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Things to Do in King's Cross and London in Autumn and Winter

King's Cross is a vibrant neighbourhood with a rich history and plenty of attractions for visitors. Here are some suggestions:

Indoor Activities

- **King's Cross Theatre:** Catch a show at this historic theatre, which was once a railway station.
- **British Library:** Discover one of the world's largest libraries, with a vast collection of books, manuscripts, and other materials.
- **The Francis Crick Institute:** The Crick is an open door for curious minds. Visit free exhibitions to explore what goes on behind the scenes and gain fascinating insights into their biomedical research.
- **Word on the Water:** Word on the Water is a 100 year old Dutch barge, selling quality second hand and new books. They have classics, cult, contemporary fiction, a large range of children's books and art and photography, plus some quirky stuff that you would never think to look for but may be very pleased to find.
- **Lightroom:** Lightroom is home to spectacular artist-led shows that uses state-of-the-art digital projection and audio technology to create mind-blowing immersive experiences.
- **St Pancras International Station:** Admire the stunning architecture of this historic railway station.
- **Angel:** Explore this nearby neighbourhood with its trendy bars, restaurants, and shops.
- **House of Illustration:** A gallery dedicated to illustration and graphic arts, often hosting interesting exhibitions.



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Outdoor Activities

- **Granary Square:** Enjoy the lively atmosphere of this outdoor space with restaurants, bars, and events.
- **Coal Drops Yard:** Explore this trendy shopping and dining destination with a variety of independent shops and boutiques. You can find a full list of their current events [here](#).
- **Camley Street Natural Park:** A peaceful nature reserve right in the heart of the city, ideal for a relaxing walk
- **Camden Market:** Visit this iconic market for a unique shopping experience with vintage clothing, handmade crafts, and international cuisine.
- **Lower Stable Street Market:** A stellar line-up of traders. Expect food, drinks, homewares, clothing, art, books and more.
- **Regent's Canal:** Take a leisurely stroll along the canal and enjoy the peaceful atmosphere.
- **Regent's Park:** Explore the historic royal park with gardens, sports, wildlife and culture. Enjoy the famous view from Primrose Hill or hire a boat on the lake.

Things to Do Around King's Cross

Indoor Activities

For Adults:

- **Museums and Galleries:** Explore the world-class collections at the British Museum, National Gallery, Tate Modern, or Victoria and Albert Museum.
- **Theatres:** Catch a West End show, from classic musicals to contemporary plays.
- **Shopping:** Indulge in retail therapy at Harrods, Selfridges, or the designer boutiques in Covent Garden.
- **Markets:** Visit Borough Market for gourmet food and drink, or Camden Market for vintage clothing and unique souvenirs.
- **Spas and Wellness:** Relax and rejuvenate at one of London's many luxurious spas.



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For Kids:

- **Science Museum:** Engage in interactive exhibits and learn about science and technology.
- **Natural History Museum:** Discover dinosaurs, fossils, and other natural wonders.
- **London Transport Museum:** Explore the history of London's transportation system.
- **Aquarium:** See a variety of marine life at the SEA LIFE London Aquarium.
- **Legoland Discovery Centre:** Enjoy LEGO-themed attractions and play areas.

Outdoor Activities

For Adults:

- **Parks and Gardens:** Stroll through Regent's Park, Hyde Park, Kensington Gardens, or Richmond Park and enjoy the autumn foliage.
- **Christmas Markets:** Experience the festive atmosphere at Winter Wonderland in Hyde Park or Christmas in Leicester Square.
- **Ice Skating:** Glide across the ice at Somerset House or Battersea Power Station.
- **TootBus:** Use the special rates that we are entitled to to explore all of London on a Hop on – Hop off bus.
- **Walking Tours:** Discover London's history and culture on a guided walking tour.
- **Pubs and Bars:** Enjoy a cozy pint in a traditional London pub.

For Kids:

- **Ice Skating:** Try your hand at ice skating at a family-friendly rink.
- **Parks and Gardens:** Explore the parks and gardens and enjoy the autumn colours.
- **Christmas Markets:** Visit the Christmas markets for festive treats and souvenirs.
- **Zoo:** See a variety of animals at London Zoo.



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Stunning Views (For Free)

1) Sky Garden - Fenchurch Street

- View: Panoramic views of London from the 'Walkie Talkie' skyscraper.
- Cost: Free, but you must book a time slot in advance online.
- Extra: Indoor garden, bars, and restaurants.

2) Tate Modern (Blavatnik Building Viewing Level) - Bankside

- View: Stunning view over the Thames, S. Paul's Cathedral, and the City skyline.
- Cost: Free entry (including the viewing level).

3) One New Change Rooftop Terrace - St. Paul's

- View: Fantastic close-up view of St. Paul's Cathedral and the City.
- Cost: Free, no booking required.

4) Greenwich Park (Royal Observatory Jill) - Greenwich

- View: Sweeping views over the Thames, Canary Wharf and central London.
- Cost: Free to access the park and viewpoint.

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5) Primrose Hill - Regent's Park area

- View: Iconic open-air view of the London skyline.
- Cost: Free public park.

6) Parliament Hill (Hamstead Heath) - North London

- View: Wide, classic view of the city from one of London's highest natural points.
- Cost: Free public park.

7) Alexandra Palace Terrace - North London

- View: Expansive city views especially pretty at sunset.
- Cost: Free.

8) The Garden at 120 - Fenchurch Street

- View: Open-air garden rooftop with skyline views, slightly lower than Sky Garden.
- Cost: Free entry, walk-in.



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Festive Events in King's Cross

1) Club Curling - Coal Drop's Yard - 7th November to 1st March

- Get your team of up to six together, book your slot and enjoy testing your skills. Open daily from 12-9pm (last slot 8pm), with each session lasting 50 minutes.
- During busy periods, tickets are £12 per person and if you're booking at a quieter time, just £9 per person. Kids under 12 go free when accompanied by an adult.

2) Wine Car Boot - 27th November

- Explore a world of flavour at the car boot sale in Canopy Market where each stall is an independent wine store!

3) The Big Woofmas - 30th November

- Get ready for a festive treat for dogs and their owners like no other. Discover over 40 stalls of doggy delights at The Crossing.

4) Christmas Under the Canopy - 28th November

- The much-loved Christmas under the Canopy market returns once again offering a brilliant selection of London's best artisan traders and food stalls.

5) Mexican Christmas Market - 28th - 30th November

- For one weekend only, our Mexican Christmas Market is back with a vast array of beautiful Mexican gifts

6) Illustrator's Festive Fair - 6th December

- London's largest illustration fair is back for the festive season at The Crossing

7) Crafty Fox - 7th, 13th, 14th December

- Find handmade and unique Christmas gifts galore at the Crafty Fox Christmas Market at The Crossing.

More information [here](#).



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Additional Tips:

- Dress warmly and wear comfortable shoes.
- Check the weather forecast before planning your activities.
- Consider purchasing a London Pass for discounted entry to attractions.
- Take advantage of the city's excellent public transportation system.
- The King's Cross area is well-connected to the rest of London, so it's easy to explore other parts of the city.
- Check the websites of individual attractions for opening hours and admission prices.
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