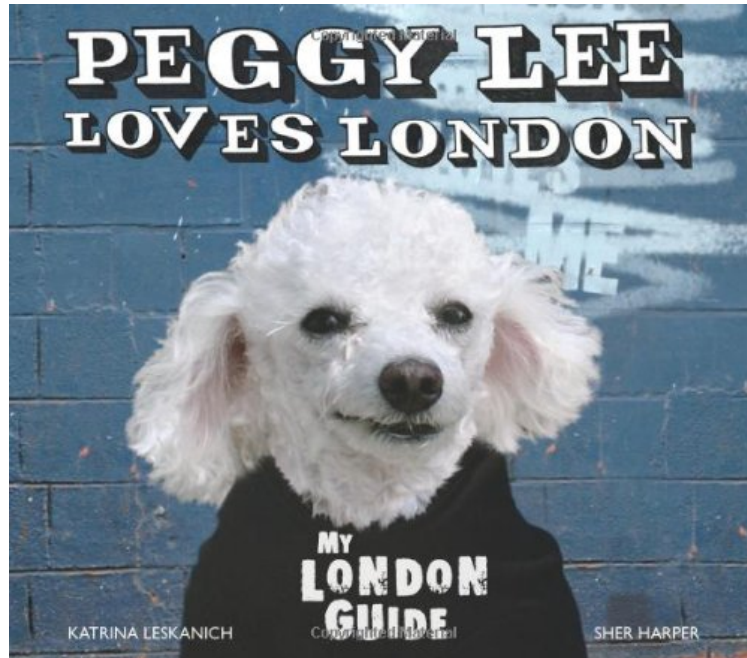


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**Katrina Leskanich, Sher Harper : Peggy Lee Loves London: My London Guide** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Peggy Lee Loves London: My London Guide:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Thumbs Up!By DinkaReally enjoyed browsing around London with Peggy Lee! Very original and creative guide to one of Europe's capitals with the charming little dog. The guide is full of interesting and off-the-beaten-path places to visit, including how to get there by tube and/or bus. I liked the pictures and the funny captions. Highly recommend to those who wish to explore London's secrets. Love it!!!!

Katrina and The ... Poodle Singer explores London in new city tour guide series. Peggy Lee Loves London goes on and off-the-beaten-track in London, with a particular focus on music, food, street art, city curiosities and open spaces. Peggy Lee, a discriminating white toy poodle, reveals a side of London that is not shown in the usual tourist guides.

Peggy Lee Loves London: a new guidebook starring a pet dog Walking on Sunshine singer Katrina Leskanich attempts to teach the guidebook industry new tricks by fronting a new book led by her pet poodle, Peggy Lee. Enough new dog travel blogs came to our attention last year (ie more than one) for Guardian Travel to declare 2012 the year of the dog blog. Our favourite was phileasdogg.com, written by dogs for dogs, the author being a two-year old mongrel called Attlee Common who reviewed dog-friendly places to stay with the help of his band of rover reporters. We're so over Attlee. In an exciting new development we bring you news of the first celebrity dog blog: Peggy Lee Loves London. Peggy Lee is a fluffy white toy poodle (that's a breed, not a children's plaything) with an apparent penchant for posing in cool spots in London, sometimes in a natty little doggy sweater. While phileasdogg.com is aimed at dog owners in search of pet-friendly accommodation and holidays, Peggy Lee's is an altogether more urban even rock'n'roll selection. Peggy Lee's owner is Katrina Leskanich, the lead singer from Katrina and The Waves and Peggy Lee Loves

London, which started life as a blog and has just been published as a book, is a collection of Leskanich's favourite places in the capital. The blurb on the back describes the places as fun and off the beaten track. Many are very much on the beaten track including the Albert Hall, the Thames and Regent's Park, although there's a smattering of slightly less well-known hangouts, including Embassy Electrical Supplies at 76 Compton Street in Clerkenwell an electrics shop with a sideline selling possibly the best olive oil in London; the Ace Cafe, a (quite famous) bikers' hangout on the North Circular; and a tattoo parlour in Kentish Town. The guide also features some of Leskanich's favourite music venues, among them the Dublin Castle and Dingwalls, both in Camden. All of them are illustrated with a photo of Peggy Lee, who now has her sights set on Edinburgh and Dublin. But enough about the content. Here are some gratuitous dog photos that made us smile. --The Guardian Travel 14/05/2013 --The Guardian Travel - 14/05/2013

**Katrina and the Poodle: Singer releases pooch's ruff guide to London** Peggy Lee the toy poodle has been busy sniffing out all the best sights in London - and taken her famous owner along for the ride. A quirky new book shows the cute pooch visiting pubs, markets, cinemas and even a tattoo parlour on her travels. The alternative guide to the capital has been compiled by Peggy Lee's owner Katrina Leskanich - lead singer of Katrina and the Waves. Peggy Lee's favourite haunts include The Toucan bar in Soho and Primrose Hill where she can admire the views over the capital. She is pictured having her hair done at Nina's Hair Salon in Alfie's Antique Market, soaking up the sun in Hyde Park and hanging out with a bulldog at the Electric Diner in Notting Hill. Other shots show her visiting City Hall, browsing for secondhand books on the South Bank and visiting the Royal Albert Hall to catch the BBC Proms. Culinary pit-stops along the way include Franco's Take Away in Shoreditch, Beigel Bake on Brick Lane and the famous Maison Bertaux patisserie in Soho. She even gets a chance to celebrate Chinese New Year in Soho and party with Dragon's Den star Levi Roots at the Notting Hill Carnival. Katrina's band won the Eurovision Song Contest for Britain in 1997 with Love Shine A Light and the singer moved to London the same year. But the star, who also had a top ten hit with Walking On Sunshine, said she didn't really explore the city until she got a dog. Leskanich said: 'Because I was often away on tour, I found it difficult to really get to know the city until I got Peggy Lee and then we explored the city together.' 'I took a camera with me and we discovered some of London's cool, fun and off-the-beaten-track places that don't get a mention in the usual London guides.' 'I took photos and, of course, it only seemed right that Peggy Lee was in every shot after all it was as much her journey as it was mine.' The result is a collection of the pair's favourite London spots, with a focus on music, food, street art, city curiosities and open spaces. Each of the photographs has been given a humorous caption by Leskanich's partner, freelance writer Sher Harper. The book's final image shows Peggy Lee at St John's church graveyard which was one of the locations for the Walking On Sunshine video. And now Peggy Lee has decided to broaden her horizons - you'll soon be able to follow in her paw prints in Dublin and Edinburgh. Peggy Lee Loves London is out today priced at £8.99. Visit [peggyleeloveslondon.com](http://peggyleeloveslondon.com) --Mail Online 13/05/2013 --Mail Online - 13/05/2013

**Canine capers: Peggy Lee Loves London** As Eurovision looms, you must be thinking what's Katrina Leskanich from the 1997 UK winners Katrina The Waves up to? No? Oh well, let us tell you anyway. Aside from warding off an unfortunate association with Hurricane Katrina and banning the Republicans from using any of her songs, Katrina has been wandering London's streets with her partner Sher Harper and toy poodle Peggy Lee. Now the three have collaborated to put out Peggy Lee Loves London, a selection of Katrina's favourite food spots, pubs, parks, quirks and street art, as illustrated by amusing pictures of her pint-sized pooch. See London like you've never seen it before...from 10 inches above the ground. For info and to buy the book, see [peggyleeloveslondon.com](http://peggyleeloveslondon.com) or follow Peggy Lee's adventures on @PeggyLeeLoves and [facebook.com/peggyleeloveslondon](https://www.facebook.com/peggyleeloveslondon). --Time Out London Blog 16/05/2013 --Time Out London Blog 16/05/2013

**About the Author** Katrina Leskanich is the lead singer from the Grammy nominated band, Katrina The Waves. The band got their first break in 1984 when The Bangles covered their song, Going Down to Liverpool. In 1985 Walking on Sunshine was a top ten hit all around the globe and has since featured in countless advertisements and films including, High Fidelity, Secret of My Success, American Psycho and Walking on Sunshine and it's been covered by Dolly Parton and was a mash up with Beyonce's Halo sung by the Glee cast. Follow up hits were, Do You Want Crying (US Top 40), Sun Street (UK Top 30), That's The Way (US #16). Katrina also sang back up vocals on Torn by Natalie Imbruglio and has recorded songs with Eric Burdon and Rick Wakeman. In 1997 Katrina and the Waves Love Shine A Light won the Eurovision Song Contest with the largest ever margin, followed by an unprecedented four consecutive appearances on Top Of The Pops and a No. 3 in the UK Charts. Following the split with the Waves in 1999 Katrina pursued an alternative career on radio and TV. She was a TV presenter on Watchdog on BBC1 and had her own show on BBC Radio 2 where she presented a three-hour show, five days a week. This was followed by a stint in musical theatre, where Katrina played the lead role (the songwriter Ellie Greenwich) in Leader of the Pack, singing some of the songs that had influenced her as a young singer. Katrina published her first book Peggy Lee Loves London: My London Guide (Metropoodle Press 2013) about some cool places in London featuring her toy poodle, Peggy Lee. Katrina has performed with her band at festivals and shows in the UK, Europe, South Africa, Canada, Australia and the US where she's recently completed a couple of North American tours. 2015 is the 30th anniversary of Walking on Sunshine and Katrina has just released her new single, Sun Coming Upper (a response to Walking on Sunshine 30

years on) from her first studio album in 10 years - Blisland .