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# This Is London



## Synopsis

With the same wit and perception that distinguished his charming books on Paris, New York, and San Francisco, M Sasek presents stylish, elegant London in *This is London*, first published in 1959 and now updated for the 21st century. Here this beloved illustrator shares his impressions of London with its beautiful buildings, historic monuments, bridges, parks, shops and Piccadilly Circus, black cabs, Horse Guards, and famed Underground. Sasek has cast his loving eye on London and the result are colorful, sophisticated pictures of one of the most exciting cities in the world, paired with a lively text that keeps a playful sense of fun while taking the reader to the highlights of one of the world's great capitals. *This is London* is a facsimile edition of Sasek's original title. His brilliant, vibrant illustrations have been meticulously preserved and remain true to his vision. With the passing of time facts have been updated where applicable in the back of the book. The result is a treasure with an elegant, classic look and delightful narrative that will charm both children and their parents, many of whom will remember the same book from their own childhood.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

"...no photographs but wonderful, engaging drawings of life in London. It is amazing how a

children's book can open up a whole world... how much the...kids learned from this book. This book made them excited about London...and motivated them to experience it.." ~Outlook by the Bay

M. Sasek was born in 1916 in Prague, Czechoslovakia. An author and illustrator, he is best remembered for his classic stories on the great cities of the world. He died in 1980.

My son loves Dr. Who. He's obsessed with living in London. My husband thought getting a book about London would be a great Christmas gift. My son loves this book. It's a bit outdated, but it explains those things in the book. The illustrations are cute, too!

I was pleasantly surprised by the high quality of the material and the content. This book arrived an hour ago and is an instant favorite with our kids from our twenty month old to our seven year old and their parents. I ordered a few others from the series and hope they are similar.

Excellent

My son is possibly the youngest anglophile ever. And we are planning a trip to England, I had seen this book on Land of Nod website, but didn't purchase it because I would rather get a good bargain. I bought it on , great deal. And I loved the book. Yes, it is a bit old, well, classic. I loved that in the back it has updated information. Not only did my son love it and it gave us some great ideas of places to visit while we are there; but his grandparents who lived in England and travel back every few years were impressed by the book. I want to get the entire collection of "This Is" books.

Gave this to a 1 year old for his first bday along with a hoodie that had "London" on it. Gift was a big hit! I read the book before a gave it away. I had just returned from my first trip to London. Great illustrations!

Love this calendar it is solo cute! I even had to order another for a friend!

sasek's books are all visually lovely, no doubt about it, however they are also incredibly informative, which i quite appreciate. this book is littered with amazing images, interesting facts, and this particular entry makes me yearn to discover the london of yesterday/today in person.and as with all the updated printings of sasek's books, there is a welcome list of "this is the city...today!" at the end

of the book with changes listed since the original printing. it is great to see both the way the city WAS as well as the present day differences.i highly recommend this book if you are interested in either london, or simply in wonderful illustration.

The book is so well done, the pictures and landmarks it highlights are all bery interesting. It's long for a "kids" book but that's hardly a negative. Definitely recommend.

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