Where to stay
The Isle of Man has a wide range of quality hotel, B&B and self-catering accommodation. Search online at www.visitisleofman.com or order your free copy of the Isle of Man Visitor Guide. All visitor accommodation is subject to compulsory annual registration and independent inspection assessed under the same criteria as the UK.

Getting around
Bus Vannin offers a comprehensive public transport service around the Isle of Man. Individual journey tickets are available from the bus driver. The Heritage Railway transport system, comprising the Manx Electric Railway, Steam Railway and the Snaefell Mountain Railway, runs on a regular basis between the months of March and October.

Multi-journey smart cards are a great way to make the most of the Island’s transport network. Go Explore cards allow unlimited travel on scheduled bus and rail services including Douglas horse trams. Go Explore Heritage cards additionally permit admission to all Manx National Heritage sites. Get your tickets and timetables online or from the main bus and railway stations, the Welcome Centre in Douglas Sea Terminal, the IoM Airport information desk or the House of Manannan in Peel.

For more information visit www.iombusandrail.info

Key contact information
Isle of Man Welcome Centre: 01624 686766
Travel and accommodation: www.visitisleofman.com
Buses: www.bus.im
Rail: www.rail.im
Eating out: www.visitisleofman.com/taste
Isle of Man Steam Packet Company: www.steam-packet.com

By Air
Flights operate from airports all over the British Isles to the Isle of Man. Please check with individual flight operators for timetables, fares and bookings. For an up-to-date list of airlines serving the Isle of Man, please refer to www.visitisleofman.com/travel

By Sea
Ferry Services from five ports to Douglas: Heysham, Liverpool (Birkenhead during the winter season), Belfast and Dublin (during the spring-summer season). Please check with Isle of Man Steam Packet Company for timetables, fares and bookings www.steam-packet.com

Eating out
Check out the Isle of Man Visitor Guide for a selection of restaurants and cafes.

By Rail
For more information on rail services, please visit www.rail.im

By Bike
For more information on cycling, please visit www.visitisleofman.com/cycle
The Isle of Man boasts an impressive network of heritage railways powered by steam, electricity and even horsepower. During a visit to the Isle of Man you can really step back in time for a journey you will never forget. As well as an array of working railways, the Island is home to many museums and year round events which celebrate the heritage transport system.

Heritage Transport museums

1. A.R.E. Motorcycle Collection
The Old Vicarage, Main Road, Kirk Michael. JM6 2HD
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 866383
Email: iom.museum@btconnect.com
www.iom.museum

Located at the Old Vicarage in Kirk Michael, this is one of the finest private collections of vintage motorcycles on the Island. The collection includes Triumph, AMC, BSA, Vincent and Guzzi motorcycles.

2. Isle of Man Motor Museum
Jurby Industrial Estate, Jurby
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 888033
Email: info@isleofmanmuseum.com
www.isleofmainmotormuseum.com

Visit the fabulous new home of classic motoring on the Isle of Man. Explore the amazing stories behind a collection of over 250 unique vehicles from around the world which includes classic cars and motorcycles, rarely seen private motorcycles and the steam rafts. Visitor facilities include a display area for car clubs, coffee shop, a gift shop and serves refreshments.

3. Jurby Transport Museum
Hangar 330, Jurby Industrial Estate, Jurby, IM7 3BD
Email: jjm.info@manx.net
www.jjm.im

Situated in a WW2 hangar on the former Jurby Airfield, Jurby Transport Museum houses a large collection of public, commercial and private transport. As well as restoring vehicles, the volunteer-run museum unfolds the Island’s transport history to visitors. The museum has a gift shop and serves refreshments.

4. Isle of Man Aviation and Military Museum
Isle of Man Ronaldsway Airport, Ballasalla, IM9 2AT
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 650599
Email: irm.sden@btconnect.com
www.mapas.org.im

The Isle of Man Aviation and Military Museum is situated at Ronaldsway Airport in Ballaressa and provides a great close up view of passing aircraft. Visitors to the museum will discover the story of the Manx Regiment – the British Army’s best anti-aircraft unit of World War II along with a host of other morpaphs and memorabilia which bring to life the surprisingly rich and civilian and military aviation history of the Isle of Man.

5. Manx Transport Heritage Museum
Mull Road, Peel, IM5 1TB
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 842048
Email: ml.knight@manx.net

This diminutive museum in Peel is packed to the rafters with a wealth of transport exhibits and artefacts. From a model train to an electric motorbike, you will find much to surprise and delight. The museum is also home to the P50, the world’s smallest road legal car which was manufactured in Peel in 1964.

6. Steam Railway Museum
Station Road, Port Erin
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 836855
Email: heritagerailways@gov.im

Located just yards from the station platform the museum tells the story of the Island’s steam railways from 1873 to the present day. As well as a large display of memorabilia, you will find perfectly preserved steam locomotives and carriages, including those brought into service for royal visits in 1931 and 1972.

7. Groudle Glen Railway
Groudle Glen, King Edward Road, Onchan, IM3 4EA.
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 878323
Email: ggr.org.uk

Restored and run entirely by volunteers, this miniature railway shows what can be achieved with limited means and endless enthusiasm! The line runs through the pretty Glen and out to a Victorian visitor attraction.

8. Isle of Man Steams Railway
Banks Circus, Douglas, IM1 1PS
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 662525
Email: heritagerailways@gov.im
www.iombusandrail.info

The Island’s oldest Victorian rail system, dating back to 1874, takes you on a wonderful journey through time – and some of the Island’s loveliest countryside. Running between Douglas and Port Erin the trains stop along the way at Port Soderick, Ballaressa, Castletown, Colby and Port St Mary with four further request stops along the way. The full journey to Port Erin takes approximately one hour.

9. Orchid Line Miniature Railway
Wildlife Park, Ramsey, IM5 1LJ
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 697323
Email: wildpark@iom.com
www.wildpark@iom.com

Originally from Douglas to Laxey in 1891 and to Ramsey in 1899. Its 17 miles of track constitute the longest narrow gauge vintage railway system in the British Isles, and the oldest original tram dates back to 1873. The journey from Douglas to Ramsey introduces you to stunning views all along the north-east coast and on a fine day, a ride in one of the open cars truly blows away the cobwebs.

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Heritage Railways

10. Douglas Horse Tram
Streatham, Douglas, IM2 4NR
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 662525
Email: heritagerailways@gov.im
www.iombusandrail.info

The world’s oldest surviving horse trams date back to 1874, with many of the original cars still in use. Apart from a hiatus during WW2 the tram has operated almost continually. The 3 foot gauge tramway runs along Douglas promenade and on the Isle of Man Electric Railway terminus at Derby Castle to the Sea Terminal.

11. Snaefell Mountain Railway
Laxey Station, IM3 4NY
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 670386
Email: heritagerailways@gov.im
www.iombusandrail.info

Established in 1893, the 3.75 foot gauge railway running from Laxey Village up to the summit of Snaefell famously took just seven months to complete. At the top of the Island’s only mountain, 206 feet above sea level, it’s said that you can see seven kingdoms: Mann, Scotland, England, Ireland, Wales, Neapole and Heaven! A tram stop at the half-way point, known as the ‘Bungalow’, overlooks the TT Mountain circuit has an ample parking for motorists.

12. The Great Laxey Mine Railway
Mines Road, Laxey, IM1 1NY
Tel: +44 (0) 1624 670386
Email: laxeymineralway@iom.com

This volunteer run narrow gauge railway brings to life a part of Laxey’s industrial past. In the late 1800s the Great Laxey Mine Railway was one of the most profitable mines in Britain, employing over 1,000 men, women and children. In 1877, the pony-drawn tramway wagons carrying ore from the mine were replaced by steam locomotives and it’s these engines, named ‘Ant’ and ‘Bec’ which you can ride today. The quarter-mile track runs from the washing floors in the valley, under the ‘Bungalow’, up to the Summit and then back to the ‘Ant’.