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#### These days, Manchester is famous for more than just football and rock'n' roll – even if these activities are still very important. Cool bars and shops nestle side-by-side in suburbs such as Northern Quarter, Castlefield and Gay Village.





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# THE CITY



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Manchester dates from Roman times, as do many other European cities. Subsequently, the city led a fairly anonymous existence until the 18th century when the Industrial Revolution began to take off. Manchester soon became the world's textile centre, and was a city where fabulous riches were mixed with extreme poverty. Many of the Victorian buildings and brick textile factories were architectural masterpieces, whereas the worker's tenements were the poor ones.

The English textile industry began to suffer from problems as far back as the 1920's, and was wiped out in the 1970's. Although more than two million people lived in Greater Manchester, the city centre had been virtually abandoned.

In the last decade, this has started to change at a rapid pace. In the summer of 1996, the IRA exploded a large bomb in central Manchester. Using the insurance money and Government grants, a gigantic building project was started, which is still in progress and the beautiful old buildings are being renovated one by one.

In parallel with this, young creative and/or rich "Mancunians" have begun to look for flats in town. The Northern Quarter suburb has become as hip as Hoxton or Soho in London, and in Castlefield in the south, luxurious flats have sprung up along the canals. These days, Manchester is a lively, cultured city which compares well with other international cities. Wherever you are, you'll find the historical waterways. The Castlefield district has the first man-made waterway, the Bridgewater Canal. A trip along the Manchester Ship Canal, which runs from Salford Quays to Liverpool, is very nice and displays locks and bridges that have been unchanged for 100 years.

Greater Manchester is made up of ten borough towns, from the East Lancashire steam railway in Bury to the pier and rugby league side of Wigan. Each district makes up the city's unique identity. With easy reach to the Peak District, you'll also experience breathtaking countryside.

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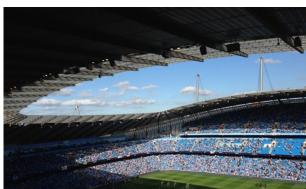


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### DO & SEE



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Famous for its music connections, The Hollies, The Bee Gees, New Order, Oasis, Simply Red, Badly Drawn Boy and many more, Manchester's popular music scene won't leave anyone disappointed. One of the City's biggest music event is 'In The City,' a five-day expo that attracts over 500 unsigned acts. In The City helped launch both Radiohead and Coldplay.

There may be bitter rivalry, but love for the game unite Manchester's football fans. There is Manchester City, Manchester United, as well as Bolton and Wigan. All teams provide the region with the highest quality football entertainment. Take a tour to The Etihad Stadium and The Old Trafford, or get hold of a ticket and watch one of the games live - you won't regret it. The excitement is exhilarating, both in the stadium as well as the whole city.

#### Football

If you have succeeded in getting hold of one of the 74,000 tickets to see Manchester United at Old Trafford, you are guaranteed good entertainment, irrespective of the team that you support. Another alternative is to see Manchester City at The Etihad Stadium, formerly known as The City of Manchester Stadium, and the new national football museum located in the city centre.

Address: The Etihad Stadium or Old Trafford Internet: www.mcfc.co.uk / www.manutd.com

#### Chinatown

Manchester's Chinese district is one of the largest in Europe. Top-class Chinese restaurants nestle side by side with real third-rate eating establishments. You will also find Korean, Thai and Indonesian shops and restaurants here.

Address: Chinatown

#### **National Football Museum**

Manchester being a football city is of course also home to the world's biggest football museum. Over six floors, drama, history, skill, style and passion is shown, all in the name of the game.

Address: Urbis Building, Cathedral Gardens Manchester M4 3BG Opening hours: Monday – Saturday 10.00-17.00; Sunday 11.00-17.00 Phone: +44 161 605 8200 Internet: www.nationalfootballmuseum.com

#### Whitworth Art Gallery

This gallery, located in connection with Manchester University campus, shows a big array of historic and modern art. It hosts temporary exhibitions at regular intervals and keeps the permanent collection alive.

Address: Oxford Road, Manchester M15 6ER Opening hours: Mon to Sat 10.00-17.00 Sun 12.00-16.00 Phone: +44 161 275 7450 Internet: www.whitworth.manchester.ac.uk

#### Flecky Bennett's Manchester Ghost Walk

Spice up your city walk and go for a ghost walk. Actors will test your nerves during a 75 minutes promenade in the dark alleys of Manchester.

Address: Piccadilly Plaza Portland Street Manchester M1 4BT Phone: +44 778 775 7642 Internet: www.manchesterghostwalk.co.uk

#### Castelfield

The area of Castlefield is a historic attraction you shouldn't miss. This is the Roman and industrial heart of the city. There are plenty to see and do here. Visit Castlefield Conservation Area and Roman fort, The Museum of Science and Industry (MOSI) and The Castlefield Gallery. You also find lots of restaurants and bars.

Address: Castlefield

#### **Canal Cruise**

A different way to see Manchester is from the water. Cruise along the Manchester Canals and see the most important sights of the city while eating your dinner or sipping a drink.

Internet: www.merseyferries.co.uk or www.citycentrecruises.co.uk

#### **Heaton Park**

For a day outside the council owned Heaton Park is a great option. Here you find plenty of family activities such as an animal centre, tram museum, bowling greens, golf course, boating lake, and horse riding. If you haven't brought your picnic basket there are cafés to solve that problem.

Address: Heaton Park Internet: www.heatonpark.org.uk

#### The Lowry

The Lowry is a large cultural centre named after a famous Manchester artist, L. S. Lowry. This architecturally interesting building is in Manchester's Dockland and houses everything from art galleries to bars.

Address: Pier 8, Salford Quays, Manchester M50 3AZ Phone: +44 870 208 6000 Internet: www.thelowry.com

#### **People's History Museum**

If you want to gain an insight into how Manchester's population lived and worked during the Industrial Revolution, you should visit the People's History Museum.

Address: Left Bank Spinningfields Manchester M3 3ER Phone: +44 161 838 9190 Internet: www.phm.org.uk

#### **Manchester City Galleries**

The Manchester Art Gallery and The Gallery of Costumes are home to the city's biggest art collection. With over 25,000 objects of fine art, decorative art and costumes, the collection is ever-growing.

Address: Mosley Street, Manchester M2 3JL Phone: +44 161 235 8888 Internet: www.manchestergalleries.org

#### **Manchester Opera House**

The Manchester Opera House features a wide range of theatre and musical shows. Tickets can be bought through the website.

Address: 3 Quay Street, Manchester M3 3HP Phone: +44 844 871 3018 Internet: www.atgtickets.com/venues/opera-house-manchester

#### **Manchester Museum**

The collections number almost 6 million specimen and objects. The museum is also home to one of the largest and most important collections of ancient Egyptian artefacts in the United Kingdom. It has a Botany collection, live animals at the Vivarium and an Archaeology collection.

Address: The University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL Phone: +44 161 275 2648 Internet: www.museum.manchester.ac.uk

#### Imperial War Museum

The Imperial War Museum North is about people and how their lives have been, and still are, shaped by war and conflict. The building is by international architect Daniel Libeskind, and is a symbol of our world torn apart by conflict.

Address: The Quays, Trafford Wharf Road, Manchester M17 1TZ Opening hours: Open daily 10.00 - 17.00 Phone: +44 161 836 4000 Internet: www.iwm.org.uk

#### Lake District National Park

The great outdoors is just around the corner, and The Lake District National Park in Cumbria is England's largest national park. The Lake District offers some of the best scenery and outdoor pursuits in one of England's few mountainous regions. With more than 3,500 kilometres of walking and hiking routes through the lakes, there's a trail to suit everyone. For the daredevils there is hang gliding, paragliding, kayaking, canoeing, water skiing, rock scrambling, abseiling, hot-air ballooning, paintballing and much more.

Address: Lake District National Park, Cumbria Internet: www.lake-district.gov.uk

#### DINING



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Manchester serves up a world of flavours, first-class chefs, excellent local cuisine and good service. No matter what budget you have, there are many alternatives.

#### Yang Sing

The most famous restaurant in Manchester's China Town is Yang Sing. It is considered to be one of the best Cantonese restaurants in Europe. Yang Sing was established in 1968, burned down in 1997, and was re-opened a couple of years ago. In particular, the dim sum dishes are recommended.

Address: 34 Princess Street, Manchester, M1 4JY Phone: +44 161 236 22 00 Internet: www.yang-sing.com

#### The Market Restaurant

The Market is a 20 year old family-owned restaurant in the Northern Quarter. Hidden in a back alley they serve top-quality cuisine to reasonable prices.

Address: 104 High Street Manchester M4 1HQ Phone: +44 161 834 3743 Internet: www.market-restaurant.com

#### Umezushi

Behind its anonymous doors, a diamond in Manchester restaurant life is hidden. This Japanese restaurant serves only sushi and other dishes made from the best quality fresh products. Don't miss their tempura that is well recommended.

Address: Unit 4, Mirabel Street, Manchester M3 1PJ Phone: +44 161 832 1852 Internet: www.umezushi.co.uk

#### **Alexandros Greek Restaurant**

Longing for authentic Greek meze find your way to Alexandros Greek Restaurant in the heart of Northenden village. Enjoy a dinner to the tones of Greek music in a romantic setting.

Address: 337 Palatine Road, Manchester M22 4HH Phone: +44 161 998 3390 Internet: www.alexandrosrestaurant.co.uk

#### **Jack Spratt**

This restaurant with a relaxed atmosphere is owned and run by two brothers. A perfect place for a quick lunch but you can also enjoy a laid back dinner with some drinks.

Address: 11 St James's Square, John Dalton St, Manchester M2 6WH Phone: +44 161 833 1016 Internet: www.jack-spratt.co.uk

#### Pacifica Cantonese

Stylish white decor makes a perfect setting for the trendy fusion of traditional Cantonese flavours and urban modern cuisine. The owners care for the environment and always primarily choose local products.

Address: 5-7 Church Road Eccles, Manchester M30 ODL Phone: +44 161 7078828 Internet: www.pacifica-cantonese.co.uk

#### **63 Degrees**

The name, 63 Degrees, comes from the perfect temperature cooking poultry low and slow to create tender and incomparable tastes. It reveals the secret behind the restaurant's good reputation, to love and care about cooking food for their guests. The menu is filled with French dishes and this is a little bit of France in Manchester.

Address: 20 Church Street, Manchester M4 1PN Phone: +44 161 832 5438 Internet: www.63degrees.co.uk

#### Saray

Every Friday, this Turkish restaurant provides belly dancing as entertainment for their guests. Kebab, meze, lamb and falafel are just a few of the delicacies you find on the menu.

Address: 609 Wilbraham Road, Chorlton, Manchester M21 9AN Phone: +44 161 881 8292 Internet: www.saraycafebar.co.uk

#### The Rose Garden

Perfect for special occasions. The Rose Garden serves modern British cuisine made out of seasonal products from local producers.

Address: 218 Burton Road, West Didsbury, Manchester M20 2LW Phone: +44 161 478 0747 Internet: www.therosegardendidsbury.com

#### The Wharf

In the historic area of Castlefield you find this pub and restaurant in a large building. Choose from traditional British or more modern and international dishes. From the terrace you have a beautiful view over the canal.

Address: 6 Slate Wharf, Castlefield Manchester Greater Manchester M15 4SW Phone: +44 161 220 2960 Internet: www.brunningandprice.co.uk/thewharf

#### Sapporo Teppanyaki

Teppanyaki is a type of grilled Japanese food and at Sapporo Teppanyaki the chefs will entertain you with a show preparing your food live in front of your eyes. To complete your Japanese experience Sake and Japanese cocktails, beers and whiskeys are to be found on the drink menu.

Address: 91-93 Liverpool Road, Manchester, M3 4JN Phone: +44 161 831 9888 Internet: www.sapporo.co.uk

#### Al Bacio

Al Bacio is located in the city centre and offers fresh, fine Italian dishes. This restaurant has a friendly atmosphere and is great for both business lunches and a coffee break.

Address: 14 South King Street, Manchester Phone: +44 161 832 7669 Internet: info@al-bacio.co.uk

#### Tampopo

A laid-back, inexpensive and very Asian place with long tables and benches. From the dining room, you can see into the kitchen where possibly the best noodle dishes in Manchester are prepared.

Address: Quay House, Quay Street Manchester M3 3BJ Phone: +44 161 832 2764 Internet: www.tampopo.co.uk

#### The Ox

Defined as a gastropub, The Ox caters to all tastes. Why not try the steamed mussels in a bag? The menu can best be described as "modern British."

Address: 71 Liverpool Road, Castlefield, Manchester, M3 4NQ Phone: +44 161 839 7760 Internet: www.theox.co.uk

#### Evuna

This fine Spanish wine restaurant is situated in the heart of Manchester, and the restaurant offers fine à la carte. The

focus is from the central regions in Spain. Evuna also offer a wine merchant service where you may take your favourite wines home by the bottle or case.

Address: 277 - 279 Deansgate Manchester M3 4EW Phone: +44 161 819 2752 Internet: www.evuna.com

# CAFES



Photo: Pete Birkinshaw

Manchester has several excellent places to sit down for a super British afternoon tea. The whole concept of afternoon tea originated in the 1840's, where the ceremony was customary for both upper and working class.

Loose tea is traditionally brewed in a tea pot and served with sugar and milk. The luxurious version includes scones or sandwiches.

#### Earth Café

The Earth Café is an ascetic, restful vegetarian lunch restaurant and café with good food. It is run by Buddhists and all the produce is grown ecologically, and other goods are organic and Fair Trade to every possible extent.

Address: 16-20 Turner Street, Manchester M4 1DZ Phone: +44 161 834 1996 Internet: www.earthcafe.co

#### **Teacup on Thomas Street**

The menu has a mix of traditional British and Asian flavours and of course, if you're only in it for the tea - go

for it. They have plenty of cakes to choose from, and they all taste heavenly.

Address: 55 Thomas Street, Manchester, M4 1NA Phone: +44 161 832 3233 Internet: www.teacupandcakes.com

#### **Sugar Junction**

Sugar Junction was created out of love for vintage, baking and wholesome food. The company was started by mother and daughter who strive for providing high quality food with great service in a comfortable environment. They serve homebaked cakes and about 25 different types of tea.

Address: 60 Tib St Manchester, Greater Manchester M4 1LG Phone: +44 161 839 1444 Internet: www.sugarjunction.co.uk

#### **Hey Little Cupcake**

Imaginative and beautifully homemade Cupcakes and Cakepops will catch your eye when you enter this small but bright café and bakery. To accompany your carefully selected pastry, coffee, hot chocolate, tea or homemade lemonade are on the menu.

Address: Little Quay Street, Spinningfields, Manchester M3 3HF Phone: +44 161 832 0260 Internet: www.heylittlecupcake.co.uk

#### **Bonbon Chocolate Workshop**

When you are tired of the traditional English tea Bonbon Chocolate Workshop is the place to go. Indulge yourself with the smoothest hot chocolate made from the best quality chocolate products. If this won't satisfy you enough, you can always buy some handmade truffles to take home with you.

Address: 9 John Street, Manchester, M4 1EQ Phone: +44 161 839 4416 Internet: www.bonbonchocolateworkshop.com

## **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



Photo: Jon's pics

In the 1980's, Manchester was called Madchester, when Hacienda was the coolest club in Europe. Hacienda has long since disappeared, but the party culture lives on. There is a vast number of bars and clubs in Northern Quarter, Castlefield and Gay Village.





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#### Dry Bar

Dry Bar was the first on the scene in Northern Quarter. The establishment was opened in 1989, by the Manchester band New Order and the bar is still worth a visit these days.

Address: 28-30 Oldham Street Manchester M1 1JN Phone: +44 161 236 9840 Internet: www.drybar.co.uk

#### Matt & Phred's

If you're into live jazz, Matt & Phred's is the place to go. Relax to some fine tunes and sip some wine and perhaps sample the set menu. Keep up to date on acts via the website. Address: 64 Tib Street, Manchester, M4 1LW Phone: +44 161 831 7001 Internet: www.mattandphreds.com

#### Revolution

The original Revolution is next door to Loaf in central Manchester. The successor to "The Curry Mile," close to the University and is not as trendy, but much livelier. Many students come here.

Address: Arch 7 Deansgate Locks, Manchester M1 5LH Phone: +44 161 839 7558 Internet: www.revolution-bars.co.uk

#### Bluu

Bluu is one of the most popular places in Northern Quarter, comprising a bar, restaurant and terrace. It is an offshoot of the trendy Blue Note in London.

Address: Smithfield Market Buildings,Thomas St, Northern Quarter, Manchester M4 1BD Phone: +44 161 839 7195 Internet: www.bluu.co.uk

#### **Peveril of The Peak**

It is said that pub culture is under threat in England, but this does not apply to Manchester. One of the best is to be found in a green tiled building surrounded by modern office buildings: the 200-year-old Peveril of the Peak.

Address: 127 Great Bridgewater Street Manchester M1 5JQ Phone: +44 161 236 6364

#### The Marble Arch Inn

Visit the Marble Arch Inn on Rochdale Road and enjoy some of their home brewed beer. The pub also serves a selection of traditional pub food.

Address: 73 Rochdale Road, Manchester M4 4HY Phone: +44 161 832 5914 Internet: www.marblebeers.co.uk

#### Sankeys

Friday nights at Sankeys can only mean one thing: Tribal Sessions. Spread over three spaces, international artists,

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together with new talents, bring you the best in cutting-edge sounds. There is even a free Disco Bus to the Tribal Sessions that can pick you up in the city.

Address: Beehive Mill, Radium Street Manchester M4 6AY Phone: +44 161 236 5444 Internet: www.sankeys.info

#### The Ritz

One of Manchester's oldest club venues, now with a new modern face. Every Friday they feature UK's biggest indie night and on Saturday nights, you'll find 'GoGo,' a night packed with the latest music.

Address: Whitworth Street West, Manchester, M1 5NQ Phone: +44 161 236 3234 Internet: www.mamacolive.com/theritz

#### **The Comedy Store**

If you're up for a laugh, why not visit The Comedy Store? Guaranteed a fun night out and will leave you with a smile for the rest of the night.

Address: Arches 3 and 4 Deansgate Locks, Whitworth Street West, Manchester M1 5LH Phone: +44 161 839 9595 Internet: www.thecomedystore.co.uk

#### SHOPPING



Photo: Ben Sutherland

In recent years, central Manchester has been converted into one large shopping precinct with many pedestrian streets and galleries. At the heart of the centre lies the building complex that, when completed in 1972, became Europe's largest shopping centre under one roof. The Arndale Centre – thirty hectares with more than 200 shops and 750,000 visitors every week.

You will find international premium brands such as DKNY and Armani in the area around Deansgate, King Street and St. Ann's Square. Here, as in Bridge Street and Market Street, there are also shops which sell clothes by well-known English designers.

If you are looking for the very latest street fashion, you should head for Oldham Street, the main street in Northern Quarter. This contains shops like Arc Gallery Store, where many young designers and artists exhibit their wares. Northern Quarter also has many small record shops and interior design shops for people who have an eye for trends. Artisans work at the Manchester Craft Centre in Oak Street. Affleck's Palace, on Church Street, is also worth a visit if you are interested in design. Many of the leading young names in Manchester are brought together in this four-storey building.

If the Arndale Centre was the largest in the 1970s, a worthy successor was the Trafford Centre which opened in the district of Dumplington, outside Trafford Park, in 1998. Generally speaking, the enormous shopping centre contains all the well-known clothes shops and is the largest of its kind in Europe.

A tip for those interested in football: visit Manchester United's shop in the Old Trafford Stadium.

# ACCOMMODATION



Photo: Alex Parks

Manchester has a wide array of accommodation to choose from, everything from luxury five star hotels to simpler guest houses.

#### **The Palace Hotel**

With its distinctive 66 meter tall clock tower, the Palace Hotel is a recognised landmark in Manchester. The Palace offers 257 bedrooms and is within easy reach of the city's museums and art galleries, as well as shopping. It is also opposite Oxford Road mainline station, as well as The Palace Theatre.

Address: Oxford Street, Manchester, M60 7HA Phone: +44 161 288 1111 Internet: www.palace-hotel-manchester.co.uk

#### **Novotel Manchester Centre**

This three-star hotel is located in Chinatown and a short distance from shops, nightlife and attractions. There is 24 hour room service and the rooms provide modern comfort in a contemporary decor.

Address: 21 Dickinson St, Manchester M1 4LX Phone: +44 161 235 2200 Internet: www.novotel.com

#### The Castlefield Hotel

Ideally situated, the Castlefield Hotel has the canal basin with its colourful boats, The Urban Heritage Park and Roman Wall reconstruction on its doorstep. There are 48 en suite bedrooms and free wireless broadband service is available.

Address: Liverpool Road, Manchester M3 4JR Phone: +44 161 832 7073 Internet: www.castlefield-hotel.co.uk

#### Atrium By Birdgestreet Worldwide

Four-star hotel in the heart of Manchester. The Atrium serviced apartments lets you stay independently, coupled with the security and comfort of a hotel. Contemporary interior and perfect for business and leisure alike.

Address: 74 Princess Street, Manchester, M1 6JD Phone: +44 161 235 2000 Internet: www.bridgestreet.co.uk

#### Mitre Hotel

This hotel offer 32 rooms with a perfect location in the city centre close to shops and attractions. Built in 1815 they can brag about being one of the oldest hotels in town.

Address: 1-3 Cathedral Gates, Manchester M3 1SW Phone: +44 161 826 1694 Internet: www.mitrehotel.co.uk

#### **The Lowry Hotel**

A sign that Manchester is developing rapidly is the hotels. A few years ago there were few hotels that met international standards, but today there are all the more. The most luxurious of all is the five-star Lowry Hotel, which opened in 2001. Bright, clean and centrally located.

Address: 50 Dearmans Place, Chapel Wharf, Manchester M3 5LH Phone: +44 161 827 4000 Internet: www.roccofortehotels.com

#### Malmaison

Malmaison beside Piccadilly Station looks traditionally

English from the outside, in an Edwardian brick building. Inside, it is quite modern with clean colours and straight lines.

Address: 1 Gore St Manchester, Lancashire M1 3AQ Phone: +44 161 278 1000 Internet: www.malmaison-manchester.com

#### Jurys Inn Manchester

Next to one of the many canals, in the heart of the city Jurys Inn provides spacious and brightly decorated rooms. You also find the two football arenas, Old Trafford and Etihad Stadium close to the hotel.

Address: Great Bridgewater St, Manchester, M1 5LE Phone: +44 161 953 8888 Internet: manchesterhotels.jurysinns.com

#### Britannia Hotel

Situated in an old Victorian building this large three-star hotel is a price worthy option for your stay in Manchester. You find all the major attractions, restaurants and shops in walking distance. One of Manchester's most popular bars the WAVE is located in the hotel.

Address: Portland Street, Manchester, M1 3LA Phone: +44 871 221 0191 Internet: www.britanniahotels.com

#### Verdene

Just five minutes' drive from Manchester city centre this small bed & breakfast is located. The green and lush Whitworth Park and the university is close by. Every morning a continental or a cooked vegetarian breakfast is served.

Address: 454 Moss Lane East, Manchester, M14 4PW Phone: +44 161 224 1576 Internet: www.verdenehotel.co.uk

#### **Staycity Serviced Apartments - Laystall St**

At a five minute walking distance from Manchester Piccadilly Station and Piccadilly Gardens these fully equipped apartments are a good alternative for your stay in Manchester. Linen, towels and weekly cleaning are included.

Address: 40 Laystall Street, Manchester, M1 2JZ Phone: +44 161 2367330 Internet: www.staycity.com

#### The Portland by Thistle

This large Victorian hotel right in the city centre, close to the Northern Quarter offer classical designed rooms. The hotel also features a fitness centre including sauna, hot tub and a gym, and a restaurant and bar offering modern dishes and a wide array of drinks.

Address: 3-5 Portland Street, Piccadilly Gardens, Manchester, M1 6DP Phone: +44 845 305 8326 Internet: www.thistle.com

#### DoubleTree by Hilton Manchester Piccadilly

This centrally located, luxurious four-star hotel cares about the small details to make its guests feel extra welcome. While checking in you can enjoy a delicious chocolate chip cookie and in your room there is an Apple iMacs with complimentary WiFi and Skype for you to use during your stay.

Address: One Piccadilly Place, Manchester, M1 3DG Phone: +44 0161 2421000 Internet: doubletree3.hilton.com

#### Best Western Willowbank Hotel Manchester

Stay in brightly coloured rooms at this three-star hotel in the outskirts of Manchester. You reach the city centre in 10 minutes by car and it is close to public transportation. The hotel features its own trendy restaurant.

Address: 340 Wilmslow Rd, Fallowfield, Manchester, M14 6AF Phone: +44 161 224 0461 Internet: www.bestwestern.co.uk

#### **YHA Manchester**

Located on the bank of one of the many canals of Manchester, this hostel provides not only rooms to stay in but also its own restaurant and bar. If you rather cook your own food there is a kitchen for everyone to use. From the lobby this looks more like a hotel but the rooms are very simple and most of them contain bunk beds.

Address: Potato Wharf, Manchester, M3 4NB Phone: +44 845 371 9647 Internet: www.yha.org.uk

# **EVENTS**



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#### **ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**



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#### Airport

Manchester's international airport is located 16 km south of the city. The airport has a combined railway and bus station, with departures to Manchester and the rest of the country. The train to Manchester Piccadilly takes 20 minutes. Airport buses to Manchester depart every half hour. A taxi journey to central Manchester takes 25 minutes.

Internet: www.manchesterairport.co.uk

#### **Public Transport**

You can travel around Manchester by bus, train or tram (Metrolink). For a tourist, the easiest and cheapest way is to buy a Day Saver Ticket, which gives unlimited transport inside the city. Buy the ticket on board. The largest of the city's three railway stations is Manchester Piccadilly in Fairfield Street. Trains depart for London from here.

Phone: +44 871 200 22 33 Internet: www.gmpte.com

#### Taxi

The taxis licensed by the local council are the big black ones. When the taxi sign is lighted the taxi is free. Taxi drivers are generally given a ten percent tip. Be prepared to pay cash. Some cars accept credit cards, but it is best to confirm this before you start your journey.

Phone: +44 161 230 33 33

#### Post

Manchester Post Office is at 26 Spring Gardens. In addition, there are about 20 post offices, open Monday-Friday 09.00–17.30., Saturday 09.00–12.00.

Phone: +44 845 722 3344

#### Pharmacy

Pharmacies are generally open from 09.00 – 18.00. There are no pharmacies in Manchester open around the clock, but there is an emergency number you can call at any time:

Phone: +44 161 845 4647

#### Telephone

Country code: +44

Area code: 0161

#### Electricity

240 V, 50 Hz

#### Population 2.6 million

**Currency** British Pound, £1 = 100 pence

#### **Opening hours**

Shops are usually open on Monday-Friday 10.00–20.00. Saturday 09.00– 19.00, Sunday 11.00–17.00.

#### Newspapers

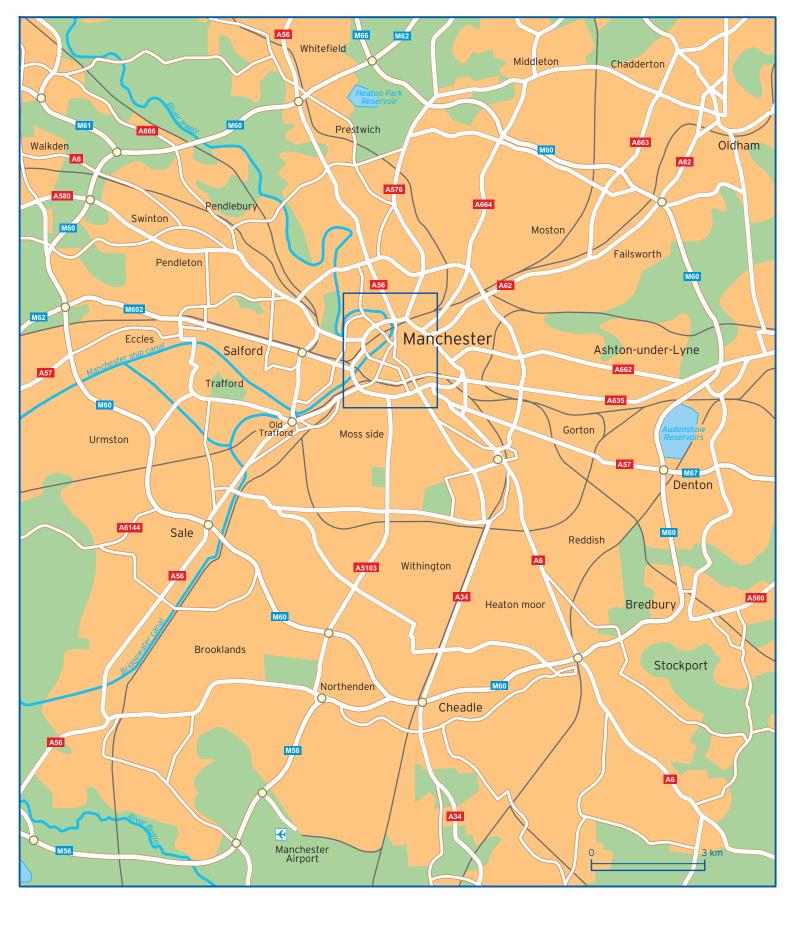
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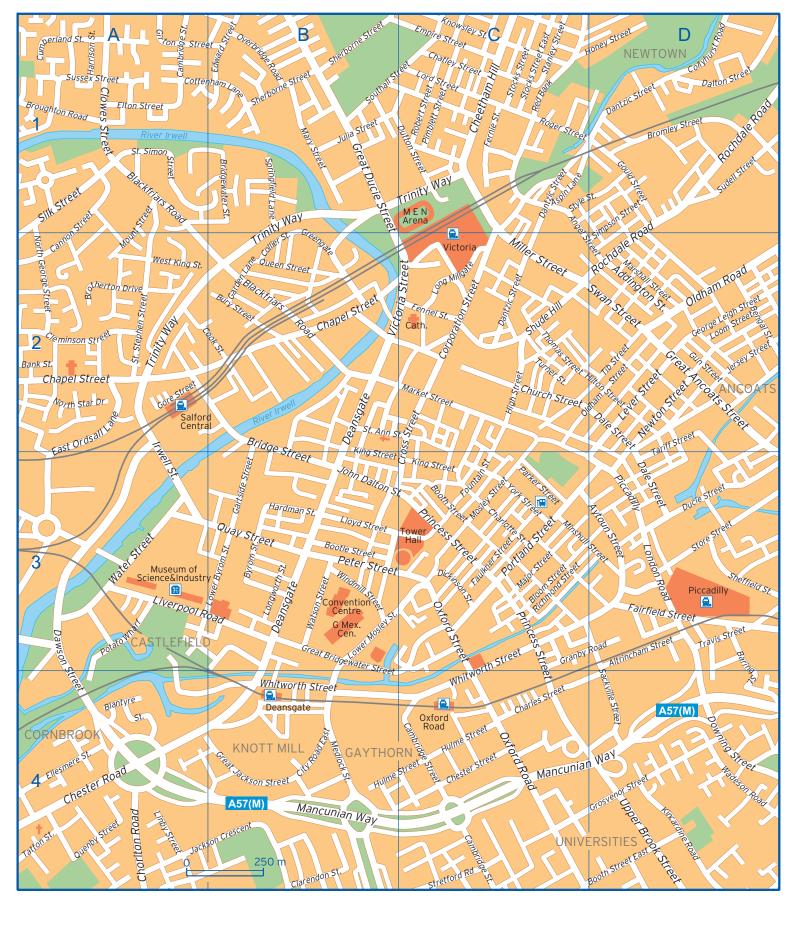
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СЗ	Fernie Street
D4	Fountain Street
B3	Garden Lane
B2 B3	Gartside Street
B1	George Leigh Street
D1	Girton Street
A2	Gore Street
A1	Gould Street
B2	Granby Road
B3	Great Ancoats Street
A1 C4	Great Bridgewater Street
A1 A2	Great Ducie Street
A2 B2	Great Jackson Street
C4	Greengate
C3	Grosvenor Street
C1	Gun Street
C1	Hardman Street
A4	Harrison Street
C4	High Street
A4	Hilton Street
C2	Honey Street
B4	Hulme Street
B4	Irwell Street
A2	Jackson Crescent
A1	Jersey Street
B2	John Dalton Street
D1	Julia Street
A2 B2	Kincardine Road
C2	King Street
A1 B1	Knowsley Street
C2 C3	Lever Street
A1	Linby Street
D2 D3	Liverpool Road
D1	Lloyd Street
C1 C2 D1	London Road
A3 A4	Long Millgate
B2 B3	Longworth Street
C3	Loom Street

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D4	Lord Street	C1
D3 B1 C1	Lower Byrom Street	B3 B3
A2 A3	Lower Mosley Street Major Street	C3
AZ AS B1	Major Sileer Mancunian Way	B4 C4 D4
A4	Market Street	D4 C4 D4 C2
A4 A1	Marshall Street	C2 D2
C1		B1
D3	Mary Street Medlock Street	B1 B4
C3	Miller Street	64 C2
C2	Miner Street Minshull Street	C3 D3
C2	Mosley Street	C3 D3
C1 C3	Mount Street	A1 A2
B2	Newton Street	D2
B3	North George Street	A2
D2	North Star Drive	A2 A2
A1 B1	Oldham Road	D2
AI BI A2	Oldham Street	C2 D2
AZ D1		62 D2 B1
C3 D3	Overbridge Road Oxford Road	C4
C3 D3	Oxford Street	C4 C3
B3 B4	Parker Street	C3 C3
B3 B4 B1 B2	Peter Street	B3
BI BZ		D3
B4 B2	Piccadilly Pimblett Street	C1
D2	Portland Street	C1 C3
D4 D2	Potato Wharf	A3
B3	Princess Street	C3 C4
A1	Quay Street	B3
C2	Queen Street	B3 B2
C2 D2	Quenby Street	82 A4
C1 D1	Red Bank	C1
B4 C4	Richmond Street	C3
A2 A3	Robert Street	C1
A4 B4	Rochdale Road	D1 D2
D2	Roger Street	C1
B3 C3	Sackville Street	D3 D4
B3 03 B1	Sheffield Street	D3 D3
D4	Sherborne Street	B1
B3 C3	Shude Hill	C2
C1	Silk Street	A1
D2	Simpson Street	D1 D2
A4	Southall Street	B1 C1
A3 B3	Springfield Lane	BI BI
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D3	St. Simon Street	A1
C2	St. Stephen Street	A1 A2
B3	Stanley Street	C1
D2	Stocks Street	C1
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Stocks Street East	C1	Tatton Street	A4	Wadeson Road	D4
Store Street	D3	Thomas Street	C2	Water Street	A3
Stretford Road	C4	Tib Street	D2	Watson Street	B3
Style Street	C1 D1	Travis Street	D3	West King Street	A2
Sudell Street	D1	Trinity Way	A2 B1 B2 C1	Whitworth Street	B4 C3 C4
Sussex Street	A1	Turner Street	C2	Windmill Street	B3
Swan Street	C2 D2	Upper Brook Street	D4	York Street	СЗ
Tariff Street	D2 D3	Victoria Street	B2 C2		