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LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

Co-operative and social justice heritage

- [People's History Museum](#) – the national museum of democracy, telling the story of the fight for votes, workers' rights and equality, with the world's largest collection of trade union banners. Its current exhibition, Re/Assemble, will be displayed alongside historic artefacts from People's History Museum's own collection, including protest banners and objects.
- [Rochdale Pioneers Museum](#) – the original Toad Lane shop where on December 21 1844, the Rochdale Equitable Pioneers Society opened their first little store and the modern co-operative movement began, a short tram ride from the city centre.
- [National Co-operative Archive](#) – the movement's archive, holding records, photos and papers from Robert Owen to the present day (visits by appointment, so book ahead).
- [Working Class Movement Library](#) – a remarkable Salford library on two centuries of radical, labour and co-operative history, with free drop-in visits on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons from 1.00pm to 4.30pm and a tour of the library on Friday afternoons at 2pm.
- [The Pankhurst Centre](#) – the former Pankhurst family home and the first-known meeting place of the movement that would later become the suffragettes (not open on Fridays).
- [Chetham's Library](#) – the oldest public library in the English-speaking world, where Marx and Engels studied together, with all visitor access via the pre-booked guided tours.

Museums and culture

- [Science and Industry Museum](#) – Manchester's story as the first industrial city, on the site of the world's oldest passenger railway station, including the newly restored Power Hall, a free working gallery of historic engines.
- [John Rylands Research Institute and Library](#) – a stunning neo-gothic library founded by Enriqueta Rylands, free to visit.
- [Manchester Art Gallery](#) – free gallery with a strong Pre-Raphaelite collection and contemporary exhibitions.

- [The Whitworth](#) – free art gallery in Whitworth Park with a strong focus on art and social change.
- [Manchester Museum](#) – free university museum covering natural history, ancient Egypt and the South Asia Gallery.
- [Manchester Jewish Museum](#) – a beautifully restored 1874 synagogue telling stories of migration and community.
- [Central Library](#) – the city's grand domed library in St Peter's Square, close to the Peterloo memorial.

Exploring the city

- [Manchester Christmas Markets](#) – festive food, drink and craft stalls spread across 10 locations in the city centre, open from 6 November.
- [Aviva Studios / Factory International](#) – the city's landmark new arts venue, home of Manchester International Festival.
- [HOME](#) – independent cinema, theatre and gallery with a great café bar.
- [Manchester Cathedral](#) – medieval cathedral in the heart of the city, free to visit.
- [Northern Quarter](#) – independent shops, street art, record stores and cafés in the city's creative neighbourhood.
- [National Football Museum](#) – a hit with sports fans, in the striking Urbis building.

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