

DESTINATION

Manchester



THE SALFORD QUAYS AND THE MILLENNIUM BRIDGE

OVERVIEW

Manchester, the metropolitan hub of the North, is the perfect destination for culture, music, sport and shopping. The ideal location for a weekend break, Manchester is also the gateway to popular places nearby such as Liverpool, Leeds, Bolton and North Wales. The train station at Manchester Airport makes onward travel a breeze.

Consider Manchester for your next shopping trip - with no baggage or excess baggage charges on Blue Islands, you can make the most of superb shopping in the renowned Trafford Centre, Europe's largest shopping mall, not forgetting the huge retail potential in the city centre.

Home to some of the UK's biggest venues, entertainment is not hard to find in Manchester. The MEN Arena plays host to the world's finest music events whilst the theatres in the city centre showcase West End productions.



THE WHEEL OF MANCHESTER AND EXCHANGE SQUARE



Blue Islands operates flights to Manchester from Guernsey & Jersey. For full timetables, see pages 112-113.

LEISURE EVENTS

5-10 MARCH & 14-15 MAY. DERREN BROWN 'SVENGALI' AT THE LOWRY.

Derren promises an evening of mind-melting based around audience participation.

4 APRIL. CIRQUE DU SOLEIL 'ALEGRIA' AT THE MEN ARENA.

13 APRIL. IL DIVO AT THE MEN ARENA.

BUSINESS EVENTS

28-19 MARCH. SOCCEREX, MANCHESTER CENTRAL.

The Soccerex European Forum,

Europe's leading football business event, provides unprecedented business opportunities for Europe's football industry elite for two days of debate, networking and socialising.

17-18 APRIL. BUSINESS NORTH WEST, MANCHESTER CENTRAL.

A chance to network, test, try and buy the latest innovations in business services and products with over 100 exhibiting companies across all the key business industry sectors in the region.

RESTAURANTS

THE LIME TREE. The Lime Tree, situated on leafy Lapwing Lane in West Didsbury, has been at the top of the list for Manchester

gourmets for years thanks to its outstanding food, easy atmosphere, ever-changing menu and extensive wine list.

MICHAEL CAINES. The Michael Caines Restaurant and Champagne Bar at ABode Manchester, located in an atmospheric lower level dining room, serves exciting and innovative European cuisine utilising the best local and regional produce.

HOTEL

GREAT JOHN STREET. Only a stone's throw from Manchester's most exclusive shopping areas, restaurants and theatres, this original Victorian school house has been transformed into a chic townhouse hotel with unique, individually designed bedrooms and suites alongside stylish lounges and the Oyster Bar. The Old School House also boasts stunning entertainment rooms and terraces available for exclusive use.

AIRPORT INFO

CHECK-IN. Opens 90 mins before departure & closes 30 mins before departure.

TAXIS. Arrow Cars offer an independent private hire service located at each terminal. Hackney cabs are located at each terminal.

BUSES & TRAINS. The Airport is well served by local and regional buses running daily, including weekends and bank holidays. There is also now a 24 hour bus service operating to and from Manchester Airport. Frequent direct train services run to and from with TransPennine Express and Northern Rail, run 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

CAR HIRE. Europcar is available from Manchester airport, to book please visit www.manchesterairport.europcar.co.uk

PARKING. Short and Long Stay, Valet and Meet & Greet parking for terminal 1 is available plus a low cost Shuttle Parking option. Pre book up to 11.15 the night before you depart or turn up and pay on arrival.

www.manchesterairport.co.uk