



The Accidental Menagerie Book One

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One of the sights of London for hundreds of years was the Tower menagerie. Its genesis has been usually thought to have been the gift to the king in 1235 of three leopards from the emperor Frederick II. However, recent research suggests that King John brought exotic animals to London in 1204 and possibly housed them in the tower. (source: The Annals of London, by John Richardson, Cassell Paperbacks, 2000)



Being a collection of images compiled by the artist with his daughter while wandering about London and its environs in search of beasts on the dates of November 25th and 26th, 2007. The reader should note that this is by no means a complete archive of the creatures observed.



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