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Since I had already climbed 257 steps to the Whispering Gallery of St. Paul's I decided to go all the way.

It's only 119 more steps to the exterior stone gallery.



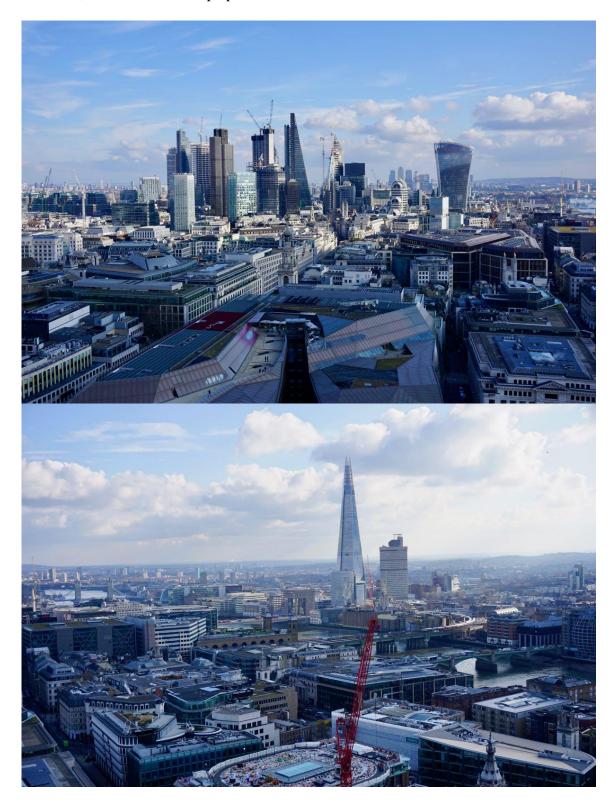
Great views but the stone rail is high and blocks the view. So, climb another 152 steps for a total of 528 steps from the Cathedral floor and you are standing at the Golden Gallery.

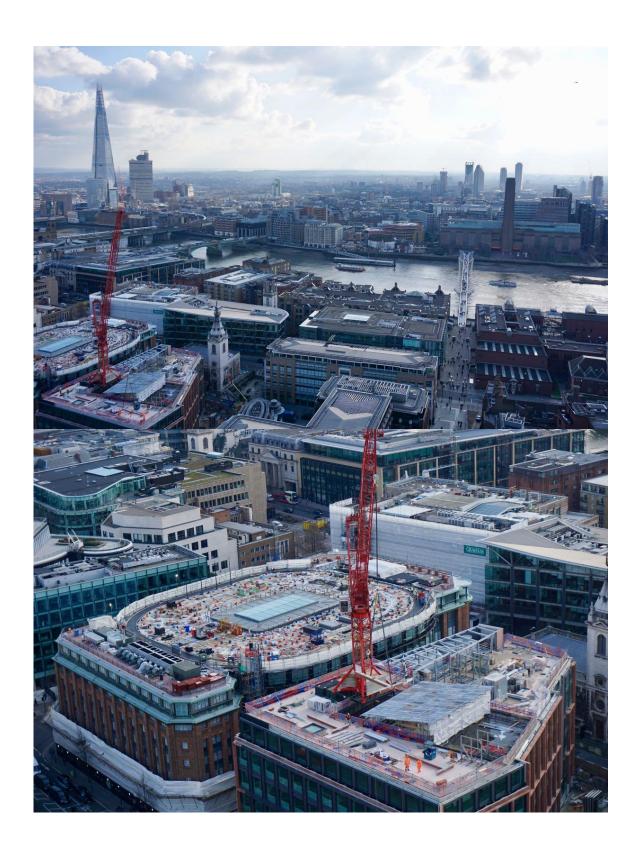
The farther up you climb the more difficult the stairs.





However, the additional steps provide the best views.









The roof of St. Paul's nave and the two bell towers fronting the entrance to the Cathedral.



If you look carefully to the left of the red-brown building you see the Temple Bar. The Temple Bar is the only surviving gateway into the city of London. It was erected in 1677. It was removed in 1877 stone by stone and re-erected outside of London. It was then moved back to London and this location in 2001.



The Temple Bar from ground level.



St. Paul's Cathedral from a different angle.

