



LONDON, UK June 4-10, 2025

Can you believe it? Our journey to London is coming soon. Let's continue to get you ready for this exciting international getaway. Read more below about guidance on travel documents, passports, ETA requirements, included & optional tours, and more.

KEY REMINDERS



TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Travel documents will be sent to the mailing address on your registration form approximately **30 days prior to departure** by Fed Ex. Be sure to read all information included with your travel documents to ensure you are prepared for the trip.



PASSPORT REMINDERS

- A valid passport is required for traveling to London.
- 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 highly
 recommend everyone's passport be valid through December 2025.
- Need passport assistance? <u>www.citbvisas.com</u>



ETA – ELECTRONIC TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

All U.S. citizens traveling to the United Kingdom are required to have an Electronic Travel

Authorization (ETA) PRIOR to travel. 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. Apply for your ETA online at: APPLY FOR ETA. You can apply faster using the UK ETA app.

Download the UK ETA App at: APP STORE | GOOGLE PLAY.

MOFB GROUP TOURS (INCLUDED)



LLOYDS OF LONDON/ROYAL AUTO CLUB DINNER (INCLUDED)

Date: Monday, June 9, 2025 Time: 2:00pm – 8:30pm

We've added a great group tour for Monday, June 9th, taking us to Lloyd's of London, then on to the Royal Auto Club for drinks & dinner. A breakdown of the tour's schedule can be found in the Welcome Booklet with your travel documents.



PANORAMIC LONDON CITY TOUR (INCLUDED)

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

DON'T FORGET! Also included with your trip is a Panoramic London Tour with the group, including the London Eye. Meeting location and description of the tour can be found in the Welcome Booklet with your travel documents.

ATTRACTIONS & OPTIONAL TOURS



Looking to sprinkle a little more adventure into your trip? Explore optional tours available in and near London. 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
- 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 the included Lloyd's of London/Royal Automobile Club tour & Panoramic London Tour. See dates & times above and in your Welcome Booklet with your travel documents.

GET READY FOR FUN



Sheraton Grand London Park Lane

Piccadilly, London W1J 7BX, United Kingdom

Located in the heart of Mayfair, the Sheraton Grand London Park Lane Hotel offers a prime destination in Central London. Since their opening during the glamour of the 1920s, the hotel remains a true expression of Mayfair grandeur. Celebrated art deco boasts views of Green Park with connections to London historic landmarks. *Breakfast daily at leisure is included with your trip package!*

EXPLORE SHERATON GRAND LONDON PARK LANE HOTEL

LONDON FUN FACTS TO KNOW



- Many attractions within London are easily assessable via Taxi, Uber, or the London Underground known as "The Tube" (a short walk from the hotel).
- Buckingham Palace is across the street from our hotel.
- The Big Red Tour Bus picks up directly across the street from our hotel.
- They drive on the LEFT, so make sure to look both ways before crossing a street.



- Almost all London museums can be visited free of charge.
- The Changing of the Guards is one of the free activities available in London. The ceremony takes place at Buckingham Palace at 10:45am on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays (weather permitting).



- Restaurant bills in London come with a service charge, which you do NOT need to tip on top of that. If it doesn't, you can certainly give a tip of 10-12%.
- Patience is a virtue, as you will not find the in-and-out dining atmosphere you may be used to in the states.
- It is common in pubs for guests to place an order at the bar instead of a server coming to your table to place an order.

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: www.travel.state.gov 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?



Look for the next emailer approximately 30 days before trip departure. All emailers are uploaded to the group website for easy reference. www.mofblondon2025.com