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In *Georgian London: Into the Streets*, Lucy Inglis takes readers on a tour of London's most formative age - the age of love, sex, intellect, art, great ambition and fantastic ruin.

Travel back to the Georgian years, a time that changed expectations of what life could be. Peek into the gilded drawing rooms of the aristocracy, walk down the quiet avenues of the new middle class, and crouch in the damp doorways of the poor. But watch your wallet - tourists make perfect prey for the thriving community of hawkers, prostitutes and scavengers.

Visit the madhouses of Hackney, the workshops of Soho and the mean streets of Cheapside. Have a coffee in the city, check the stock exchange, and pop into St Paul's to see progress on the new dome.

This book is about the Georgians who called London their home, from dukes and artists to rent boys and hot air balloonists meeting dog-nappers and life-models along the way. It investigates the legacies they left us in architecture and art, science and society, and shows the making of the capital millions know and love today.

'Read and be amazed by a city you thought you knew' Jonathan Foyle, World Monuments Fund

'Jam-packed with unusual insights and facts. A great read from a talented new historian' *Independent*

'Pacy, superbly researched. The real sparkle lies in its relentless cavalcade of insightful anecdotes . . .

There's much to treasure here' *Londonist*

'Inglis has a good ear for **the outlandish, the farcical, the bizarre and the macabre.** A wonderful popular history of Hanoverian London' *London Historians*

In 2009 Lucy Inglis began blogging on the lesser-known aspects of London during the Eighteenth Century - including food, immigration and sex- at GeorgianLondon.com. She lives in London with her husband. *Georgian London* is her first book.

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