

Nelson's Column



Identification

EBN	138265
Name	Nelson's Column
Construction Type	monument
Current Status	existing [completed]

Location

Continent Name	Europe	Postcode	WC2
Country Name	United Kingdom	Address (as text)	Trafalgar Square
State Name	England	Main Address	Trafalgar Square
Metro Area Name	London Metro Area	Latitude	Contact us
City Name	London	Longitude	Contact us
District (1st level)	City of Westminster		

Spatial dimensions

Height (structural)	169.48 ft	Height (tip)	169.48 ft
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Years and costs

Year (construction end)	1830
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Features & Amenities

- One of the city's famous buildings
- City landmark
- National landmark

Facts

- The four bronze lions which guard the base of the column are by Edwin Landseer.
- The column is made from granite whilst the statue is fashioned from Cragleith stone.
- The column is of the Corinthian order and the acanthus leaves on the capital are cast in bronze.
- The stone column is topped by a 5.5m (18ft) tall statue of Admiral Horatio Nelson. The column was built in honour of Nelson's victory at the Battle of Trafalgar in 1805, in which he was killed.
- The exact height is 51.659 metres (169 feet 5 3/4 inches) measured by laser from the pavement to the top of Nelson's hat.
- The statue of Nelson looks towards Plymouth from where he left England for the last time.
- The statue of Nelson is by E.H. Bailey, R.A.
- The cost of construction was around £47,000 at mid-19th century prices.
- The four friezes around the column's plinth depict Nelson's greatest victories at the battles of Copenhagen, the Nile, St. Vincent and his death at Trafalgar and are cast in bronze from captured French cannon.
- Nelson's Column is Grade I Listed.
- Nelson's Column is both one of Britain's most famous structures and visited tourist attractions.

Involved companies

Architect.....
William Railton
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Additional company data available for this building

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