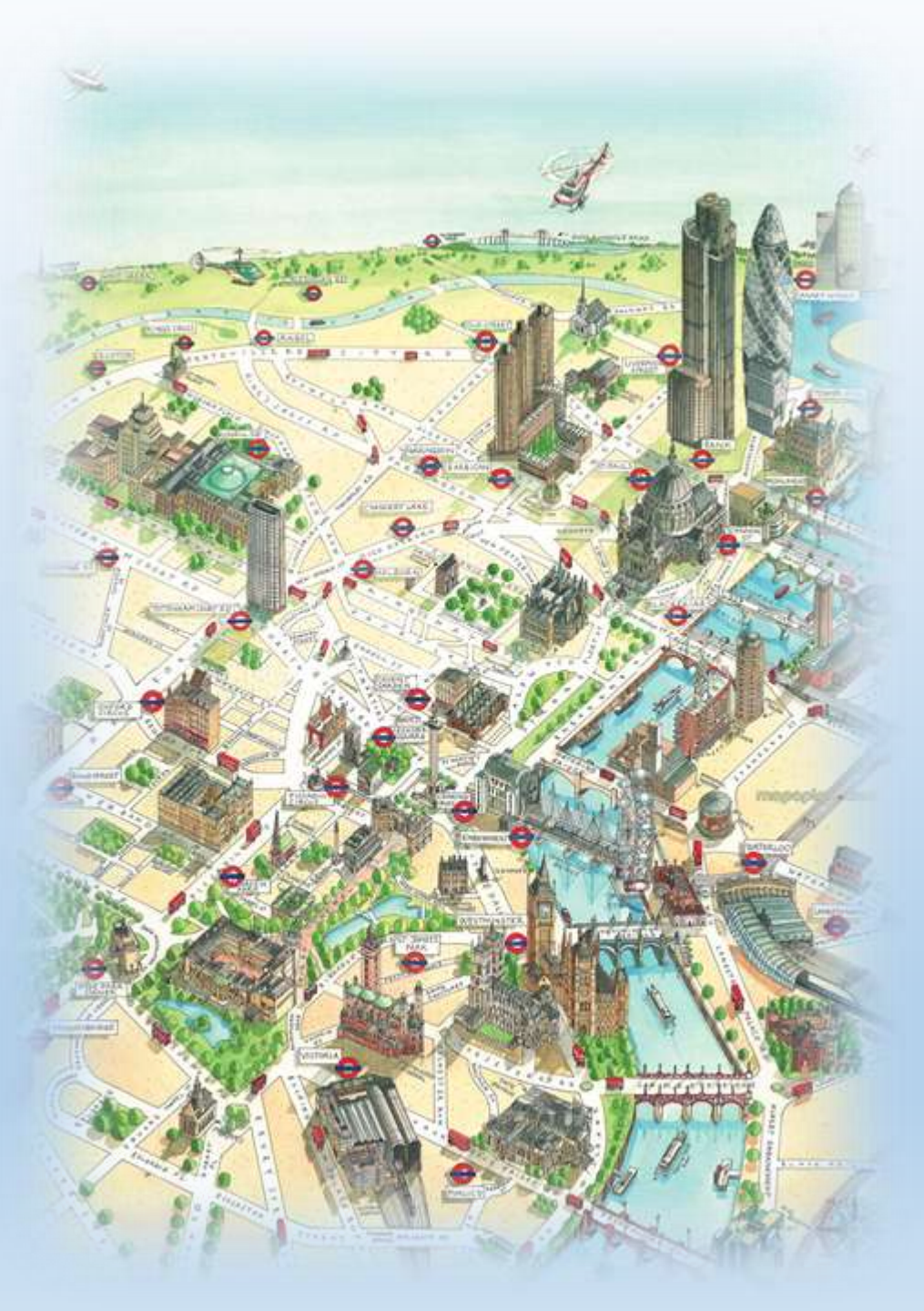


LONDON IS THE CAPITAL OF THE UK

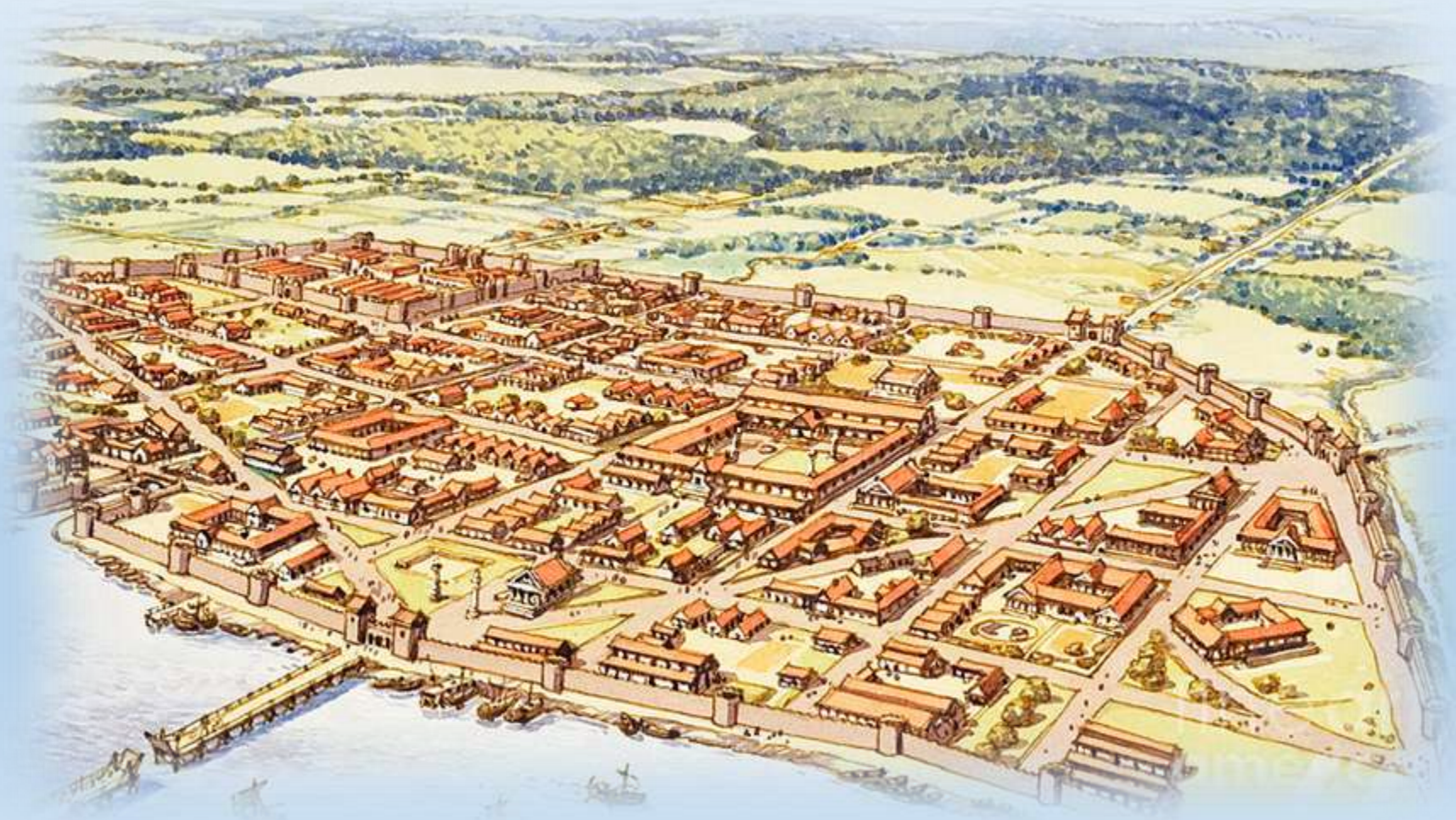


London is the capital and largest city of England and the United Kingdom.

It stands on the river Thames in the south-east of England.



The history of London goes back to 43 AD when Londinium was founded by the Romans.



The total area of London is 1572 square kilometers (607 square miles).

The population of London is about 9 million people.

London has a temperate oceanic climate.

The City of London is a main financial district. It is one of the largest financial centers in the world.



The West End is London's main entertainment and shopping district.

The East End is the area closest to the original Port of London, known for being one of the poorest areas in London.



Famous sight include:

The Tower of London

Tower Bridge

Buckingham Palace

Trafalgar square

St. Paul's Cathedral

The London Eye

The Tower of London

is a historic medieval castle, the oldest part of which dates back to 1078.



Westminster Abbey

is a World Heritage Site and one of London's oldest and the most important buildings.



Buckingham Palace

is the London residence and administrative headquarters of the monarch of the United Kingdom.

It has got 775 rooms, 19 State rooms, 52 Royal and guest bedrooms, 188 staff bedrooms, 92 offices and 78 bathrooms. The building is 108 meters long across the front, 120 meters deep and 24 meters high.



The London Eye

is an observation wheel on the South Bank of the River Thames. It was opened to public in 2000. The wheel is 135 meters tall and has a diameter of 120 meters.



St. Paul's Cathedral

is the seat of the Bishop of London.



Tower Bridge

crosses the River Thames close to the Tower of London and has become an iconic symbol of London.



Trafalgar square

is the largest square in London. This area has been a central meeting place since the Middle Ages. There is a tall column, honoring admiral Nelson in the middle of the square.



The London Underground

is the world's oldest and third-longest in the world.



London Heathrow Airport

is the biggest airport in Europe as well as the second biggest in the world for international passenger traffic.



Black London taxi

The red double decker bus is an iconic symbol of London.

