

*HARRY POTTER PLACES*  
BOOK TWO

# Lumos Britannia Portkeys



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## OWLs: Oxford Wizarding Locations

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The *Harry Potter Places Book and Travel Store* offers links to many of the Travel Guidebooks mentioned below, including several eBook versions.

<http://harrypotterplaces.com/travel-store/>

#### **Rick Steves' Travel Guidebooks**

<http://www.ricksteves.com>

#### **Other popular UK Muggle travel guidebook companies include:**

Fodor's Travel Guides; <http://www.fodors.com>

Frommer's Travel Guides; <http://www.frommers.com/>

Lonely Planet Guides; <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/>

Rough Guides; <http://www.roughguides.com/>

#### **FREE UK Travel Tips available on the Internet**

##### **Rick Steves' Website**

[http://www.ricksteves.com/plan/tips/tips\\_menu.htm](http://www.ricksteves.com/plan/tips/tips_menu.htm)

[http://www.ricksteves.com/plan/destinations/britain/brit\\_menu.htm](http://www.ricksteves.com/plan/destinations/britain/brit_menu.htm)

##### **Reid Bramblett's Website**

<http://www.reidsguides.com/>

[http://www.reidsguides.com/t\\_mo/t\\_mo\\_money.html](http://www.reidsguides.com/t_mo/t_mo_money.html)

#### **Official UK Travel Websites related to planning a UK holiday**

##### **US Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs' website**

[http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis\\_pa\\_tw/cis/cis\\_1052.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1052.html)

##### **The Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) is particularly interesting**

<https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui/>

##### **Visit Britain website**

<http://www.visitbritain.com/en/US/>

Click on **Travel Tips** to reach a page that includes a link to **Customs and Immigration** information about passports and visas.

<http://www.visitbritain.com/en/Travel-tips/Customs-and-immigration/>

From that page, click on **Traveller Tips** for links to several other important subjects.

<http://www.visitbritain.com/en/Travel-tips/Traveller-tips/>

Visit Britain free guides for your mobile phone:

<http://www.visitbritain.com/en/Travel-tips/Traveller-tips/VisitBritain-guides-free-to-your-mobile.htm>

## **Learn about the VAT Tax before visiting the UK**

The official British Revenue & Customs website

<http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/vat/index.htm>

The official European VAT website

<http://www.brvat.com/faq/index.htm>

Reid Bramblett's *Getting the VAT Back* article

[http://www.reidsguides.com/t\\_mo/t\\_mo\\_vat.html](http://www.reidsguides.com/t_mo/t_mo_vat.html)

## **The *Harry Potter Places* Potterite UK Travel Supplementums**

PDFs containing Potterly-important supplemental information are called *Harry Potter Places Supplementums*, and are freely posted on the Internet, for the benefit of any Potterite planning a UK trip.

### **Pre-Trip Potter Preparation**

<http://HarryPotterPlaces.com/tips/PreTripPrep.pdf>

Tips for refreshing your Potterverse knowledge before you leave (loading your Pensieve!), such as enjoying a Potter Film Festival with your friends.

### **Packing Pointers**

<http://HarryPotterPlaces.com/tips/PackingPointers.pdf>

General UK Packing Tips, including important methods of baggage identification and travel document copy storage, as well as *vital* personal supplies you'll not want to forget.

### **Supplies to Purchase *IN* the UK**

<http://HarryPotterPlaces.com/tips/UKtripSupplies.pdf>

Stuff you don't need to lug along while traveling to Great Britain, and where to purchase these items cheaply after you arrive.

### **UK Car Rental Tips**

<http://HarryPotterPlaces.com/tips/UKcarRental.pdf>

Important considerations when selecting your rental car and preparing to drive in the UK.

### **UK Photography Issues**

<http://HarryPotterPlaces.com/tips/UKphotography.pdf>

Railway Station rules, the value of packing a cheap or disposable camera, and more.

### **UK Internet Access**

<http://HarryPotterPlaces.com/tips/UKinternetAccess.pdf>

The many options for connecting with the World Wide Web, and what services to avoid.

### **UK Terminology Guide**

<http://HarryPotterPlaces.com/tips/UKterminology.pdf>

A translation of UK English terms with meanings *different* from the same US English terms, and a guide to Floor Numbering in the UK and Europe.