

Time Hunters

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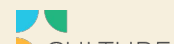
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The City Garden Trail

Greyfriars to the Guildhall · 9 stops · about 2 hours with the podcast

Become a Time Hunter

Professor Horatio Pendulum, keeper of the Timeaporium Clock Shop, built the Chronosphere — a machine for peering safely into history. But it has overloaded, scattering time fragments across the City. History is leaking! Follow the numbered stops and the podcast's riddles to find the lost fragments and set everything back in its rightful time.

How the hunt works

Listen to the podcast.

Every stop has a riddle, read aloud in the Time Hunters podcast, that points you to the next place on the trail.

Hunt down all the stops.

There's no route drawn on the map, on purpose — the best ways go down tiny alleys we didn't want to give away. Follow the numbers and explore.

Solve the missions.

Each stop sets a mission — a plaque to find, a carving to count, a detail to spot. Grown-ups get a printable answer key to check them.

Cross the eras.

The map is torn into coloured shards, one for each era, Roman through Modern. Cross from one colour to another and you've time-travelled.

7 St Alphage & Salters' Garden

London Wall

A garden woven through medieval church ruins and a surviving stretch of the City wall.

DID YOU KNOW?
St Alphage recalls an archbishop killed by Viking raiders with ox bones in 1012.

MISSION

Find the statue of the Minotaur. What date does it show?

★ **CHRONO BONUS**
See if you can pose like the Minotaur.

8 St Mary Aldermanbury Garden

Love Lane

A garden where a church once stood — the church was shipped stone-by-stone to America.

DID YOU KNOW?
It honours Heminge and Condell, who printed Shakespeare's plays as the First Folio.

MISSION

Find the Shakespeare memorial and the date beside the word 'London'.

★ **CHRONO BONUS**
The First Folio saved 18 plays never printed before — name one.

1 Christchurch Greyfriars

Newgate Street

A Wren church left roofless by the Blitz, now a rose garden beside old Christ's Hospital.

DID YOU KNOW?
Christ's Hospital, the 'Bluecoat School', still dresses its pupils in Tudor-blue coats.

MISSION

Find the bronze schoolchildren and the year the school was founded.

★ **CHRONO BONUS**
Strike a pose like the children in the statue.

2 Sir Rowland Hill Statue

King Edward Street

The man who invented the Penny Post and the first stamp, so anyone could send a letter.

DID YOU KNOW?
Before his Penny Black, the person receiving a letter had to pay — and often refused it.

MISSION

Find Sir Rowland's statue and note the year on it.

★ **CHRONO BONUS**
Post a card home from a nearby postbox.

9 Guildhall

Guildhall Yard

The City's medieval town hall, where London has been governed for over 800 years.

DID YOU KNOW?
The giants Gog and Magog guard the great hall, which survived Fire and Blitz.

MISSION

Find the carved date George Dance built the Guildhall's East Wing.

★ **CHRONO BONUS**
Strike a pose like the statue of Dick Whittington.

3 Postman's Park

King Edward Street

A hidden park with a wall of tiles, each remembering someone who died to save another.

DID YOU KNOW?
It's named for the postal workers next door who once ate their lunch here.

MISSION

At the memorial, find the dates for Sarah Smith and Leigh Pitt.

★ **CHRONO BONUS**
Choose the plaque that moves you most and say why.

4 Goldsmiths' Garden

Gresham Street

A sunken garden on the site of a church burned in the Great Fire and never rebuilt.

DID YOU KNOW?
The Goldsmiths still test the nation's coins each year in the ancient Trial of the Pyx.

MISSION

Opposite, find the livery-hall marker on the wall and its year.

★ **CHRONO BONUS**
Sketch the carved cat's head nearby.

5 The Roman Wall

Noble Street

The ragged stone stumps of London's Roman wall and fort, laid nearly 2,000 years ago.

DID YOU KNOW?
You can still trace the rounded south-west corner of the old Roman fort here.

MISSION

Find the information board at the south end. What year was the wall completed?

★ **CHRONO BONUS**
Find two blue plaques for lost livery Halls nearby.

6 Cripplegate

Wood Street

One of the gates in London's old wall — beggars once asked for alms beside it.

DID YOU KNOW?
A legend says lame beggars were cured here as a Saxon king's body passed by in 1010.

MISSION

Find the plaque with the year Cripplegate was demolished.

★ **CHRONO BONUS**
Trace the line of the old city wall north from here.

Keep your eyes peeled

Tick these off anywhere along the walk.

- ☐ **A golden dragon**
the City's guardian — on posts and shields
- ☐ **A ghost sign**
an old painted advert fading on the bricks
- ☐ **A blue plaque**
'someone remarkable was here'
- ☐ **A boundary mark**
a little plate where two old parishes meet
- ☐ **A date carved in stone**
buildings are proud of their birthdays
- ☐ **A livery badge**
each ancient guild has its own crest
- ☐ **A weather-vane**
which way is the wind, up on the roofs?
- ☐ **A narrow alley**
the best ways through the City hide down these