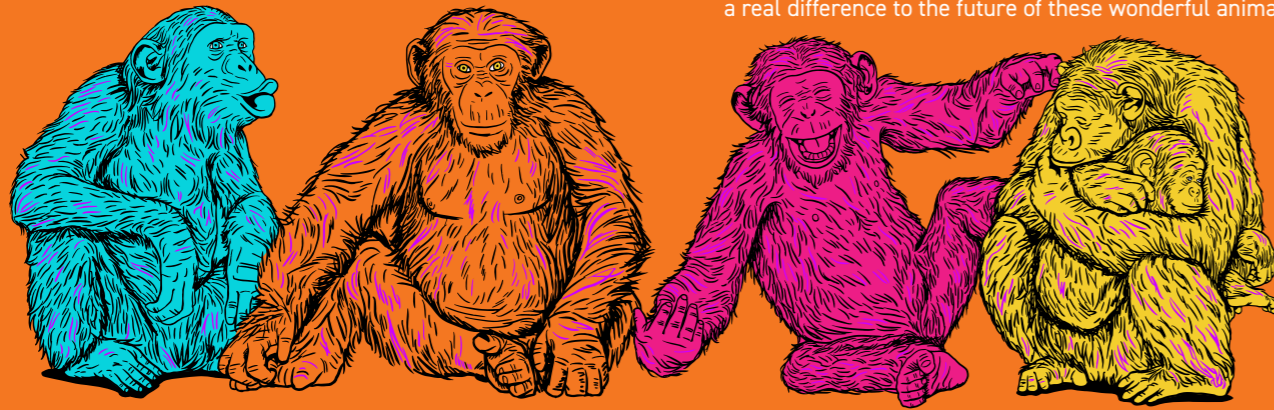


THE SCULPTURES

Beautifully crafted in bronze, our chimps have been lovingly brought to life in this unique public art exhibition to highlight the importance of conservation.

Each of these sculptures exhibited across Kingston upon Thames represents a real behaviour, providing a snapshot of a world that most people never get to experience. Each chimp also has its own QR code, which you can scan to reveal information about the vital work needed to protect these wonderful animals.

The installation promotes the idea that it is possible to share the world we live in with chimps, it reflects the artists' commitment to ensuring the survival of the species, with all donations going to WWF.



WHY KINGSTON UPON THAMES

Located in south west London, Kingston upon Thames is home to many great artists and creatives. Gillie was born in Kingston Hospital and fondly recalls early first memories of living in the town. London is also home to the greatest activists and wildlife conservation groups in the world. Due to the work of organisations such as the WWF and the Born Free Foundation, and people like Jane Goodall and David Attenborough, wildlife conservation has been elevated to incredible heights.

A world-renowned primatologist, Jane Goodall first raised awareness of the plight of chimpanzees in 1960. It is now up to all of us to continue her mission and help protect our closest relatives in the animal kingdom.

We ask you to enjoy this exhibition and spread the message of the chimps' plight across the globe via social media. Help make a real difference to the future of these wonderful animals today.

ABOUT WWF

WWF is the world's leading independent conservation organisation and number one trusted voice on wildlife, nature, the environment, climate change and sustainability. Our mission is to create a world where people and nature can thrive together.

To achieve our mission, we're finding ways to help transform the future for the world's wildlife, rivers, forests and seas; pushing for a reduction in carbon emissions that will avoid catastrophic climate change, and pressing for measures to help people live sustainably, within the means of our one planet.

We are the first generation to know we are destroying the world. And we could be the last to do anything about it. We're bringing everything we've got to restore nature. We lead projects around the world to protect precious wildlife and habitats, creating a world for future generations. For more information about WWF and the work we do, please visit www.wwf.org.uk

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The chimpanzee is our closest living relative, sharing around 99% of our DNA. Through the groundbreaking research of Jane Goodall and the many others who have followed in her footsteps, we are now aware of the amazing similarities between chimps and ourselves. Despite these similarities, humans are the biggest threat to the survival of this species. Their very existence is now under threat as miles and miles of their natural habitat is routinely destroyed to make space for us to live in. We must make room in our world for chimps to survive and flourish, because it's only when we learn to live together that we can all truly thrive.

ABOUT CHIMPS ARE FAMILY

GILLIE AND MARC

Gillie and Marc's innovative sculptures and paintings can be found in art galleries and public sites in over 250 cities across the world.

Both passionate eco-warriors, they have a spiritual connection to the world and its animals. Gillie grew up in Zambia and nurtured her love of art by sketching the wildlife that surrounded her. Marc fell in love with conservation on a trip to Tanzania to study Jane Goodall's work with chimpanzees. Learning from Jane and the beautiful creatures he observed there, he developed a deep appreciation for all living things and a desire to preserve the magnificence of the natural world.

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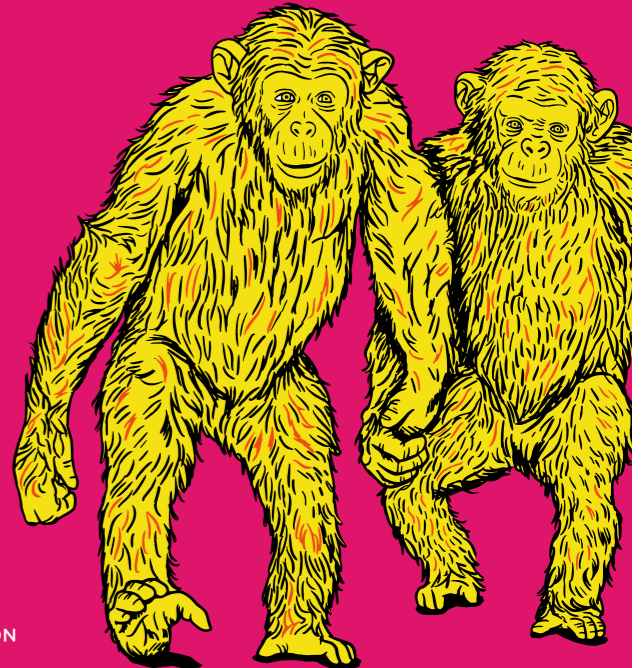
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CHIMPS ARE FAMILY YOUR TRAIL GUIDE





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1 BIPEDAL WALKING - Kingston Station
Mwamba

Even though chimps are predominantly quadrupedal, they can sometimes walk bipedally too, making them look very similar to humans. This is handy when trying to get a better view, walk with your hands full...



2 CONFLICT - Clarence Street
Adofo and Yafeu

Chimpanzees are not always peaceful. Conflicts can often arise from minor issues such as who gets the food to large-scale warfare.



3 FORAGING - Old London Road
Sundiata

Chimpanzees spend a good amount of their time foraging. Their diet is mainly made up of fruit, but also leaves, leaf buds, seeds, blossom, stems, pith, bark and resin.



4 THROWING - Fife Road (Bentalls)
Themba

Chimps are very good at throwing things and there are many reasons why they might do this. Males throw rocks and even spears as a display of dominance.



5 COMMUNICATION - Clarence Street
Rachel Anne

Chimpanzees have their own complex system of communication. They may not do it verbally like us, but they can certainly be vocal! They also use facial expressions to convey their messages.



6 LAUGHING - Church Street
Ayo and Ayokunle

Just like us, chimps can see the funny side of things. It is a natural behaviour and young chimps typically start to display this between 12 and 16 weeks.



7 IMITATION - Clarence Street (opposite John Lewis)
Abeke and Bamidele

Imitation is a very important skill for learning. Children copy the actions of those around them as they learn how to do things and react to stimuli. Chimps are no different.



8 GRIEF - Ancient Market Place
Ife

Its not only humans who grieve, chimpanzees do too- which has opened up a whole new field of research into the emotions of many different animals. With the death of a loved one, chimps have been observed acting in a very human-like way in their mourning.



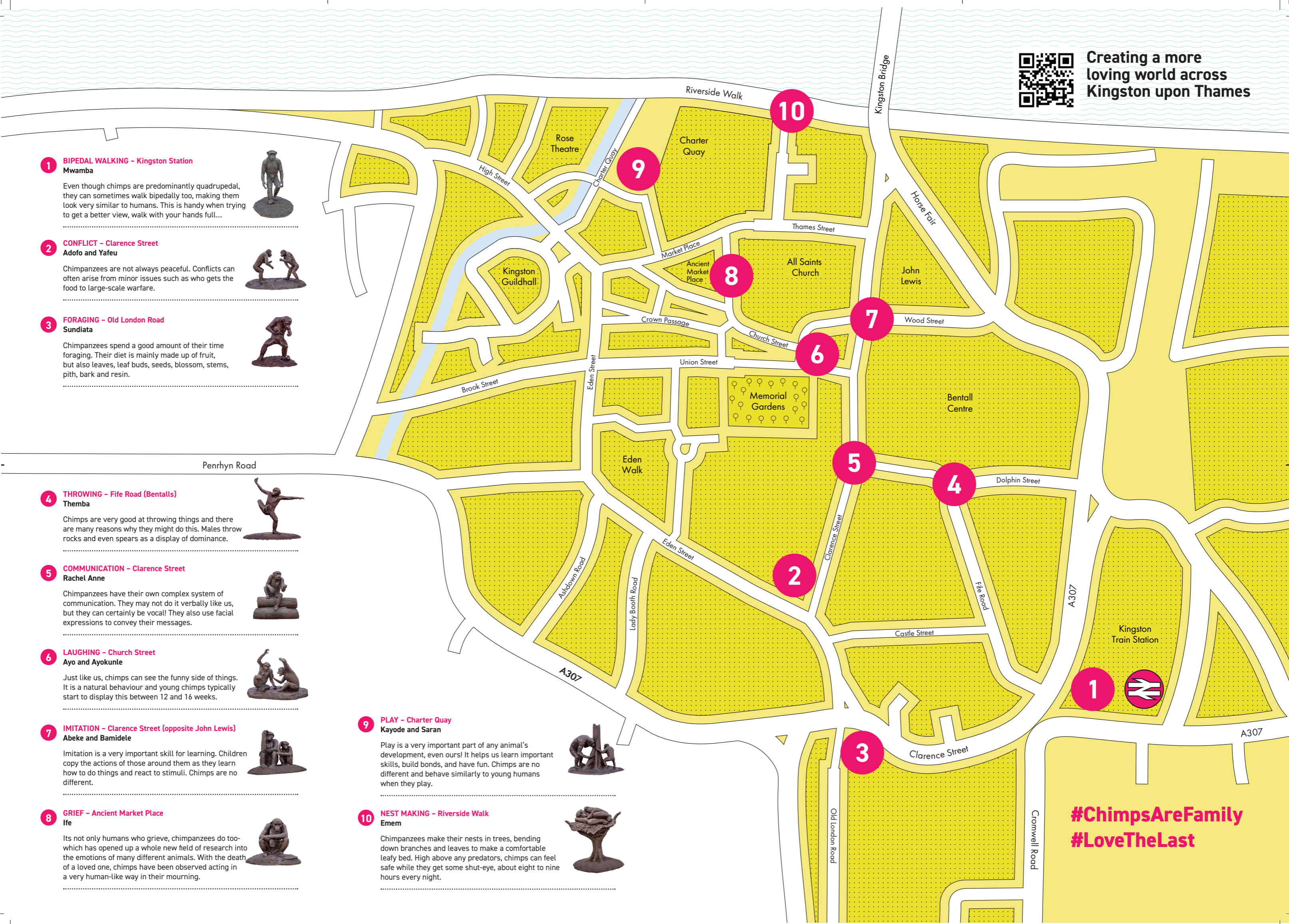
9 PLAY - Charter Quay
Kayode and Saran

Play is a very important part of any animal's development, even ours! It helps us learn important skills, build bonds, and have fun. Chimps are no different and behave similarly to young humans when they play.



10 NEST MAKING - Riverside Walk
Emem

Chimpanzees make their nests in trees, bending down branches and leaves to make a comfortable leafy bed. High above any predators, chimps can feel safe while they get some shut-eye, about eight to nine hours every night.



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