

ENGLISH



# THE TOWER *of London*



MIDDLE TOWER

1380-1418 (rebuilt 1773)



HER MAJESTY'S PALACE AND FORTRESS  
THE TOWER OF LONDON





# WHAT TO SEE



## THE CROWN JEWELS

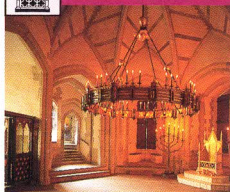


The Tower of London has been home to the world famous British Crown Jewels since the beginning of the 14th century. Still used by the Queen and her family today, the Crown Jewels are an essential

part of your visit. ♦ (See also The Wall Walk - the related Crowns and Diamonds exhibition.)



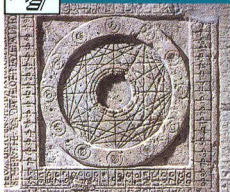
## THE MEDIEVAL PALACE



The Tower of London was a residence for the kings and queens of England as well as being a fortress. These rooms are shown as they may have appeared in the reign of Edward I (1272-1307).



## THE WALL WALK



The Tower of London is surrounded by a series of massive defensive walls. A walk around this eastern section provides an opportunity to see how the wall towers have been

used since the 13th century.

## ♦ THE MARTIN TOWER

This tower houses an exhibition, 'Crowns and Diamonds: the making of the Crown Jewels' (in collaboration with De Beers).



## THE WHITE TOWER



Begun in the reign of William the Conqueror (1066-1087), the White Tower marks the start of the Tower of London's history.



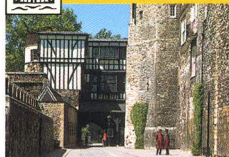
## TOWER GREEN



Some of the Tower's most famous prisoners were held around Tower Green including Sir Walter Raleigh, kept in the Bloody Tower for 13 years. At the scaffold site two of Henry VIII's wives, Anne Boleyn and Catherine Howard, were beheaded. The Chapel Royal of St Peter ad Vincula is open for public worship on Sunday mornings (except in August). Otherwise the Chapel is open to the public only as part of the main Yeoman Warder guided tour, or from approximately one hour before Tower closing time.



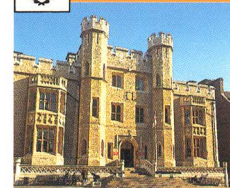
## WESTERN ENTRANCE & WATER LANE



As you enter through the West Gate you can get an impression of how the Tower was protected against attack. In Water Lane you can also see Traitor's Gate where many famous prisoners entered the Tower of London for the last time.



## THE FUSILIERS' MUSEUM



The Army has been involved with the Tower of London since its creation and today, the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers open their museum to the public (as this is an independent museum there is a small entrance charge).

## THE YEOMAN WARDERS



Yeoman Warders (often called Beefeaters) have been at the Tower of London since the 14th century. Today they combine their traditional ceremonial role with that of tourist guide. The main tour (60 minutes) brings to life the Tower's history including imprisonment, torture and intrigue.

## THE RAVENS



The Ravens are one of the most famous sights at the Tower of London. Legend has it that Charles II was warned that should the Ravens leave the Tower, the monarchy would fall, and he therefore ordered that henceforth a small population should always remain.





## SPECIAL EVENTS

**Daily Programme:** For details of today's special events, please ask any member of staff or pick up a leaflet from the Welcome Centre

**The Ceremony of the Keys** takes place every night at the Tower. You can request free admission to the ceremony by writing well in advance to: The Ceremony of the Keys, Waterloo Block, HM Tower of London, EC3N 4AB, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope or 2 coupon-réponse international.

## INFORMATION DURING YOUR VISIT

**The Yeoman Warders and Jewel House and White Tower Wardens** will be happy to answer any questions. Please ask them.

**The Official Guidebooks** provide more information on the Crown Jewels and the Tower of London and are available in the Tower's shops.

**Elderly or Disabled Visitors:** The Tower of London is an historic building with difficult stairs and passageways. If you need help during your visit please ask a Yeoman Warder, or ask for our free Access Guide. A limited number of wheelchairs are available for free hire from the Group Ticket Office and the Welcome Centre.

**A sound guide, 'Prisoners of the Tower',** is available in English, French, German, Russian, Japanese, Italian and Spanish from Water Lane. There is a small charge.



## SHOPPING

**White Tower Shop** located within the White Tower, has ranges inspired by the history of the Tower, particularly relating to the Royal Armouries exhibition.

**Tower Shop** opposite the main entrance offers souvenirs of your visit to the Tower of London.



**Medieval Palace Shop** near the Ravens' lodgings has ranges based on the history of the Tower, including the Yeoman Warders and the Medieval Palace.



**Jewel House Shop** near the Jewel House exit offers exclusive products based on the Crown Jewels.



## REFRESHMENTS

### *New Armouries Café*

The New Armouries was originally built as a storehouse in 1663. As the new Tower restaurant it has a varied selection of foods in 'store' for Tower visitors. The menu includes hot and cold dishes, sandwiches, cakes, children's meals and hot and cold beverages.

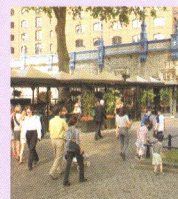
### *Tower Café and Kiosk*

Friendly staff with a relaxed cafe atmosphere, offering panini's grilled to order, tea and coffee, home made cakes and desserts and ice cream. Seating available inside or outside, right next to the River Thames.

**Currency Exchange** \$ (near West Gate Shop) is open from 10am to 6pm in the summer and until 5pm in the winter.

**Web Site Address:** <http://www.hrp.org.uk>

**Recorded Information:** 0870 7566060





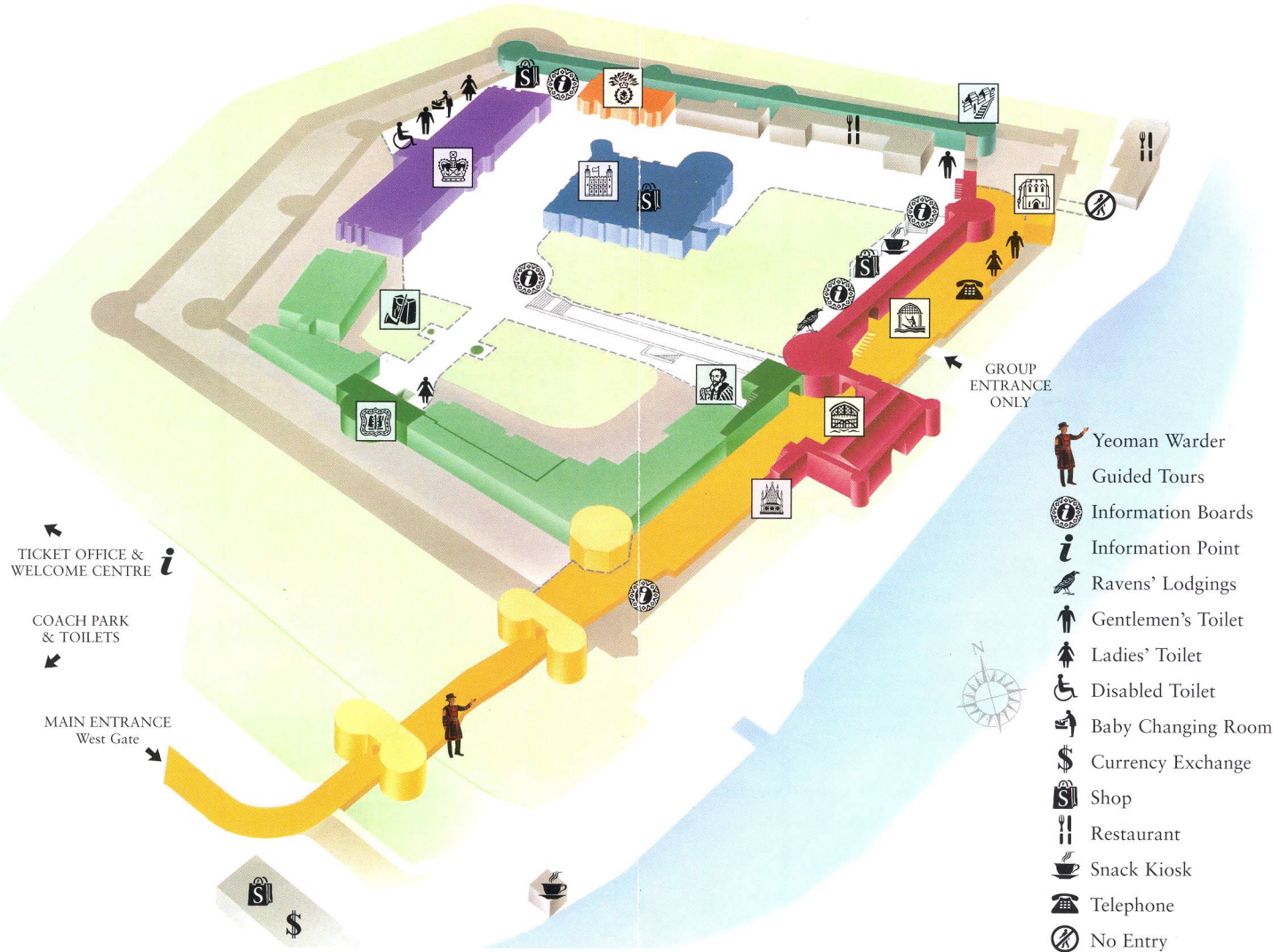
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• Buildings open to the public are numbered in red

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|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 Beauchamp Tower                      | 12 Constable Tower             | 23 Lion Tower Drawbridge Pit | 34 Tower Hill Memorial          |
| 2 Bell Tower                           | 13 Cradle Tower                | 24 Martin Tower              | 35 Traitor's Gate               |
| 3 Bloody Tower                         | 14 Devereux Tower              | 25 Middle Tower              | 36 Wakefield Tower              |
| 4 Bowyer Tower                         | 15 Develin Tower               | 26 Mint Street               | 37 Wall of the Inmost Ward      |
| 5 Brass Mount                          | 16 Flint Tower                 | 27 New Armouries             | 38 Wardrobe Tower               |
| 6 Brick Tower                          | 17 Fusiliers' Museum           | 28 Queen's House             | 39 Water Lane                   |
| 7 Broad Arrow Tower                    | 18 Hospital Block              | 29 Salt Tower                | 40 Waterloo Block, Crown Jewels |
| 8 Byward Tower                         | 19 Henry III's Watgate         | 30 Scaffold Site             | 41 Well Tower                   |
| 9 Casemates                            | 20 Lanthorn Tower              | 31 Site of the Great Hall    | 42 Wharf                        |
| 10 Chapel Royal of St Peter ad Vincula | 21 Legge's Mount               | 32 St Thomas's Tower         | 43 White Tower                  |
| 11 Coldharbour Gate (remains)          | 22 Line of the Roman City Wall | 33 Tower Green               |                                 |





TICKET OFFICE & WELCOME CENTRE

COACH PARK & TOILETS

MAIN ENTRANCE  
West Gate

GROUP  
ENTRANCE  
ONLY

- Yeoman Warder
- Guided Tours
- Information Boards
- Information Point
- Ravens' Lodgings
- Gentlemen's Toilet
- Ladies' Toilet
- Disabled Toilet
- Baby Changing Room
- Currency Exchange
- Shop
- Restaurant
- Snack Kiosk
- Telephone
- No Entry

*Pictograms show starting points*

### WESTERN ENTRANCE & WATER LANE

- Traitor's Gate
- Henry III's Watergate
- Cradle Tower

### THE MEDIEVAL PALACE

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### TOWER GREEN

- Bloody Tower
- Beauchamp Tower
- Scaffold Site

### THE WHITE TOWER

- Ravens' Lodgings