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## LONDON'S MOST MAGICAL CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE AT BATTERSEA POWER STATION

- Battersea Power Station will transform into London's most magical destination this festive period with sparkling lights, Christmas trees galore, supersize decorations and the return of the capital's only riverside ice rink, Glide
- Family-friendly activities, arts and craft sessions and live performances including carols from the Battersea Power Station Community Choir will get visitors into the Christmas spirit
- The Power Station's mix of over 140 shops, bars, restaurants and entertainment venues make it the perfect spot for a festive day out this Christmas
- Christmas markets championing independent businesses will also be popping up in the building's historic turbine halls throughout November and December

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*Caption: Battersea Power Station is a must-visit destination this festive season*

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas as Battersea Power Station, London's exciting new riverside neighbourhood, is transformed into one of the capital's most magical and festive destinations between **9th November 2023 - 7th January 2024**.

The iconic building's turbine halls and the wider riverside neighbourhood will be decked out in sparkling lights with more than 120 Christmas trees of all shapes and sizes including a stunning 40ft tree in Malaysia Square dressed with over 2,000 baubles. Supersize decorations including a larger-than-life bauble installation in the riverside piazza and a trail of giant candy canes on Electric

Boulevard, add an extra touch of magic and offer the perfect opportunity to capture festive selfies with friends and family.

A series of festive arts and craft sessions with options for both adults and little ones, will offer the chance to get creative over the holidays, including a floral table setting workshop from London's oldest and most prestigious florists, **Moyses Stevens**, Christmas card and wrapping paper decorating, bauble painting and Macrame wreath making to name a few. There will also be lots of seasonal games, facepainting and storytelling for all to enjoy. Plus, Father Christmas will be making special appearances throughout December, perfect for kids to hand-deliver their Christmas wish lists.

The Power Station's turbine halls will be filled with the sound of Christmas with live performances including carols from the **Battersea Power Station Community Choir** and Elf Flash Mob Dance sessions for children to put their dance moves to the test.

When it comes to finding one-of-a-kind gifts or partywear for the festive season, Battersea Power Station is a one-stop shop with renowned British and international brands available across the neighbourhood including **ME+EM, Aesop, Space NK, Reformation, Massimo Dutti, Uniqlo, Hackett, ZARA, Rituals, Boss, Mulberry and Jigsaw**. The historic turbine halls will also be home to a series of Christmas markets this festive season, including **Curated Makers Christmas Market** and **Salad Days Market**, where visitors can browse a number of small independent brands offering handmade clothing, accessories, homewares and delicious festive treats.

After all the gift hunting, visitors can head to the capital's only riverside ice rink, **Jo Malone London presents Glide at Battersea Power Station**, as it returns with a bang to Power Station Park for a second season of unforgettable open-air ice-skating against the backdrop of the Grade II\* listed building's iconic chimneys. For a unique experience off the ice, visitors can 'hurry up a chimney' at the **Lift 109** experience where awe-inspiring 360 degree views of London's Christmas lights from the sky await. **The Cinema in The Power Station** in Turbine Hall B is also the perfect spot to watch a Christmas classic such as Elf and Love Actually or latest blockbuster on the big screen.

All this festive fun is hungry work so it's a good job there are over 40 eateries across the riverside neighbourhood to refuel with many offering special Christmas menus including **Fiume, Tapas Brindisa** and **JOIA at art'otel Battersea Power Station**, which is also open on Christmas Day. Foodies will be able to enjoy London's beloved **Dishoom** and the UK's first **tashas**, a café concept from South Africa, both of which are opening their doors on Electric Boulevard during the festive season. Visitors can also raise a glass to the holidays at 1950s all-day inspired bar, **Control Room B** in Turbine Hall B, and the newly opened **Searcys Champagne Bar** in Turbine Hall A.

With Christmas party season just around the corner, Battersea Power Station offers some great venue options from singing your favourite tunes in **BAO's** private karaoke room, going head-to-head at ping pong or shuffleboard at **Bounce** or enjoying cuisines from around the globe, delicious cocktails and DJ sets at **Arcade Food Hall**.

**Sam Cotton, Head of Asset Management at Battersea Power Station Development Company, said:**

*"Battersea Power Station offers a magical day out for all this festive season with a great mix of shops, bars, restaurants and entertainment venues, the return of Glide, our riverside ice rink, live performances and creative workshops for all ages. There really is something for everyone and we look forward to welcoming visitors to the riverside neighbourhood this winter."*

Travelling to Battersea Power Station couldn't be easier with the Zone 1 Battersea Power Station Underground station bringing the riverside neighbourhood within 15 minutes of the West End and the City. Battersea Power Station also has its very own Uber Boat by Thames Clippers pier and is a 15-

minute journey from Embankment, 20 minutes from Blackfriars, 30 minutes from Putney and 40 minutes from Canary Wharf. The riverside neighbourhood is easily accessible by bus, bike, car and train too.

To discover more on the festive season at Battersea Power Station, please visit <https://batterseapowerstation.co.uk/events/christmas/>

For more information about Battersea Power Station, please visit [www.batterseapowerstation.co.uk](http://www.batterseapowerstation.co.uk) and follow @BatterseaPwrStn to keep up to date with the latest news and events.

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### **About Battersea Power Station**

Following an ambitious eight-year restoration, Battersea Power Station opened to the public for the first time in history on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022. The iconic landmark and surrounding area has been transformed into London's most exciting new mixed-use neighbourhood – a place for the local community, Londoners and visitors from further afield to shop, eat, drink, live, work and play.

Forty years after the Power Station was decommissioned, the Grade II\* listed building is now home to over 100 shops, bars, restaurants, 254 apartments, offices, leisure and entertainment venues including Lift 109, a unique glass elevator experience inside the building's north west chimney, The Cinema in The Power Station and Bounce Ping Pong.

Visitors to Battersea Power Station will find a mix of premium, high street and small independent brands such as ME+EM, A.P.C, ZARA, Hackett, Jigsaw, Levi's, Aesop, Uniqlo, the Battersea Bookshop, and Curated Makers. The riverside neighbourhood also offers a variety of dining options at over 30 cafes, bars and restaurants including the newly opened 24,000 sq ft Arcade Food Hall, which hosts 13 world cuisines on its menu.

The restoration of Battersea Power Station is the centrepiece of an ambitious regeneration programme that spans across 42 acres on a 450m stretch of the River Thames. When completed, this highly anticipated and innovative project will have created more than 20,000 new jobs, over 4,000 new homes, a new NHS medical facility and 19 acres of public space.

Additionally, with its own Uber Boat by Thames Clippers river bus pier and the new Zone 1 Battersea Power Station Underground station on the Northern Line, this central London destination is now easily accessible for all to enjoy.

For more information, please visit [www.batterseapowerstation.co.uk](http://www.batterseapowerstation.co.uk) and follow @BatterseaPwrStn to keep up with the latest news and events.