

# London

Kensington Gardens

*Regent's Park*

*Green Park*



# Parks



*Hyde Park*



*St James's Park*

Londoners love their parks and are proud of them. You can spend the whole day in the country - without leaving London.

London parks are full of trees, grass, flowers and water. You can walk among old trees, relax and enjoy flowers and plants or take part in the many activities such as tennis, swimming and horse riding.

The Royal Parks are the property of the Royal family. In Central London they include Hyde Park, Green Park, St James's Park, Regent's Park and Kensington Gardens.



Kensington Gardens



Green Park



Regent's Park



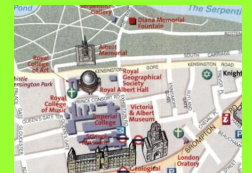
St James's Park



Hyde Park





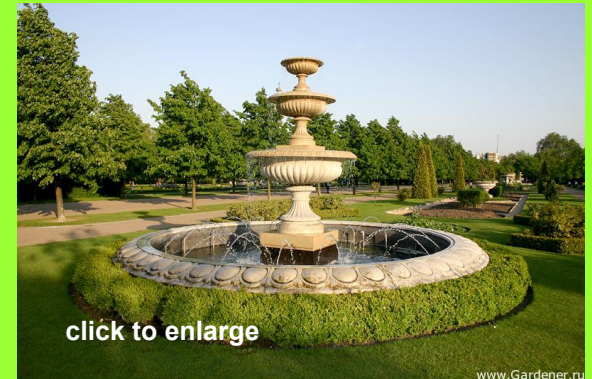








**Regent's Park** is very big and very famous. It is the home for [London Zoo](#). There is a [boating lake](#), a [canal](#) and an [open-air theatre](#) there.







Children's area  
 Restaurant  
 Ball  
 Cafe/pture  
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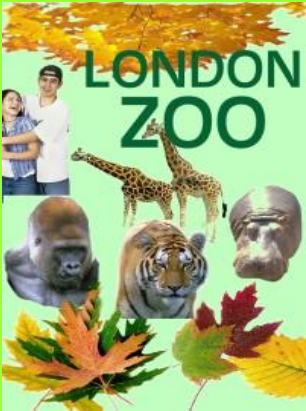








# London Zoo



The Zoo has thousands of birds and animals from many places of the world. You can find the **Children's Zoo** with pets and farm animals, the **Moonlight World** where only night animals live, the **Old Penguin's Pool**, the **Gorillas House**, the **Snowdon Aviary** where birds live and many other fantastic places full of wonders.

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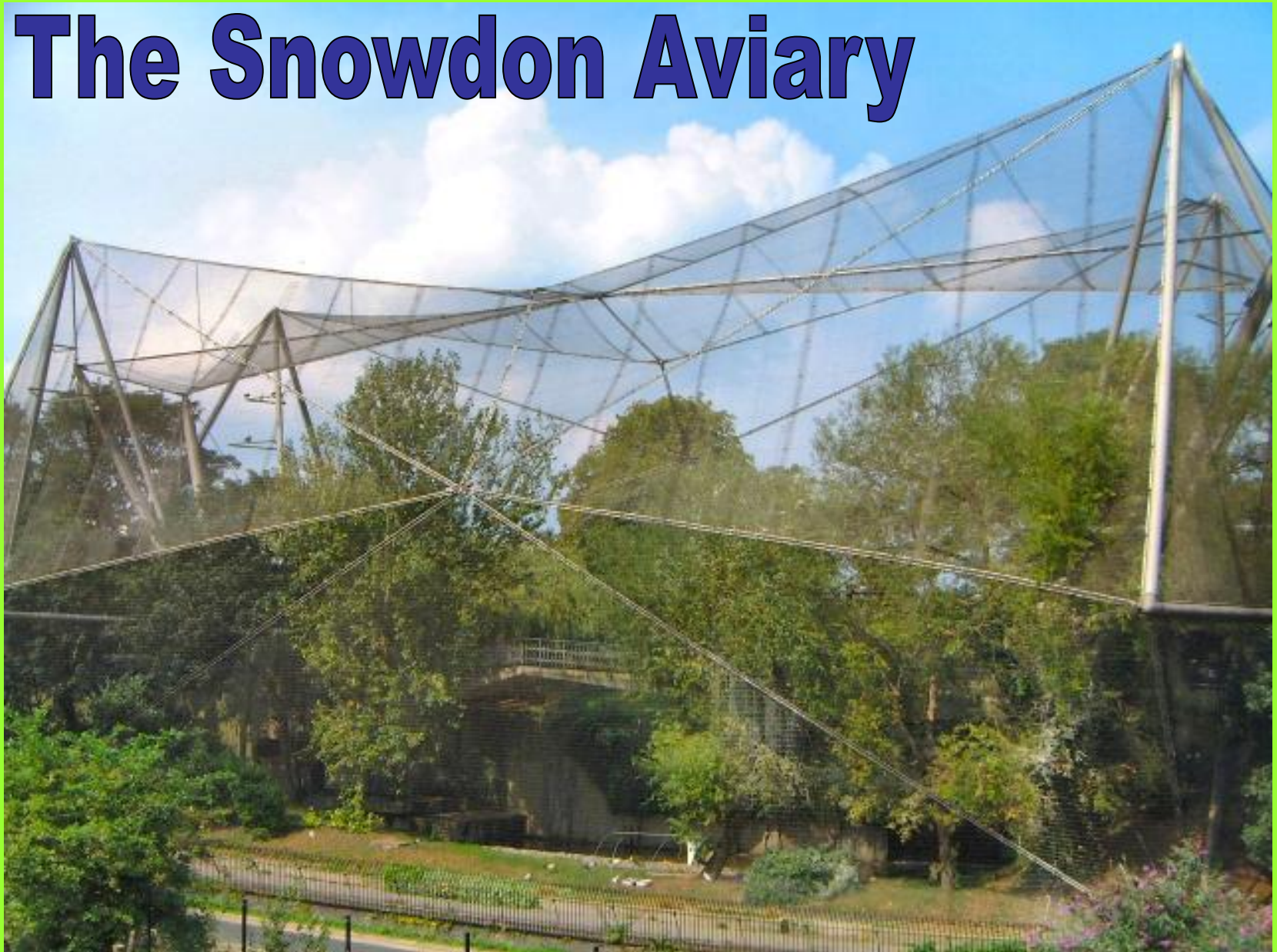




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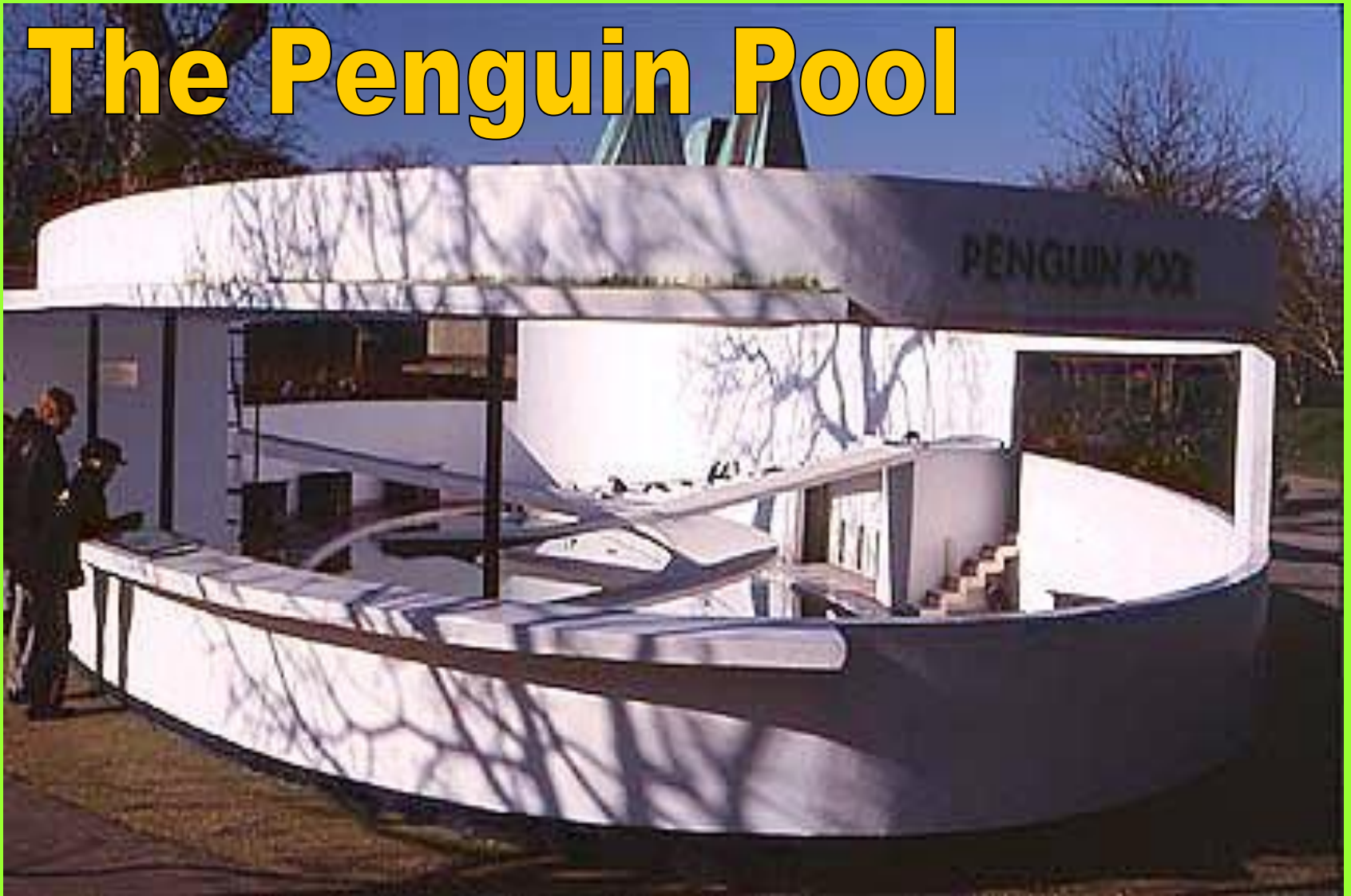


# The Snowdon Aviary



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# The Penguin Pool



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# The Gorillas House



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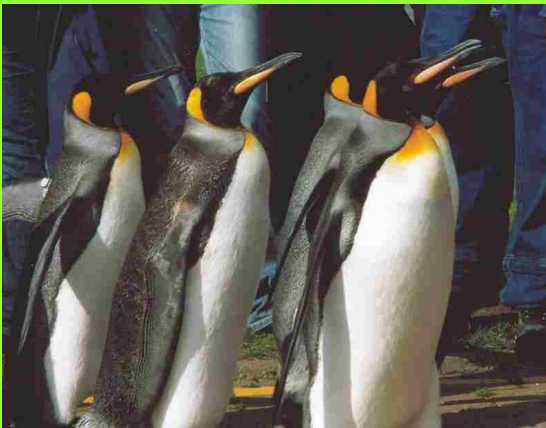
# Children's Zoo



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# Animals



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# Boating Lake

There is a boating lake in Regent's park. On a hot summer day you can go boating and enjoy the beauty of the park.



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# The Canal



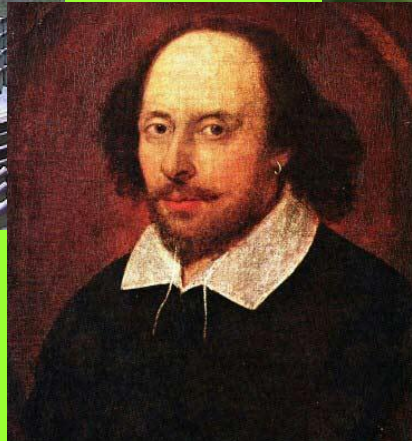
The canal goes around London Zoo and the whole park as well. You can take a trip and enjoy the views of the park.

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# The Open-Air Theatre



There is an open-air theatre in the park too. On a summer evening you can sit out under the night sky and watch a William Shakespeare play.

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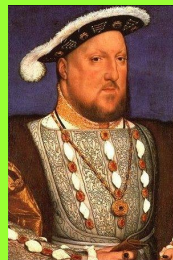
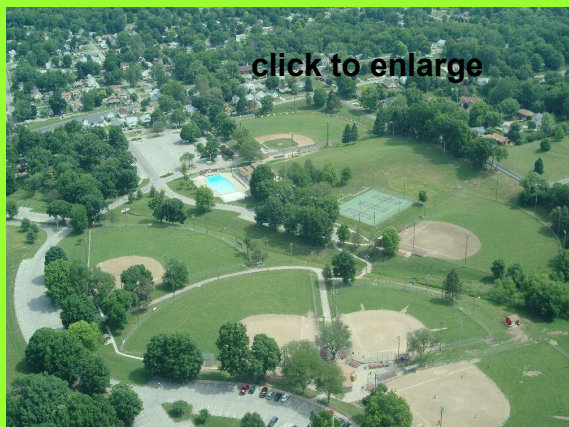
**Hyde Park** is famous for its outdoor entertainments (*развлечения*). It is a place where you can walk on the grass and enjoy looking at trees, flowers and water birds. You can take part in such activities like horse riding, playing tennis, swimming or boating.

# The Serpentine



# Speaker's Corner

# The Rotten Row



# The History Of the Park

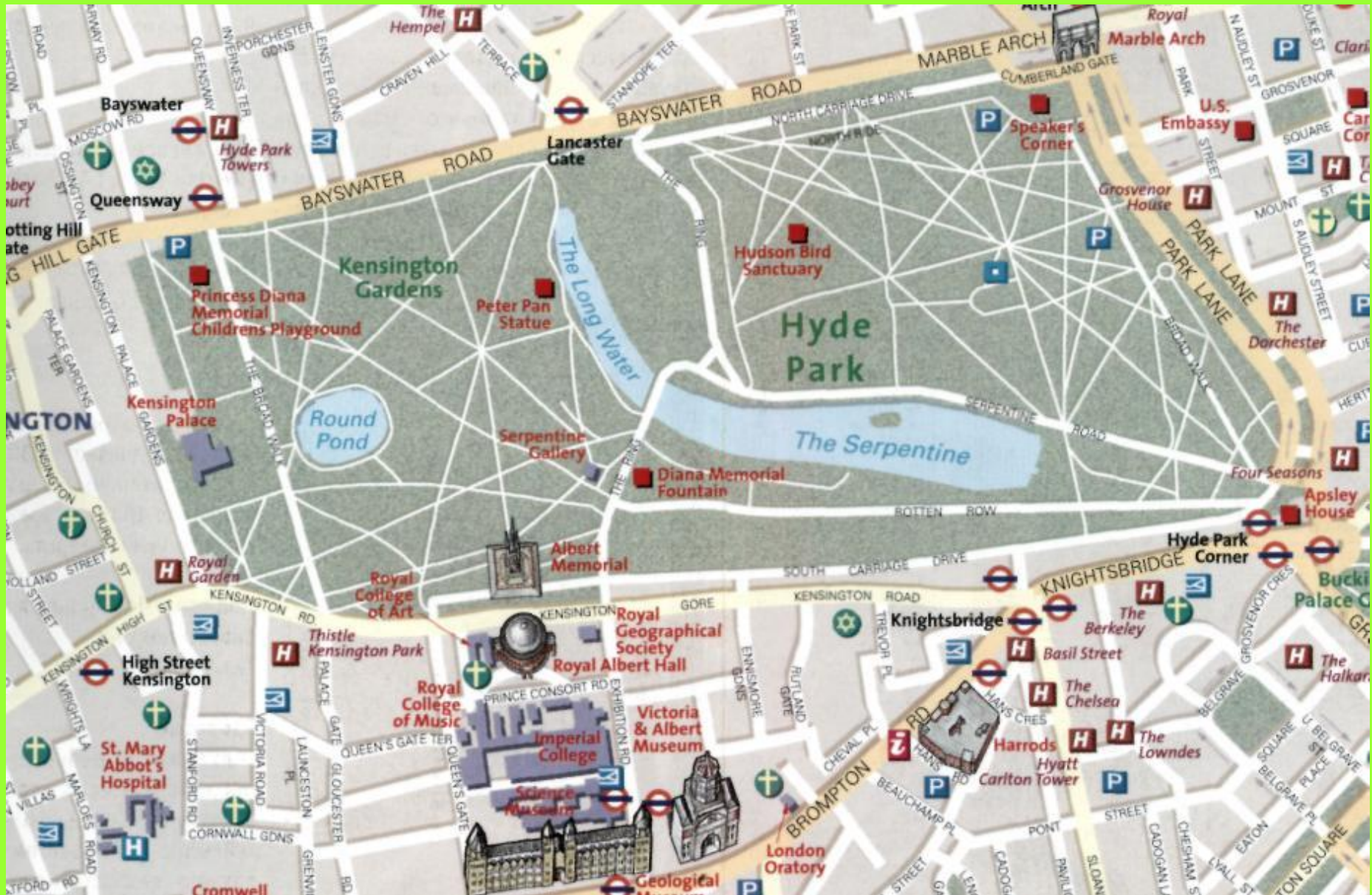






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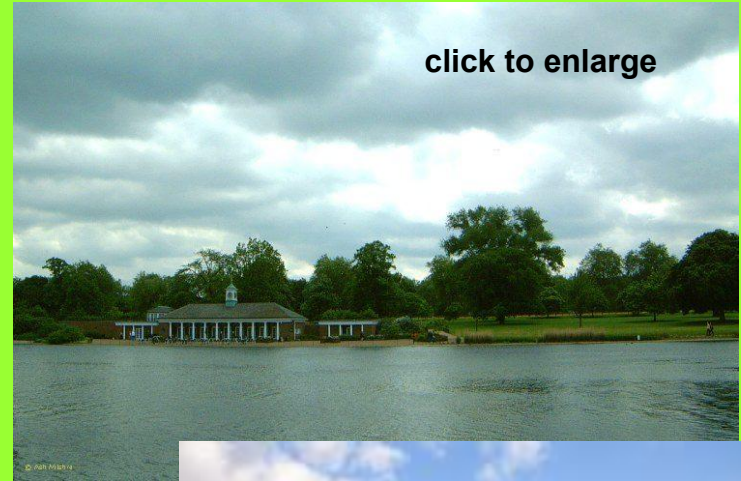


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# The Serpentine

Hyde Park has got a lake in the middle. The name of the lake is **the Serpentine**. You can go boating on it.



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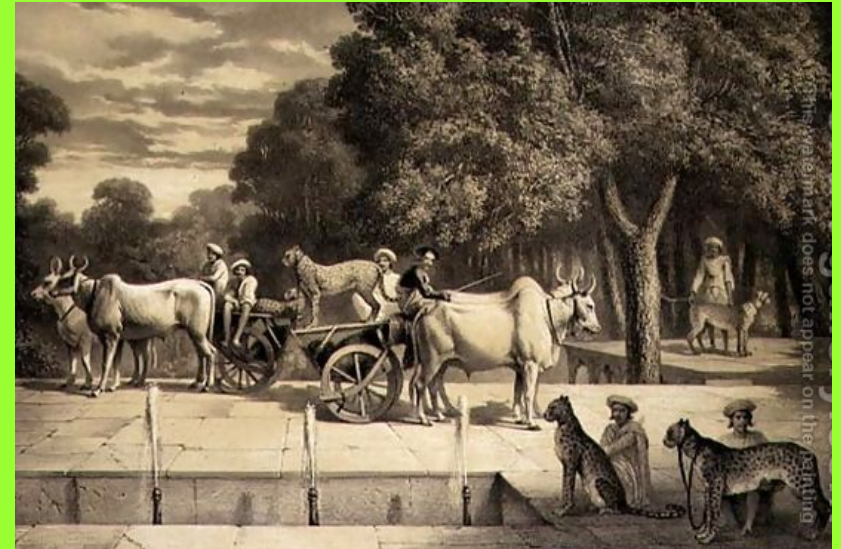
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# The History Of the Park

In the 16<sup>th</sup> century **Henry the Eighth** was the English king. He loved hunting and told his men to find a nice place for it. That's how Hyde park came to life. It was a hunting place for about 200 years.



Henry the Eighth



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# Speaker's Corner

Hyde Park is famous of its **Speaker's Corner**. On Sundays you can listen to the speakers at this Corner. People from many countries of the world come and speak here. They can speak about any things which are interesting for them. So anyone can make a speech about he / she believes to be very important. Listeners can ask them difficult questions. You can stand on a box and speak to some of the listeners too!



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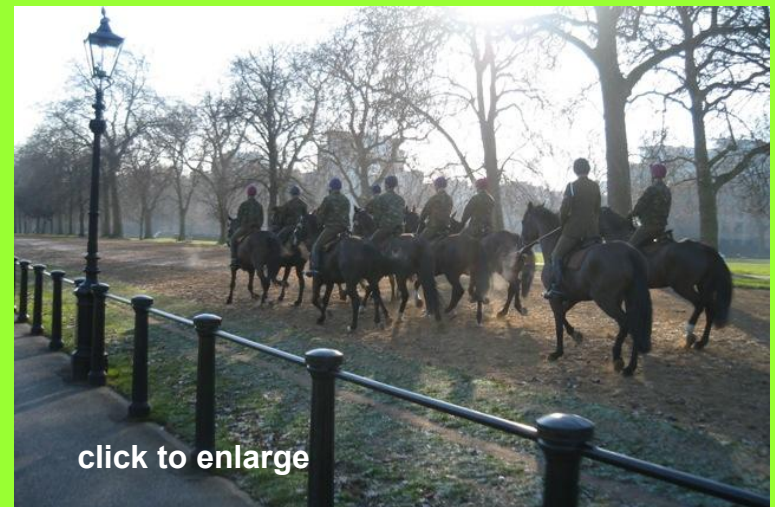




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# The Rotten Row

Some people come to Hyde Park to ride a horse on the **Rotten Row**. It's a place for riding.

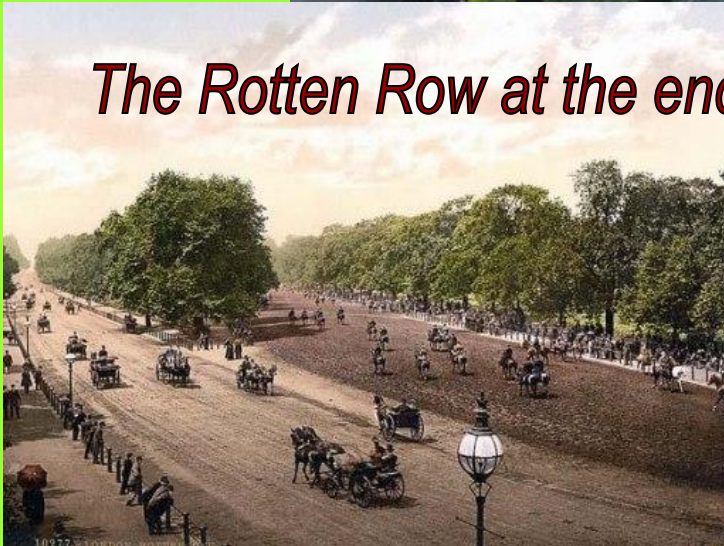


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*The Rotten Row at the end of the 19th century*

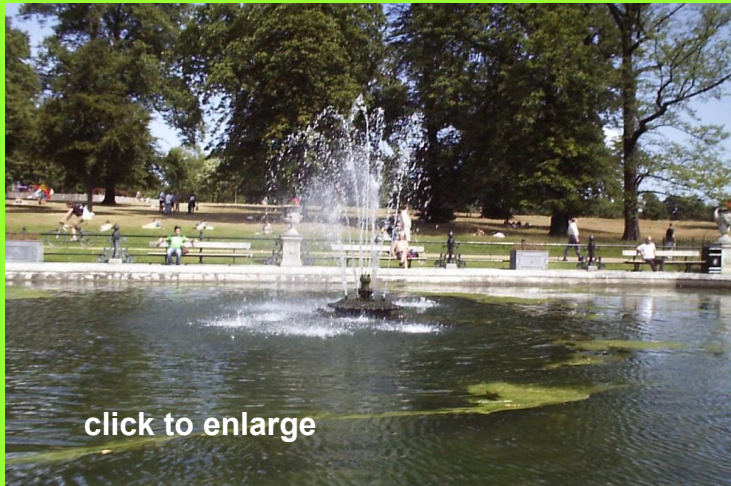


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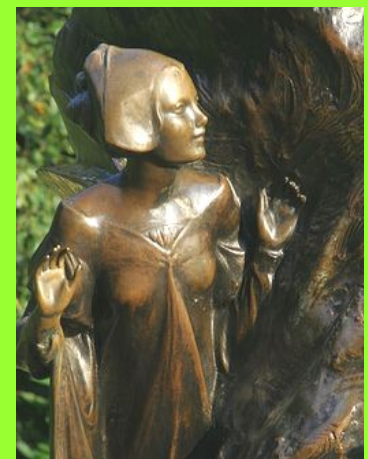


**Kensington Gardens** is next to Hyde Park. It's a nice place to walk among flowerbeds and tall trees. Near Long Lake in Kensington Gardens there is a [statue of Peter Pan](#). Can you remember the boy from Never Land who didn't want to grow up? This was the place that Peter landed secretly by boat at night.

Peter stands on a pedestal. He is playing the pipe and little children and small animals are listening to him.







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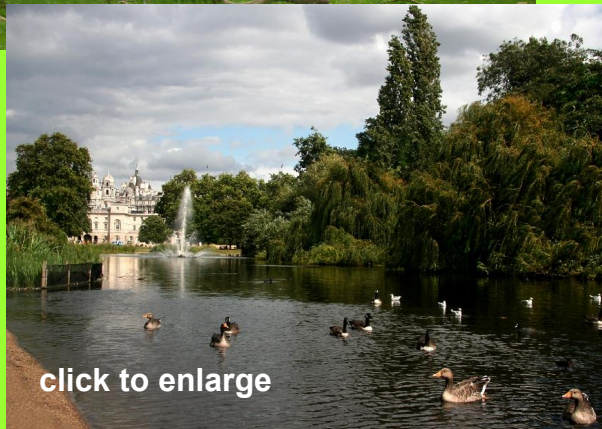
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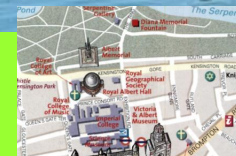
**St James's park** is the oldest London park. You can see it in front of Buckingham Palace where the Queen lives. It is a small park with beautiful flowerbeds and ponds. Many wild water birds-geese, ducks, pelicans – live there and children and their parents come to feed them every day.



*The view of Buckingham Palace from St James's park*



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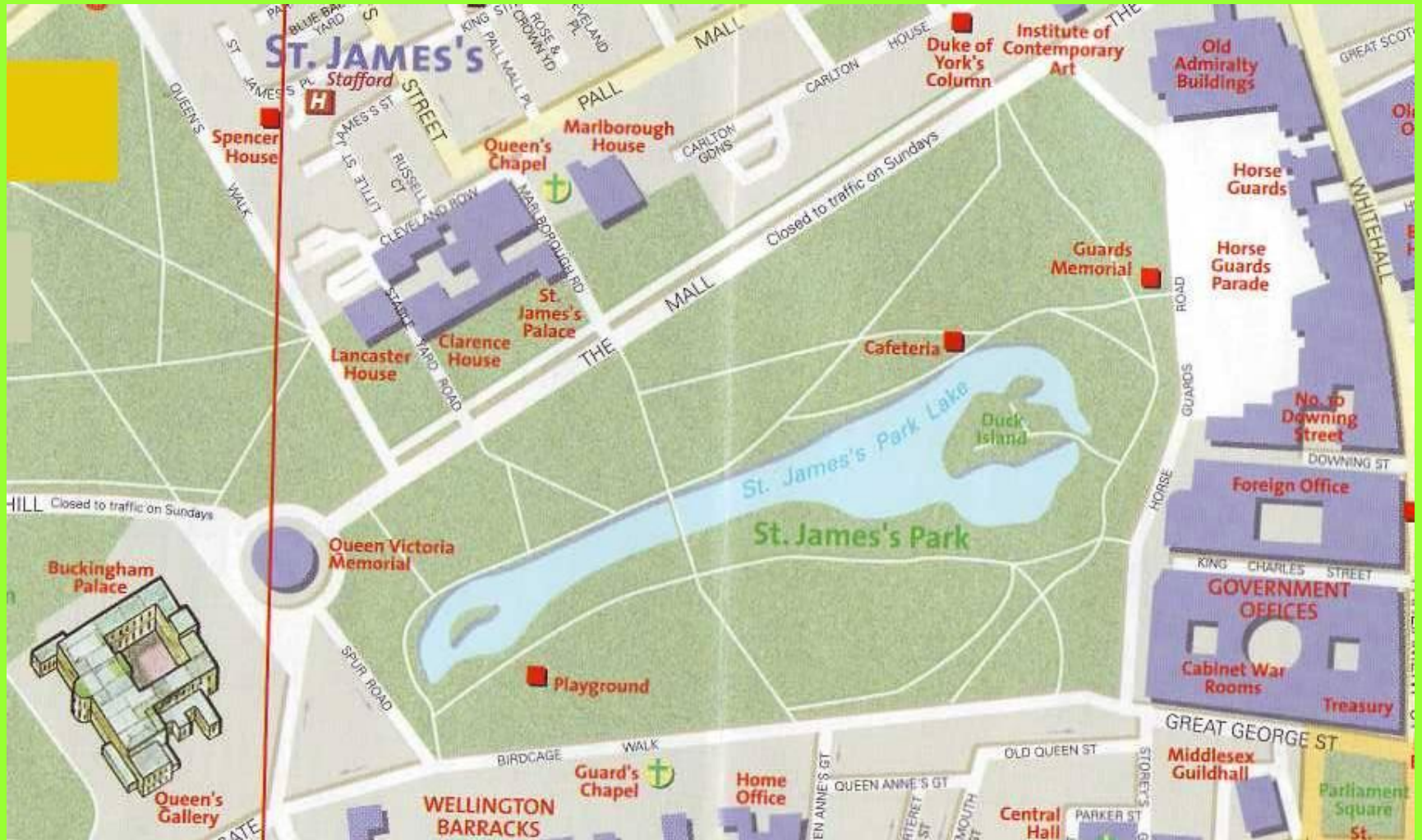






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