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1. Geographical location

Manchester is a major city and metropolitan borough in England. It covers an area of 33 square miles. It is situated in the United Kingdom in the Great Manchester urban County in a valley with Cheshire plain bordering it to the south, the Pennines plain to the north east, Salford metropolitan borough to the west and Trafford metropolitan borough to the southwest. To the east of the city are small industrial towns and villages. Trafford, Salford and Manchester have together formed a strong central business district. The city center has an elevation of 40 meters above the sea level. Rivers Irwell, Medlock, Irk and Mersey flow through the city. The city center is located on the banks of River Irwell. Geographic features found in this city include coal reserves, water power from the rivers and the fact that it is located nearby the seaport at Liverpool. The largest open space in this city is the Heaton Park which is around 250 hectares.

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2. Neighbouring cities/countries

Manchester City Is The 7th Biggest City In England And It Is Located On The Northeastern Region. It Is Surrounded By Lakes, The White Mountains, Rivers, Suburbs And Towns. Suburbs Located Next To Manchester Include Salford, Trafford, Denton, Failsworth, Whitefield, Middleton, Heywood And Royon Among Others. The Distance To These Suburbs Is Approximately 10 Km To 16 Km. Major Nearest Cities To Manchester Include Bradford 44 Km Away, Sheffield 50 Km, Liverpool 53 Km, Leeds 53 Km, Stoke-on-Trent 56 Km, Derby 79 Km, Nottingham 94 Km, Wolver Hampton 101 Km, Birmingham 115 Km, London Located 259 Km Away, Dublin 265 Km, Belfast 270 Km, Edinburgh 281 Km, Southampton 290 Km, Glasgow 295 Km And Plymouth 370 Km. Neighboring Countries Include Wales, Scotland And France.

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3. Significance

With a great history in sports, music, and industry, Manchester is a multicultural, multifaceted city. With a great cultural heritage, the city is one of the most visited British cities by international tourists. Manchester has been the hub of many rebellions and revolutions that brought about many reformations in the industrial and social structure of the country. Mainly known as a sports city for its renowned place in international football with two major clubs, Manchester also has an outstanding arts and literature spheres. This is a city where women get more benefits than men in terms of pay. The well-structured and highly effective public transport network in the city is one of the reasons why tourists flock to this city more often.

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4. History

Prior to becoming one of UK's commercial hotspots, Manchester was not more than a market town prior to the Industrial Revolution caught Britain in its grip. The importation of cotton from Liverpool via the Mersey and Irwell Navigation really turned the fortunes of Manchester and altered the local textile industry. Manchester's modern history is a topic of interest for a host of reasons, but mainly so because of how it became one of the pioneering cites for transport. The Duke's Canal (also known as the Bridgewater Canal) was constructed in 1761 followed by the launch of the first bus services in Northwest city in 1824. The service plied between Market Street, Manchester and Pendleton, Salford. The first-ever steam passenger railway commenced operations between Liverpool and Manchester in 1830.

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5. Cultural identity

The culture of Manchester is inclined four ways - architecturally, theatrically, artistically and musically. There are many reasons Manchester is considered as one of UK's pivotal cultural hotspots. It's got art galleries and is home to the country's top arts center called 'HOME' – yes, that's the name. Manchester also plays host to the bi-annual Manchester International Festival (MIF) which takes place in July and promises 18 days of events, premieres and performances. Also whether you're a literary buff, Manchester has ample literary wealthy to keep you invested and interested – do check out the Manchester Central Library. For those of you who treasure music scenes, Manchester has one of the best – do visit the city's best record shop, Piccadilly Records.

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6. Natural resources

It has a large reserve of natural resources that includes coal, petroleum, zinc, tin, iron ore, limestone, salt, rocks, silica, gypsum, arable land, clay, slate, chalk, etc. It has abundance of coal and iron mines and has various natural resources such as textiles, ships, steel, etc. It has large number of flora and fauna that includes various species of plants, birds, mammals, reptiles. The species of valuable plants

and herbs are in abundance.



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7. Key site seeing places (paid and free)

7.1. Paid

7.1.1. Old Trafford

Embark on a football journey at the Old Trafford which takes you behind the scenes of the world's most renowned stadium as well as the Manchester United Museum. Labeled as the Theater of Dreams, it has a seating capacity of 75,643 and ranks 7th with respect to the area all across Europe. Home to the club of Manchester United, it is an enormous club stadium in the United Kingdom.

Address: Sir Matt Busby Way, Manchester M16 oRA, United Kingdom

Zipcode: M16 oRA

Location: 53.46305889999999, -2.29134010000007

Contact: +44 161 868 8000

Website: http://www.manutd.com/

Nearest Public Transport : Manchester United Football Ground Train Station

Opp Chester Road/Warwick Road Bus Station

Entry Fee: Adults: 25 GBP Children: 18 GBP

Open & Close Timing: The timings vary as per the tour taken between 08:30hrs

and 18:00hrs.

Time Required : 1.5

Expected Wait Time: 10 minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.1.2. Stockport Air Raid Shelters

Wish to step back in time and encounter the sights and sounds of Britain's Home Front? Visit the Stockport Air Raid Shelters built during the World War II to provide shelter to around 3,850 people. You can explore the ancient tunnels, authentically re-equipped, which will give you the feel of daily life in the 1940s wartime Britain. Marvel at the exhibits and enjoy a state-of-the-art audio guide which reveals stories about people who shared their experiences of the war.

Address: 61 Chestergate, Stockport SK1 1NE, United Kingdom

Zipcode: SK1 1NE

Location: 53.4103101, -2.159545900000012

Contact : +44 161 474 1940

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Website: http://www.stockport.gov.uk/airraidshelters/

Nearest Public Transport : St. Peters Square/St. Petersgate (Stop LL) Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults: 4.75 GBP Concessions (60+ and students): 3.5 GBP Children:

Free admission

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday to Friday 13:00hrs-17:00hrs Saturday:

10:00hrs-17:00hrs Sunday: 11:00hrs-17:00hrs Monday Closed

Time Required: 1.5

Expected Wait Time: 10 minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.1.3. Etihad Stadium

One of the best stadiums in the country, the Etihad Stadium in an enclosed building and has a bowl design with a huge seating capacity of 55,000. The most noticeable feature of the stadium are the louvers in each of the 4 corners and the roof that continuously runs around the stadium creating a spectacular effect. It is the home ground of the Manchester City Club and is well-known for its facilities.

Address: Ashton New Rd, Manchester M11 3FF, United Kingdom

Zipcode: M11 3FF

Location: 53.48313810000001, -2.200395299999968

Contact: +44 161 444 1894

Website: http://www.stadiumguide.com/cityofmanchester/

Nearest Public Transport : Etihad Campus Light Rail Station o/s Ashton New

Rd/Etihad Stadium Bus Station

Entry Fee : Tour prices Adults: 17 GBP Senior: 12 GBP Under 16: 11 GBP

Open & Close Timing : Daily 10:30hrs-15:30hrs

Time Required: 1.5

Expected Wait Time: 10 minutes

Buy Ticket: No

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7.2. Free

7.2.1. The Lowry

An eye-catching waterside building, the Lowry consists of a theater and gallery complex spanning over an area of 2,000 square meters. Built as a tribute to the early 20th-century painter, L. S. Lowry, over 400 works in oil, pastel, and watercolors from all periods of his career are housed here. Inaugurated on 12th October 2000 by Queen Elizabeth, the Lowry stands as a major tourist attraction and home for entertainment and arts.

Address: The Lowry, Pier 8, Salford Quays, M50 3AZ

Zipcode: M50 3AZ

Location: 53.47082770000001, -2.296102000000019

Contact: +44 0843 208 6000

Website: http://www.thelowry.com/

Nearest Public Transport : The Quays/Huron Basin Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Sunday to Friday: 11:00hrs-17:00hrs Saturday:

10:00hrs-17:00hrs Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.2. Museum of Science and Industry

A must-visit attraction for every age, Museum of Science and Industry fascinates its visitors through interactive exhibitions, an enormous collection of vintage vehicles, historic machinery, and much more. Explore halls filled with vast, steampowered machines in action, learn how the Industrial Revolution started in the city, greet historical characters, watch demonstrations of original machinery, embark on a train ride behind replica steam locomotive, and enjoy the hands-on workshops. This museum is a great day out for families and children.

Address: Liverpool Rd, Manchester M3 4FP, United Kingdom

Zipcode: M3 4FP

Location: 53.47731349999999, -2.254962400000067

Contact: +44 161 832 2244

Website: http://www.msimanchester.org.uk/

Nearest Public Transport : o/s Lower Byrom Street/Science Museum Bus Station

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Open & Close Timing: Daily 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.3. Manchester Museum

You can explore the world at the Manchester Museum which was inaugurated as a natural history museum in 1821 and presently showcases works of archaeology, anthropology, and natural history. Scattered over 4 floors, the exhibits consist of minerals, animal life, rocks, aquarium, prehistoric life as well as a vivarium from across the world. Tagged as United Kingdom's largest university museum, it acts as a major tourist attraction as well as research and teaching center.

Address : The University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL, United Kingdom

Zipcode: M13 9PL

Location: 53.4663267999999, -2.2342297999998

Contact: + 44 161 275 2634

Website: http://www.manchester.ac.uk/

Nearest Public Transport : Oxford Rd/University Shopping Ctr (Stop F) Bus

Station

Open & Close Timing: Daily 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.4. Manchester Town Hall

Designed in Victorian Gothic style by Alfred Waterhouse, the Manchester Town Hall was inaugurated in 1877 and is an abode to the Manchester City Council. Statues of remarkable figures from the past are housed here and it also features a glazed skylight engraved with the names of every mayor, lord mayor, and chair of the council. Don't miss out on the mosaic pattern of bees right outside the Great Hall that symbolizes Manchester's industry.

Address: Albert Square, Manchester M60 2LA, United Kingdom

Zipcode: M60 2LA

Location: 53.4792335, -2.244575599999962

Contact: +44 161 234 5000

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Website: http://www.townhallmcr.co.uk/

Nearest Public Transport : Princess St/Town Hall (Stop SC) Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Monday to Friday: 09:00hrs-16:00hrs Saturday:

11:00hrs-16:00hrs

Time Required: 0.5

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.5. The John Rylands Library

Disguised as a castle or cathedral, thanks to the alluring Victorian gothic architecture, the John Rylands Library is a major tourist attraction in the city of Manchester. It is a world-class library housing the oldest known piece of the New Testament, the St. John Fragment. Other exhibits include illuminated medieval manuscripts as well as a 1476 William Caxton edition of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales. This library was structured in 1890 by his wife Enriqueta Rylands in memory of her late husband.

Address: 150 Deansgate, Manchester M3 3EH, United Kingdom

Zipcode: M3 3EH

Location: 53.48035970000001, -2.248821200000066

Contact: +44 161 306 0555

Website: http://www.library.manchester.ac.uk/

Nearest Public Transport : Deansgate/Spinningfields Bus station

Open & Close Timing: Sunday and Monday: 12:00hrs-17:00hrs Tuesday to Friday:

10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 1.5

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.6. Castlefield

Tagged as the industrial and Roman heart of Manchester, Castlefield is an inner city conservation area and a must-see attraction in the city. It is home to a Roman fort, long networks of canals, old mills, good range of accommodation options, trendy new bars, and sophisticated restaurants. Castlefield was also the terminus of the world's first industrial canal and also the world's first passenger railway that terminated here in 1830.

Address: The Castlefield Rooms 18—20 Castle Street Castlefield Manchester M3

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4LZ

Zipcode : M3 4LZ

Location: 53.474199, -2.252255699999978

Contact: +440161 839 8656

Website: http://www.ourcastlefield.co.uk/

Nearest Public Transport : Deansgate Train Station

Open & Close Timing: Open 24 hours

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.7. Manchester Art Gallery

Encompassing a world-class art collection, the Manchester Art Gallery features magnificent 17th century to early 20th century British art along with Pre-Raphaelite canvases and artworks in a marvelous Victorian and contemporary setting. Gratify your art curiosity with an extensive treasure of 25,000 artefacts signifying both international as well as native works. Popular for its audience-focused approach, this gallery welcomes art enthusiasts from all over to enjoy its hands-on experiences and interactive programs.

Address: Mosley St, Manchester M2 3JL, United Kingdom

Zipcode: M2 3JL

Location: 53.47882, -2.241821999999956

Contact: +44 161 235 8888

Website: http://www.manchesterartgallery.org/

Nearest Public Transport : adj Princess Street/Chinatown Bus station

Open & Close Timing: Daily 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.8. National Football Museum

Are you a football aficionado? Then look no more and visit the National Football Museum, which is renowned worldwide for having the finest collection of football artefacts and archives. Tagged as the world's biggest and best football museum, you can eenjoy all the interactive experiences here and explore more than 2,500 objects that are scattered across 6 floors. It is one of the most visited

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museums in the city and maintains, safeguards and elucidates a prominent collection of football memorabilia.

Address : Urbis Building, Cathedral Garden, Todd St, City Centre, Manchester

M4 3BG United Kingdom

Zipcode: M4 3BG

Location: 53.4858221999999, -2.242117499999949

Contact: +44 161 605 8200

Website: http://www.nationalfootballmuseum.com/

Nearest Public Transport: Corporation Street (Stop NP) Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Monday to Saturday: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs Sunday:

11:00hrs-17:00hrs Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.9. Manchester Cathedral

A vibrant worshipping community, the Manchester Cathedral sports a gorgeous interior with the best medieval work as well as tiny carved details on the exterior. One of the top 15 Grade I buildings in Manchester, the main body of the cathedral is in perpendicular Gothic style and also has a pulpitum, choir stalls as well as a nave roof assisted by angels with gilded instruments. If you are an architecture or history lover, you will definitely love this place.

Address: Victoria St, Manchester M3 1SX, United Kingdom

Zipcode: M3 1SX

Location: 53.4852601, -2.24428290000003

Contact : +44 161 833 2220

Website: http://www.manchestercathedral.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Exchange Square Light Rail Station

Open & Close Timing: Monday and Friday: 08:30hrs-17:30hrs Tuesday,

Wednesday, and Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday: 08:30hrs-18:30hrs

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.10. Manchester Fort Shopping Park

Want to kill time and also take back home some souvenirs? Keep your sightseeing

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aside and visit Manchester Fort Shopping Park to fill your bags. You can pick your favorite memorabilia from innumerable brands located here and grab a quick bite from any of the food chains to make the most of your time.

Address : Cheetham Hill Rd, Manchester c, UK

Zipcode: M3 1SX

Location: 53.4980882, -2.235557500000027

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.11. Manchester Craft and Design Centre

Located in the heart of the creative Northern quarter of Manchester, this store is housed in an original Victorian fish and poultry market building. Here, 35 artists, designers and craftspeople produce and sell innovative and unique work in the 19 working studio boutiques which comprise of everything from jewelry, ceramics and furniture to photography and graphics.

Address: 17 Oak St, Manchester M4 5JD, UK

Zipcode : M4 5JD

Location: 53.48437630000001, -2.235608700000057

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.12. Afflecks

Afflecks is an indoor market situated in the Northern quarter of the city where you can find everything ranging from top hats to tattoos. Be it fetish fashion, designer clothes, surfwear or henna tattoos and piercings - you name it and you are sure to find it here.

Address : 52 Church St, Manchester M4 1PW, UK

Zipcode: M4 1PW

Location: 53.4824220000001, -2.236069000000043

Time Required : 0 Buy Ticket : No

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8. Key sites sports & adventure

Tourists have a wide range of options when it comes to adventure sports in Manchester. They can enjoy activities like bungee jumping, caving, zorbing, karting, archery, kite surfing, and many other fun filled adventures.

• Bungee Jumping -

Address: UK Bungee Club, Salford Watersports Cente | 15 The Quays,

Salford M50 3SQ, England

Location: 53.470834,-2.2896369999999

Contact No : +4407000 286 433

Website: http://www.ukbungee.co.uk/

Nearest Public Transport : Salford Quays Light Rail Station

Entry Fees: 75 GBP for individual; 150 GBP for tandem

Time Required: 3

Zorbing -

Address : Virgin Experience Days, Acorne PLC, Stamford House, Boston

Drive, Bourne End, Buckinghamshire, SL8 5YS

Location: 51.5778382,-0.7076673999999

Contact No: +440844 504 0844

Website: https://www.virginexperiencedays.co.uk/

Nearest Public Transport : Bourne End Train Station

Entry Fees: £49 to £69

Open / Close Time : Monday-Friday 09:00hrs-17:00hrs; Saturday &

Sunday closed

Time Required : 2

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9. Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums

Manchester is a city of sports the most popular being football with two Premier League football clubs Manchester United and Manchester City. A host of other sports are played in the city including rugby, cricket, swimming, cycling, speedway racing, American Football, ice hockey, roller hockey, dodge ball, boxing, and wrestling.

• Old Trafford Cricket Ground:

Address: Talbot Rd, Old Trafford M16 oPX, United Kingdom

Location: 53.456428,-2.2867969999999787

Contact No : +44 161 282 4000

Website: http://emiratesoldtrafford.lccc.co.uk/ Open/Close time: Depends upon the events

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10. Spas and relaxation

Manchester is famous for the best massage and spa treatments that include body relief with head tension releasing workout sessions and techniques.

Malmaison Manchester:

Address: Picadilly, 1 Gore Street, Manchester M1 3AQ

Location: 53.4790095999999,-2.23318340000003

Contact No: +44 161 641 1883

Website: https://www.malmaison.com/locations/manchester/spa/

• Bali Health Lounge:

Address: 1st Floor, 48 George St, Manchester M1 4HF

Location: 53.4790927,-2.24041729999999

Contact No: +44 161 850 2288

Website: https://www.balihealthlounge.com/

Spa Urban Oasis:

Address : Debenhams, 123 Market St, Manchester M60 1TA

Location: 53.4821097,-2.238248999999996

Contact No : +44 161 835 4061

Website: http://www.thespaco.com/

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11. Events calendar

Month

Events
Winter Wonderland Manchester
2017 @ event city (1st)

This is a great event to come and enjoy with friends and family. It is the largest outdoor winter wonderland event ever organized in UK.

Drake Show 2017 at Manchester Arena 2017 (11th to 12th)

This Grammy award winning artist will be performing live at the Manchester Arena. If you are his fan, then you should not miss this show.

Lukas Graham Show @ academy 2017 (2nd)

This Danish pop and soul band will be performing live at the mentioned date at the academy. If you love soul and pop music make efforts to attend.

Harlem Globetrotters Show @ Manchester Arena 2017 (7th)

This is a basketball team that combines athleticism, comedy and theatre. They will be



performing live featuring some of their athletes.

King street festival @ city center (28th to 30th)

This festival gives you a shopping experience like no other. You will find brand stores, hotels and restaurants, premier retailers all here.

Pam Ann Show @ the lowry (4th)

Pam Ann is a comedian and will be performing live at this event. Her caustic wit knows no boundaries so fasten your seatbelts and prepare for takeoff.

Manchester International Festival 2017 @ Blackfriars House (1st to 17th)

This festival is held annually to appreciate new and original work from artists of visual arts, popular culture and performing arts.

Bros Show @ Manchester Arena (22nd)

This is an English band and will be performing live for the very first time at Manchester. Bookatable Festival Feast @

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Manchester restaurants (29th)

This festival features different types of cuisines and if you are in the city, you should try some of the foods prepared in the restaurants.

Dashehra Diwali Mela @ City Centre, Albert Square (15th)

This is an important Hindu festival held to honor goddess Durga who fought the evil demon for ten days and nine nights.
Coca Cola Park lives @ Heaton Park (11th to 30th)

This is an event organized by Coca Cola in collaboration with the Heaton Park. The event will feature many family outdoor activities. Come spend some quality time with family at this event.

Blossoms @ Albert hall (2nd to 3rd)

This pop band will be performing live at the albert hall. If you are a lover of pop music, then this is not an event to miss.

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12. Key local guides and tours

Manchester is an old city with a rich history and beautiful natural surroundings. There are many tours available to explore the different facets of the city. Walking tours are really educative when you are new to a city. Manchester city covered on foot accompanied by knowledgeable guides offer a slice of the city's glory and its vibrant people. Bike tours are popular among those who like to seek the sights and sites less frequented by tourists. Along with the regular spots, these tours take the riders to some of the hidden attractions that are equally mind blowing. Heritage tours are for those who love to explore the historical and cultural aspects of the city. Visitors get to see the ancient structures, buildings, museums, and galleries among many other relics of the past.

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13. Transportation hubs

Manchester Airport is the major international airport which lies 13.9 km away from the city centre. Northern and TransPennine Express trains run to Manchester Piccadilly for a fare of about 4.20 GBP. The tram fare is 4.20 GBP for a single ticket and 5 GBP for a day ticket. National Express coaches take about 1 hour to reach the downtown area. Taxis take 30-45 minutes for a ride to the city centre and the cost is about 15 GBP. Local buses also take passengers from the airport to Manchester city. The two main railway stations in the city are Manchester Piccadilly and Manchester Victoria. Chorlton Street Coach Station, Shudehill Interchange, and Piccadilly Gardens bus station are the major coach and bus stations in Manchester.

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14. Transportation cost

The any-bus day ticket or System One is the cheapest way to travel around Manchester in a day. There are one-day, weekly, monthly, annual, and weekender cards for adults (22 and above), young persons (16-21), students (16-26), and juniors (5-15). The fares range from 2.50 GBP to 1,111 GBP depending on age and type of ticket. Metromax day tickets are used in trams and are priced at around 5 GBP. The free bus service called Metroshuttle is another inexpensive way to explore the city. Day tickets are sold by many bus operators for unlimited use in a day on their vehicles. A FirstDay day-saver ticket costs about 4.20 GBP. Taxi rides within the city cost around 5-10 GBP. For train journeys, a host of cards are available for different purposes. A Traincard is useful for tourists for multiple train journeys all around Manchester. The weekly card costs 29.10 GBP.

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15. Baggage allowance

Trains allow two large bags and one small hand luggage. Extra luggage will be charged and will be subject to available space. Buses allow luggage that you can carry that does not exceed 20kg. Extra luggage is charged and will depend if there is available space. If you have a lot of luggage, hiring a taxi might be necessary. Taxis have enough space and are stress free. Renting a car is another option. You can also use the delivery services. You can have the delivery company deliver the luggage for you and travel luggage free. They charge according to the distance travelled just like the taxis.

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16. Must try food and local savouries

Manchester is famous for their fish, burgers, Calabrese and kara-age chicken.



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17. Restaurant & Nightlife

This is a large city and therefore has a large selection of restaurants. You will find almost all the different cuisines in the many different restaurants in the city. The restaurants are located across the city but most are found at the city center

Food -

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Home Sweet Home:

Address: 49-41 Edge St, Manchester M4 1HW, United Kingdom

Location: 53.484098,-2.2358409999999367

Contact No: +44 161 244 9424

Website: https://www.facebook.com/homesweethomemcr/?fref=ts

Open / Close Time : Monday to Saturday 09:00hrs-22:00hrs; Sunday

09:00hrs-21:00hrs

Nasi Lemak Street Food:

Address: The Vibe, 175 Broughton Ln, Salford M7 1US, United Kingdom

Location : 53.4959898,-2.2610095 Contact No : +44 161 637 1060

Website : http://www.nasilemakchinese.co.uk/ Open / Close Time : Daily 16:30hrs-22:30hrs

Rudy's Neapolitan Pizza:

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Address: 9 Cotton St, Manchester M4 5BF, United Kingdom

Location: 53.484244,-2.2294414000000415

Contact No: +44 7931 162059

Website: http://www.rudyspizza.co.uk/

Open / Close Time : Tuesday 17:00hrs-22:00hrs, Wednesday to Saturday 12:00hrs-15:00hrs, 17:00hrs-22:00hrs, Sunday 12:00hrs-18:00hrs, Monday

closed

Manchester House Restaurant:

Address: 18-22 Bridge St, Manchester M3 3BZ, United Kingdom

Location: 53.48115069999999,-2.2507113000000345

Contact No: +44 161 835 2557

Website: http://www.manchesterhouse.uk.com/

Open / Close Time : Tuesday to Thursday 12:00hrs-14:30hrs, 19:00hrs-21:30hrs, Friday and Saturday 12:00hrs-14:30hrs,

18:00hrs-22:00hrs. Closed on Sundays and Mondays

• Yuzu:

Address: 39 Faulkner St, Manchester M1 4EE, United Kingdom

Location: 53.478796,-2.2390824000000293

Contact No : +44 161 236 4159

Website: http://www.yuzumanchester.co.uk/

Open / Close Time : Tuesday to Saturday 12:00hrs-14:00hrs,

17:30hrs-22:00hrs. Closed on Sundays and Mondays

Red Hot World Buffet & Bar:

Address: 48 Deansgate, Manchester M3 2EG, United Kingdom

Location: 53.4833939,-2.246686100

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Contact No: +44 161 819 1240

Website: http://redhotworldbuffet.com/restaurants/manchester/

Open / Close Time : Sunday to Thursday 12:00hrs-22:00hrs Friday and

Saturday 12:00hrs-23:00hrs

Revolucion de Cuba:

Address: 11 Peter St, Manchester M2 5QR, United Kingdom

Location: 53.4783933,-2.24887590000003

Contact No: +44 161 826 8266

Website: http://www.revoluciondecuba.com/

Open / Close Time: Sunday to Wednesday 11:00hrs-02:00hrs, Thursday

to Saturday 11:00hrs-03:00hrs

Hula Manchester:

Address: 11 Stevenson Square, Manchester M1 1DB, United Kingdom

Location: 53.4824608,-2.233136800000011

Website: http://www.hulabar.co.uk/

Open / Close Time: Monday-Thursday 17:00hrs-03:00hrs; Friday &

Saturday 17:00hrs-04:00hrs; Sunday 19:00hrs-02:00hrs

• The Liars Club:

Address : 19A Back Bridge St, Manchester M3 2PB, United Kingdom

Location: 53.4813279,-2.2497538000000077

Contact No: +44 161 834 5111

Website: http://www.theliarsclub.co.uk/

Open / Close Time : Monday-Saturday 17:00hrs to 04:00hrs; Sunday

17:00hrs-03:00hrs

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• Grosvenor Casino:

Address: 2 Bury New Rd, Manchester M8 9SG, United Kingdom

Location: 53.4960363999999,-2.2525545999999395

Contact No : +44 161 831 6370

Website: https://www.grosvenorcasinos.com/local-casinos/manchester

Open / Close Time : Open 24 hours



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18. Average meal cost

In an inexperienced restaurant a normal meal costs 11.00 GBP. A three-course meal at a mid-range restaurant for two people costs 19.00 GBP. You can have a fresh cappuccino at 6.53 GBP. A combo meal at McDonald's can be purchased at 8.80 GBP. 11.2 oz small bottle of water can be purchased at 1.00 GBP.



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19. Shopping

For enthusiasts of retail therapy, Manchester has a plethora of exception shopping options in the offing!



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20. Tourist benefits

Tourists who are not nationals of European Union countries can enjoy duty free prices. These duty free shops are mostly located at the airport and will always have a sign showing that they are duty free shops on their entrances. The VAT rate in this city is 20%. You are required to pay the full amount including the VAT but once you have purchased the items, you can apply for tax refund. You should however make sure you purchase from a tax free shop as not all of them offer the tax refund benefit. You are required to get a form from the shop that is supposed to be filled and presented at the refund booths for you to be paid. It is important to note that items bought should be for use outside the European Union region. For you to claim a refund, you must have purchased from a tax free shop, must have the items and the receipt of payment. You can get the refund at a refund booth mostly found at the airport or the shop you purchased from.

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21. Essential local apps

It is easier for tourists if they have some mobile apps that provide valuable information like bus and train routes, restaurants and menus, etc. Hailo is the most popular taxi booking app that helps in finding and booking the licensed taxis in the city. Metroshuttle is an Android app that provides information like Metroshuttle routes, bus stops, route map, and much more. My TfGM is compatible with all devices and the features include journey planning, pinning the location, information like bus stops, tram and train stations, timetables for various transport systems, etc. Eatmcr is an iPhone app that provides listings and ratings of Manchester restaurants, offers and deals, and restaurants near you.





22. Driving

To legally drive in Manchester city, you must have a valid home driving license and a valid passport. An International Driving Permit is not necessary provided that your home driving license is in English. If in another language, you must get the International Driving Permit. The international driving permit translates your home driving license and acts as a proof that your driving license is valid. It is important to note that you can only drive for a period of 1 year with your home license or the international driving permit after which you are required to get a UK driving license if you intend to continue staying in the country. You must be 17 years old in order for you to drive or rent a car. You are prohibited from using a mobile phone while driving, not allowed to drive when under the influence of alcohol, supposed to wear your seat belt and always keep left unless overtaking.

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23. Travel essentials

The standard voltage of Manchester is 240 volts with a frequency of 50 hertz. Socket plug configuration found in this city is the three prolonged plug with flat openings. If from a country with this type of voltage, you only need a travel adapter to fit in this type of plug configuration. Visitors from countries with a different type of voltage will need a transformer or a voltage converter and a plug adapter. The voltage converter in most cases performs the same function as the transformer which is to step down the voltage and match it with that of the appliances. This ensures that the appliances work normally and don't blow up. Electrical gadgets such as laptops and mobile phones have dual voltage and do not necessarily require the voltage converters. However if not indicated, there no harm in using a voltage converter. Finding a pharmacy even a 24 hour one should not be a problem in Manchester, however if you are on some special medication or are allergic to particular medicines, you should carry your own medication as OTC's (Over the counter) are not allowed.

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24. Essential clothes

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25. Local currency

Pound Sterling is the official currency of Manchester. It is also called as Great Britain pound and denoted as GBP. I USD = 0.82 British Pound



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26. Change vendor's commission, ATM charges

Foreign currency exchange services are provided at the Manchester Airport though the rates are much lower than that offered by the exchange bureaus and banks in the city. Tourist places have several exchange bureaus that offer many deals like no commission or better rates. Consult many bureaus before finalising on a particular one. Some of them charge about 1.25-3 GBP as exchange commission. ATMs that accept international cash cards like Visa, American Express, Maestro, etc are plenty in Manchester. Usually there is additional charge for using the ATMs of major banks. However, some smaller bank ATMs tend to charge a usage fee of about 1.5 GBP per withdrawal.





27. Staying connected

When you're visiting Manchester, it is recommended that you opt for prepaid mobile phone SIM card as you have the choice to 'pay as you go.' Mobile coverage and Internet connectivity is non-problematic in Manchester. You can easily procure a SIM card at the airport or visit any of the many mobile phone and telecom outlets scattered across Manchester. Don't miss out on carrying your passport or any other valid ID proof when you go to purchase a phone SIM card.

Most public places have Wi-Fi access.

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28. Time Zone

Manchester follows Greenwich Mean time Zone with UTC + 00:00 hours.



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29. Languages

English is the main language spoken here. A few of the other languages include Punjabi, Bengali and Polish.



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30. Political Scenario

The Manchester City Council is the local government authority and it holds the powers to take and make decisions for the betterment and development of the city. All of decisions and directives pertaining to the city welfare and public services are deliberated upon and finalized by the elected members of the city council.



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31. Economic Scenario

Manchester's economic standing is very firm and various sectors contribute continually in fueling the economic universe of the city. Sectors such as finance and professional services, manufacturing and engineering, health, retail, education and creative and digital are the big players which are the forefront of Manchester's economy. Interestingly the stature of Manchester's economy also gets well-reflected in the fact that Manchester is poised as one of the top European cities which promises better quality of life for its residents. In terms of healthcare, infrastructure, education and culture Manchester is pretty high up on the charts. Businesswise, Manchester is touted as one of the most investor-friendly cities in Europe and the world.

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32. Religious belief

Christianity is the majority religion in Manchester. Islam is the next largest religion followed by Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, and other religions. Manchester has a large number of places of worship of almost all the religions present in the city. The churches in the city include Anglican, Baptist, Evangelical, Methodist, Orthodox, Roman Catholic, United Reformed Churches and many other chapels and centres of the various denominations of Christianity. Buddhist and Hindu temples, Jewish synagogues, and Islamic mosques are also present in the city. There is also a large number of people who do not believe in any religion.

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33. Visa requirements

Visitors and tourists travelling to Manchester, England in UK must have a valid passport and a visa. Nationals from the European states or Switzerland are however allowed in without a visa. They however should have a valid passport with a validity of six months from the day they enter the country. It is advisable to keep 2 pages free in your passport for arrival and departure stamps. In certain cases, it has been observed that applying and receiving a visa can be a process of 20-30 days. Hence, it is essential that you check the timeline with the relevant authority in the country where you intend to make the visa application. You should however check with the UK embassy or consulate in your country to see if you are eligible for this before traveling. You should make sure that you apply for the correct type of visa depending on your purpose of visit because if found with a different visa you can be deported. Overstaying a visa can also lead to deportation. If you plan to visit the country regularly, you can apply for a multiple visa that is valid for two, five or ten years depending on the time period you plan to visit the country. You can visit https://www.gov.uk/browse/visasimmigration for more information.

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34. Essential vaccination

If you are traveling to Manchester, then you are recommended to be vaccinated for Hepatitis A, Rabies, Typhoid, Meningitis, Cholera, Hepatitis B, Japanese Encephalitis, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Diphtheria, Polio and routine vaccines.



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35. Theft and Safety

Public drunkenness is a common issue in the late hours and also in busy central areas. Try to avoid going out late at night to quiet areas. Stay closer to well-lit and crowded places. Do not leave your valuables in cars and park the cars in areas with proper lighting. Also be careful about keeping money in back pockets and wearing your bags on your back. Pick-pocketing and bag snatching do occur in

some areas.



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36. Embassy/Consulate

Manchester being a big city has a number of embassies and consulates. It has around nine foreign embassies and eight consulate offices. They are located all over the city center and you can get some at Piccadilly Street, Hilton Street, Moseley Road and Denison Road. For more information you can check out this website http://embassy.goabroad.com/embassies-in/united-kingdom.



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37. Accessibility

Manchester has public areas, tourist centres, and public transport systems that provide all the facilities and conveniences to the disabled. Almost all places are wheelchair friendly and are easily accessible.



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38. Emergencies

In case of emergencies you can call 911 for police, for ambulance you can dial 911 and for fire 911. You are provided with a top notch services. There are hospitals that help you with the travel insurance such as Manchester Royal Hospital.



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39. Do's and Don'ts

There are many cultural and legal norms and rules that need to be observed by the tourists while visiting Manchester. Do's - • Always use 'Please' and 'Thank You' • Be careful when talking about football • Drive on the left side of the road • Always look both sides of the road before crossing • Use only licensed Black Cabs • Stay away from seedy areas when informed • It is advisable to carry a certified doctor's prescription along with the medicines to ensure hassle free import clearance. • It is advisable that do not carry unsealed/ unbranded food articles as the same may be banned for import. Don'ts - • Do not litter • Do not spit in streets • Do not talk loudly in public transport systems • Do not engage in public drunkenness

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40. Tipping basics

Tipping is not expected in this city and at times is considered inappropriate. The decision of whether to tip or not entirely depends on you. This is because the law here expects that all staff should be paid the Nationals minimum wage. This is to say that most workers earn fair wages that can sustain them. Taxi drivers don't expect tips but you can tip 10% of the total amount to a driver who perhaps has helped for example with your luggage. Fast food restaurants, casual cafeterias and other service providers like bartenders and hairdressers don't expect tips. Restaurants, hotels, coffee shops and cafes also don't expect tips but if you feel like tipping, you can tip 10% of the total. Generally, tipping is not usually expected but if you have to tip, a 10% of the total amount tip is appreciated.

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41.Pet info

If the tourists want to bring their pets into Manchester, there are certain procedures to be completed before the travel. The pet must be implanted with a micro-chip. All animals regardless of whether they come from a rabies-free or high-rabies country must be vaccinated against rabies more than 21 days prior to entry into the country. For the animals coming from a high-rabies country, a blood titer test must be performed after 30 days of vaccination in a licensed lab to verify the level of rabies antibodies. Additional precautions for dogs include treatments against some tapeworms. A Health Certificate or an authorised pet passport also should accompany the animal.

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Conclusion - Why to select this destination

While Manchester is popular for its two renowned football clubs, there is more to this city than football. Manchester is a city of arts and culture as well. There is some kind of musical, dance, drama, or performing arts event every day. Visitors can enjoy the performances and get to know the cultural side of the city on a closer level. The historical aspect of the city is reflected in its old buildings and roads, museums, and galleries, and many other structures that have stood the test of time to tell the world of the exciting past that they have witnessed. The nightlife in Manchester is something that no visitor will forget. Pubs, bars, cafes, restaurants, live music, dance, and the spirits add to the glitz and glamour of the lively nights. The city is home to many renowned musical bands and musicians, and this heritage is still kept in its full glory by the musical shows that feature some of the global stars in the music scene. Shopping in Manchester is an adventure in itself. Whether you prefer the sophisticated interiors of the upscale shopping malls or the hustle and bustle of the regional markets, this city has everything that you need.

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