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## Thank you Mr. Selfridge and other SP themes of London

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Only those who watch Masterpiece Theater on PBS will understand this reference. Selfridge's Dept Store in London was founded in 1909 by an American who changed retail industry in the UK. Since I've watched all episodes of his amazing story, I visited the store on Oxford Street.

One of his innovations was lighting the display windows at night. I thought my fellow sparkers would appreciate this one.



Our 17 days in Europe with 3 generations of family included 4 days in London. We hit all the usual sites and a few not so common ones. These had an SP theme.

We RAN after some Royal Guards as they marched through the park one evening.



We RAN across the Millenium Bridge toward St Paul's (Harry Potter fans will recognize the location where the Death Eaters emerged from behind the Dome and destroyed the bridge)

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Continuing our HP location quest we WALKED along the Thames to Leadenhall Market, the 18th century covered market and "Diagon Alley" in the first movie.



WALKING the land of Stonehenge, the stones may be the same but the new visitor's center provides much detailed archeological and historical information.



Can't just do CARDIO. How about some prehistoric STRENGTH TRAINING?



During my early morning RUN through Hyde Park only 8 min away from our flat, I shared the path with this family



And watched different modes of transportation across a bridge



I liked all the wildlife although I am puzzled by this blue rooster as we WALKED through Trafalgar Square



Finally on our last day in London there was one more iconic bit of WALKING. Beatles fans will recognize this trek across Abbey Road.



Whenever we wanted a quick bite to eat during busy days of site seeing, we could always find one of

these.



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**CD13758606**

Love it. Thanks for sharing your London stay. Great pics!  
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**MARYJEANSL**

I wish we had more "Handmade Natural Food" around here!  
2544 days ago



**PHEBESS**

Love the way you and your family visit a place!!!! Abbey Road shot is priceless!!!  
2544 days ago



**DOVESEYES**

Great holiday thanks for sharing.  
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**CD14815535**

What a wonderful vacation, especially with extended family. Love the tie-in to SP, too with the RUN and WALK, ;-). Have been overseas a few times, but never to England \*sigh\*. Thanks for the pics!  
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**KANSASROSE67**

I've dreamed for years of going to Great Britain. Thanks for sharing your trip.  
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**ALIHIKES**

Wow great photos, great trip! and you got in LOTS of exercise  
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**LINDAKAY228**

Such beautiful places! I'm so glad you got the chance to do this! I do remember Abbey Road from the Beatles! Guess that dates me LOL.  
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**DR1939**

London is one of my favorite spots. We love staying in the University Area near the British Library.  
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**TERI-RIFIC**

Great trip. Love love love the Abbey Road pic. Priceless.







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**IFDEEVARUNS2**

Love, love, love London. Thanks for sharing.  
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**BILL60**

Thank you for sharing.  
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**WILSONWR**

Thanks for sharing the narrative and those great pictures. Makes me want to go there! Sounds like you had a great time.  
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**SLIMMERJESSE**

I loved London. Thanks for the pics.  
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**ALICIA363**

W88! WAY TO GO THANK YOU!

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**WUMPASTAR**

OHMYGODOHMYGODOHMYGOD. Love your pictures, love your travels, I would have LOVED to be there. (I am somewhat obsessed with London but I've never been.) Thanks so much for sharing! Your family is awesome. I wish my own family would go on this kind of trips :)  
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**SPINNINGJW**

Now I want to travel abroad. Thanks for letting me "be" there virtually.  
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**WATERMELLEN**

The London part of your family trip looks like great fun -- and enjoyed with an appropriate fitness perspective.

Aren't we glad we're not among that 60%? Don't think that the swan momma would be either!!

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**ONEKIDSMOM**

I love the "being there" photos of places from pop culture and literature! Thanks for sharing.  
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