

Should you see a London cab disappearing beneath the Thames at Putney in a fortnight's time, resist the temptation to do anything heroic. The vehicle's aberrant route is the latest stunt by insistently bizarre French circus company Archaos. Driver Didier Boursin will peer out of the cab's window and guide himself across gripping a weighted rope. "The Thames is frankly so disgustingly dirty that I will lose my way if I just try and steer across," he explains tactfully.