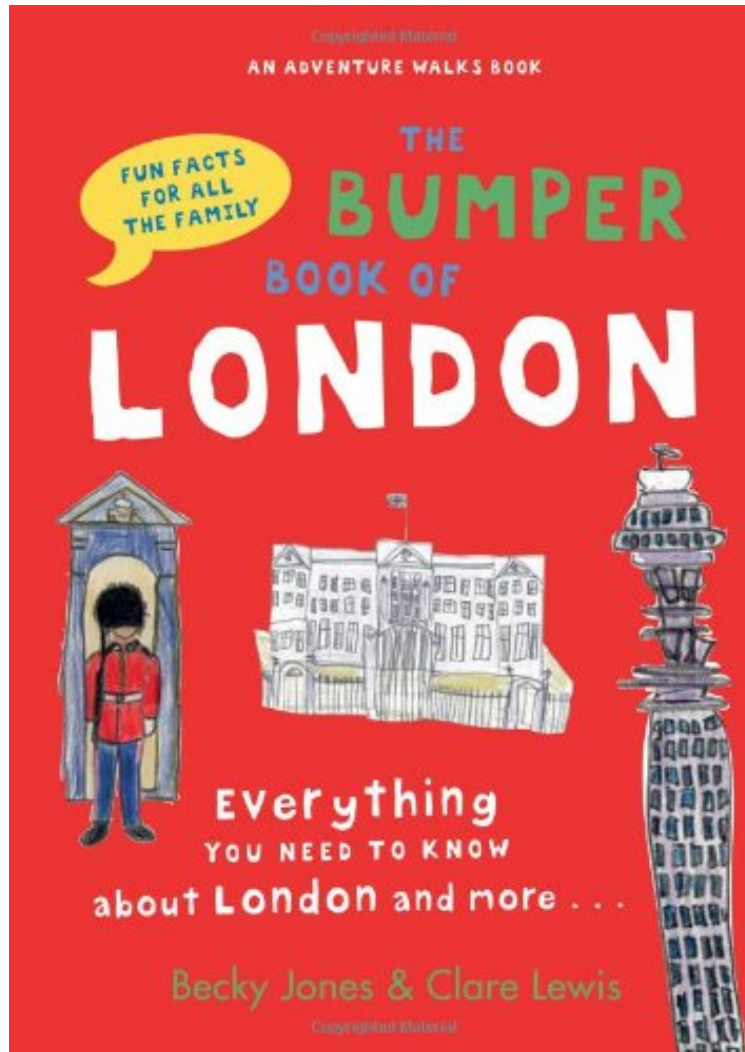


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Waitrose Weekend London is the most brilliant place for children, and if you're looking for ideas about where to go, The Bumper Boko of London is the perfect guide. House with No Name Crams in nearly 300 pages of London fun and fact that will charm you to the eyebrows. ... Like LEGO and Haribo sweets, you might buy the Bumper Book of London for your kids, but you'll soon be clawing it off them. The Londonist The cover tells us that this book has 'Everything you need to know about London and more...' An ambitious claim, but this book does pack in an enormous amount of information. The best thing is that much of it is unusual - this certainly isn't your ordinary guide book. It's a fascinating read and a great book to dip into and learn some fascinating facts to fascinate your friends and family - it's an excellent book for any lover of trivia. 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Like LEGO and Haribo sweets, you might buy the Bumper Book of London for your kids, but you'll soon be clawing it off them The Londonist About the Author Clare Lewis is a journalist and former managing editor at Conde Nast, IPC and National Magazines, including Tatler, Brides, Country Living and Homes and Gardens specialising in articles on crafts, design and interiors. Her skills as a commissioning editor and writer have given her an eye for detail and putting words and pictures together in a clear format. Together with television producer Becky Jones, she created the Adventure Walks for Families series of guide books, inspiring children and families to get out and about, exploring the stories and games of an old fashioned outdoors childhood through a good tramp in the countryside. The success of the first book in the series, together with Clare's knowledge of London (as a true cockney, she was born and bred within the sound of Bow Bells) has led to the publication of London Adventure Walks, The Adventurer's Notebook and The Bumper Book of London. To find out more about Adventure Walks for Families, have a look at the website www.adventurewalksforfamilies.co.uk or sign up to their facebook page Adventure Walks for Families and tweet on @adventurewalks Both live with their families in London. Excerpt. Reprinted by permission. All rights reserved. Tudor and Elizabethan London: 1485-1603 In 1485, London was two cities: one to the east around St Paul's and one to the west in Westminster. Open countryside lay in between, much of it owned by the monasteries. There was still only one bridge across the Thames, old London Bridge. Ferryman taxied people across to the theatres in Southwark for a penny. Coal boats from Newcastle and boats laden with trading goods sailed up the river all the way to Westminster, and up the Fleet River to Holborn. Shipbuilding yards opened in Deptford and Woolwich to build boats for the expanding navy. London's merchants unloaded cargoes of fine cloth, silks, carpets, wines, spices, sugar, jewels, saltpetre for guns, potatoes and tobacco. Adventurers set sail from London to trade in the newly discovered Americas. Explorers, such as Sir Francis Drake, sailed off in search of Spanish gold. Great Tudor mansions graced the banks of the Thames all the way from Hampton to Greenwich. Chelsea became known as 'the village of palaces'. Wealthy Elizabethan men would spend the morning sauntering in the aisles of St Paul's Cathedral, flirting with women and showing off their new clothes. There were big markets at Cheapside and Leadenhall, and City men drank at the Pope's Head Tavern on Cornhill for a penny a pint and hunk of bread. A man called William Lamb put up a new water pipe for Londoners in Lambs Conduit Street in 1577. London was growing fast: in 1563, it had a population of 90,000

people. By the end of the Elizabeth I's reign in 1603, over 200,000 people lived in London. England was the richest and most powerful country in Europe, and London was its influential capital. It was called the Golden Age.* There is a portrait of every Tudor king and queen at the National Portrait Gallery, Trafalgar Square.* Sutton House in Hackney is the oldest house in east London, dating back to 1535.* The black-and-white half-timbered Staple Inn, on High Holborn, is the only Elizabethan shopfront left in London, dating back to 1586. It was once where wool was weighed and taxed.* The seventeenth-century George Inn, off Borough High Street, is the only London pub that still has a galleried yard, where plays were once performed.* Richmond Green was one of the most famous jousting spots of Tudor London, just next to Richmond Palace.* Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge in Epping Forest is a very tall building where from the top floor she and her courtiers could watch the hunt in progress and fire their crossbows.* There is a monument to the Elizabethan writer John Stow at St Andrews Undershaft Church. On 5 April each year in a special ceremony the Lord Mayor replaces the statue's feather quill pen with a fresh one. The old quill is given to a child who has written the best essay on London.

London's oldest schools
 London's wealthy, including merchants and the guilds, opened new schools across the city throughout the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries:
WESTMINSTER SCHOOL: founded in 1560 by Elizabeth
CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL: set up in a bequest by the Town Clerk of London, John Carpenter, in 1442 to educate four boys from Guildhall Chapel
MERCHANT TAYLORS': established in 1561 by the Merchant Taylors' Company, one of London's livery companies
CHRIST'S HOSPITAL: set up by the Lord Mayor in 1552, for boys and girls
ST PAUL'S SCHOOL: founded in 1509 by the Mercers' Company at St Paul's Cathedral
DAME ALICE OWEN: founded in 1613 by the Brewers' Company for thirty Islington boys.

The Tudor and Elizabethan alphabet contained only twenty-four letters, not the twenty-six we have today. U and V were the same letter, as were I and J.
 House of Tudor
 Henry VII Tudor (1485-1509)
 Henry VIII (1509-47)
 Edward VI (1547-53)
 Lady Jane Grey (1553)
 Mary I Tudor (1553-8)
 Elizabeth I (1558-1603)

Tudor Elizabethan Celebrities
 Thomas More (1478-1535)
 Henry VIII's Lord Chancellor, was born in Milk Street, London. At the age of twelve he was sent to Lambeth Palace to work as a page for the Archbishop of Canterbury. He coined the word utopia when in 1516 he published a book about an ideal imaginary island called Utopia. Thomas More refused to swear an oath recognizing Henry VIII as head of the Church and so was taken to the Tower of London, where he was tried and executed for treason.
 John Stow (1525-1605) was the son of a tallow maker and became an apprentice tailor. As a boy, he would fetch milk from a farm just outside Aldgate for his mother. He went on to write a detailed history book called Survey of London in 1598 about the houses, customs and social conditions of Elizabethan Londoners.
 William Shakespeare (1564-1616) worked in London for much of his life, and lived near the George Inn in Southwark. He is regarded as the greatest writer in the English language. He came to London to work as an actor and a playwright in an acting company called the Lord Chamberlain's Men. William Shakespeare invested in the theatres and had a share in one called the Globe in Southwark. New plays were needed to feed the demand of the new theatres and Shakespeare wrote thirty-eight plays: histories, comedies and tragedies. The plays were extremely successful and Shakespeare died a very wealthy man.

All the fun of the fair
 Londoners loved fairs, singing, dancing and playing music. Southwark Fair and Bartholomew Fair were held every year, with puppet shows, conjurors, fire eaters, jugglers and other amusements. They loved to feast, and on coronation days a fountain near the Great Hall at Westminster would flow with French wine for everyone to drink. Londoners also loved watching bear baiting, dog fighting, cock fighting and bull fighting, often held in Southwark's playhouses and theatres. Even Elizabeth I loved to watch these bloodthirsty sports. Wealthy merchants would organize great river pageants, complete with barges decked with banners, music and fine robes.

Elizabethan Perfumes and Delicious Smells
 In Elizabethan London people hardly ever bathed or washed their hair. To mask their bad odours, perfumes and room scents were popular. These were made out of natural ingredients such as flowers, spices and oils.
 Rose petal perfume recipe
 6 handfuls of rose petals
 3 tbsp vodka
 10 drops rose essential oil
 4 drops glycerino
 Put 500ml water in a large saucepan and bring it to the boil.
 o Add the rose petals and cover with a lid.
 Simmer for 2 hours.
 o Strain the liquid through a muslin-lined funnel into a bowl.
 o Measure out two mugs of this rosewater into another bowl.
 o Add the vodka, glycerin and rose oil, and stir. If you want a stronger set, add more drops of rose oil.
 o Pour the perfume into glass bottles.

Potpourri
 Pot Pourri is a dried herb and flower mixture to scent a room
 To make your own pot pourri, take 4 tea cups full of flower heads, rose petals and herbs such as lavender, sage and sprigs of rosemary. Place somewhere warm to dry out for a few days.
 o Raid the cupboard for strong smelling spices such as nutmeg, cinnamon sticks and cloves.
 o Dry out some strips of orange or lemon peel.
 o Put everything together in a pretty bowl.
 o To make the smells last longer, add drops of essential oil such as rose or lavender.

An orange pomander
 Tie some narrow ribbon around the middle of an orange. Then stick in cloves one by one until the orange skin is completely covered. You can do this in a pattern or just randomly. Hang the orange in a room and it will release a lovely spicy scent.

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 TOMB of Elizabeth I and Mary I at Westminster Abbey*
 The GLOBE THEATRE on the South Bank*
 King Henry VIII's ARMOUR at the Tower of London*
 the KITCHENS at Hampton Court Palace*
 MIDDLE TEMPLE HALL*
 TUDOR HOUSE, Staples Inn High Holborn*
 TUDOR GALLERIES at the National Portrait Gallery*
 DEER in Richmond Park*
 The GOLDEN HINDE at Borough*
 The ROYAL FUNERAL EFFIGIES at Westminster Abbey