

## Duncan JD Smith: Only in London

Ten years ago Duncan Smith gave up selling other people's travel guides and started writing his own. He relocated from Northern England to Vienna, Austria, where he wrote the first volume in his 'Only In' Guides series. Ten volumes later he has finally got around to writing about his home capital, London, and what an adventure it's been.

*Only in London* (The Urban Explorer, £16.95) is a guide to 100 unique locations, hidden corners and unusual objects of the capital, blending the treasures of old London with the delights of the new.

Exploring the city almost entirely by foot, Duncan reveals Roman ruins and sci-fi skyscrapers, eccentric museums and novel art spaces, ancient customs and living traditions. He travels back in time to Roman Londinium, Shakespeare's Globe, and Winston Churchill's bunker, and comes right up to date with Banksy's street art.

Amongst the 100-plus chapters are the Necropolis Railway, Soho's Buddhist temple, ghost stations on the Tube, and the best Eel and Pie shop. There's also Cleopatra's Needle, the home of Jimi Hendrix, Florence Nightingale's lamp, and a philosopher's mummy.

*Only in London* is the ideal city guide for travellers who want to escape the crowds and go beyond the well-known paths, as well as for those inhabitants who perhaps thought they already knew their city. [www.onlyinguides.com](http://www.onlyinguides.com)

