



Make the most of your holiday and discover the Island by using the unique Victorian Era transport systems. Whether you are a real rail enthusiast or just a lover of spectacular scenery, the Isle of Man Railways offer a number of unforgettable trips to historic and beautiful destinations. Free your spirit and climb on board!

## NORTH BY ELECTRIC / Douglas - Laxey - Ramsey

Step aboard your tram car at the Manx Electric Railway terminus at Douglas situated at the northern end of Douglas promenade.

Sit back and relax as the spectacle of the Manx countryside passes slowly by. The Manx Electric Railway hugs the Island's east coast, passing through leafy glens, gorse topped hills and amazing coastal scenery on its way to Laxey and Ramsey in the north.

This route has many stops, giving you the opportunity to explore some of the Island's most stunning Victorian glens and coastal areas. Laxey, approximately half way on your journey, is home to the famous Laxey Wheel – the world's largest water wheel. The picturesque village is also home to the newly opened Mines Railway and the starting point for the Snaefell Mountain Railway.

Ramsey in the north also has plenty to offer in the way of family entertainment with its long sandy beaches and the Mooragh Park boating lake. Frequent buses are also available for journeys to the Curraghs Wildlife Park where you can ride the Orchid Line – a miniature railway.

Regular departures from Douglas and Ramsey Stations between 09.40 and 17.10. Daily 2<sup>nd</sup> April to 4<sup>th</sup> November.

## SNAEFELL MOUNTAIN RAILWAY / Laxey - Snaefell Summit

Laxey is the starting point for the Snaefell Mountain Railway - a unique Victorian enterprise that winds its way up above 2000 feet to the summit of Snaefell, the Island's only mountain. At the top enjoy the breathtaking views, and it is the only place in the British Isles where you can see England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales just by turning around! While at the top, enjoy refreshments in the Summit Hotel café.

Regular departures from Laxey Station between 10.15 and 15.45. Daily 30<sup>th</sup> April – 30<sup>th</sup> September. £7.80 Return.

## GROUDLE GLEN RAILWAY

Situated in the beautiful Groudle Glen just north of Douglas, this 2 foot gauge railway runs through the woods and out on to Sea Lion Rocks. Stop off at the café and enjoy the superb coastal views. The railway is accessible by using the Manx Electric Railway to Groudle Station and following the path from there. Trains operate at 30 minute intervals between 11.00 and 16.30 on Easter Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup>, Monday April 9<sup>th</sup>, and Sundays thereafter until September 30<sup>th</sup>. An evening service operates between 19.00 and 21.00 on Tuesdays July 31<sup>st</sup> to August 21<sup>st</sup> and Wednesdays July 4<sup>th</sup> to August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## LAXEY MINES RAILWAY

This recently restored section of the Great Laxey Mines Railway runs over part of the original track bed using two replica locomotives 'Ant' and 'Bee'. The railway operates between 11.00 and 16.30 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April. Bank Holidays 7<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> May, 8<sup>th</sup> June, 5<sup>th</sup> July and 27<sup>th</sup> August and every Saturday from 7<sup>th</sup> April until 29<sup>th</sup> September.

## DOUGLAS HORSE TRAMS

Opened in 1876, this horse drawn tramway operates along the seafront on Douglas between the Isle of Man Welcome Centre in the Sea Terminal and the Manx Electric Railway terminus at the northern end of the promenade. Using the original rolling stock, this is an ideal and interesting way to travel between the Steam and Electric Railways. Operates daily between May 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup>. Island Explorer Tickets are valid.

## SOUTH BY STEAM / Douglas - Castletown - Port Erin

Opened in 1874, this narrow gauge railway still runs with its original locomotives and carriages through an ever changing landscape to a choice of destinations in the south of the Island.

At Ballasalla there is the ancient Cistercian monastery of Rushen Abbey, restored in 2000 with a modern interpretive centre. Nearby Silverdale Glen has a café, boating lake and children's play area.

Slightly further down the line is Castletown, boasting four unique heritage sites in Castle Rushen, the Nautical Museum, Old Grammar School and Old House of Keys. Castletown offers good shopping and a number of welcoming pubs, restaurants to visit.

The final two destinations are Port St Mary and Port Erin, both in the South West corner of the Island and both centred round busy harbours and lovely sandy beaches.

From either town, you can take a bus to Cregneash Folk Village and the Sound Visitor Centre at the Island's most southerly tip. Port Erin also offers great walking with the footpaths out to Bradda Head and Milner's Tower that provides stunning views of the rugged coastline. Well worth a visit is the Railway Museum and shop, next to the station, telling the story of Manx steam from the 1870s to the present day. Open daily 09.30 – 17.30 (closed for lunch 12.30 – 13.00).

Departures from Douglas and Port Erin Stations at 10.15, 12.15, 14.15 and 16.15. Daily 2<sup>nd</sup> April to 4<sup>th</sup> November. £9 Return.

## BUS CONNECTIONS

Your journey can be easily extended by catching a bus from your train or tram destination to numerous places of interest. The Isle of Man enjoys an extensive bus service with all parts of the Island well catered for by frequent buses. For an up-to-date timetable and fares, contact Isle of Man Transport on 662525 or pick up a bus timetable from the Isle of Man Welcome Centre in the Sea Terminal.

**MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY (Douglas - Groudle - Laxey - Maughold - Ramsey)**  
**Daily 2nd April to 4th November 2007**

		A		B		A		B	A			
DOUGLAS	09.40	10.10	10.40	11.10	11.40	12.40	13.40	14.10	15.10	15.40	16.10	16.40
Groudle	09.52	10.22	10.52	11.22	11.52	12.52	13.52	14.22	15.22	15.52	16.22	16.52
Baldrine	09.58	10.28	10.58	11.28	11.58	12.58	13.58	14.28	15.28	15.58	16.28	16.58
South Cape	10.05	10.35	11.05	11.35	12.05	13.05	14.05	14.35	15.35	16.05	16.35	17.05
LAXEY	10.10	10.40	11.10	11.40	12.10	13.10	14.10	14.40	15.40	16.10	16.40	17.10
Dhoon	10.25	10.55	11.25	11.55	12.25	13.25	14.25	14.55	15.55	16.25		17.25
Ballaglass	10.35	11.05	11.35	12.05	12.35	13.35	14.35	15.05	16.05	16.35		17.35
Ballajora	10.43	11.13	11.43	12.13	12.43	13.43	14.43	15.13	16.13	16.43		17.43
RAMSEY	10.55	11.25	11.55	12.25	12.55	13.55	14.55	15.25	16.25	16.55		17.55
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RAMSEY	10.10	11.10	11.40	12.10	12.40	13.40	14.40	15.10	15.40		16.40	17.10
Ballajora	10.22	11.22	11.52	12.22	12.52	13.52	14.52	15.22	15.52		16.52	17.22
Ballaglass	10.30	11.30	12.00	12.30	13.00	14.00	15.00	15.30	16.00		17.00	17.30
Dhoon	10.40	11.40	12.10	12.40	13.10	14.10	15.10	15.40	16.10		17.10	17.40
LAXEY	10.55	11.55	12.25	12.55	13.25	14.25	15.25	15.55	16.25	16.55	17.25	17.55
South Cape	11.00	12.00	12.30	13.00	13.30	14.30	15.30	16.00	16.30	17.00	17.30	18.00
Baldrine	11.07	12.07	12.37	13.07	13.37	14.37	15.37	16.07	16.37	17.07	17.37	18.07
Groudle	11.13	12.13	12.43	13.13	13.43	14.43	15.43	16.13	16.43	17.13	17.43	18.13
DOUGLAS	11.25	12.25	12.55	13.25	13.55	14.55	15.55	16.25	16.55	17.25	17.55	18.25

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**A** Runs daily between 28th May and 9th September. **B** Runs Monday to Friday between 2nd July and 31st August.

**MER GROUDLE EVENING SHUTTLE**

(In conjunction with the Groudle Glen Railway evening service.)

Tuesdays 31st July to 21st August. Wednesdays 4th July to 22nd August. Departing:

DOUGLAS 18.45 19.15 19.45 20.15 20.45 21.15

GROUDLE 19.00 19.30 20.00 20.30 21.00 21.30

**SNAEFELL MOUNTAIN RAILWAY (Laxey - Snaefell Summit)**

Daily 30th April to 30th September 2007

Regular departures from Laxey Station between 10.15 and 15.45 (last guaranteed ascent). Journey time 30 minutes each way. Services operate subject to weather conditions.

## ISLE OF MAN STEAM RAILWAY

(Douglas - Santon - Ballasalla - Castletown - Colby - Port St Mary - Port Erin)

Daily 2nd April to 4th November 2007

DOUGLAS	10.15	12.15	14.15	16.15
Pt Soderick	10.27	12.27	14.27	16.27
Santon	10.36	12.36	14.36	16.36
Ballasalla	10.45	12.45	14.45	16.45
Castletown	10.52	12.52	14.52	16.52
Ballabeg	10.57	12.57	14.57	16.57
Colby	11.02	13.02	15.02	17.02
Port St Mary	11.09	13.09	15.09	17.09
Port Erin	11.12	13.12	15.12	17.12

PORT ERIN	10.15	12.15	14.15	16.15
Port St Mary	10.19	12.19	14.19	16.19
Colby	10.26	12.26	14.26	16.26
Ballabeg	10.31	12.31	14.31	16.31
Castletown	10.37	12.37	14.37	16.37
Ballasalla	10.45	12.45	14.45	16.45
Santon	10.53	12.53	14.53	16.53
Pt Soderick	11.01	13.01	15.01	17.01
Douglas	11.12	13.12	15.12	17.12

PLEASE NOTE: Trains stop BY REQUEST at Santon, Ronaldsway Halt, Ballabeg and Colby Level. TO ALIGHT inform the guard on boarding. TO BOARD give a clear hand signal to the driver.

## TRAM AND TRAIN FARES FOR 2007

### Manx Electric Railway

Douglas - Laxey £3.20 single £5.60 return

Douglas - Ramsey £4.80 single £8.00 return

Douglas - Snaefell £5.40 single £9.00 return

### Snaefell Mountain Railway

Laxey - Summit £4.80 single £7.80 return

### Isle of Man Steam Railway

Douglas - Ballasalla £3.40 single £5.60 return

Douglas - Castletown £4.00 single £6.80 return

Douglas - Port Erin £5.40 single £9.00 return

### Island Explorer Tickets

1 Day £12.00 adult £6.00 child

3 Day £24.00 adult £12.00 child

5 Day £35.00 adult £18.00 child

7 Day £40.00 adult £20.00 child

Great value Island Explorer Tickets give you the freedom to travel where and when you want at reduced cost with unlimited travel on all Isle of Man Railways, horse tram and scheduled bus services. (Not valid on Groudle Glen Railway, Laxey Mines Railway or Orchid Line.

### Children Savers

One child FREE with each full fare-paying adult. (Applies to standard fare and Island Explorer Tickets only) Other children half standard fare. Children under 5 travel FREE (limited to 2 per fare-paying adult).