

CRÉMANT DE LOIRE

CITYSCAPES & OTHER GRAND VIEWS

Light, creamy and with just the right amount of fizz, enjoying Crémant de Loire is an uplifting experience, which is why we've paired it with some of the best views the capital has to offer.

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This route is designed for you to participate in it as much, or as little as you wish. You may wish to complete a particular section, or just visit one place that has caught your imagination.

Venue suggestions are intended to give you options along the route, we do not advise that you stop for a glass of wine in every single one. Please drink responsibly. For the facts, visit drinkaware.co.uk

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THE O2

We begin our Crémant route in furthest Greenwich, at the O2. The Millennium Dome (which forms the roof and walls of the entertainment complex now housed at the site) was originally built to house an exhibition celebrating the turn of the third millennium. Converted into its current form in 2007, it has the second highest seating capacity of any indoor venue in the UK (behind the Manchester Arena) and took the title of 'World's Busiest Music Arena' from Madison Square Garden in 2008.

- **Emirates cable cars**

The Emirates cable cars theoretically exist to get you from one side of the river to the other. But they're far too much fun to be viewed as normal transport, a fact acknowledged by the fact you can buy round trip tickets to avoid getting off and on again in order to travel in a loop. There is also a night flight option, where crossings take 25 mins instead of the usual 10, to allow you to really soak up the lovely views.

- **Up at the O2**

If the Emirates cable cars aren't airy enough for you, we recommend you try Up at the O2, which allows small groups of people to scale the outside of the Millennium Dome and enjoy incredible city views at the top. Loire Wines is giving away tickets for Up at the O2 as part of the Bucket List - see www.loirebucketlist.com for details.

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CRAFT BAR

Craft London is a British restaurant & bar from acclaimed chef Stevie Parle and designer Tom Dixon. The team focus on quality of production and collaborate with modern experts, fanatics and obsessives to craft world class products. Craft roast their own coffee, smoke their own fish, cure meats, ferment vegetables, keep bees and grow vegetables in their urban garden. The spectacular interior is crammed with the best of Britain from Scottish tweed, British limestone and London-designed furniture and lighting. All of which should be celebrated with bubbles, while enjoying the incredible view from the bar.

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Crémant de Loire Blanc, Carte Turquoise, Domaine des Baumard, Loire, France

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GREENWICH VILLAGE

There are two ways to get from the O2 to Greenwich: either take a leisurely stroll along Olympic Way (approx 35 mins) or go to Stop E and jump on the bus (129 or 188) for eight stops. In both cases you will end up in Greenwich Village.

- **Greenwich Park**

Considered to be one of the prettiest Royal Parks, Greenwich Park regularly tops lists of places boasting the best views of London.

- **Royal Observatory**

Venture further into Greenwich Park and you will find the Royal Observatory, established in 1675 for the study of the stars to improve navigation at sea. Amuse yourself by hopping either side of the Meridian Line and see all sorts of wonders, including a 4.5 billion year old meteorite and the Great Equatorial Telescope.

- **National Maritime Museum**

A view on a very different life can be found at the National Maritime Museum, among the over two million objects it houses.

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TRAFALGAR TAVERN

The Trafalgar Tavern opened in June, 1837 since which time it has prided itself on accommodating large and small parties in a comfortable and superior manner.

It is the last survivor of the grand riverside establishments in Greenwich and Blackwall, which during the nineteenth century were the favoured places of resort for "dining down the river", and justly famed for their celebrity whitebait dinners.

The elegant balconies and large windows presented pleasure-seeking Londoners with an ever-changing panorama of the rich variety of shipping and craft on the River Thames. Eminent literary, artistic and political visitors to have dined at the Trafalgar Tavern include Charles Dickens, William Makepeace Thackeray, J.M.W Turner, William Gladstone and Benjamin Disraeli

The walls of the Trafalgar Tavern are densely hung with an unrivalled private art collection in which the rich history and topography of Greenwich and the glorious naval victories of the immortal Lord Nelson are vividly depicted, alongside the names of his fellow admirals who are commemorated in the Trafalgar's splendid rooms.

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Domaine des Baumard, Crémant de Loire Blanc, Carte Turquoise, NV / £TBC

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trafalgartavern.co.uk - @TheTrafalgarT - /TrafalgarTavernGreenwich

- **Old Royal Naval College**

Originally a retirement home for veteran sailors, the Royal Hospital for Seamen (as it was known then) was designed by Sir Christopher Wren on the site of a Tudor Palace where Henry VIII and Elizabeth II were born. Today it is the home of University of Greenwich, and is best known for the Painted Hall in the Chapel, which recently re-opened to the public after major conservation. An epic 18th century masterpiece, it is known as the UK's Sistine Chapel.

- **Cutty Sark**

The last remaining tea clipper, which in the 19th century would compete to see who could get the first crop of fresh tea from China to the UK. In its day the Cutty Sark was one of the fastest ships in the world. The Cutty Sark is

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raised 3m above the dock for conservation purposes, allowing you to walk beneath her hull for a one-of-a-kind view.

GREENWICH DLR

When you've soaked up enough maritime history, head for the Greenwich DLR station and hop on a train to Canary Wharf.

CANARY WHARF

In total contrast to historic Greenwich, Canary Wharf is a busy financial area filled with skyscrapers. Bustling during the week, it is calm and quiet at weekends. Home to one of the UK's largest collections of public art, it hosts regular free public events.

- **Crossrail Roof Garden**

Make a beeline for the Crossrail Place Roof Garden, a free public indoor oasis where planting is divided by geographical origin. Peaceful and verdant, the garden includes a performance space, so you may stumble upon a show.

BOKAN

Towering 37 to 39 floors above Canary Wharf, Bōkan serves up masterful cuisine and expertly crafted cocktails with some of London's best views. Bōkan is where outstanding quality of food & drink meet stunning interiors, designed with its Dockland setting at heart and to make the most of the striking views out over the City. Stunning European dishes with a distinct British slant from talented 27-year-old Guillaume Guilan (previously of L'Atelier de Joel Robuchon) are plated up in Bōkan 37 restaurant; whilst the 38th floor bar and 39th rooftop terrace boast some of the best sunset views of the capital, perfect with an exquisite glass of wine or creative cocktail in hand.

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Sauvion Crémant de Loire Brut

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- **Canary Wharf Pier**

When you've soaked up enough culture, head to the Canary Wharf Pier to pick up a Thames Clipper to Tower Bridge. Boat can be one of the most efficient ways to travel in London, and of course it offers unrivalled views along the way.

TOWER & TOWER BRIDGE WALKWAYS

Alighting from the Clipper at Tower Bridge, you can choose to turn towards the Bridge itself, ascending to the walkways to enjoy an unrivalled view of the City. On the evening of the 15th of June you can enjoy a Crémant tasting at the same time - visit www.loirebucketlist.com to enter the ballot for free tickets.

- **St Dunstan in the East**

Heading West along Lower Thames St, you will soon reach St Dunstan in the East. This parish church was largely destroyed in the Second World War. The ruins were never removed or rebuilt, and exist now as a beautiful garden.

- **Monument**

Continuing a short way further along Lower Thames St, take a right hand turn onto Monument St, which leads you directly to the Monument for the Great Fire of London, for which Monument tube station is named. Known simply as the Monument, it is a doric column 62m in height. For a small fee you can climb the internal stairs and enjoy the view, now encased in a steel frame to avoid 'incidents'.

LONDON BRIDGE & BOROUGH

Continue up Monument St to King William St and turn left to cross London Bridge. Originally a wooden crossing made by the Romans in 50AD, the bridge has evolved a bit since then, largely due to being prone to fire, storms and destruction by invading armies. In 1176 it was upgraded to stone, featuring a chapel, shops, houses and a drawbridge. This designed lasted over 600 years. It was replaced again in 1825 but was found to be 'falling down' by 1962, due to the weight of traffic. It was sold to a buyer who set it up in Arizona, USA as a tourist attraction and replaced with the current design in 1973.

- **Borough Market**

After crossing the bridge, pass London Bridge Station on your left and enter the Old Market Hall of Borough Market, on your right. The Market is over 1,000 years old, first appearing in official records in 1276. In the 1700s there was an Act of Parliament to close the Market down, because it was blocking the road to the City. It was then relocated a short distance away at its current site. Borough opens for wholesale buying at 2am on weekdays, and to the public at 10am (8am on Saturdays).

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BEDALES OF BOROUGH

This unique space was originally a potato storehouse, now transformed into a wine shop, wine bar & bistro, boasting a new wine cellar, open kitchen and market terrace - offering an incredible view of Borough Market. Join Bedales for a glass of your favourite Loire Valley wines, lunch & dinner, a bespoke wine tasting, or private celebration!

Bedales wines by the glass list is seasonal and constantly changing, along with their extensive bottle collection - all available to drink-in or take-away. They serve a variety of seasonal small plates and bistro fare, inspired by ingredients sourced from Borough Market. Their Cheese & Charcuterie selection is a collection of favourites from Borough Market traders.

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Crémant de Loire, Château de La Presle

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- **The Shard**

For a contrast with the traditional atmosphere at Borough, pop over the road to The Shard, where you can buy a ticket to the viewing platform on Europe's tallest building.

- **HMS Belfast**

If you'd like to get a sailor's view of London, divert to HMS Belfast, where you can see how it feels to follow in the footsteps of a naval officer.

- **Golden Hinde**

Continue the theme by heading back through the Market to St Mary Overie's Dock, where you will find the famous Golden Hinde, a replica of Sir Francis Drake's ship.

FLAT IRON SQUARE

Head South down Cathedral St, cutting through the Market to Park St. Turn left onto Redcross Way, right onto Southwark St and then left onto O'Meara St. A right onto Union

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It will bring you to Flat Iron Square, a bustling food and drink hub perfect for people watching.

LUPINS

Nestled among the historic streets of London's SE1, Lupins offers the best of traditional British fayre with a contemporary twist.

Their chefs work with top-quality seasonal native ingredients - from Cornish oysters to Welsh lamb - add a little sunny flavour from around the world, and serve as small plates designed for sharing continental style.

Join them on the casual kitchen counter or upstairs in their intimate dining room, which seats parties of up to 8.

Lupins was opened in May 2017 by British chefs Lucy Pedder and Natasha Cooke.

Find out more

lupinslondon.com - [@lupinsLondon](https://www.instagram.com/lupinsLondon) - [/lupinslondon](https://www.facebook.com/lupinslondon)

SOUTH BANK & TATE MODERN VIEWING PLATFORM

Exit Flat Iron Square onto Southwark Bridge Rd, then turn left onto Southwark St. Continue until you reach Sumner St (about 5 mins walk), then take a right and head towards the pedestrian entrance for the controversial Tate Modern Viewing Platform, which neighbouring residents famously tried - and failed - to get partially closed on the basis it was too invasive. Go for the panoramic city views, and try not to gawk into the luxury flats...

MILLENNIUM BRIDGE

For our final stop make your way through Tate Modern to the riverside and walk onto the Millennium Bridge. You won't have to be as brave as early users of the bridge, who had to endure it wobbling! Giant shock absorbers stopped the wobble and now it offers beautiful views, both up and down the Thames and of St Paul's cathedral, making it a favourite spot for photographers.

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If, after all your wanderings, you feel you'd like to relax with the breeze in your hair, make a beeline for Dalston, where you can find the final outpost of the Crémant route: Dalston Roof Park.

DALSTON ROOF PARK

Brought to you by Bootstrap Charity, Dalston Roof Park is Dalston's only rooftop bar and music venue where all profits go towards empowering young people and businesses to succeed professionally. Nestled amongst Hackney's Victorian buildings and overlooking London's skyscrapers, Dalston's only rooftop garden will re-open for another sunny season of eating and drinking, lounging and dancing, and seeing a whole new side to the city.

Expect an eclectic season full of inclusive and diverse events, including renowned DJs, musicians and record labels, as well as laid back poetry, cinema, karaoke and quiz nights. Eat, drink, dance and be merry, happy in the knowledge that all proceeds go towards supporting Bootstrap's charitable aims.

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Crémant de Loire Langlois Chateau Brut

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