

UNITING THE KINGDOM

100 miles Vs £100 Challenge: Manchester

To help Brits explore the many wonderful cities the UK has to offer, Travelodge has developed a series of itineraries designed to help 'Unite the Kingdom'. Take our 100 miles v £100 challenge - making it easier to get out and about and explore top UK cities on a budget.

To take the challenge, find a city within 100 miles of your home, book a room at the local Travelodge (£19 per room at a roadside hotel or £29 at a city centre hotel) and spend your change visiting the local attractions.

This low-cost solution opens up the UK's top cities for range of short breaks, it's ideal for:

- Parents looking for ways to keep the kids occupied over the summer
- A romantic break with your partner
- A girls' or boys' weekend break

<p>Destination – Manchester Manchester is one of the most vibrant and dynamic places in the UK. Across Greater Manchester, you'll find a wonderful variety of things to see, do and experience, be it shopping, eating out, outdoor activities, education or cultural enlightenment.</p>	<p>Accommodation: Travelodge Family room (Caters for two adults and two children – under the age of 16 - or three adults)</p> <p>Manchester Central Travelodge Manchester Ancoats Travelodge Manchester Sportscity Travelodge Manchester Airport Travelodge Manchester Didsbury Travelodge Ashton Under Lyne Travelodge</p> <p>Book at (www.travelodge.co.uk)</p> <p>Rooms from £29 must be booked online, at least seven days in advance. Payment is pre-pay and non-refundable</p>
<p>Cities and towns within 100 miles of Manchester</p>	<p>Birmingham, Stoke on Trent, Liverpool, Leeds, Chester, Wolverhampton, Sheffield, Lancaster, Blackpool, Derby, Hull, Mold - (Wales) and Preston.</p>

Itinerary – Day One

Activity	Information	Cost
Arrive Manchester	Arrive early, to make the most of day one	Drive or get a Supersaver train or coach ticket.
Morning	<p>For something different, start your day with a visit to the Hatworks Museum – the only museum in the UK dedicated solely to hats! http://www.hatworks.org.uk/</p> <p>If hats aren't to your taste, head for the Cornerhouse Art Gallery and Café Bar to have a coffee and check out some artwork. http://www.cornerhouse.co.uk/art/</p>	<p>Free</p> <p>Tickets variable depending on exhibition</p>
Lunch	Head back into Manchester city centre where you can find a vast range of restaurants, cafes, bars and take-aways something to suit all tastes and budget.	
Afternoon	<p>Some ideas for the afternoon:</p> <p>Option1: Take a sight-seeing bus and have a tour of Manchester. Open-top hop on / off Manchester guided bus tours operate at regular intervals each day from the centre of Manchester. The guided bus tours link all of the major points of interest in Manchester, including countless tourist attractions, landmarks and monuments in Manchester http://www.visitmanchester.com/find/find2.xsql?key=361502&SKIPROWS=0)</p> <p>Option 2: Take a guided walking tour – Discover Manchester. For 1.5hours you will be guided through the history, culture and modern day attractions. Tour starts at TIC and ends up in the City Centre. Tours run from April to September and tickets are available at www.visitmanchester.com or the Manchester Tourist Information Centre 0871 222 8223</p> <p>Option 3: Retail Therapy. Manchester city centre is a shopper's paradise – offering shops to suit all tastes and budgets. Selfridges is a popular choice for shoppers. Alternatively visit the Trafford Centre - With 280 world class stores and 35 cafés.</p>	<p>Adults £7.00 Children £3.50</p> <p>Adults £5 Children £4</p>
Travelodge hotel	Back to hotel to freshen up for evening	
Evening	<p>Manchester nightlife caters for everyone – there are so many trendy bars, restaurants, theatres and music venues to choose from.</p> <p>Visit the famous Curry Mile in Rushholme - Wilmslow Road where you will be spoilt for choice with so many Indian restaurants on the one road. Or try the award winning Nawab Restaurant at 236 Oldham Road, Manchester, M35 0HB – 0161 683 0723 which offers high quality food at a low-cost http://www.nawabrestaurant.co.uk/.</p> <p>Finish your evening by visiting the famous Jongleurs comedy club at 40 Chorlton Street, Manchester, M1 3HH http://www.jongleurs.com/clubs/man/intro.html.</p> <p>Alternatively visit the many clubs that Manchester is famous for and dance the night away</p>	

Itinerary Day Two

Morning	<p>Start your day by visiting one of Manchester's many museums.</p> <p>The Manchester Museum at the University of Manchester: http://www.museum.man.ac.uk/ Mondays 11 – 4 Tues – Sat 10 – 5 Sundays 11 – 4</p> <p>The Lowry Art Gallery: http://www.thelowry.com/galleryinformation/default.aspx Sun – Fri 11 – 5 Sat 10 – 5</p> <p>The Whitworth gallery of textiles and art on paper: http://www.whitworth.manchester.ac.uk/ Monday – Saturday 10 – 5 Sunday 2 – 5</p>	<p>Free</p> <p>Free</p> <p>Free</p>
Lunch / Afternoon	<p>Take a picnic and visit Dunham Massey Hall and Park.</p> <p>Dunham is a Georgian house with Edwardian additions, located in a 250 acre Deer Park. Formerly the home of last Earl of Stamford, and since 1976 it has been a National Trust Property. The house was altered for the 9th Earl of Stamford between 1906-1910.</p> <p>There are over 30 rooms open to public viewing, containing outstanding collections of furniture, a collection of Huguenot silver and paintings. It has an extensive library, a kitchen, laundry and stables, as well as its own remnant moat and lake. http://www.manchester2002uk.com/towns/trafford4.html.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>For the sports fans head to the home of Manchester United, Old Trafford and take a tour through the stadium and museum. Museum is open Monday – Sunday 9.30 – 5.30 Tours run Monday – Sunday 9.40 – 4.30 (best to book in advance) http://www.manutd.com/</p>	<p>Family ticket £19.30</p> <p>Family Ticket £30.00</p>

Total cost: based upon a family visit

Accommodation (Travelodge Hotel from £29 per room, per night)

Bus Tour- £21.00

Old Trafford Museum and Tour - £30.00

Total £80.00

(Family ticket based upon a family of two adults and two children)