

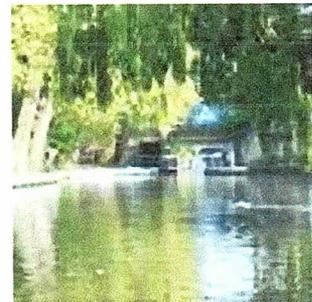
LITTLE VENICE in LONDON



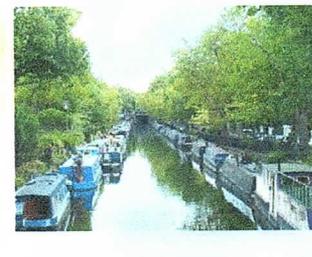
Have you ever been to Little Venice in London?

Probably you haven't because it would appear that not many people know this destination.

Little Venice is in the South area of Maida Vale (Warwick Station), to the west of Paddington, not far from Camden, where there is a famous market.



It was planned to join three canals: Regent's Canal, Grand Union Canal and Paddington Basin, to improve the fluvial navigation. This London Canal Network has not been used to transport goods for a long time. Nowadays, it is a place for a romantic stroll.



You can reach Little Venice by Regent's Canal, from Camden Lock where you get on a boat for about one hour.

Immediately, you are caught by an incredible contrast! In a peaceful green environment, the boat goes under delightful little bridges; you can see ducks and swans in the water.



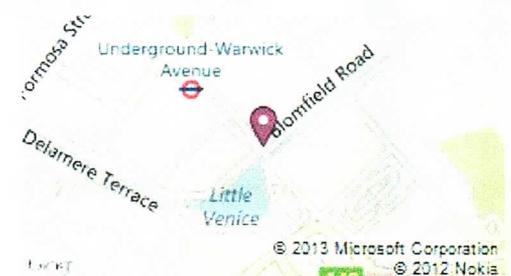
There are weeping willows, flowered terraces, some cafes and restaurants and a lot of coloured barges on each side. Some of them are used as houses. Many people have chosen this way of life far less expensive and so original!

A barge with all mod cons and a path at the back used as a garden: it is better than a flat in Notting Hill!



Regent's Canal is one of the best hidden secrets of London. The discovery of London, by water, is totally ignored by the traditional touristic tours and yet, it is so pleasant to discover some other very different districts of London.

Hurry up! This haven of peace is not invaded yet, but it won't be like that for ever ...



P.S.: From there, you can go to London zoo near Regent's Park by a shuttle ... and avoid the queue at the main entrance.