

# PORTRAIT OF RICHMOND

## with Kew, Petersham, Ham and Teddington Lock

Stuart Saul

In *Portrait of Richmond* Stuart Saul has taken a personal approach to capturing the essence of Richmond through his photography, making the most of his intimate knowledge of the area to reveal little-known aspects alongside more familiar locations. He has planned the book, roughly, to start at Kew Bridge, progress through Kew to Richmond, walk around Richmond Centre and Richmond Riverside, look at general scenes and discover some attractive architectural details, progress into Richmond Park and then into Petersham and Ham, finishing at Teddington Lock. There is a detour down the Sandycombe Road which is a less elegant "Victorian railway age" road which contrasts strongly with the opulence of 18th century and Edwardian Richmond. There is a selection of night photographs which add to the atmosphere of the book.

Richmond is located less than ten miles from the centre of London and constitutes one of the two main towns within the Borough of Richmond upon Thames, the other being Twickenham. The district sits on the south side of the River Thames opposite East Twickenham, but owing to the way this stretch of the Thames meanders Richmond actually lies east of the river, which curves northwards around the town in its course from Petersham to Kew. Richmond has a rich history, much of it connected to royalty. Henry VII had a palace built in Sheen around 1500, naming it Richmond Palace, after the castle in Yorkshire.

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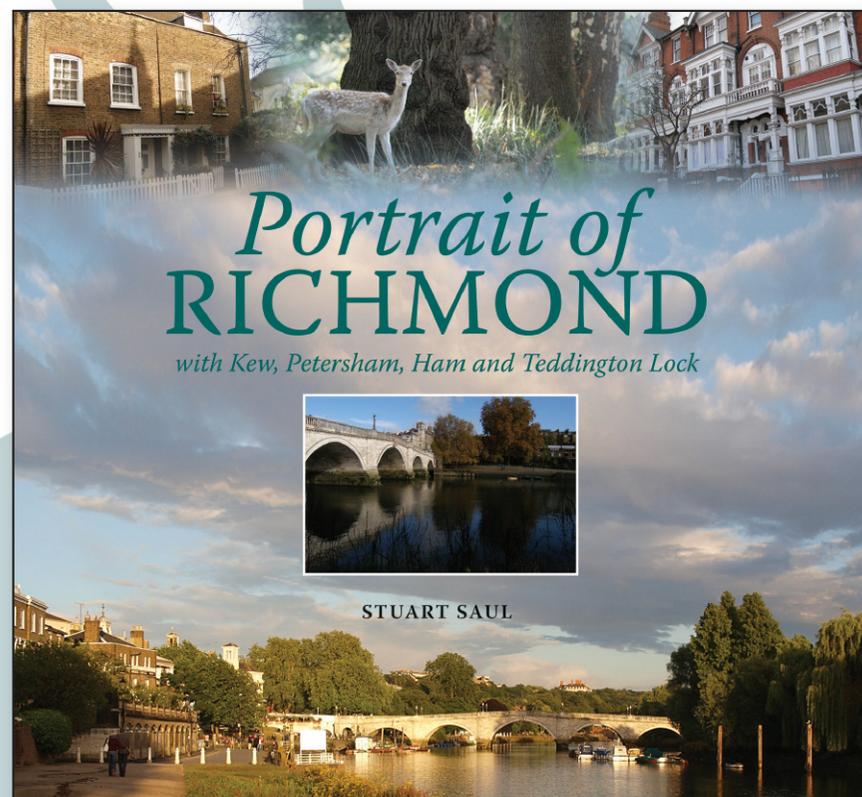
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