

Buckingham Palace



Main information



Buckingham Palace is located in Westminster, near Pall Mall street. On a vast square nearby is a monument to Queen Victoria, made of snow—white marble and gilding. The residence itself was squeezed between high-rise buildings and Art Nouveau buildings.

History of residence



The history of the palace began in the XVIII century. The architectural masterpiece Buckingham House was erected by order of the Duke of Buckingham.

Today



Today, the royal residence is visited by a lot of tourists – about 30 thousand during the summer months. The powerful entrance gates and the calm appearance of the gray brick building immediately fall into the field of view of the guests.

Ceremonial Halls



The "heart" of the palace is the Ceremonial Halls. The rooms are decorated with masterpieces by Rubens, Rembrandt, Canaletto. The state halls are available to visitors only two months a year – in August and September.

Dining room



Dining room of Buckingham Palace looks impressive: an extravagant red color, a huge mahogany table, an image of George IV over the fireplace. The table is so long that 600 people can fit behind it.

Carriage House



The Carriage House is also open to the public.

Cars and carriages "live" inside, which are used for ceremonial and daily trips. In a separate hall there is a huge Golden carriage.

The Royal Guard



The changing of the guard schedule is posted on a large sign near the palace. The spectacular changing of the guard takes place every other day.