



TRANSPLANTED LONDON

The masonry from the original London Bridge was bought in 1968 by an American chainsaw manufacturer, who shipped it to Arizona to rebuild over a canal at Havasu Lake City (pictured). It's the second most popular tourist attraction in the state after the Grand Canyon.

A college called Westminster College in Fulton, Missouri, bought an entire City of London church (albeit a bombed-out one), took it apart and erected it on campus. Two original Trafalgar Square fountains can now be found in Canada.



MY OVERSEAS HOLIDAYS

We're very fortunate that we can be in Paris in a couple of hours and there are a lot of destinations in Europe that can be visited over a weekend. Lisbon is an enjoyable city, but I've had some great holidays recently in the Algarve (southern Portugal) and Menorca. It's nice to get some proper sun and a different vibe. Years ago my girlfriend and I spent a week or so on Hydra (pictured), one of only two Greek islands not to have cars. Almost everything is transported by donkey. I'd love to go back and visit other Greek islands.



CLOSER TO HOME

Britain has some stunning scenery and places of interest. I love Wales and its beaches, castles and mountains. We've recently had holidays in the Lake District (pictured) in northwest England and the Peak District in Derbyshire. They're great if you like the outdoors, water sports, climbing and walking. The Scottish Highlands are stunning and parts of Ireland are gorgeous.

JONNIE FIELDING

This London tour guide has come to know and love his adopted home



ADVICE FOR AUSSIE VISITORS

I often meet people who cram too much into their itineraries, are rushing everywhere and are utterly exhausted. They might spend 30 or 45 minutes in Westminster Abbey (pictured) or an hour at the Tower. It's not enough time.

There's a lot to take in. I always suggest leaving time to sit somewhere, have a coffee, factor in longer at the places you visit and go for the "less is more" philosophy.



MUST-SEE MUSEUM

I'd usually say the Museum of London, but it's closed until 2026 for relocation. Aside from our large museums full of things we've stolen – sorry, borrowed – we have a number of smaller house museums that are fascinating, such as Handel & Hendrix, Charles Dickens Museum, Benjamin Franklin House or Dr Johnson's House.



MORE FACTS AND FIGURES

The Monument to the Great Fire (pictured) is 202ft tall because if it were to fall over, the top would land where the fire started at a bakery on Pudding Lane. The Cheesegrater, aka 122 Leadenhall, designed by architect Richard Rogers and completed in 2013, is at an angle because St Paul's cathedral is a protected view and if it had been rectangular it would have impeded too much on the view of the dome from Fleet St.

As told to Tansy Harcourt