

Inn Resource

Explore Legal London

The American Inns of Court invites your Inn to consider hosting a small group of judges and lawyers to explore legal London. Discover the English Inns of Court that lie at the center of London and enjoy learning of their colorful and vibrant traditions, and historical associations. For many centuries they have been central to the training and professional lives of England's barristers. While the four Inns of Court are similar in their history and fundamentals, they each offer their own unique architecture design, landscape and dining halls. Several Inns over the years have worked with the national office and a recommended travel agent to create a week-long experience to explore legal London when the English Inns of Court are open between the months of October and July. With the help of the travel agent, Inns are able to create an itinerary that reflects their interests and timing. Traveling to London provides Inn members the opportunity to gain closer insight into the workings of the English Inns of Court and the English legal system, as well as time to explore other remarkable opportunities available in the heart of London.



Sample itineraries include:

- <u>Legal and Illegal London Walking Tour</u>—visit all four English Inns of Court and Royal Courts of Justice.
- English Inns of Court—enjoy lunch at one of the four English Inns of Court and meet with a barrister for a briefing on the English legal system.
- <u>Supreme Court of the United Kingdom</u>—visit the beautiful courtrooms and the magnificent Justices' Library, which is not normally open to the public.
- Royal Courts of Justice—visit the Great Hall and explore the Gothic style designed opened by Queen Victoria in 1882.
- Old Bailey the Central Criminal Court of England and Wales
 — visit the beautiful courtrooms and discover its rich history that dates back to the medieval Newgate Prison which was demolished in 1902.
- Westminster Abbey—tour one of the most well-known churches in England.
- House of Parliament
 —explore the most important areas of the Palace, including the famous Commons and Lords Chambers, Queen's Robing Room and the Royal Gallery.
- <u>Buckingham Palace</u>—tour the king's official residence in London, which serves as both his home and office.
- <u>Tower of London</u>—explore this historic castle built by William the Conqueror in 1078 that was used as a royal residence and a prison, and is now home to the dazzling Crown Jewels.
- <u>Churchill War Rooms</u>—visit the original Cabinet War Rooms, the wartime bunker that sheltered Churchill and his government during the Blitz.
- <u>St. Paul's Cathedral</u>—tour the church rebuilt by Sir Christopher Wren after the Great Fire of London in 1666.

Need more information?

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