



LONDON, UK June 4-10, 2025

Our trip to London is approaching fast! A few things to start thinking about now to prepare you for the trip:



- Make sure your passport has at least 6 months of validity past your trip return date
- The UK now requires all travelers to complete an Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA) PRIOR to arrival. See below for further details.
- You will receive all travel documents by Fed Ex approximately 30 days prior to group departure.
- Keep checking for emails as we get closer to your travel date for reminders and other relevant information.

Each European country has their own entry requirements and can change without notice - some will not allow you to enter without 6 months of validity left on a passport. Therefore, we recommend everyone's passport to be valid through December 2025.



UK ENTRY NOTICE



All U.S. citizens traveling to the United Kingdom will require an Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA) PRIOR to travel. You may apply for your ETA online at: <u>APPLY FOR ETA</u>; however, the fastest way to apply is using the UK ETA app. Download UK ETA App at: <u>APP STORE</u> | <u>GOOGLE PLAY</u>.

You will need to upload or take photos of your passport and the face of the person applying. The price is approximately \$13 and takes approximately 10 minutes. To complete, you will need:

- Your original passport NOT a photocopy or digital passport
- Access to your email
- A payment method Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Apple Pay or Google Pay



ATTRACTIONS & OPTIONAL TOURS

We **HIGHLY RECOMMEND** you pre-book attractions starting today to avoid long queues and guarantee your entry, especially for more popular attractions such as:

- Tower of London
- Buckingham Palace
- Westminster Abbey
- Churchill War Rooms
- Popular Theatre Shows
- Windsor Palace
- Stonehenge

You can purchase tickets for the above attractions directly through their websites; however, for attractions outside of London, like Windsor Palace or Stonehenge, a tour may be the better option for you - we suggest Viator, a Trip Advisor Company. To view tour options for London and vicinity, please visit: <u>VIATOR LONDON TOURS</u>.



DON'T FORGET! Included with your trip is a Panoramic London Tour with the group. This tour includes the London Eye.

Date: Friday, June 6, 2025 Time: 9:00am – 1:00pm



TRAVELING THROUGH EUROPE

If you are planning to travel through Europe, either before or after the group dates, please read below:



The <u>Schengen Borders Agreement</u> created Europe's border-free Schengen area, where anyone legally present in the European Union (such as tourists, etc.) are guaranteed free movement within the Schengen area without being subject to internal border checks. The Schengen Borders Agreement permits citizens from the United States to travel freely within the Schengen area for up to 90 days for tourism or business. Today, the Schengen area encompasses most countries in Europe, and includes four non-EU states: Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, and Liechtenstein.

We recommend the following:

- Have at least six months' validity remaining on your passport book at the time of entry into the Schengen area.
- Check passport validity requirements if traveling onward from the Schengen area to a country outside the Schengen area. Please visit: <u>www.travel.state.gov</u> for the most up to date information on passport validity for your destination.
- Carry your passport book when traveling to another country in the Schengen area. Even if there is no border check at that time, officials may reinstate border controls without notice.



WHAT'S NEXT?



45-day emailer

Look for the next emailer approximately 45 days before trip departure. All emailers are uploaded to the group website for easy reference. www.mofblondon2025.com