

Livery Halls and Churches

Start outside the centre so that you are facing St Paul's Cathedral.

- ➡ Turn left and start walking down Ludgate Hill. Cross the road at the zebra crossing and take the first street on your right. What is this street called?

Ave Maria Lane

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- ➡ Just a little further down this road, on your left by Vidal Sassoon hairdressers, is an opening on to a small square. What is the building that you'll find here?

Stationers' Hall- a livery company

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- ➡ Return to the street the way you came in and continue walking down. Halfway down this street the name changes! Can you see what it changes to?

Warwick Lane

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- ➡ Somewhere on this street is a building that has this beautiful, intricate frieze. Can you find it and what is it home to?

The Worshipful Company of Cutlers- Cutlers' Hall

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- ➡ At the top of the street turn left and walk along until you see a church on the other side of the road. Cross over and have a look.

👉 **Fact :** This is the biggest church in the City

- ➡ What is the name of this church and can you tell what group of people this church is especially important to?

St Sepulchre-without-Newgate it is known as the musician's church

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- ➡ Turn back now and head in the direction of St Paul's Cathedral.

☝ **Fact:** After a few minutes you will see the remains of a church that has been turned into a rose garden. There are lots of church ruins in the City, this one has flowers and arches to reflect where columns and pews would have been in the original building. The tower that stands here has been converted into an ultra modern and ultra expensive apartment!

➡ Continue past the church and take the next street on your left called St Martins le Grand. After a minute turn right, down Gresham Street.

➡ At the beginning of Gresham street on your left is a church that plays host to lots of lunchtime music concerts, what is it called and who was the architect?
St Anne and St Agnes- Sir Christopher Wren
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➡ Cross the road and take the first street on your right. Can you see what it's called?
Foster Lane
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➡ Can you find the building that is decorated with lots of leopards and what is it home to?
Goldsmiths Hall, home to The Goldsmiths' Company
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☝ **Fact:** the term 'hallmark' was originally a reference to this building

➡ Carry on down to the end of the road and you should find a church famous for it's enormous beautiful stained glass window. What is it called and who was the architect?
St Vedast-Alias-Foster- Sir Christopher Wren
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➡ At the end of the road turn left onto Cheapside

➡ This is what Cheapside *used* to look like, it has changed a lot since then....except for one thing! Can you still see this church? Head towards it.



➡ What is it called? What piece of London folklore is associated with this church?

St Mary-le-Bow

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➡ What is in the Crypt of this church that you wouldn't normally expect to find in such a place?!

A restaurant called The Place Below

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Fact: A harvest festival is held here annually in September which is attended by Pearly Kings and Queens



➡ Walk just past the church and turn right down a small, picturesque street called Bow Lane.

➡ Once you have walked down to the end of Bow Lane you will come out onto a busy junction, cross safely on to the other side where you can see Mansion House Underground station.

➡ Once on the other side of the road walk down the narrow, cobbled street next to the underground station called Garlick Hill.

➡ Can you find a church that has a bronze man and swans outside? What is the name of this church and guess who built it!

St James Garlickhythe Church- Sir Christopher Wren

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- ➔ What is the name of the ‘feathered’ tradition that the statue refers to and which livery company is it connected to?
Swan Upping- the ceremonial marking of cygnets done by the Vintners’ Company
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- ➔ Across the road on the corner is this building



- ➔ What livery company is based here?
Vintners’ Company
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- ➔ After you have had a close-up look at this building continue walking down this busy main street crossing back on to the left hand side. You will soon come to another church.

- ➔ What is it’s name and which legendary London character is buried here (although no one is quite sure where exactly!) ?
Dick Whittington- the first Mayor of London
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Clue:



➡ Keep walking up the street and turn left onto Dowgate Hill.

➡ What two livery companies are on this road?
The Skinners' Company and Tallow Chandlers'

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➡ When you get to the top of Dowgate Hill turn right onto busy Cannon Street and cross the road.

➡ Find this strange but important piece of London ephemera at 111 Cannon Street! What is it?
The London Stone

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☞ **Fact:** No one really know the origins of this ancient, mysterious stone mentioned by Shakespeare, William Blake and Dickens, some say it is the place from which the Romans measured all distances in Great Britain, others that it was a Druid altar.

There is a legend that, like the ravens at the Tower of London, the fortune of the city depends on the survival of the stone.

➡ After looking at the stone, turn left in the direction of St Paul's and take the first street on your right called Walbrook.

➡ You will know if you've got the right street as you should bump into this happy character!



- ➡ On your right look out for a church that looks like this. What is it called?
St Stephen Walbrook
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- ➡ Take a look inside, it looks very different!

☞ **Fact:** this is where the charity The Samaritans was created and took it's first call

- ➡ Just a few steps up Walbrook on your right is this huge building!



- ➡ Who lives here and what does he do?
The Lord Mayor of the City of London
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- ➔ Across the road on your right is a building that looks like a Greco-Roman temple, have a look inside. what is it called?
The Royal Exchange
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- ➔ Which enormous, fortified building that covers over 3 and a ½ acres is situated across the road?
The Bank of England
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☞ **Fact:** The monarch's portrait did not appear on Bank notes until 1960.

☞ **Fact:** The ticket hall at exit number 1 in Bank underground station actually used to be the Crypt of the church St Mary Woolnoth that you can see at the top of the stairs. The dead were exhumed and reburied in East London!!

Congratulations the tour ends here.....for now!

