

Tom Hall

It is hard to find anyone more enthusiastic in revealing the hidden histories of London while walking around its backstreets than **Tom Hall**. Once you learn he is Editorial Director, and as he says, London office general manager, of **Lonely Planet Guides**, you realise that maybe everyone there is similarly inclined. Office moves to new locations are often disruptive, but Tom took it as an opportunity to share his enthusiasm for local history and organised lunch time staff walks through the local streets. Andrew Stuck joins him one lunchtime, not on any particular route, as we wander around trying to find less noisy streets on which to record this interview. Whether in Istanbul or in Rome, his two favourite destinations for urban walking, Tom likes taking a stroll to explore and uncover the less obvious lived histories of city streets. 23'44" 11.1MB

Notes from the podcast interview by **Andrew Stuck**: Recorded on a walk in the streets surrounding Lonely Planet's offices on Blackfriars Road, between Southwark Road and the Imperial War Museum in December 2016, Published in May 2018 on http://www.talkingwalking.net

Lonely Planet: https://www.lonelyplanet.com/

All Hallow's Garden, Copperfield Street http://www.exploringsouthwark.co.uk/copperfield-street-garden/4591039964

Depeche Mode - "I just can't get enough" https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Depeche Mode

"Going 2 streets over." Spotting the details of the buildings of Bankside and Borough.

https://consultations.southwark.gov.uk/planning-and-regeneration/new-southwark-plan/user_uploads/nsp-avsa-po-bankside-and-the-borough.pdf

Charles Dickens Primary School https://www.charlesdickens.southwark.sch.uk/ Charles Dickens: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_Dickens

Ryan air https://corporate.ryanair.com/about-us/history-of-ryanair/

Tom's favourtie overseas destination is Istanbul - a fabulous walking city - Strolling through Istanbul - Hilary Sumner-Boyd & John Freely (Tom mistakenly attributes this book in the interview) https://www.amazon.co.uk/Strolling-through-Istanbul-Classic-Paperbacks/dp/1848851545 / https://www.telegraph.co.uk/travel/artsandculture/travelbooks/7016817/Travel-book-reviews-Strolling-through-Istanbul-and-Across-America.html

Valens aqueduct: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Valens Aqueduct

Bosphorus https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bosphorus

The Golden Horn https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Golden Horn

Blue Badge guides - http://britainsbestguides.org/

Geraldine Mary Harmsworth Park https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geraldine_Mary_Harmsworth_Park Imperial War Museum https://www.iwm.org.uk/

Haiku composition walkshop http://www.museumofwalking.org.uk/about/events-archive/haiku-encounter/first-thursday-haiku-on-foot/

Natural History Museum http://www.nhm.ac.uk/

Kennington Oval https://www.kiaoval.com/ First ever FA Cup Final https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wanderers F.C.

Tom's recommendation for a walk:

- 1. Go to Rome, taking the metro to Circus Maximus stroll through the medieval part, the Campo de Fiori https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Campo_de%27_Fiori
- 2. In London, cross Blackfriars Bridge, south to north, and then cut up through the old precinct of the Blackfriars, to Ludgate Hill and St Paul's stopping by Paul's Cross