

Unique Home Stays... It's not a hotel.... It's a home



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LONDON IS THE TOWN TO SEE... IF ONLY I COULD FIND A LUXURY B&B

There's no place more glam than London town to splash your Christmas cash and indulge in the heart of British culture. But who needs the expense of an impersonal hotel room to bite into the spending spree? Indulge in homely creature comforts by staying in luxury private house accommodation that won't pull on your purse strings before you get out and enjoy the city highlights on the doorstep.

Unique Home Stays has handpicked a cluster of very special bed and breakfast accommodation tucked away from the hustle and bustle, yet within arms' reach of the Capital's highlights. Enjoy the intimate treatment of staying in a private home (often you will be the only guests), where you can expect all the trimmings at an affordable price.

Stock up on a sumptuous Continental breakfast, return to stylish and spacious bedrooms, spruce up in the state-of-the-art bathrooms, or make yourself at home and relax with a coffee or a glass of wine in darling little courtyards. Whilst your accommodation promises to be as much of a treat as the trip itself, you'll have plenty of cash left to catch a glitzy show, enjoy classy restaurants, shop 'til you drop, take a river cruise or visit a myriad of museums and galleries.

Whether you're visiting London for business or pleasure, these truly are the most special places to stay:

4 First Street, Chelsea (sleeps 2)

Nestled in the heart of Chelsea, this is the perfect base for boutique shops and first-quality restaurants. Your private suite boasts a marbled bathroom and little balcony, and you are welcome to relax in the rest of the house where you can recline by the fire or catch some rays in the courtyard. (Double room £105/Single £75)

www.4firststreet.uniquehomestays.com

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Unique House Boat, Prospect Quay (sleeps 6)

If you're visiting town for at least a week, treat yourself to a luxury stay on an exclusive house boat. Grand decor, lavish furniture and four poster beds adorn this beautiful 90 ft boat moored on the south bank of the Thames. Snug accommodation stretches across two decks equipped with central heating and double glazing, and the canopied third deck is the perfect place to sip a glass of wine and watch city life go by. And you don't have to scrimp on the luxuries of a landlubber's lifestyle – you are within easy reach of the city sights and have access to car parking, a fitness suite and a swimming pool. (From £220pn; min stay 7 nights)

www.houseboat.uniquehomestays.com

Number 8, Clapham Common (sleeps 4)

Retreat to this exclusive B&B in the tree-lined Clapham Common area, where it's easy to forget that you are in a big city. Just minutes from tube station, from where it's just a short hop to Waterloo, the London Eye and the heart of the city's treasures. Sumptuous breakfasts go unsaid, and your Cordon Bleu trained host, Susie, will also provide dinner on request. (From £48 pppn)

www.number8.uniquehomestays.com

Apartment 15, Wapping (sleeps 2-4)

Choose B&B or self-catering in this stylish, contemporary apartment on top of one of the original London Dock warehouses. A private terrace boasts views over the River Thames and you can make use of the open-plan interior dining area if you don't fancy hitting the nearby restaurants of St Katherine's Dock, Canary Wharf and the Shad Thames. (From £110 per double per night)

www.apartment15.uniquehomestays.com

Old Church Street, Chelsea (Sleeps up to 6)

On the doorstep of the Kings Road and Knightsbridge, let your purse strings loose in one of London's most exclusive shopping districts and some of the finest restaurants. Chelsea Arts Centre is just over the road, there is a plentiful supply of museums on Exhibition Road, or if you fancy stretching your legs a little further there are Thames River walks and Hyde Park. Each stylish room has its own state-of-the-art bathroom complete with giant walk-in shower and a plentiful supply of soft fluffy towels. (From £55 pppn)

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Notes to Editors:

- Unique Home Stays range from romantic hideaways for couples, to unique properties and 'exclusive' stately homes for small and medium-sized groups. Our fresh approach to providing the highest quality accommodation offers 'Classic Chic' in hand-selected private houses. Prices range from £40 pp per night. For more information see: www.uniquehomestays.com
- A selection of high-resolution images is available.
- We work alongside a handful of professional journalists who can provide bespoke write-ups if required.
- Launched in 2001, Unique Home Stays offers the crème de la crème of privately hosted accommodation that offers a unique alternative to run-of-the mill hotels. Having travelled the world, MD Sarah Stanley knew what she expected from top quality accommodation: Intimate and luxury hospitality, pristine homes oozing with character, excellent regional cuisine and comfortable bedrooms with all the trimmings. Today Unique Home Stays offers superior accommodation in over 100 homes scattered over 14 different countries. The properties include castles, priories, rectories, windmills, water mills, townhouses, coastal homes and even a house in the sea.