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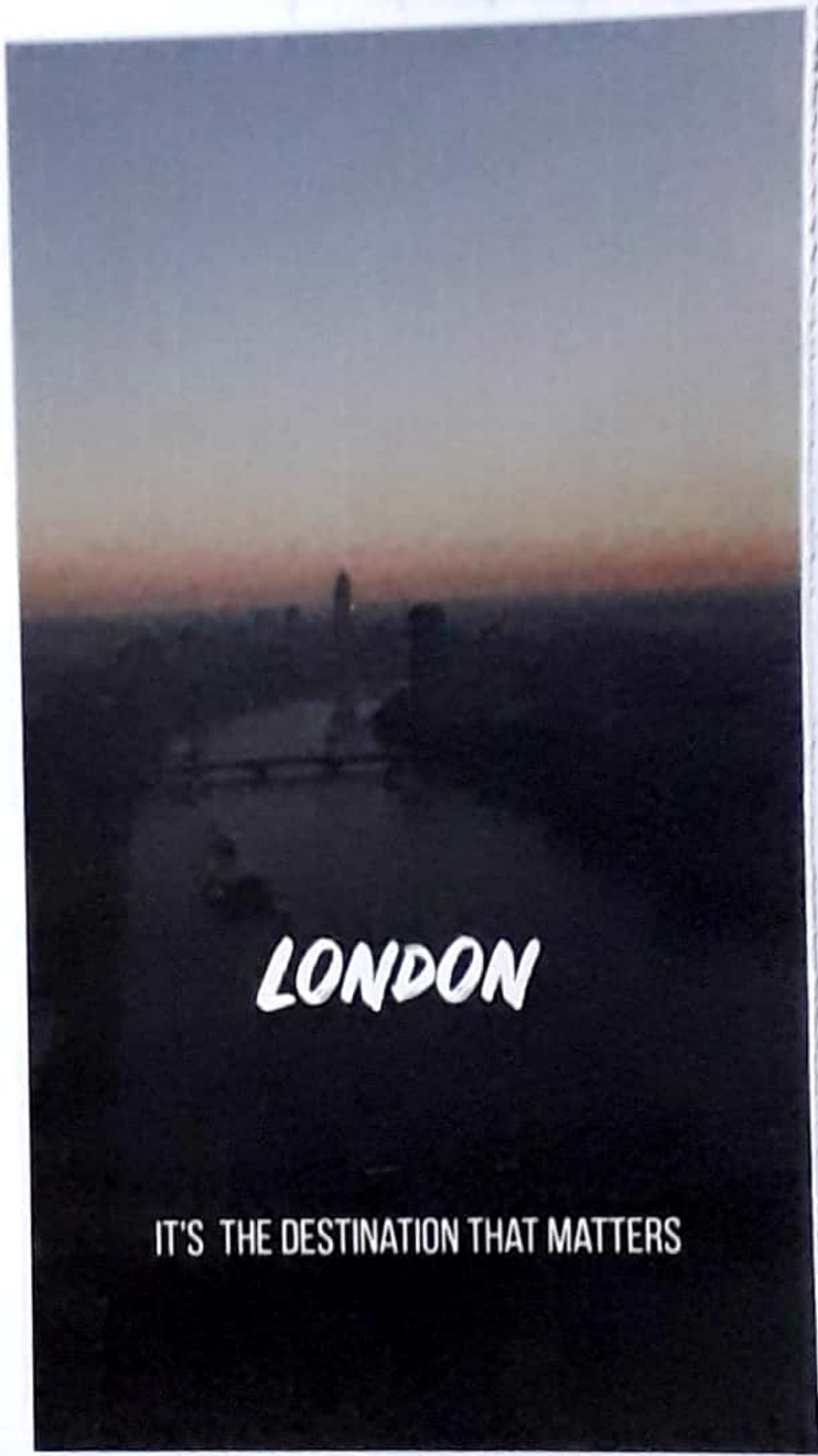
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LONDON

IT'S THE DESTINATION THAT MATTERS

DAY 01

21ST FEB

It all started just the way an international trip should ~~start~~ with a lot of sleepless nights and the flight to **LONDON** at **3am** in the night. Being the first international flight of my life, I was excited to visit **Terminal 2**. Mumbai Airport. This trip was a Dream come true for a person like me who never wanted to Live the American Dream but rather wanted to live the **EUROPEAN DREAM**.



1st International Flight

At the HEATHROW AIRPORT which is one of the Largest Airports in the world, the staff was very warm and welcoming.

○ Naturally all of them had the British Accent which I Loved
Immigration surprisingly was a matter of minutes.

■ I hopped on to the BUS which took me to my HOTEL - HOLIDAY INN
~~After lunch~~

I had Lunch on the way to the HOTEL.

The evening was the highlight of my day



Piccadilly Circus 🇬🇧

This Place was like heaven to me jam packed with londoners lights and street artists.

Piccadilly Circus (circle) was the 1st and best place I visited in the UK

PIZZA HUT served me dinner for the night. An observation
* The dining culture is way different from what we experience back home in INDIA.

I had a peaceful sleep after this tiring day. having dreams about my european dream come true.....!

DAY 02

Waking up in the UK was all I wanted in Life. After a fantastic day this morning was filled with expectations from this BEAUTIFUL CITY

* HOLIDAY INN had the BREAKFAST ready, kind of an ENGLISH BREAKFAST for a vegetarian traveller.

+ HASH BROWNS + BAKED BEANS + BREAD
+ SAUTÉED MUSHROOMS + FRUITS

I ofcourse ate this ENGLISH
BREAKFAST the Australian way.

~~Next~~ Next

First Place to visit
was MADAME
TUSSAUDS

the wax museum

The place as a
whole was impressive
although the old
and dated wax statues were
a bit of a let down.



Madame Tussauds

MEXICAN was the cuisine of
choice for LUNCH at CHIPOTLE
which was rather underwhelming
Next on the list was a
famous Museum of Brands
which showcased how the
"BIG BRANDS" evolved from the
~~19th~~ Victorian era to the
Present day.

The street on which this
museum was located was
a treat to the eye.
A perfect example of a

European street.



DAY 03

It was an early start to the day. I had set out on the road to reach my first destination BICESTER VILLAGE

A place to shop for all luxury Brands

It has a back story which says 'some Brit started a small place where vendors had their stalls put up and now its not just any vendor there are MULTI-NATIONAL BRANDS put up stores!

The village is single person.



owned by 1



A nearby SUBWAY felt like a treat after a long walk at this village.

~~we~~ I ~~wase~~ then left alone to explore the Thames River Side. It was a fantastic experience to walk by the Thames River where the backdrop was the very famous LONDON EYE. After the chilling walk by the river it was time to try some AUTHENTIC ITALIAN PASTA at VAPIANO.



VAPIANO

I was served the BEST EVER WHITE SAUCE PASTA with COKE

But this was not the end
to the day. It was time
for me to explore LONDON
NIGHT LIFE

The famous LONDON tube was
the initial mode of transport
I hopped in at the BRENT
CROSS UNDERGROUND STATION



Oyster card is the most efficient
way to buy tickets at all modes
of transport in LONDON.

After the tube experience, I
walk down towards a BUS
STOP to board the DOUBLE
DECKER RED BUS.

During my walk from the Underground stn to the Bus stop, I had the opportunity to get to know the night culture of the city.

I had realised that this city was altogether a different place at night.

THE NIGHT WAS DARK, BUT IT WAS DARKER IN CHARACTER

Walking in a cultural shock I was greeted by the BUS DRIVER and when he knew I was a student that waived off my BUS TICKET FARE

I got off at the LONDON BRIDGE STOP to explore the bridge on Foot at 1:25 am and the temp 6°C



Getting back to the HOTEL which was in BRENT CROSS using the public transport would have taken long so the best option available was the.

LONDON BLACK TAXI

It was always a dream to ride the BLACK TAXI. I was awestruck the entire ride.



London
Black Taxi

DAY 04

Getting just 4hrs of sleep
I was ready to take on the
action packed SUNDAY.

The initial half of the day
was spent visiting

- * Buckingham Palace.
- * Westminster Abby
- * House of Parliament
- * Trafalgar Square

and last place which got
me depressed was

THE BIG BEN

All covered ~~the~~
beause of mainte-
nance

I had teares in my
eyes as this piece of
art will be covered
for the next 5 yrs



Big Ben Under Maintenance

LUNCH was an exceptional
pizza at PIZZA EXPRESS
again with COKE

After this Lipsmacking pizza
I walked over to a nearby
WB HARRY POTTER STORE to
experience the famboy moment
Next it was time to go
back to the THAMES RIVER
SIDE to fulfill another wish
That was to cycle on the
streets of LONDON
What an experience
it was for a
cycle lover.

Dedicated Lanes
cycle Traffic Lights
And

LONDON. in the
background.



Cycle ride at
Thames River side

**SANTANDER CYCLES
RELEASE CODE**

**HOW TO RELEASE
THE BICYCLE**

- 1) SELECT A CYCLE FROM ONE OF THE DOCKING POINTS NEARBY
- 2) ENTER THE CODE, USING THE 1, 2, 3 NUMBER PAD TO THE LEFT OF THE HANDLE BARS



KEYPAD IS SILENT

- 3) WAIT UNTIL LIGHT TURNS GREEN THEN UNDOCK THE CYCLE
- 4) PRINT A RELEASE CODE FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CYCLE YOU REQUIRE

THE FIVE DIGIT NUMBER
BELOW IS YOUR CYCLE HIRE
RELEASE CODE

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THIS RELEASE CODE IS
VALID FOR 10 MINUTES AND
ONLY AT THIS STATION

DATE 24 FEB 19
TIME 16:47
STATION 002635

REFERENCE NO 1872733

This cycle ride
was one of
the best I
ever had
experienced
Maybe it was
the overall
experience of
renting a cycle
that mattered.

The day came to
an end with
mixed emotions
of joy and
sorrow

joy because of
the cycle ride
and.

Big Ben that
led to sorrow.



Holiday Inn

now relax.

DAY

05

Breakfast at HOLIDAY INN was the same everyday

Nothing to complain but I had stopped eating everything but watermelon ○

~~The~~ I visited the UNIVERSITY OF WESTMINSTER for a short lecture and campus tour and then headed towards the Oxford street for some. Leisure and shopping.

This was where I made some friends for life.

PRIMARK was ~~my place~~ go to place to shop for some shades and t-shirts.

After shopping for family and friends I visited the famous
HYDE PARK with my
newly made friends and
newly purchased shades.



Hyde Park 📍

while walking
park.

The walk in
Hyde Park was
a relaxing one
I also made
a cover video
wherein I was
singing my
fav song

"ABHI NA JAO"

through this



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JAY 05

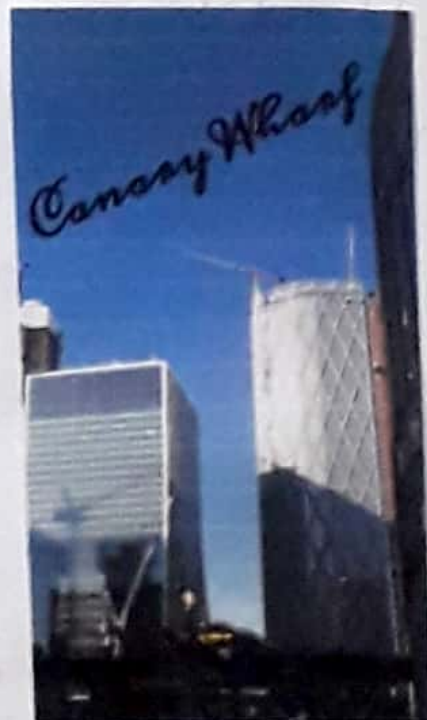
CANARY WHARF the BKL of
LONDON ○ ie FINANCIAL
DISTRICT

What a place it was, very
different from the usual
LONDON streets

A place filled with
skyscrapers and
all the multi-national
giants from all
over the globe

The LUNCH in this
financial district
was really
underwhelming.

which is a
shame as the standards set
here are really high.





Tower of LONDON was my next stop. This historic place was a treat to the eyes. The Victorian era architecture or maybe it was even more dated.

The crowns of the various queens, jewels, gems etc all preserved to give every visitor the taste of UK history.

HISTORY was never my thing so I moved on and visited the more geographically inclined LONDON EYE.

The most technologically advanced cantilevered observation wheel in the world.



🇬🇧 London Eye 🇬🇧

This is ^a picture inside
one of the
observation pod

← The view & was
to die for
Felling the nerves
I got into the pod
and within 15

mins it reached the top
That was the moment where
I could say "I felt on top
of the world."

The view from the top ~~was~~ is
what google fetches when
one searches for "London"

30 mins is all it takes for
one ~~cycle~~ rotation

From here I again went on to
visit the Oxford street to
shop a bit more for some
friends.

This is where I explored joints selling.

FISH & CHIPS
one of ~~LONDON'S~~ ^{UK'S} loved,
ancient and stereotyped
dish.

Although being a vegetarian I
was really excited to see
this dish being served to the
locals ○ and then.

I had the most insipid

McDonald's wrap and chips.
for dinner.

But the day was not to end yet
Almost 11pm getting back to
Brent Cross was not a task
to I along with my friends
~~and~~ booked an UBER. and

~~that~~ ~~where~~
We reached BRENT CROSS in a
jiffy and got back to the
rooms.

That's when one of my friend realised she had misplaced her iPhone.

We tracked down the phone's location. and kept calling

The driver of our cab found it lying on the back seat

That soul~~de~~ literally drove back to the HOTEL to return the phone. He did charge us

the trip but we got the iPhone back ○

Day 07

The Last Day of my trip had to be the one I could remember for LIFE

I packed the necessary items for the day and left for OXFORD

Initially I was roaming around in this very English Place but I was exhausted but there was another dream waiting for me to be fulfilled.

After a quick bite at the local subway I landed at the

MINI PLANT IN OXFORD

~~I had booked myself~~
I had myself booked for a
factory tour at the BMW
MINI PLANT

The experience was out of
this world.

It was all that I had
seen on my TV screen over
the years and it was
all right in front of me in
full seeing.

I had the attitude of a kid
throughout the tour

Even while writing this I have
a smile on my face.



After this visit all the
awefull this / meals etc that
took place during my visit to
UK were justified

I had a memory to hang
on to all my life.

On the way back I had a
very light meal as I was
full due to the excitement
I required no fuel that
night to get going my
body.

* I was in a **PSYCHOLOGICAL
CONTENT**



DAY 8

Fully satisfied with the trip I had my last piece of watermelon in LONDON as Breakfast and left for the airport.

The mesmerizing Heathrow Airport was again the place to take off from.

It is a real treat to watch 5 Terminals make it a huge airport.

A sci-fi film also had this airport as an ARMY BASE



🇬🇧 London Airport

And That's it filled with
joy, sorrow, excitement and
hell of a jet lag

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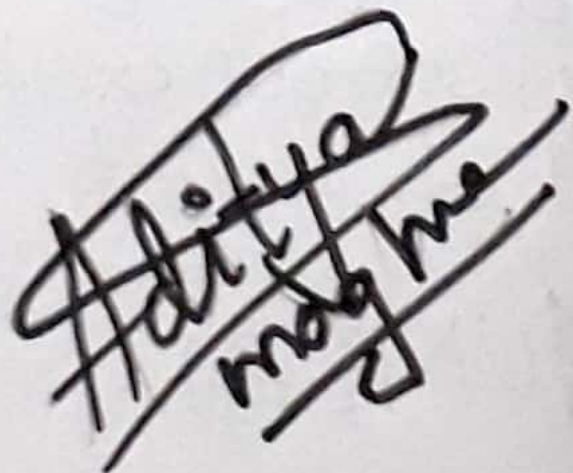
ONE OF MY FIREND ~~CORRECTION~~
~~SAY~~ RIGHTLY SAID

Its the journey that
matters & not the
Destination.

But This time it was
the destination that mattered


LONDON

signing off



ADITYA MOGHE