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welcome to your skiddle.com student guide to manchester, helping you to get the most out of the city that you now call home.

As we're sure you've already noticed, it's a big old place with a lot going on - and over the next three years you'll have plenty of time to explore, discover, and find your own Manchester.

But for now, here's our pick of some of the city's best bits to get you started, as well as some handy information to help make your life that little bit easier as you settle into your new city.

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nightlife

fallowfield

Many of you will be living in studenty Fallowfield, so naturally will take to drinking here. There's a great selection of student pubs, bars, restaurants, nightclubs and even a comedy club - with none of those nasty taxpayers around to spoil the fun.

the northern quarter

The main concentration of bars in the city's bohemian quarter are focused around the High Street/Thomas Street crossroads, but wander over to Tib Street and Oldham Street where you'll be rewarded with some great bars and clubs and a slightly more laid back vibe - such as Common, Cord and Centro.

oxford road

The Oxford Road corridor is awash with great bars and venues, and tends to carry the same laid back spirit as the Northern Quarter but with a slightly more studenty vibe. The Deaf Institute, Kro2, Odder, Sound Control and Space are all safe bets.



deansgate locks

Opposite Deansgate Train Station you'll find 'The Locks' - a row of swanky bars housed in converted railway arches. You'll love it or hate it.

deansgate

If you fancy blowing your loan on overpriced drinks and footballer-spotting, head to WAGtastic bars such as The Living Room, Panacea (on John Dalton Street just off Deansgate) or Cloud 23, 23 floors up the landmark Beetham Tower.

the gay village

With one of the UK's biggest and boldest LGBT communities, Manchester's gay village is a vibrant and bustling part of the city. Centred around the pretty, cobbled Canal Street (named after the canal it runs alongside), The Gay Village is always a great bet for a night out.

live music

From the cavernous MEN Arena to the dark, intimate vibes of Night and Day cafe, Manchester is overflowing with live music venues - and it's not hard to find a gig to attend on any night of the week. The University Campus is host to the three Academy venues of varying sizes, as well as The Deaf Institute next to MMU's All Saints campus, which is one of Manchester's finest independent music venues with an excellent line-up of gigs. In town you'll find gigs at The Roadhouse, Sound Control, Night and Day, The Ruby Lounge and Dry Bar.

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the warehouse project

The Warehouse Project is a series of club events that runs from September to New Year every year, taking over a vast underground space beneath the arches of Picadilly Railway Station. If you're new to Manchester, make sure you get yourself to at least one of these events.

funkademia

One of Manchester's longest standing and best loved club nights, Funkademia takes place every Saturday at Mint Lounge on Oldham Street (in the Northern Quarter). With a varied music policy including soul, hip-hop, funk and house past and present, it's a great place to get your glad rags on and dance the night away.

sankeys

A stalwart of the Manchester clubbing scene, Sankeys has been around forever and has seen some of the biggest names in global dance music take to its hallowed decks. If underground house, techno and electro-house are your thing then you may as well just pitch a tent at Sankeys and never leave because the line-up is always unflinchingly spot-on.



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shopping

when it comes to shopping, manchester has it all. so to make things a little easier to grasp, here are some of the main shopping areas in this retail paradise:

arndale/market street

The Arndale Centre is Manchester's humongous indoor shopping mall, which contains practically every big high street store you could ever hope to find in one clean, dry place. The Arndale Centre takes up one side of Market Street, Machester's main shopping throughfare.

the northern quarter

From vintage clothes shops to independent record and book stores, and edgy fashion labels to quirky gift shops, the Northern Quarter has it all - and is the perfect antidote to the big name brands of the high street. A particular gem is the weird and wonderful Afflecks Palace, which could be described as the Camden Market of the North.

the trafford centre

The Trafford Centre is a gigantic out of town shopping centre on the outskirts of the city which boasts hundreds of high street shops as well as a Selfridges and John Lewis. Buses run from the bus stop outside the Royal Northern College of Music on Oxford Road.

to get the full run down of how to use up your spare cash check out the full shopping guide at www.skiddle.com/manchester

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free things to do

manchester galleries

Love art? You're in the right city. Manchester is home to two world class Art Galleries - The Manchester Art Gallery in town and the Whitworth Art Gallery on Oxford Road, by the university.

Manchester Art Gallery: Mosley Street, City Centre, 0161 2358888
Whitworth Art Gallery: Oxford Road, 0161 2757450

manchester museum

There's a dinosaur, and an Egyptian Mummy, and it's free. 'Nuff said.

The University of Manchester, Oxford Road, 0161 275 2634



john rylands library

One of Manchester's most beautiful buildings, the John Rylands Library on Deansgate is a fine example of Victorian neo-gothic architecture which houses some of the most significant books and manuscripts ever produced.

John Rylands Library, 150 Deansgate, 0161 834 5343

people's history museum

Recently re-opened after a major facelift, the PHM chronicles 200 years of people's history in Manchester. A visit here is a great way to understand more about the events, politics, people and tragedies that are woven into the fabric of the city that you now call home.

Left Bank, Spinningfields, 0161 838 9190

platt fields park

Occasionally, in Manchester, it stops raining and the sun comes out. And when this happens, you don't want to miss out. Platt Fields Park is the huge open space that runs between Fallowfield and Rusholme, and features a boating lake, sports facilities and plenty of picnic friendly open parkland.

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eating out

manchester as a city is awash with places to eat. with restaurants, bars and cafes around every corner and along every main drag, the choice can be overwhelming.

kro

The 'Kro' chain of restaurants in Manchester provide a selection of student friendly eating and drinking spaces with cool modern interiors and a reasonably priced and very tasty selection of Danish cuisine.

Kro Bar, 325 Oxford Road, 0161 274 3100
Kro2, Oxford House, Oxford Road, 0161 236 1048

trof

Another Manchester family of bars is Trof - with three premises in and around the city. All three venues offer an excellent selection of great value food in quirky surroundings.

Trof Fallowfield, Landcross Road, 0161 257 2159
The Deaf Institute, 135 Grosvenor Street, 0161 276 9350
Trof NQ, 8 Thomas Street, 0161 833 3197

the curry mile

Lighting up the stretch of Wilmslow Road that runs through Rusholme is restaurant after restaurant serving Indian and Pakistani cuisine. Many of the restaurants are open late, making a tempting stop off on the way home after a night out. We would recommend the well-established Hanaan.

Hanaan, 54-56 Wilmslow Road, 0161 256 478

bella italia

Ok, ok, yes it's a faceless chain. But the prices are cheap, and the food's great. Honestly. Just ask Man City manager Roberto Mancini, who recently revealed that he eats at the Deansgate branch of the restaurant chain daily. And if it's good enough for Bobby Manc...

Bella Italia, 92-96 Deansgate, Manchester

kosmos

A student institution in the heart of Fallowfield, the intimate Kosmos Taverna has been filling students up on home-cooked hearty Greek cuisine since 1981. With a great selection of mezze and a lively atmosphere, it makes an ideal (and cheap) destination for group nights and romantic dates alike.

Kosmos Taverna, 248 Wilmslow Road, 0161 225 9106

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www.metrolink.co.uk

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Manchester Cars 0161 272 7999
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Kingsway 0161 241 8766

accommodation

University of Manchester
Halls of Residence
www.accommodation.
manchester.ac.uk

MMU Halls of Residence
www.mmu.ac.uk/accommodation

Private Student Accommodation
www.Opalstudents.com
www.Homes4u.co.uk
www.manchesterstudenthomes.com

nhs walk-in centres

Manchester Piccadilly, 1st Floor
Gateway House, Station Approach,
Piccadilly South - 0161 233 2525

Manchester Royal Infirmary
Oxford Road - 0161 276 1234

Withington Hospital, Nell Lane
0161 217 3015

a&e departments

Manchester Royal Infirmary,
Oxford Road - 0161 276 1234

Salford NHS Trust, Stott Lane,
Salford - 0161 789 7373

Wythenshawe Hospital
Southmoor Road - 0161 998 7070

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Manchester University Careers
Service - 0161 275 2829
www.careers.manchester.ac.uk

eddie halliwell feature & competition

uk dj eddie halliwell likes to edit, cut and create live on-stage. he's a two-time mixmag dj of the year winner and his music varies from banging trance to house and techno.

Synonymous with Pioneers' CDJ series Halliwell has had a big hand in the progression of the range, acting as their pseudo in-house DJ - testing out the products before they're put on the shelves.

Halliwell stresses that a combined hard-out persistence and determination was the sole reason for such an epic partnership. Eddie says "the things I'm involved in are the things that I like."

"I remember years ago, I used to ring Pioneer, hounding them on the phone asking them if I could have a new mixer they were working on. From there you just build relationships. Then they got involved in some of the gigs that I was doing through sponsorship. It's just evolved."

"It's great to work hand in hand with them. When they are developing equipment, I'm involved in product meetings. It's amazing to be involved with the guys that actually develop the mixers"

eddie halliwell plays the goodgrief 10th birthday on saturday 6th november at 53 degrees in preston and 20th november at tall trees in yarm. for your chance to win tickets and goodies for both shows head to www.skiddle.com/competitions



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tickets

here are some of manchesters' biggest parties happening soon.
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1st october - oasis and kasabian live tribute night

www.skiddle.com/e/11378244

1st october - tribal sessions 10th birthday @ sankeys

www.skiddle.com/e/11383212

Tribal Sessions 10th anniversary with James Zabiela and Nic Fancuilli

2nd october - contort yourself 4th birthday with riton

www.skiddle.com/e/11391298

Celebrating 4 years of wonkey house, jackin' disco and 8-bit bass with special guest Riton

3rd october - cirque de works

www.skiddle.com/e/11387327

Manchester's biggest ever student event will see 7000 students travel across 16 arenas bar spaces in the fully transformed printworks complex

7th october - finley quaye @ sound control

www.skiddle.com/e/11386139

8th october - bugged out! boy 8 bit, l-vis 1990, roska

www.skiddle.com/e/11385119

13th october - the warehouse project pres doomsday

www.skiddle.com/e/11383256

15th october - san city high tour @ sankeys

www.skiddle.com/events/11385121

San City High Tour - Radio One's Kissy Sell Out and friends

15th october - the warehouse project pres m_nus

www.skiddle.com/e/11392725

With Richie Hawtin, Magda, Krysko, Greg Lord and more

16th october - lowdown and dirty with trevor loveys

www.skiddle.com/e/11391798

22nd october - the oxjam manchester takeover

www.skiddle.com/e/11388978

various events held at The Ruby Lounge, The Roadhouse, Mint Lounge, Common, The Bay Horse, The Night and Day Cafe and more

29th october - ewan pearson and andrew hung

www.skiddle.com/e/11389461

Berlin's Ewan Pearson heads to The Soup Kitchen

29th october - the warehouse project presents... magnetic man (live) ft skream, benga + amp

www.skiddle.com/e/11383131

A heavyweight dub-step line up for this Warehouse Project event

30th october - the warehouse project pres delphic

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Plus support from The Whip (live), Fools, Jamie XX (DJ Set) and more

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