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David Hampshire : London's Best Shops Markets before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised London's Best Shops Markets:

The UK is a nation of diehard shoppers. Retail therapy is the countrys favourite leisure activity an all-consuming passion and London is its beating heart. Its one of the worlds most exciting shopping cities, packed with grand department stores, trend-setting boutiques, timeless traditional traders, edgy concept stores, absorbing antiques centres, eccentric novelty shops, exclusive purveyors of luxury goods, mouth-watering food emporiums, bustling markets and much more. Youll find them all featured in the pages of Londons Best Shops Markets, including many hidden gems.In the 18th century Napoleon allegedly dismissed England as a nation of shopkeepers and he wasnt wrong. Today theres an army of would-be entrepreneurs eager to follow in their ancestors footsteps, despite the not inconsiderable financial risks, and make their fortune by ringing the tills. Londons Best Shops Markets is (with a few exceptions) a celebration of the citys independent shops, both traditional and avant-garde, many unique to the city and selling British (designed/manufactured) products; shops with lovely interiors, original goods, unique atmospheres and outstanding customer service. Independent retailers are the life and soul of any town and London is no exception.The city has its fair share of vast shopping centres, ubiquitous chain stores and supermarkets, yet small independent shops manage to survive (and even flourish) against the odds. Despite increasing competition, particularly from the internet, and the

ever-present shadow of recession, Londons independent shopping scene goes from strength to strength, and is constantly reinventing itself to meet the challenges of the 21st century. Although its possible to spend a kings ransom in London, particularly in Bond Street one of the worlds most expensive shopping streets you dont need a bulging wallet to enjoy shopping. The city is one of the worlds leading fashion centres, where great design is available to everyone whatever their budget and browsing is free! Most stores hold at least two major sales a year (some seem to have permanent sales), traditionally in January and July, when you can snap up extraordinary bargains. For the shrewd shopper theres a wealth of discount stores, charity shops, markets, car-boot sales and auctions. London boasts a huge number of lively markets, from the behemoths of Borough and Portobello to the bustling weekend honeypots of Brick Lane and Camden and the more sedate charms of Greenwich and Spitalfields. Markets are a rewarding hunting ground for savvy shoppers, selling everything from fresh fruit and vegetables to handicrafts and vintage clothes, artisan foods to household goods, secondhand books to collectibles. Theyre also great fun, particularly if you like haggling! Not much beats the thrill of finding a bargain and the citys flea markets are a great place to seek out hidden treasures. Whether you want to revitalise your wardrobe or restock your larder, buy a new computer or an antique chair, track down a designer watch or a rare first edition or find a gift for someone whos impossible to buy for youre bound to find inspiration in Londons Best Shops Markets, which features some 300 of the capitals very best shopping destinations. We hope you will enjoy visiting them. Happy Shopping!

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