

# EUROPE 2023

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## A Royal Day

Today Deakin and I did some royal sight seeing! After a long sleep in this morning we headed off to Buckingham Palace. We reached the Royal Mews and due to a short waiting line we were able to get in straight away. I was blown away by the stables - they are every horse girl's dream! Not only that, but the insane amount of gold carriages!! Unfathomable money! I loved the indoor arena and the stables but also the tack room. The amazing leatherwork they have for their horses also with loads of gold. It's truly Royal.

After we were finished at the Mews we headed off up the road to Buckingham Palace which we could finally tick off our list. The gates were massive and we didn't expect the actual palace to be so insanely tall. Once we took a few touristy photos we started walking down to the Royal Guard, passing by some lovely gardens. We were lucky enough to see the changing of the guards and horses which was a cool procedure to see. Much to our surprise, the Cavalry museum was on our London Pass as well, so we went in for a quick peek. More gear from previous wars, and you could even see into the actual cavalry stables. It wasn't until we got outside we realised the whole guard building was the cavalry and army quarters, which was awesome!



After that, we took a train to the Borough food market where we tried the famous chocolate covered strawberries. We could see why they were famous - probably some of the best strawberries that Deakin and I have tasted in our lives! We also had some mediocre fish and chips (apparently winning multiple best fish and chips awards) and then decided to call it a day. There was just too many people to fully enjoy the market plus we were tired out.

We came home, I showered and slipped into a small coma dreaming of exciting London while Deakin went out to buy a few things from Sainsburys.

We both feel really delighted with our trip and have learnt so much about the world. Truly grateful to Heather and Siggy for allowing us to come with them - we will never forget it!

Homeward bound tomorrow. Sad that's it's over but excited to go home.



Bon Voyage

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Heather and Blayze's board after 3 days.  
Blayze won!!

