

## MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES

VISITLOND ON. COM

**OFFICIAL VISITOR GUIDE** 

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London is one of the most vibrant cities on Earth - every year the city attracts more people to visit and more businesses to make London their home.

Many are attracted by the capital's dazzling culture and its unparalleled heritage, while others are drawn to London's constantly changing physical and social landscape.

With more than 200 festivals a year, 35,000 theatrical performances, nearly 250 free attractions and more hotel rooms than either Paris or New York, it is no wonder London is consistently ranked the best place to visit by international tourists.



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## ABOUT VISITLONDON.COM

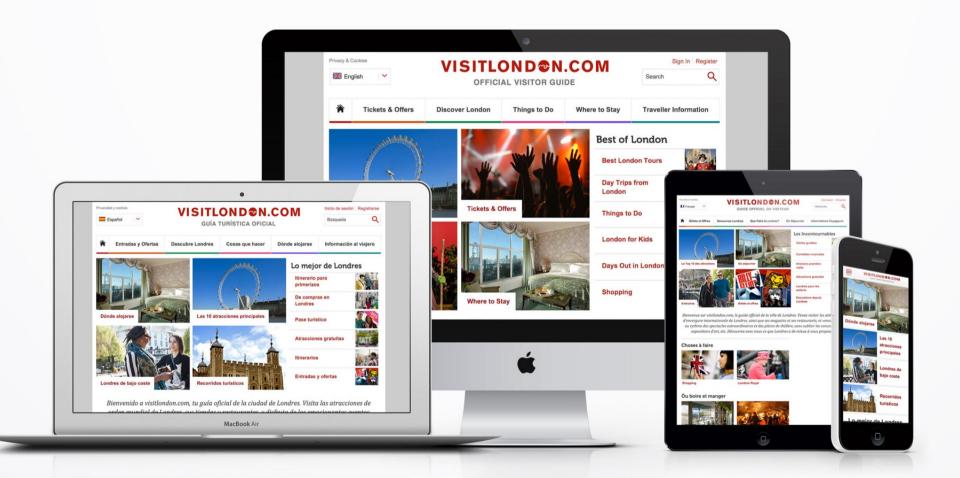
Visitlondon.com is the official visitor guide to London, a comprehensive resource for everything that's happening in London. At any one time, this includes 20,000 event listings, plus essential information on what to see, where to stay, what to eat, how to get around and what not to miss. Visitlondon.com is also available in French, Italian, German and Spanish.

Visitlondon.com is run by London & Partners, the Mayor of London's official promotional company. London & Partners promotes London to UK and international leisure and business tourists, international students and businesses seeking a UK or European base. Our mission is to tell London's story brilliantly.

Each month visitlondon.com attracts more than 2.5m users. We have nearly 1m active newsletter subscribers and over 1.5m social media friends and followers, with a total reach of 10m. Visitlondon.com also benefits from high-impact global PR and marketing campaigns that raise the profile of London as the world's number one tourist destination.

We help over 800 London businesses to promote their products and services to our audiences. How can we help you?







## **KEY DATA**

Visitlondon.com attracts a broad range of users from all over the world and throughout the year, many returning time and time again to plan their trip and find things to do while they are in London.

Source: Google Analytics

30
MILLION
USERS



40
MILLION
VISITS



#### **2015 AUDIENCE STATS PER MONTH**



10 MILLION PAGE VIEWS



**60%** FEMALE



3.33
MILLION
VISITS



**40%** 



75%
ORGANIC SEARCH



19
MILLION
AD IMPRESSIONS



**50%**18 TO 34 YEARS

# MOBILE RESPONSIVE SITE

37% MOBILE

15%



**48%**DESKTOP

1.25
MILLION
VISITS



MILLION AD IMPRESSIONS

## VIEWS PER SITE SECTION

**PER MONTH** 

Source: Google Analytics











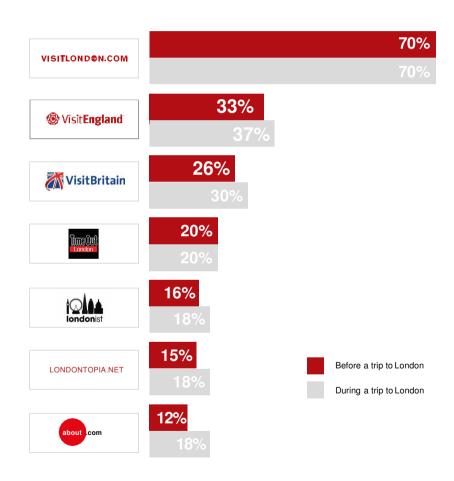
# HOW WE COMPARE

Visitlondon.com is by far the most popular tourism website for planning a trip to London and while in the city.

Source: London & Partners Visitor Research, May 2015



### TOURISM WEBSITES USED BEFORE AND DURING A TRIP TO LONDON



## A KEY INFLUENCER

Visitlondon.com is a trusted source of information.

Visitlondon.com is a key influencer in visitors' decision-making and purchasing activities.

Source: London & Partners Visitor Research, May 2015





VISITORS SAY VISITLONDON.COM HAD A POSITIVE INFLUENCE ON THEIR DECISION TO PURCHASE FROM OTHER WEBSITES

**85%**FEEL SECURE

VISITORS SAY THEY FEEL SECURE
PURCHASING FROM VISITLONDON.COM

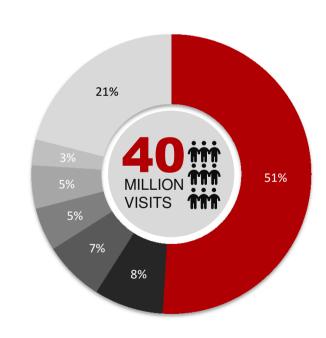




## **OUR AUDIENCE**

Our audience is socially active, enthusiastic about travel, loves good food and great experiences, and is growing day by day.

Our audience insights range from onsite activity to in-depth personas which reveal the motivations and attitudes of travelers from our biggest markets.



USA

■ ITALY

Source: Google Analytics

### **Pragmatic Moms**



Good organisation... travelling needs to be fun for everyone ??

#### TIME SPENT PLANNING A TRIP











MEDIUM ---- HIGH

"A family holiday is a big undertaking and I feel a strong sense of duty when planning the trip. I want it to be well organised so we can spend our time enjoying the sights instead of working out where to go next. A pragmatic approach helps find good deals, stretches our budget and makes it more possible to fulfil the whole familis needs."

**VISITED IN** THE LAST 2 YEARS

London, Israel, Spain, France, Prague, Berlin

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

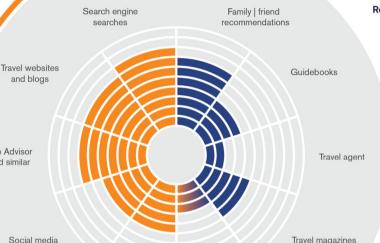
Paris, London, Italy, Spain, Ireland

# SAMPLE **GROUP**





#### **SOURCES USED**







SOURCES

## Resourceful

TRAVEL ATTITUDE





curious



and reponsible



Plan every detail before the trip starts

#### TRAVEL OBJECTIVES







fun/relaxes



Find genuine



control

and cautious

cultural experiences

#### **KEY ISSUES**

Deal-seeking mentality means they will book through the lowest price channel. Need assurances when booking through tourist board site.

#### **KEY OPPORTUNITIES**

More likely to search itineraries and logistics. Prefer expert sites or 3rd party reviews.

#### **KEY MESSAGE NEEDED**

Best source for up to date information. Offers and packages to maximise travel budget.

Objectives specific to VISITLOND®N.COM



**TRUSTED** 

**SOURCES** 





and blogs

YouTube videos

Trip Advisor

and similar



Tourist board websites

SOURCES





#### TRUSTED BRANDS











### **Young Professionals**



Travelling allows us the time to explore our interests...

"

#### TIME SPENT PLANNING A TRIP











MEDIUM

"Most of all travel is 'me' time. Somewhere where I can connect with myself and others explore my interests and experience new activities. Travel has to be relaxed and luxurious - often a bit of a 'splurge' I want value for money and hate being dissapointed as I see my holiday as a celebration or reward '

#### **VISITED IN** THE LAST 2 YEARS

Germany, Prague, Australia, Greece, Ireland, China, Dubai, Spain, Vietnam

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

Paris, London, Greece, Italy, Africa, Dubai, Patagonia, Cambodia, Thailand

# 21%

OF THE TOTAL SAMPLE **GROUP** 





#### **SOURCES USED**

Search engine Family | friend searches recommendations Guidebooks Travel agent



TRAVEL ATTITUDE

Travel magazines

newsletters





and luxurious

+ rewarding more important than destinations



open to new and 'something

#### TRAVEL OBJECTIVES





Time off work

together







Self expression and exploration

experiences

**TRUSTED SOURCES** 

### SOURCES

Tourist board websites

ONLINE .... OFFLINE

### SOURCES

Mobile apps

#### **KEY ISSUES**

Prefer unbiased review sites. Sceptical about using tourism board sites in general.

#### **KEY OPPORTUNITIES**

Hungry for the latest trends and want to feel exclusive and 'in the know'.

#### **KEY MESSAGE NEEDED**

Best source for everything trending in the capital. Promote local 'insider' views and tie to the site.

Objectives specific to VISITLONDON.COM





Travel websites

and blogs

Social media

YouTube videos

Trip Advisor

and similar









#### TRUSTED BRANDS

**Booking.com** Hotels.com





**SECTION** 

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## PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Visitlondon.com is a powerful rich media platform that offers a wide range of opportunities for consumer brands to reach and engage with a qualified audience. Our expert in-house teams can help you craft a compelling one-off or 'always on' promotion to drive traffic, ecommerce, data acquisition or social engagement according to your business goals.

- BESPOKE PROJECTS
- DISPLAY ADVERTISING
- NATIVE ADVERTISING
  - ADVERTORIAL
  - VIDEO
  - SOCIAL
- EMAIL MARKETING
- CHINESE DIGITAL CHANNELS



## **BESPOKE DIGITAL PROJECT**



An experiential promotion in January 2016 showcasing unique light installations in key points across the city, anchored by a bespoke digital hub on visitlondon.com.

Visitlondon.com was a media partner and the official digital home of the event.

1.5m web visits



4.1m page views



380,000









## **INTEGRATED DIGITAL PROJECT**



CHRISTMAS
LONDON MOMENTS

An integrated rich media promotion over seven weeks to highlight Christmas experiences and events in the city. Bespoke landing page on visitlondon.com, cinermagraphs, social video, enhanced editorial content and advertorials delivered a high-impact promotion for multiple sponsors. An exclusive high-profile competition with social platform Pinterest amplified the promotion and reached new audiences.

f 2.4m

#### 3.53m



**14K**PINTEREST COMP PAGE VIEWS



#### **Pinterest**

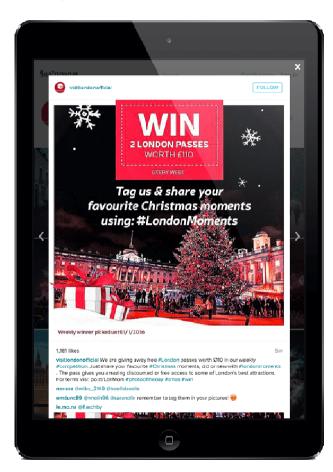








#### Instagram



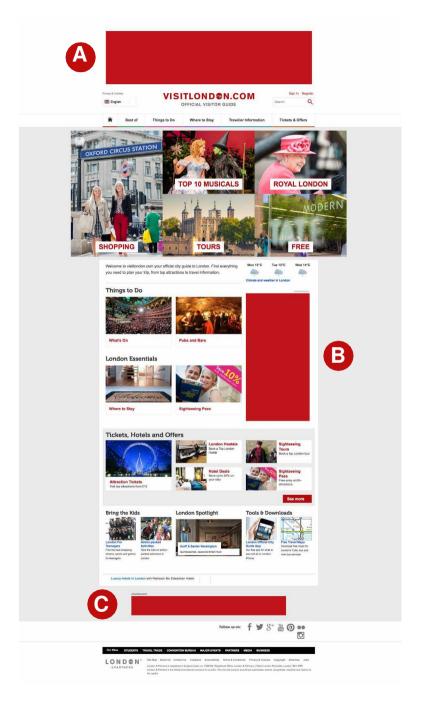


#### **DISPLAY ADVERTISING**

### **DISPLAY**

Make sure your brand is unmissable with a range of display advertising options.

- A BILLBOARD 970 x 250 PX
- B MPU OR HALF PAGE AD 300 x 600 px (HALF PAGE) 300 x 250 px (MPU)
- © LEADERBOARD 728 x 90 PX

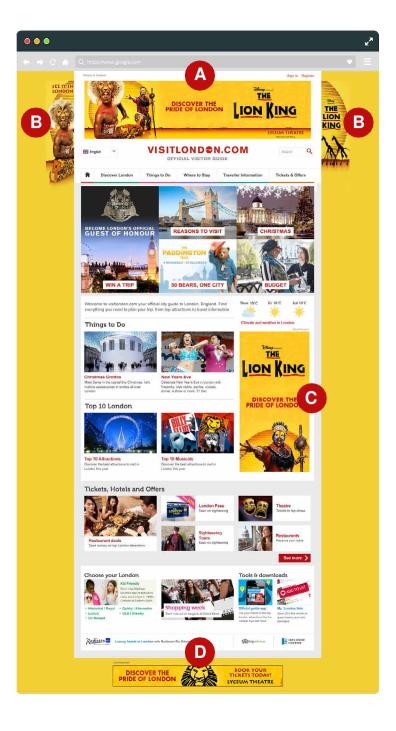


#### **DISPLAY ADVERTISING**

### **TAKEOVER**

Impress your target audience with a full page takeover to get the best reach.

- A BILLBOARD 970 x 250 PX
- B 2X SKYSCRAPER 160 x 600 PX
- O 1X HALF PAGE 300 x 600 PX
- D 1X LEADERBOARD 728 x 90 PX



### **NATIVE ADVERTISING**

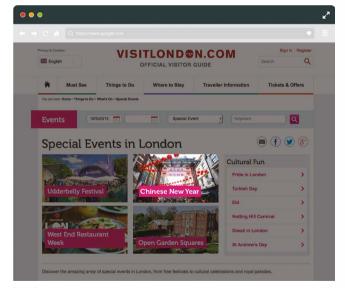
Tailored and contextually relevant content, hosted and promoted across visitlondon.com channels.

Our native advertising options give you the opportunity to tell your brand's story in an engaging and compelling way.



### **ADVERTORIAL**

An article created by our expert in-house editorial team designed to engage visitors and deliver your objectives. Advertorials are promoted via a prominent promotional box on a relevant landing page, preferential position in search results, social media and email (optional).



Landing page



### **VIDEO**

Save money and time by taking advantage of our video marketing expertise. We are uniquely placed to produce, host and distribute high quality videos to an engaged audience. We can also unlock prime London locations. Our videos bring brands and experiences to life while entertaining and informing visitors.

#### Benefits:

- A sponsored video released on our YouTube channel with optional additional short edits for other social media usage
- A guaranteed number of views (from 40,000)
- Cross-promotion across our channels
- Systematic outreach to secure editorial placements and social promotion by third-parties.

Visitlondon.com won 'best overall use of online video' at the Social Travel Britain Awards in 2015







**ABOVE COMPETITIVE SET** 

### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

We have fast-growing, highly-engaged communities on all major social networks including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest and YouTube, with a combined reach of 10 million.

We can help you to connect these communities with your brand, product and message.

982,000 FACEBOOK LIKES

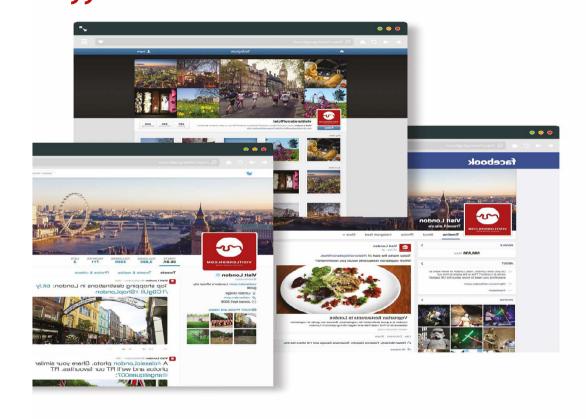
188,000 INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS



7,700



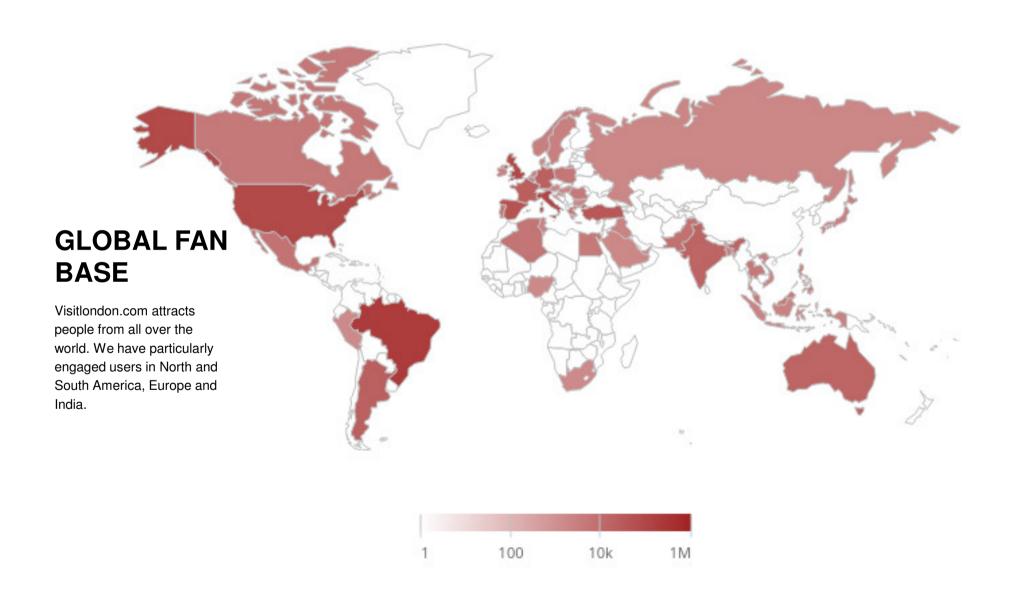
14,600 YOU TUBE SUBSCRIBERS











### **EMAIL MARKETING**

Content targeted to our active newsletter subscribers across the globe. Enhance your reach, while driving home your message to an engaged audience.

Options for SOLUS or email takeover.





**UK MONTHLY** 

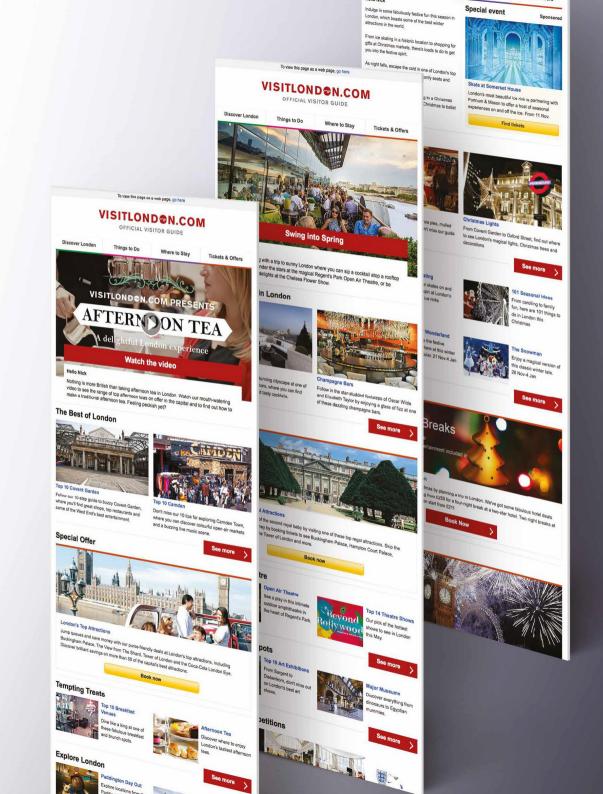
283K

139K

**EU MONTHLY** 

**ROW QUARTERLY** 

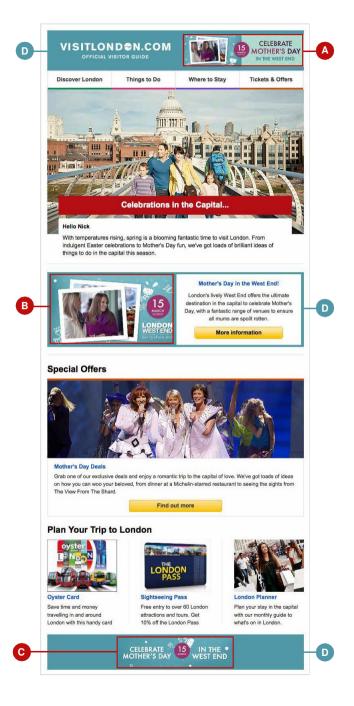
924K TOTAL



### **NEWSLETTER TAKEOVER**

Stand out to your target audience with a full newsletter takeover to get the best reach.

- TOP BANNER 600 x 160 px
- B MAIN PROMO 640 x 360 px
- **600** x 160 px
- BORDER & BACKGROUND COLOUR



#### **EMAIL MARKETING**

### SOLUS

Engage with your target audience and generate the best response through a solus takeover.





Pour voir cet email sous forme de page web,  $\underline{\text{allez ici}}$ 



#### Gagnez l'un de nos fabuleux courts séjours

dans l'une des villes d'Angleterre classées au patrimoine anglais

#### **Bonjour Nick**

Aimeriez-vous découvrir le riche héritage de l'une des villes les plus célèbres d'Angleterre? Ou découvrir un petit trésor caché et des attractions historiques et culturelles uniques? Grâce à l'opération England's Heritage Cities, vous pourrez profiter de deux nuits, de visites guidées et vivre une expérience unique dans l'une des sept villes anglaises emblématiques, d'une valeur pouvant atteindre 1000 euros!

Les prix comprennent deux nuits dans un hôtel haut-de-gamme à Greenwich, Chester, Oxford, Lancaster, Durham, York ou Stratford, des visites guidées de chaque ville en français, des passes VIP vous permettant de voir "les coulisses", un accès gratuit aux attractions principales, des repas et des expériences inoubliables comme par exemple une promenade en bateau, un vol en téléphérique, des bons d'achat, des visites guidées exclusives de la cathédrale et bien plus encore!

Ne manquez pas cette occasion de découvrir le riche patrimoine des villes anglaises les plus emblématiques. Participez dès maintenant pour devenir l'heureux(euse) gagnant(e)!

Participez maintenant



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# CHINESE DIGITAL CHANNELS

#### LONDON.CN • 伦敦中文官网

London.cn is the official Chinese language website promoting London to prospective students and tourists based in China. London.cn was launched by the Mayor of London in Beijing in October 2013.

London.cn has a verified Sina Weibo account with more than 165,000 active users. We also have a channel on Youku, China's primary online video platform.



## ABOUT LONDON & PARTNERS

London & Partners is the official promotional company for London.

We promote London and attract businesses, events, congresses, students and visitors to the capital. Our aims are to build London's international reputation and to attract investment and visitor spend, which create jobs and growth.

Our mission is to tell London's story brilliantly. We manage our flagship website and London's official visitor guide to London visitlondon.com and a host of supporting digital channels.

Find out more about our work at londonandpartners.com

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