THE MANCHESTER FLOWER FESTIVAL

WELCOME TO THE MANCHESTER FLOWER FESTIVAL.

From floral installations to outdoor dining, live music and entertainment, you’re in for a bloomin’ amazing long weekend in the city centre. Free and open to all, follow the floral trails and enjoy Manchester in flowers.

26–29 MAY 2023

www.mcrflowerfest.com
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OPENING TIMES
FRIDAY 26 – SUNDAY 28
10AM – 7PM
MONDAY 29
10AM – 5PM
FREE

Manchester City Centre Festival Zone; Manchester Arndale, Exchange Square, New Cathedral Street, St Ann’s Square and King Street

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FLORAL TRAIL

Wind your way around the city’s shopping streets to find the most beautiful (and Instagrammable) gardens and flowers. There are 10 professionally designed displays to be discovered, all themed around ‘Manchester in Flowers’.

Commissioned by Manchester City Centre BID, they include the Town Hall garden, a blossoming beehive and a floral computer, plus a colourful phone box celebrating Manchester’s LGBTQ+ history, a tribute to Manchester’s Suffragettes and the Grassienda.

For full event listings visit mcrflowerfest.com

1. TURING’S SUNFLOWERS
   By Manchester Arndale and Filthy Luker
   Manchester Arndale, New Cannon Street, Lower Ground Floor, M4 3AG

2. BABY BLOOM
   By La Beau Fleurs Ltd
   The Floral Marquee, New Cathedral Street, M1 1AD

3. SUFFRAGETTE CITY
   By The Manchester Flower Festival and Sarah Hayes, Twig Twisters
   St Ann’s Square, M2 7HQ

4. THE COTTON BUD & ITS MEADOW
   By Frog Flowers
   St Ann’s Square, M2 7HQ

5. THE HIVE
   By Clibbrooms Ltd
   St Ann’s Square, M2 7HQ

6. HILDA OGDEN
   By The Royal Exchange Manchester
   The Royal Exchange, M2 7HQ

7. THE TOWN HALL CLOCK
   By Decordia
   Corner of King Street and Cross Street, M2 4NJ

8. THE RAIN GARDEN
   By Caroline Dowsett and Ardwick Climate Action
   King Street, M2 4LQ

9. THE GRASSIENDA
   By Blossom MCR
   King Street, M2 6BA

10. LGBTQ+ PHONE BOX
    By Frog Flowers
    Corner of King Street and Deansgate, M2 6AW

A. THE FLORAL MARQUEE
   New Cathedral Street

B. FAMILY ZONE
   St Ann’s Square

C. FLOWER, ARTS AND CRAFT MARKET
   St Ann’s Square

D. FLOWER FESTIVAL ON THE SQUARE
   Exchange Square

E. GREY GOOSE & HARVEY NICHOLS:
    VIVE LE SPRITZ TERRACE
   New Cathedral Street

F. EL GATO NEGRO, HABAS & CANTO
   St Ann’s Square

I. INFORMATION POINT
   Exchange Street
FESTIVAL ZONE DISPLAYS
Keep your eyes open as you walk around the city's shopping streets, and you will find all manner of surprising displays in windows, planters, doorways, fountains and more, including:

- AWS, New Cathedral Street
- National Trust, St Ann's Square
- In Our Nature, King Street
- Vintio, New Cathedral Street
- Wheelbarrow Gardens, St Ann's Passage

FLOWER FESTIVAL ON THE SQUARE
In Partnership With Selfridges Exchange Square, Exchange Square
Selfridges Exchange Square and The Manchester Flower Festival bring botanical beauty to life with a fabulous takeover of Exchange Square. Featuring the event’s main stage, live music, DJs and garden talks, alongside delicious street food offerings, with a percentage of sales supporting local charities.

GREY GOOSE & HARVEY NICHOLS: VIVE LE SPRITZ TERRACE
New Cathedral Street
Discover the finest vodka Spritz cocktails at the Vive Le Spritz Grey Goose terrace, with floral installations, social seating, French garden games and exclusive Grey Goose summer cocktails.

EL GATO NEGRO, HABAS, & CANTO
St Ann's Square
Multi-award-winning chef and restaurateur Simon Shaw brings a taste of the Mediterranean and modern Middle East to this year's Manchester Flower Festival, with pop-up restaurants, providing visitors with a taste of three award-winning restaurants, El Gato Negro, Habas and Canto.

FLOWER, ARTS AND CRAFT MARKET
St Ann's Square
Pick up a floral keepsake from The Manchester Flower Festival market.

THE MANCHESTER FLOWER FESTIVAL COCKTAIL TRAIL
Enjoy Flower Festival inspired cocktails at bars and restaurants across the city, including: Grand Pacific, Rosso, Urban Playground, Mr Thomas’s Chop House and more. Plus festival pop-up bars El Gato Negro, Habas, Canto, Selfridges’ Flower Festival on The Square and Grey Goose and Harvey Nichols’ Vive Le Spritz terrace.

FAMILY PLAY ZONE & SENSORY GARDEN
St Ann's Square, 10am – 4pm
Get your hands dirty at The Conker Crew’s mud kitchen and sensory garden in St Ann’s Square.

BEE HUNT
St Ann’s Square
Can you find our trail of bees buzzing around the city centre, spot the letters being carried by nine bees and fill in the secret word below. Head to the Information Point on Exchange Street to claim your special prize.

THE MANCHESTER BEE PARADE
St Ann’s Square, Sunday 28th May, 1pm
Head to the meeting point inside The Royal Exchange Manchester to follow our queen bee around the city centre doing the special waggle dance in an unforgettable family parade.