

MANCHESTER United Kingdom



Facts:

- Greater Manchester is home to 2.6 million people
- Birth place of the Industrial Revolution
- The city was ranked in 2010, in a poll of British Business Leaders, as the second-best place to do business in the UK and the twelfth best in Europe.
- A report commissioned by Manchester Partnership, published in 2007, showed Manchester to be the “fastest-growing city” economically, with financial and professional services, life sciences, creative, cultural and media sectors thriving.
- Manchester is the second most visited City in England with an estimated £97.9 million people in 2009 visiting.
- Fast rail links from London, with journey times of only 2 hours and 7 minutes.
- 5,000 high quality hotel rooms
- Impressive range of large capacity venues such as the Manchester Central Convention Complex and The Point at Old Trafford which both can host events from 150 to 1000 plus guests.
- Offers a range of alternative venues with a difference such as The Museum of Science and Industry and Manchester Art Gallery.

Manchester

With a growing economy and impressive transport links, Manchester is fast becoming Europe's top destination to hold conferences and events. Over the last few years Manchester has undergone an exciting regeneration, merging its industrial historic buildings with contemporary urban designs, creating a unique and vibrant city experience.

The development of Media City in Salford Quays has generated an exciting buzz around the city. The new home to the BBC, ITV and SIS, the area has created new opportunities for businesses. With new office spaces, retail and hospitality development and the impressive landmark Lowry Theatre, Salford Quays has never been so inviting.

Manchester is a City proud of its industrial heritage, giving the City a truly distinctive character. With a thriving art and culture scene, innovative music venues and world class sport, visitors are spoilt for choice. From dining in Chinatown, enjoying a drink in the trendy Northern Quarter and shopping at exclusive designer stores in Spinningfields, there is something for everyone.

Top Attractions:

The Lowry
Manchester Art Gallery
Museum of Science and Industry
John Rylands Library

Transport

Manchester is served by fantastic travel links, making entry into the city by road, rail and air more accessible and viable than ever.

Manchester Airport is the busiest airport outside of the London region and is the global gateway into Northern England. With over 100 airlines flying out to over 200 locations, travel into the City is now easy and affordable, thanks to low budget airlines such as Easy Jet and Ryan Air. The City centre is just 20 minutes by train to Manchester Piccadilly or 25 minutes by car.

Impressive rail links have now made travelling within the UK even more efficient. The fast train from London to Manchester takes only 2 hours and 7 minutes and from Glasgow 3 hours and 20 minutes, making Manchester an ideal central UK destination.

Whilst in the City you will have no problems getting around as Manchester boasts an impressive Metrolink and Metroshuttle around the centre. With trams every few minutes this is the perfect mode of transport when jumping from conferences and meetings.