Day 5 Treasure Hunt

Leave the hotel through the revolving doors and turn right. Walk straight ahead across Down Street.

- In what year did Francis Barraud complete his famous painting of 'Nipper' that became known as 'His Master's Voice? [1899 at 126 Piccadilly]
- 2). What bus stop are we passing? [Old Park Lane Hard Rock Café]

Carry on across Old Park Lane. The café looks very popular, but we haven't got time to stop now. Perhaps we'll call in later when it isn't so busy.

Stay to the right and continue straight, along Hamilton Place.

3). How many flower containers can you count on the pavement between the Intercontinental Entrance and the corner of the building directly in line with the top of the flight of stairs leading down to the underpass below Park Lane?

[56 containers]

Keep going straight ahead and you should end up in Knightsbridge.

4). What is the name of the Underground Station and Bus Stop on your right hand side? [You were here before, on Day 3.]
[Hyde Park Corner]

Continue along Knightsbridge, passed the major building reconstruction and Harvey Nichols. Next is The Knightsbridge Estate construction. Turn left immediately after that and walk along Brompton Road.

- 5). On the left is a world famous store. Another building having a facelift. What is it called? [Just before Hans Road]
 [Harrods]
- 6). What fraction of Brompton is Empire House? [Brompton Quarter, Empire House]

A little further along, on the right hand side is the Victoria and Albert Museum. At the end of the building is Exhibition Road giving access to the Natural History Museum, the Science Museum, the Royal Albert Hall and many other interesting places. You now have until 2.00pm to wander around any of the museums, etc of your choosing.

The Victoria and Albert Museum:-

https://www.vam.ac.uk/

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmaflrfppKNfq8uuZVZZxQg

The Natural History Museum:-

https://www.nhm.ac.uk/

https://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/virtual-museum.html

The Science Museum:-

https://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/home

https://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/virtual-tour-science-museum

The Royal Albert Hall:-

https://www.royalalberthall.com/about-the-hall/

https://www.royalalberthall.com/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIhtHl qmq6QIV9Al9Ch1CsQPHEAAYAiAAEgIHZPD BwE

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SzeEtnXaruc [Katherine Jenkins - We'll meet again for VE Day 75 - 75 years on - start at 1.45 mins]

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e8MAFqS0fh4 [Sarah Brightman in Concert]

I suggest you get something to eat on your travels and meet back here at 2.00pm.

Hope you enjoyed that. So much to see, you need several days just to cover these museum let alone the rest of London.

We are off now for a bus trip. We are catching an open top bus and going on a short sightseeing tour of the city. We'll jump in a taxi to get us to the start.

Unfortunately our tour guides remain silent and don't tell us what we are looking at but it is worth watching just to see some of the amazing buildings. You'll recognise some of the places we have already been to but there are lots of new ones as well:-

For a full tour including a river cruise (river cruise starts at the 1.07.53 time):-

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-_mFB6SGKxk

For a shorter tour:-

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mpZCi7_FyfQ

So it is another taxi ride back to the hotel to change and get ready for an entertaining evening.

Some brief extracts of the top ten theatre shows that we could have booked to see:https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OA_FSCZOCNM

but we decided to go to the National Theatre instead. When ready we will take the taxi to the National Theatre where we have a table booked at the Terrace Restaurant:-

https://www.nationaltheatre.org.uk/your-visit/food-and-drink/terrace-restaurant

Look through the menu. I hope there is something that takes your fancy. Can I tempt you to a cocktail?

After the meal we move into the theatre for a 3 hour production of Antony & Cleopatra with Ralph Fiennes and Sophie Okonedo. Sit back and enjoy:https://youtu.be/lWc6_aCTqI0

But if you would prefer something shorter you could watch 'Disney's Aladdin - A Musical Spectacular' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o-gLbgpzCc8

After that it's back to the hotel and bed.

See you in the morning.