

K&C Summer of Love

Rediscover the borough

Get ready to fall in love with Kensington and Chelsea this summer

A range of exciting events and activities are taking place across the borough from June to September and you're invited to join in the fun. After over a year of Covid-19 restrictions and distancing, now is the time to step out safely and rediscover the borough.

There's something for everyone to enjoy, from our parks, high streets and museums, to libraries, local businesses and more. Whether you're a resident or visitor from further afield, we're welcoming everyone back to Kensington and Chelsea safely to share the love.

What's on this summer? Take a look and find your way around with our walking map.

Find out more about K&C Summer of Love at www.rbkc.gov.uk/summer-of-love

(All places are subject to opening times and entry costs)



1 BAYSIXTY6 Skate Park
A skating haven just beneath the Westway, offering sessions, skate camps, private events and much more.

2 The Museum of Brands
Exploring the connection between brands and people, culture and society. The Time Tunnel exhibition showcases 150 years of the history of brands, whilst the museum also hosts a variety of temporary displays, talks and workshops that examine the role of brands throughout history and the modern world.

3 Westbourne Grove
Notting Hill's high street, starting at the junction with Portobello Rd, features art galleries, independent stores and plenty of places to grab a drink or bite to eat after a busy day at the market.

4 Portobello and Golborne Market
Began in the 19th Century, dedicated almost entirely to fruits and vegetables, before it became the incredible antiques and produce market it is today.

5 The Design Museum
Offering an introduction to the history of contemporary design, lined up with exciting temporary exhibitions and pop-ups. You can even join a specialist course, talk or workshop to learn more about design from leading experts.

6 Exhibition Road
Explore some of London's most famous museums and cultural institutions right here. The Natural History Museum, V&A, Science Museum, Imperial College London and more are all within a short walk of each other.

7 Kensington High Street
One of the borough's bustling destinations for shopping and dining. With Holland Park and Kensington Gardens at either end, there's also plenty of green space to enjoy.

13 The Earl's Court Police Box
Stop by the iconic blue police box, which was modelled after the one made famous in the popular TV show 'Dr Who', for photo opportunities and tours.

12 The Chelsea Physic Garden
Established in 1663, London's oldest botanical gardens occupies four acres on the edge of the Thames. Visit to see a unique assortment of plants that changed the world.

8 Pavilion Road
Fully pedestrianised for the summer to enjoy al fresco dining. Explore some fantastic cafés, restaurants and bars in Chelsea.

9 Duke of York Square
A chic shopping destination leading to the famous King's Road with big brands, unique boutiques and restaurants, and home to the world-famous Saatchi Gallery.

11 The National Army Museum
A great place to learn more about the Army's role, from the British Civil Wars to the present day. Hear the extraordinary stories of ordinary people, as you live through the interactive collections that have been preserved through the years.

10 Royal Court Theatre, Sloane Square
The writer's theatre. See the world through the lens of a diverse range of writers and artists who aim to change our way of seeing and influence radical thinking, in this provocative and inspiring theatre.

- Villages:**
- A** Notting Hill and North Kensington
 - B** Exhibition Road and South Ken
 - C** Earls Court
 - D** Kensington High Street
 - E** Sloane Square and Chelsea

Stay active

As we cautiously ease out of Covid-19 restrictions, it's important that we continue to travel and socialise safely.

Walking in the fresh air and avoiding confined public transport where possible is a great way to do this while improving our health and getting more exercise. Kensington and

Chelsea is one of the most walkable boroughs as it's the smallest, with lots of amenities and attractions in close proximity. Why not take a stroll and enjoy the borough on foot this summer?

Please keep following the latest Covid-19 government guidance and enjoy the borough safely.



Find the blue plaques

If you're out and about, you can search for the many blue plaques to learn more about famous residents who have lived in Kensington and Chelsea. There's over 100 years of commemoration and history to learn from, so why not take a step back in time during your walk!

The names of several famous writers, poets, dancers, musicians, politicians, campaigners and visionaries can be found upon Kensington and Chelsea's Blue Plaques.

From Oscar Wilde to Sir Winston Churchill, Sylvia Pankhurst to Princess Seraphine Astafieva, there's a world of amazing history hidden within Kensington and Chelsea, much of which helped shape the London we know today.



Experience the diverse culture

Kensington and Chelsea is enriched with a diverse cultural heritage that you can experience along your walk. Why not explore the beautiful green spaces of Holland Park and observe the great variety of wildlife that lives there or take a stroll down the famous market at Portobello Road and check out the incredible antiques and produce.



Visit the museums and galleries

Just by walking along Kensington High Street, you'll come across two absolute gems worth visiting, Japan House and the Design Museum. Kensington and Chelsea is home to some of the world's most famous museums, many of which are within relatively short walking distance of each other. Check out the map and see how many you can locate.

To name but a few, you could explore the Natural History Museum and delve into the world of the dinosaurs, wander in the Science Museum to discover more about mankind's greatest inventions, lose yourself in the Victoria and Albert Museum of art and design, or take part in the challenging exhibitions at the National Army Museum, as you learn about the impact the British Army had on the world.



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