



Photowalks

Six walks for families

To interesting places starting from
Christ Church C of E School, Brick Lane, E1



Introduction

Parents of pupils at Christ Church, Church of England Primary School, in Brick Lane, East London have made this book to help families explore their local neighbourhood. The area is very mixed and interesting, a home to many communities. Brick Lane is where the East End meets the City of London.

The parents, all mothers, spent five months learning digital photography, taking photos when they walked in different directions from the school. They were supported by a photographer and designer from local arts charity Magic Me and by volunteers from international legal practice Allen & Overy LLP.

Many thanks to Allen & Overy for funding the project and designing this book. We hope you enjoy our Photowalks, using the maps and photos to guide you.

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Each Photowalk starts and ends at Christ Church C of E School, Brick Lane, E1.
Look for the school logo to help you find your way:



Walk I

This walk is the longest and runs over four pages. Visit interesting and useful buildings, old and new. See where the bell 'Big Ben' was made, or visit the health centre, East London Mosque or Whitechapel Art Gallery. Buy fresh fruit and vegetables, or borrow books and DVDs at the Idea Store.

For more information

www.whitechapelgallery.org

www.whitechapelbellfoundry.co.uk

www.eastlondonmosque.org.uk

www.bartsandthelondon.nhs.uk

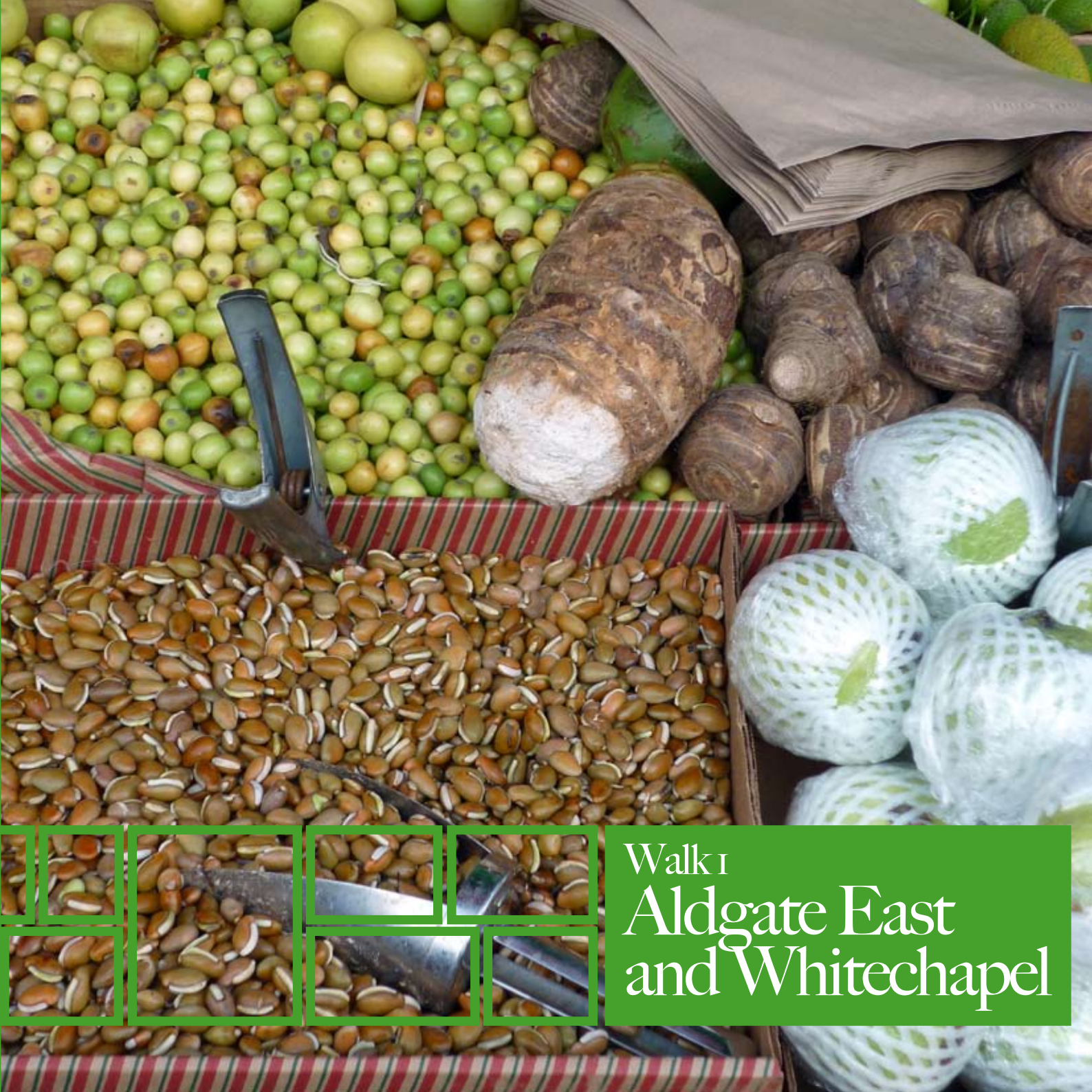
www.ideastore.co.uk

www.gll.org/centre/whitechapel-sports-centre.asp

www.jagonari.org.uk

Main photo: Whitechapel Market

Aldgate East and Whitechapel



Walk 1
Aldgate East
and Whitechapel

Walk 1 Turn right out of the School 1 down Brick Lane, past the Spitalfields Health Centre 2. At Whitechapel Road, turn right. Whitechapel Art Gallery 3 is on your right, next to Aldgate East tube station. Go in and see an exhibition, or cross over Whitechapel Road and walk to your left. You will find the Whitechapel Bell Foundry 4 on your right, then later the East London Mosque and London Muslim Centre 5. Keep walking and you will reach the Royal London Hospital 6. Go on past the Post Office then cross over the road and you will be in Whitechapel Market 7.

Walk 1 continues on the next page.



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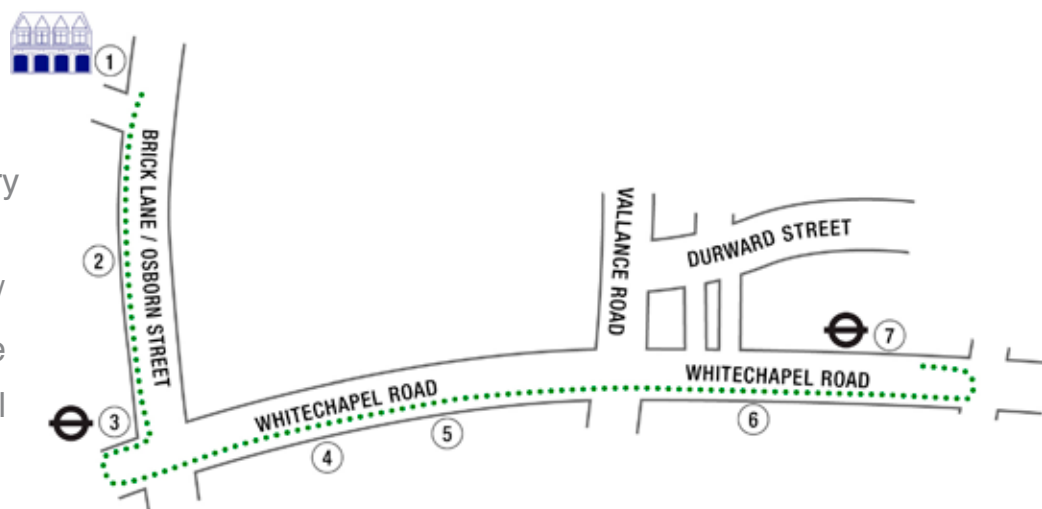


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Walk 1 Aldgate East and Whitechapel

- 1 School
- 2 Health Centre
- 3 Whitechapel Art Gallery
- 4 Bell Foundry
- 5 East London Mosque /
London Muslim Centre
- 6 Royal London Hospital
- 7 Whitechapel Market

Average adult walking
time with no stops: 25
minutes



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Walk I continued

The Idea Store **8** is at the start of Whitechapel Market. Join the library and borrow a book, or walk on, past Whitechapel Tube Station **9** until you come to Court Street. Turn right and the street takes you to Whitechapel Sports Centre **10**. Turn left and along Durward Street, then left into Vallance Road. At Whitechapel Road turn right and walk along to Jagonari **11**, then back to Osborn Street which turns into Brick Lane, and up to the School.



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Aldgate East and Whitechapel



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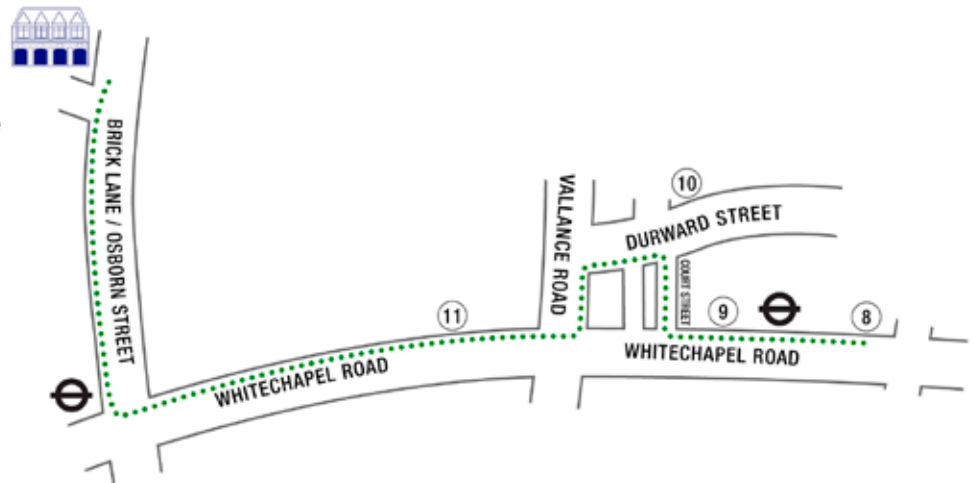
8 Idea Store

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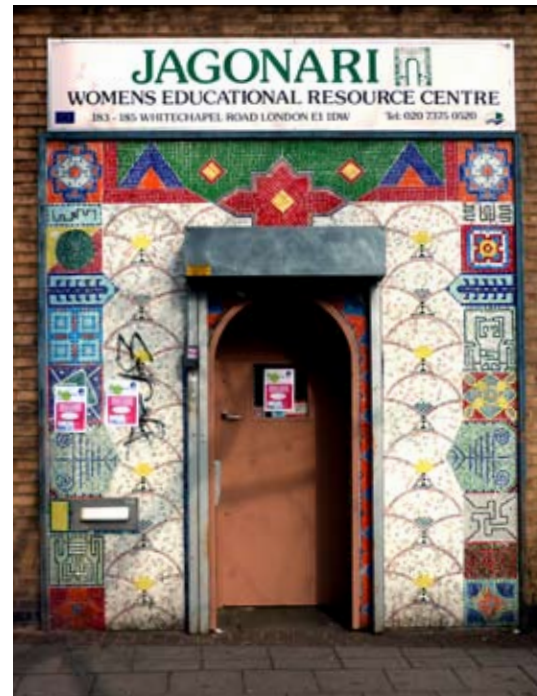
Average adult walking
time with no stops: 30
minutes



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Walk 2

This walk shows you a mix of old and modern buildings around Spitalfields and the edge of the City of London. Spitalfields Market used to sell fruit and vegetables, but now has many shops and different stalls selling special foods, antiques and clothes. Get a train from Liverpool Street station to the sea at Clacton or Southend, or visit the Essex or Norfolk countryside.

For more information:

www.visitspitalfields.com

www.ccsitalfields.org

www.spitalfieldsvenue.org

Main photo: inside Spitalfields Market

Bishopsgate and Spitalfields



Walk 2
Bishopsgate
and Spitalfields

Walk 2 Turn left out of School **1** and left again into Fournier Street.

Walk up to Commercial Street, cross the road and go into Spitalfields Market **2**. Go from the old market through the new shops. Visit the rabbit sculptures **3** near Allen & Overy's office. Turn round back to Brushfield Street, pass the white tent and turn right, up to Bishopsgate. Cross Bishopsgate, go up the stairs to the Arcade **4** and walk left to Liverpool Street Station **5**. Cross back over Bishopsgate, turn left and keep walking until you can turn right into Brushfield Street. Walk to the end and cross Commercial Street. Turn right past Christ Church **6**, left into Fashion Street, then left again at Brick Lane.



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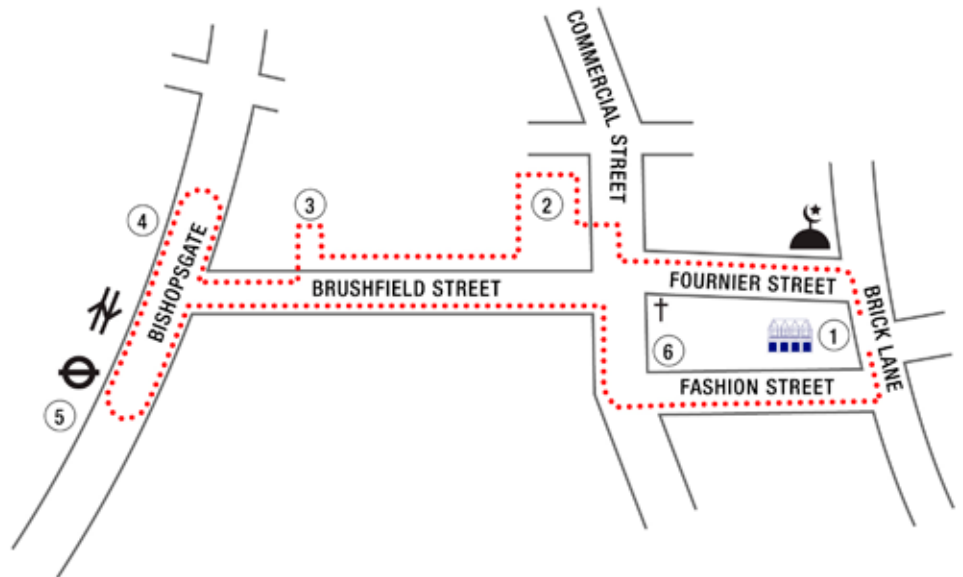
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Walk 2

Bishopsgate and Spitalfields

- 1 School
- 2 Spitalfields Market
- 3 Rabbit sculptures
- 4 Bishopsgate Arcade
- 5 Liverpool Street Station
- 6 Christ Church

Average adult walking time
with no stops: 35 minutes



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Walk 3

Christ Church, the masterpiece of architect Nicholas Hawksmoor, completed in 1729, is one of the grandest buildings in Commercial Street. The Church founded Christ Church Primary School over 300 years ago. On this walk you will also visit the famous Petticoat Lane market with many clothes stalls and special African shops. Look out for the old clock and the horse sculpture in Cutlers Gardens, or visit Bishopsgate Institute for adult classes, free concerts and talks.

For more information:

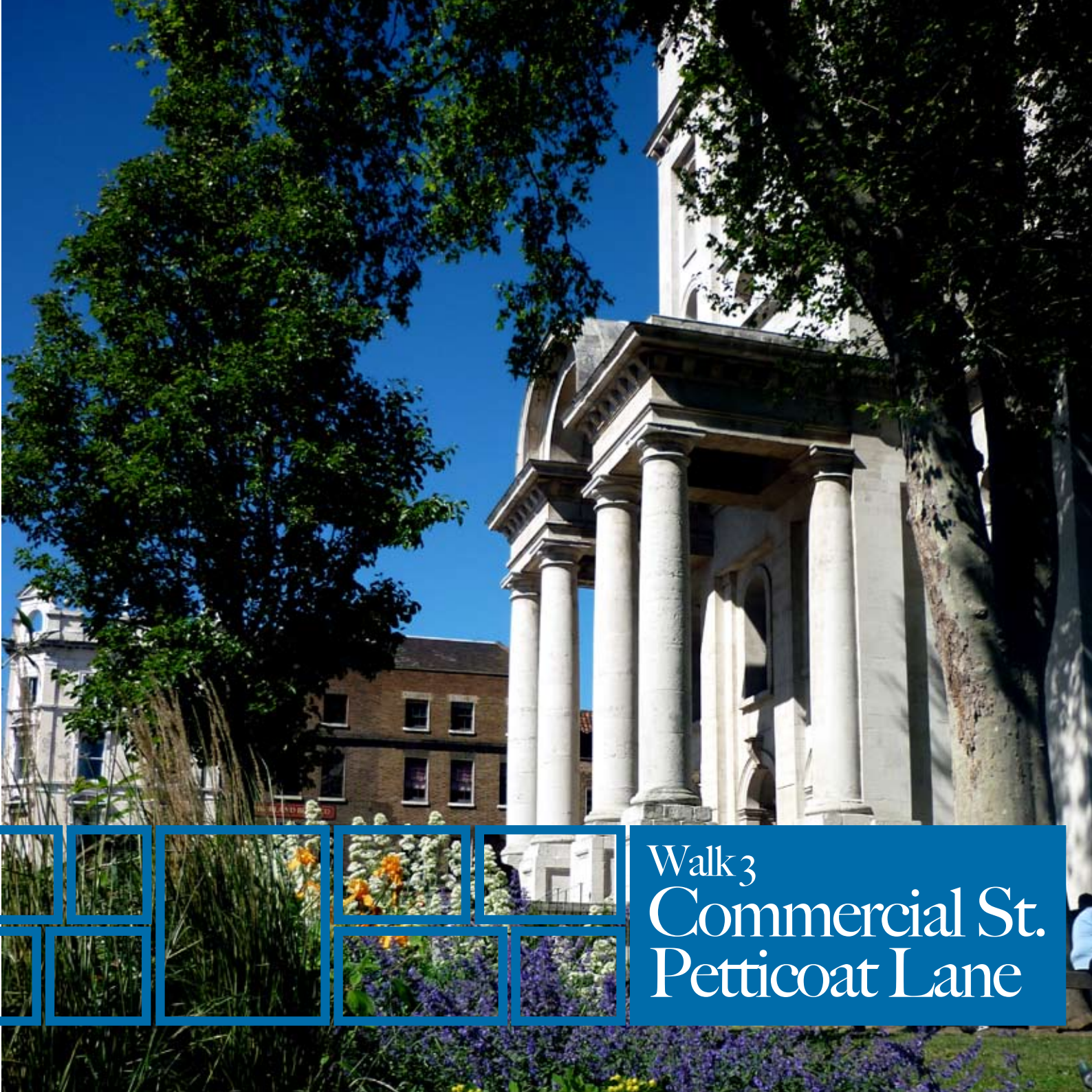
www.ccsptalfelds.org

www.spitalfieldsvenue.org

www.bishopsgate.org.uk

Main photo: Christ Church Spitalfields

Commercial St. and Petticoat Lane



Walk 3
Commercial St.
Petticoat Lane

Walk 3 Turn right out of the School **1** then right into Fashion Street. Cross Commercial Street at the traffic lights and walk left into Toynbee Street. Walk along and at the end turn right into Wentworth Street, the start of Petticoat Lane Market **2**. Follow the market and turn right into Middlesex Street, for more stalls on Sundays. Turn left into Harrow Place and on the right take a narrow path between the office buildings to Cutlers Gardens. Walk straight ahead. On your right look for the old clock **3** and horse sculpture **4**, next to the offices. Walk out through the arch, then through another arch into New Street. At the end is Liverpool Street Station **5**.



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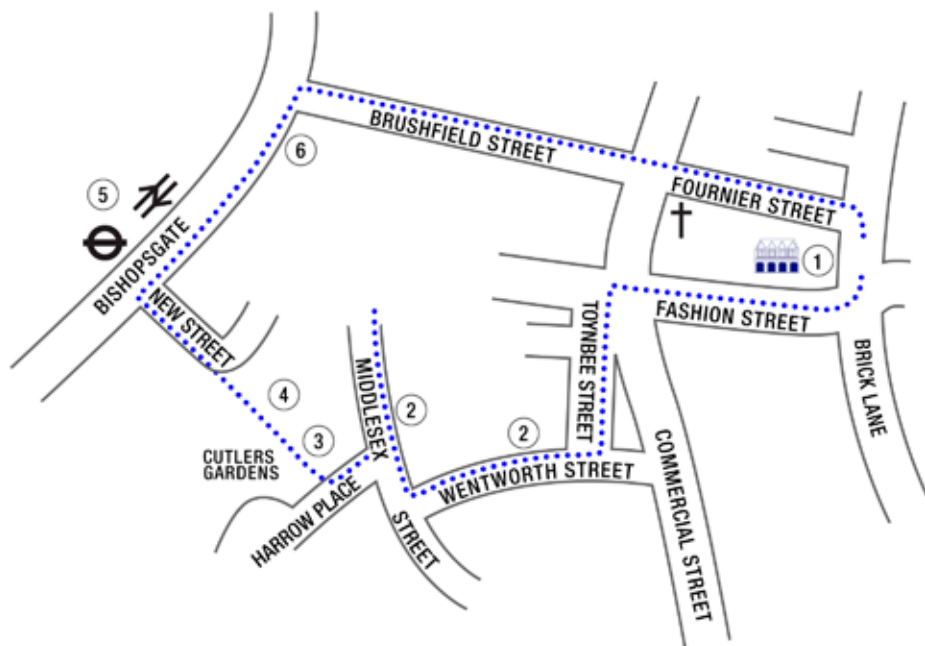


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Walk 3 Commercial St. Petticoat Lane

- 1 School
- 2 Petticoat Lane Market
- 3 Clock
- 4 Horse Sculpture
- 5 Liverpool Street Station
- 6 Bishopsgate Institute

Average adult walking time
with no stops: 40 minutes



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Turn right into Bishopsgate 6.
Walk along and turn right into
Brushfield Street. At the end
cross Commercial Street and
carry on down Fournier Street,
back to Brick Lane and School.

Walk 4

This walk takes you up Brick Lane, busy with Bengali restaurants, food and other shops and the famous Sunday markets in ‘the Lane’, and at Truman Brewery. Brick Lane Jamme Masjid (Great Mosque) was built in 1743 as a Protestant Chapel, became a Synagogue in the 19th Century, then a Mosque in 1976. Join community events and classes at St Hilda’s East Community Centre or Heba, or enjoy arts events and films at Rich Mix.

For more information:

www.trumanbrewery.com

www.ssba.info/heba.aboutus.html

www.richmix.org.uk

www.sthildas.org.uk

Main photo: Brick Lane

Brick Lane and Shoreditch



Walk 4
Brick Lane
and Shoreditch

Walk 4 Cross Brick Lane in front of the School **1** and turn left up the road, past the Mosque **2**. You will see Truman Brewery **3** on the left and Heba **4** on the right, with lots of other shops and restaurants to visit. At the top of Brick Lane cross Bethnal Green Road and walk left to Rich Mix **5**. Keep walking and turn right into Club Row, to find St Hilda's East Community Centre **6**.



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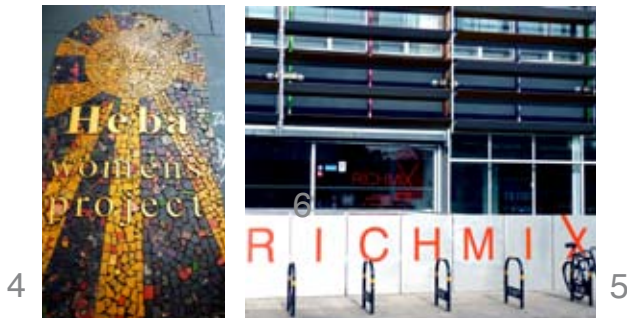
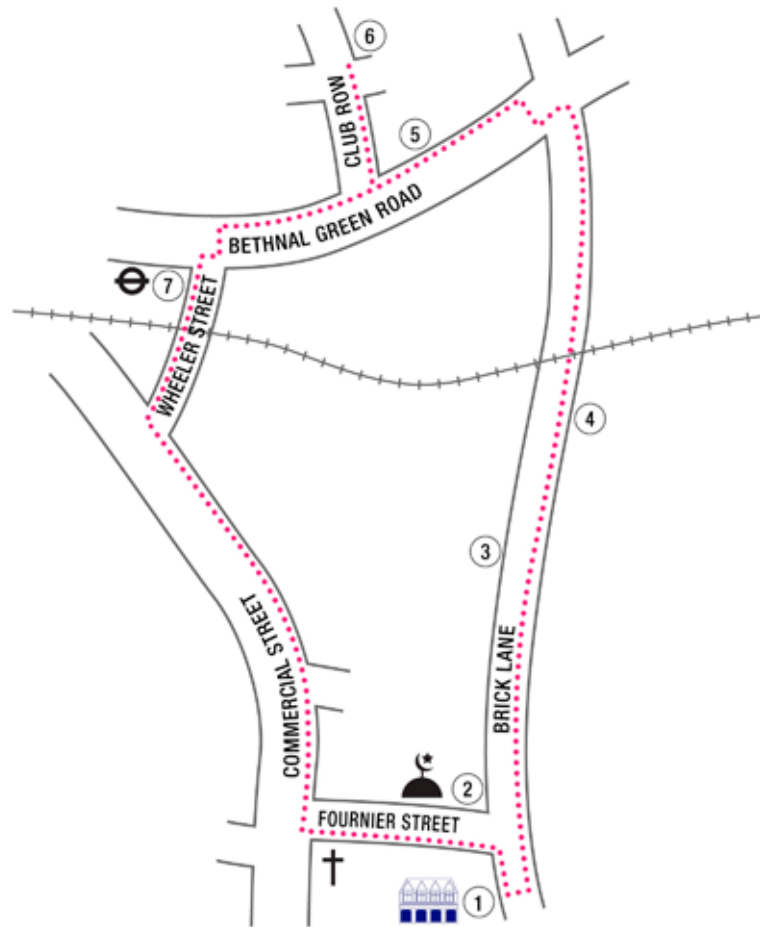
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Walk 4 Brick Lane and Shoreditch

Come back to Bethnal Green Road, cross over to the new Shoreditch High Street Station **7**. Follow Wheeler Street, under the train lines. Turn left into Commercial Street and walk until you come to Christ Church. Turn left into Fournier Street, back up to Brick Lane.

- 1 School
- 2 Brick Lane Mosque
- 3 Truman Brewery
- 4 Heba
- 5 Rich Mix arts centre
- 6 St Hilda's East Community Centre
- 7 Shoreditch High Street Tube Station

Average adult walking time
with no stops: 40 minutes



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Walk 5

This walk shows you many useful and fun places to visit in just one street! Kobi Nazrul Centre and Brady Arts Centre, both run by London Borough of Tower Hamlets, offer cultural and arts events and activities for all ages; learn to dance or take photos, or enjoy a play or concert. Montefiore Children's Centre welcomes children under 5 and their carers for health, education, play and much more. Also in the Montefiore Centre are organisations offering learning and training for adults and young people.

For more information:

www.towerhamletsarts.org.uk

(for Kobi Nazrul and Brady Arts Centres)

www.towerhamlets.gov.uk

(for Sure Start centres)

Main photo: Kobi Nazrul Centre

Hanbury Street

Kobi Nazrul Centre



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Walk 5
Hanbury
Street

Walk 5 Turn left out of the School **1** and walk until you turn left into Hanbury Street. On the left is Kobi Nazrul Centre **2**. Cross the street to go into the carpark and entrance to Truman Brewery **3**. Look out for the flying car! Turn back along Hanbury Street, cross Brick Lane **4**. Further, on your left, you will come to Monefiore Sure Start Children's Centre and Montefiore Centre **5**. Keep walking. On the right is Brady Arts Centre **6**. Turn round and walk back along Hanbury Street. Turn left into Spelman Street, right into Princelet Street, back to Brick Lane.



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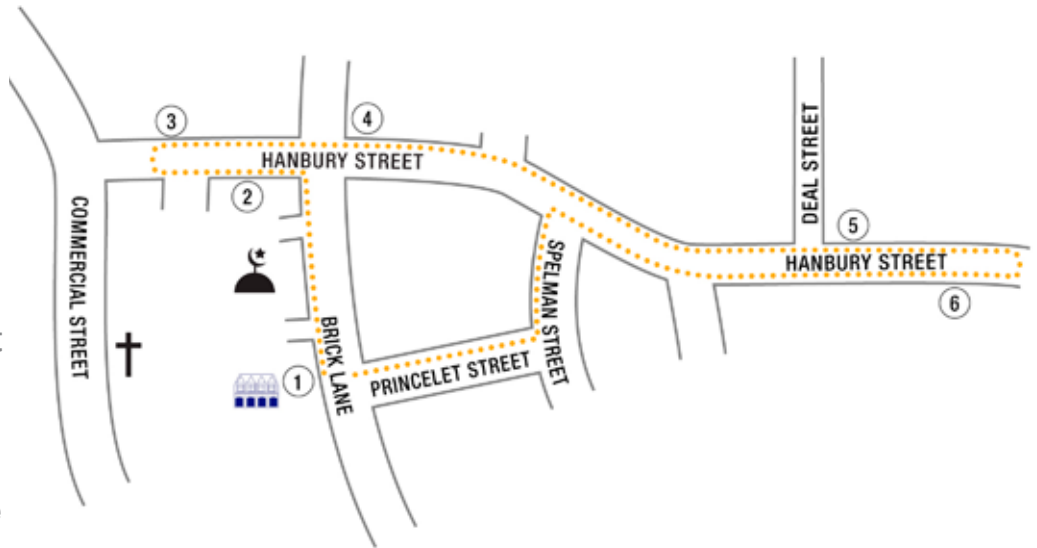


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Walk 5 Hanbury Street

- 1 School
- 2 Kobi Nazrul Centre
- 3 Truman Brewery
- 4 Brick Lane
- 5 Montefiore Centre /
Montefiore Sure Start
Children's Centre
- 6 Brady Arts Centre

Average adult walking time
with no stops: 30 minutes



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Walk 6

Open green space is important for families and everyone needs places to run around, chat to friends or sit and enjoy the sun.

Visit the Spitalfields City Farm, for free, to meet the animals, learn new skills or buy fresh eggs or plants. Relax on the grass in Elder Gardens or next to the sculpture in Exchange Square.

Enjoy window boxes and flower pots outside homes and businesses. Did you know that Allen & Overy have a 10th floor roof terrace with grass and plants for their staff and visitors?

For more information:

www.spitalfieldscityfarm.org

Main photo: Spitalfields City Farm

City Farm and Open Spaces



Walk 6
City Farm and
Open Spaces

Walk 6 Turn left out of School 1. Walk up Brick Lane and turn right, along Buxton Street. On the left is Spitalfields City Farm 2. Walk back to Brick Lane, turn left and walk back to turn right into Hanbury Street. Keep walking across Commercial Street into Lamb Street. On the right is Elder Gardens 3. Enjoy the plants then keep going along Lamb Street which turns into Spital Square. Cross over Bishopsgate into Primrose Street. On the left, climb the wide stairs in front of Exchange House. Walk under the building into Exchange Square 4.



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Walk 6 City Farm and Open Spaces

Leave by the side exit back to Bishopsgate. Cross over and go right, then turn left into Brushfield Street. At the end, cross Commercial Street to find Christ Church Gardens 5. Turn right past the church into Fournier Street and back to Brick Lane.

- 1 School
- 2 Spitalfields City Farm
- 3 Elder Gardens
- 4 Exchange Square
- 5 Christ Church Gardens

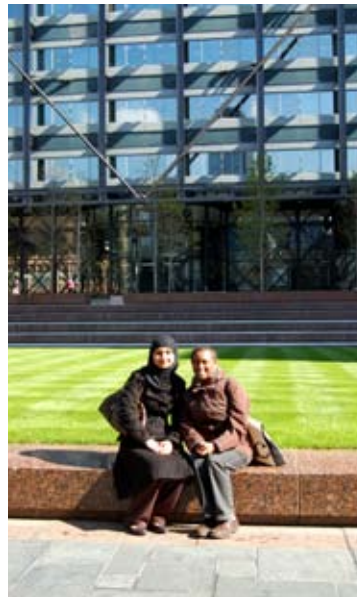
Average adult walking time
with no stops: 45 minutes



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Making this book



Photowalks' aim was to encourage parents to explore the wide range of interesting places that exist beyond our school on Brick Lane, to build their confidence by walking the routes, taking photos and creating this book.

The parents said, "The project helped me feel more confident to take my children to different places locally, including many we had never seen before."





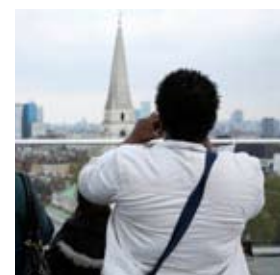
“We visited St Hilda’s East Community Centre, the Bell Foundry, Rich Mix and Elder Gardens. It has been great learning with other parents, working together.”

“Thank you to Allen & Overy. Our kids really enjoyed visiting you, especially the roof garden. Thanks to Susan and Anita for showing us the process and helping us make this book.”



Volunteers from Allen & Overy joined the parents for the weekly sessions. One volunteer said,

“It is great to be involved in the Magic Me project – the sessions that I have attended have been (from start to finish) a lot of fun. All participants (parents and volunteers) have shown enthusiasm during the sessions. Through Magic Me, parents and volunteers have acquired a fresh way of looking at this diverse and lively local area - this can only be positive for all”





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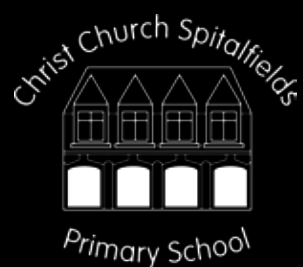
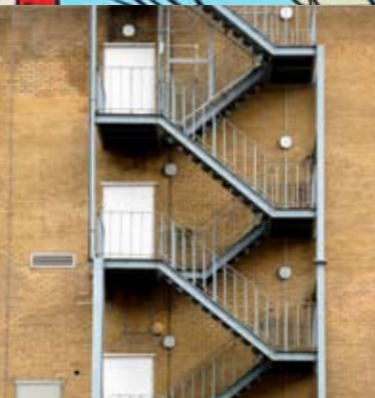
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