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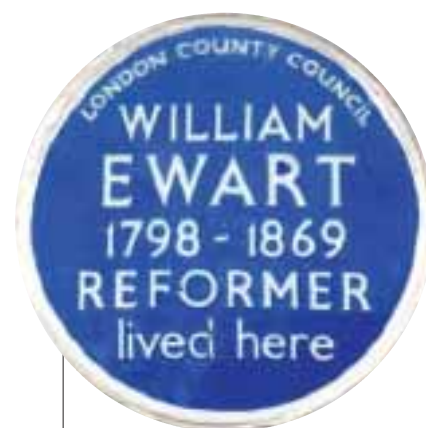
Kick back, relax and
soak up the sun at
The Berkeley's La Dolce
Vita rooftop terrace

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A day in the life of tailor Nicola Donati



Until August 31
Outdoor Yoga

Stretch your limbs with free outdoor yoga sessions at Eccleston Yards. There is also a special evening yoga class with Silou at 7pm on Thursday, August 22. Tickets, £15, are redeemable at SMUK when you spend more than £50.



William Ewart
Reformer 1798-1869

Eaton Square

Born: In Liverpool on May 1, 1798. William Ewart was educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford, and was awarded the Newdigate Prize for English verse. Called to the bar in 1827, he entered Parliament for the borough of Bletchingley in Surrey until 1830, going on to represent his birth town of Liverpool and later Wigan and Dumfries Burghs.

Famous for: A liberal social reformer, Ewart is considered the founding father of public libraries. He also secured the abolition of hanging criminals in chains and of capital punishment for cattle stealing and other minor offences. He then continued to agitate for the full abolition of the death penalty.

The originator of the Blue Plaque Scheme: It is fitting that Ewart is commemorated under the very scheme that he first mooted in Parliament over 155 years ago.

Death: After retiring in 1868, Ewart died at his home in Devizes the following year. His blue plaque was originally located on his residence in Cambridge Square, Paddington, but that building's demolition saw the plaque re-erected in Eaton Square in 1963.

September 17–October 4
David White

From the Arctic to the Antarctic, the beauty of nature across the globe is distilled in a new exhibition at the Osborne Studio Gallery.

The Motcomb Street gallery will host a solo showcase from wildlife photographer David White from mid- September.

The wildlife photographer's

stunning images are taken from around the world, from Nepal to Hokkaido (the northernmost island of Japan), and from closer to home, the Marlborough Downs.

“When I was in Hokkaido I tried to capture the beautiful red-crowned cranes in a different way – very difficult to do because you have to have a completely white background of snow to achieve the results.”

