorites - contains some famous, historic and priceless jewels. The “Rhythms of Life” and “Wildlife Photographer of the Year” exhibitions also demand attention. www.nhm.ac.uk/index.html

We can eat **lunch** in one of the museum cafés, and then just next door we can...

Tour **The Science Museum**. Home to one of the world's most magnificent collections of science, industry, technology and medicine, the Science Museum is one of London's most hands-on and interactive museums. The Welcome Wing allows visitors to morph their faces to look older or younger, manipulate their voices and create digital music. www.sciencemuseum.org.uk



After getting our fill of science, we'll stroll past, and perhaps into, the famous **Royal Albert Music Hall** on our way to the **Albert Memorial** and into beautiful **Kensington Gardens** and **Hyde Park**. Weather permitting, we can run around the fields, look over the Serpentine Water, and head over to **Hyde Park Corner** with the **Wellington Arch** and the gardens surrounding **Buckingham Palace**.



Depending on time and interest, we can either walk back to **Harrods** for shopping and South Kensington for dinner, or continue past **Buckingham Palace** and the **Queen Victoria Memorial** to Westminster and Lambeth to find dinner before returning to the hotel.



OR

After leaving the Science Museum, we can catch the tube to Covent Garden to visit the **London Transport Museum**. A favorite London museum, it's now expanded to include cycling, walking, taxis and river transportation, as well as the familiar Tube, buses and trains. Interactive exhibits, displays of historic posters, and the future of transportation are also featured.

www.ltmuseum.co.uk



We can have dinner in **Covent Garden** before taking the tube back to our hotel.



Total, Admissions & Transportation:

Adults: \$6 - 32

Students: \$6 - 26

Additional \$\$ required for dinner and discretionary spending