



London Homestay



Immerse yourself in local culture and hospitality with a selected host family.

Ready to have an authentic experience? Choose a homestay and live like a Londoner! Staying with local London hosts offers you a unique way to experience life in England's capital. Homestays provide safe, comfortable accommodation to international students like you who want to discover the local community and gain an insight into daily life in London.

Your Accommodation

Living in a homestay accommodation is the best way to practise your English outside the classroom daily while also experiencing the diverse culture of London. While staying with your hosts, you will be welcomed into their home and treated as a close friend. You will have your own freedom while expected to respect their rules and expectations.

A homestay in the UK may consist of an adult couple, with or without children, or a single adult. There may also be other international students, up to three, staying with you at the accommodation, possibly of a different nationality speaking their native language different from your own.

Homestays in London are of many different nationalities and backgrounds, but the main language spoken in the house will be English.

Homestays are arranged by our accommodation partner, Hosts International who are registered with the British Council.

Housing

Housing varies here in London. You may be placed in a house (either semi-detached/terrace or fully detached), a bungalow or a flat/apartment.

Room type

Single

Bathroom

Standard: Shared
Comfort: Private

Board status

Bed & Breakfast, Half Board or Self Catering

Available

Year-round

Arrival and departure

Saturday/Saturday

Arrival and Departure

Available: Year-round

Arrival day: Saturday

Departure day: Saturday

Contact

Phone number: [+44 \(0\) 207 242 3787](tel:+442072423787)

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Laundry

Bed linen and towels as part of the accommodation. One free laundry wash per week is provided, with additional washing services available at the host's discretion.

Room Options

You can choose between single or twin rooms. All rooms come fully furnished with a bed, desk or table, storage space (either a chest of drawers or a wardrobe), a mirror, and a wastepaper bin. Some rooms may include a TV.

WiFi

Internet access is included, and phone usage is restricted to incoming calls only.

Meal Description

A variety of food is provided. Homestay providers may adjust the type of food offered when taking into consideration religious beliefs. It is important to mention this at the time of your booking. Vegetarians, or people with food allergies should specify their eating options upon booking so this can be shared with their host prior to arrival.

Breakfast

Breakfast varies from one homestay to another. It is usually self-service and includes bread, coffee and cereal. Hosts are encouraged to offer students whatever is typical for their home. Students will eat whatever the hosts eat, and we encourage them to set the table or clear up after dinner.

Dinner

Dinners are usually quite early in Britain, but hosts will inform the student of the time when they eat. It is important that the student informs the host beforehand should they be late or are not having dinner.

Arrangement and Transport

Journey to school

These details will be provided along with each host's profile upon booking. Students should be prepared to travel by public transport to school with the average journey taking between 30 and 60 minutes. Times are approximate. For information on prices, please refer [here](#)

Host Family Locations

Homestays are in different areas of the city.

House Rules

- Special dietary may be accommodated subject to availability at a fee per week.
- Twin Rooms only available for two students booking together.
- Some homes may have pets. Should students be allergic or prefer not to live with a pet they should indicate this on their preferences when booking.
- Smoking is not permitted in any of the homestays.
- Special requirements must be specified when booking this type of accommodation.
- Students arriving in EC accommodation between 22.00 – 08.00 may be asked to book alternative accommodation for their first night. This is to ensure student's safety on arrival.
- Students are required to follow [EC Student Code](#) of Conduct, failure to do so can



result in termination of the accommodation.

For more accommodation terms and conditions please refer to [EC accommodation policy](#).

Cancellations

Cancellation prior to arrival

Students cancelling fewer than 14 days before arrival will be charged a two-week accommodation fee at the standard accommodation rate and accommodation placement fees.

Cancellation after arrival

Students leaving their accommodation must give notice in writing 4 weeks prior to termination. After deducting the price of accommodation used, including the required notice period, charged at standard accommodation rates, students will be refunded the remaining accommodation costs. If the 4-week notice period is not provided, a cancellation fee equal to 4 weeks of the accommodation cost will apply.

