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CHRISTMAS

WITH ISLE OF MAN RAILWAYS



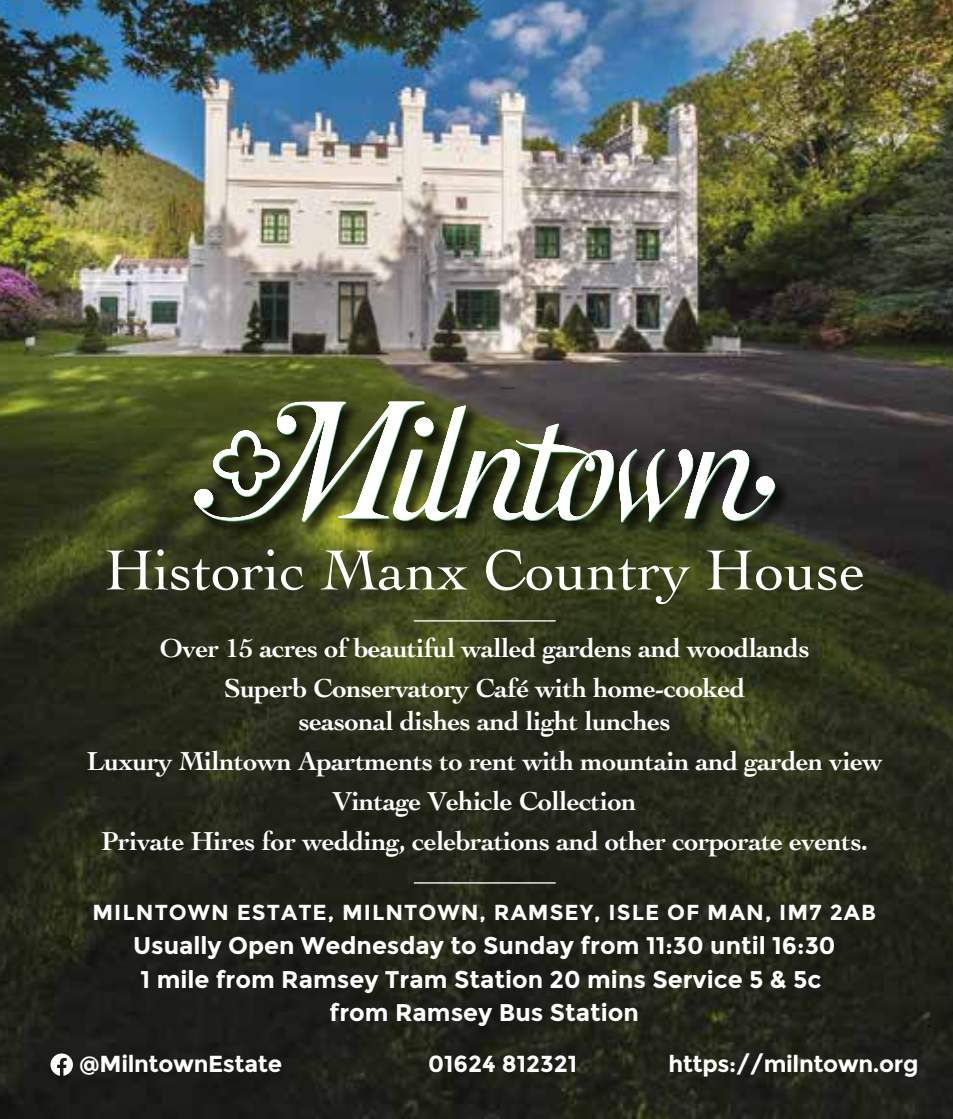
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Enjoy Christmas Cheer on The Railways...

Join us for our 2025 Christmas celebrations on our unique Pullman inspired carriages. It's a wonderful way to bring together family, friends and create corporate team nights for seasonal experiences across Isle of Man Railways.

To get our customers into the spirit of the season we are sharing fine dining from traditional Christmas Cracker Lunch, Jingle Bell Jumper Party nights to toe tapping Songs from the Musical experiences. Our ever-popular First Noel Brunches is also back serving a delightful breakfast spread on our fireman's shovel.

New for 2025, we have glittering 'Santa's Party Trains' for all the family with a whole host of festive surprises on board. Fro'Zen' at the Glen on the Manx Electric Railway, a Pantocrime Murder Mystery to solve aboard the loco and the gastronomic dining finale of the season with The Great Gatsby New Year's Eve train.

Wishing all our customers a happy and healthy 2026 from the Isle of Man Railways.

(Please note: All dietary requirements catered for where possible. Please advise us at time of booking. All images are for illustrative purposes only).

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TO BOOK

☎ **01624 697457**
E: **steamdining@gov.im**

- Advance booking essential.
- Your ticket includes return train travel and meal.
- You must board the Dining Car 20 minutes prior to departure.
- Menu choices required at time of booking.

FULL TERMS
AND
CONDITIONS
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CHRISTMAS CRACKER LUNCH

Pull a cracker on board our Christmas lunch loco and indulge in our traditional two course roast dinner with festive puddings. Fully stocked bar onboard as you enjoy the autumnal scenery down the line.

£42^{PP}

Price includes
2 courses and
return travel to
Castletown



Departs Douglas 12:10 | Returns by 14:40

FRI 5 DEC

FRI 12 DEC

THUR 18 DEC

FRI 19 DEC

SUN 21 DEC

CHRISTMAS 2025 SAMPLE MENU

STARTERS

Big pig in a blanket, rolled in puff pastry,
cranberry gravy dipping sauce

Vegetable gratin with buttery velouté (VE) (GF)

Liver parfait and caramelised onions, toasted bread (AVGF)

Deep-fried brie wedge, Cumberland dipping sauce (GVF)

MAIN

Short rib of beef in rich sticky sauce and pigs in blankets (GF)

Seasoned and roasted turkey,
cranberry and red wine gravy, pigs in blankets (AVGF)

Squash and beetroot wellington
red wine and winter berry sauce (V) (DF) (GF)

*All served with roast and new potatoes, roasted parsnips, carrots,
stuffing, brussel sprouts and mildly oversized Yorkshire pudding*

DESSERTS

Chocolate tart with chocolate and vanilla cream

Christmas pudding and brandy sauce and berries

Sticky toffee pudding with toffee sauce

(Options may vary depending on seasonal availability)

SANTA'S PARTY TRAINS

Do you enjoy Festive Magic? What about a Christmas Singalong? Elf face painting delights, a technicolour balloon artist or Santa Claus with a HO! HO! HO!

There is something for everyone on 'Santa's Party Train' as carriage by carriage you will share a one hour experience with lots of entertainment and laughter.

Nine one hour shows running in 2025 so don't miss out with family and friends on this bauble extravaganza of glorious fun.

£30^{PP}

UNDER 12 MONTHS
FREE WITH
SANTA GIFT

Includes a little
gift from Santa,
hot chocolate,
sweet treats and
lots of interactive
fun for all ages...



From Douglas Station to Santon.

Departs 10:00 | Returns by 11:15 • Departs 12:30 | Returns by 13:45 • Departs 14:30 | Returns by 15:45

DECEMBER

SAT 13 DEC

SUN 14 DEC

SAT 20 DEC

JINGLE BELLS JUMPER PARTY TRAIN

There's no better way to steam into Christmas than celebrating on our party trains with family, friends or work colleagues. Festive music, merriment and a hearty three course Christmas dinner with all the trimmings will make it a magical time for all.

£49^{PP}

Price includes
3 courses and
return travel to
Castletown

**BEST FESTIVE
JUMPER
ON THE NIGHT**

WINS a bottle
of bubbles
to take
home!



Departs Douglas 19:00 | Returns by 22:00

FRI 5 DEC

SAT 6 DEC

FRI 12 DEC

SAT 13 DEC

THUR 18 DEC

FRI 19 DEC

SAT 20 DEC

MON 22 DEC

FRO'ZEN' AT THE GLEN ON THE MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY

Wrap up warm and experience the magic of Zen at the Glen this Christmas! Meet our very own Zenta Claus at his favourite reindeer rest stop at Dhoon Glen, while you enjoy a tasty cup of homemade soup, hot dogs for the children and a luxury hot chocolate - and don't forget your extra special present to put under your Christmas tree! In collaboration with the Manx Electric Railway, we can't wait to welcome you to our snowy spectacular!



Tickets are
available to book
on our website
from 1st October at
Zenattheglen.com

£22 PER ADULT
£27 PER CHILD (1-16 years)
UNDER 12 MONTHS FREE



From Laxey Station to Dhoon Glen. Departs Laxey 15:00 | 15:45 | 16:30 | 17:15 | 18:00 | 18:45

DECEMBER

SAT 6

SUN 7

SAT 13

SUN 14

SAT 20

SUN 21

Festive **DOWN THE LINE**

To book T:01624 697457 E:steamdining@gov.im

STEAM RAILWAY DECEMBER 2025

Christmas Cracker Lunch	Fri 5, Fri 12, Thur 18, Fri 19 & Sun 21 December 2025
Jingle Bells Jumper Party	Fri 5, Sat 6, Fri 12, Sat 13, Thur 18, Fri 19, Sat 20 & Mon 22 December 2025
Santa's Party Trains	Sat 13, Sun 14 & Sat 20 December 2025

STEAM RAILWAY SEASONAL SPECIALS

First Noel Brunch	Mon 22, Sun 28 & Mon 29 December 2025
Songs from the Musicals	Sun 28 December 2025
Pantocrime Murder Mystery	Mon 29 December 2025
The Great Gatsby New Years Eve	Wed 31 December 2025

MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY FESTIVE TRAMS - NOVEMBER TO DECEMBER 2025

Laxey Village Christmas Market Trams	Sat 22 & Sun 23 November
Fro'ZEN' at the Glen	Sat 6, Sun 7, Sat 13, Sun 14, Sat 21 & Sun 22 December
Groudle Glen Railway Tinsel Tram Shuttles	Sat 13, Sun 14, Sat 21 & Sun 22 December



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FIRST NOEL BRUNCH

Our shared Noel Fireman's shovel brunch will give you all a little bit of everything to enjoy with your family and friends during the Christmas festivities.

So sit back and enjoy the stunning countryside together before the start of 2026.

£25^{PP}

Prices includes
Breakfast with
travel one way
to Castletown

£37^{PP}

Prices includes
breakfast with
French toast and
return travel
to Castletown



Departs Douglas 11:00 | Returns by 13:10

MON 22 DEC

SUN 28 DEC

MON 29 DEC



SONGS FROM THE MUSICALS

Travel to Port Erin enjoying a fantastic three course dinner, followed by a concert held at Port Erin Arts Centre. 'The Shimmers' will take you on a walk down Broadway and the West End, bringing songs from hit shows.

£60^{PP}

Price includes
3 courses,
musical concert
and return travel
to Port Erin.



Departs Douglas 19:00 | Returns by 22:30

SUN 28 DEC

PANTOCRIME MURDER MYSTERY

A festive panto drama not to be missed served with three delicious festive courses. It's the penultimate performance of the year with The Gaiety packed to the Gods.

Final call for all performers Act 1.... but the star doesn't show. With the Diva last seen staggering towards the train station, Inspector Juan Taggart needs your help to unravel the mystery!

Why not give yourself, friends and family a Twixmas experience with a difference and share in this murder mystery together down the line...

£55^{PP}

Price includes
3 courses and
return travel to
Castletown.

Don't forget to
dress up in fancy
festive attire for
chance to WIN a
bottle of bubbles
for your table!

Departs Douglas 18:00 | Returns by 21:30

MON 29 DEC

THE GREAT GATSBY NEW YEARS EVE

Transport yourself back to the 1920's wearing dazzling dresses and black tie for a sumptuous five course dinner on the The Great Gatsby New Year's Eve train.

The Tickethall opens for a drinks reception at 18:00 with live music from 18:20 before departing on the train at 19:00. So dress for the roaring 20's to share in the New Year celebrations with family and friends.

(Please Note: Dress code – Fancy or Black Tie. Also not all dietary requirements can be catered for due to it being a five course experience.)

£99 PER ADULT

Price includes five courses, welcome champagne, bubbles at midnight and return travel to Port Erin

**NYE WINE PAIRING
AVAILABLE**

£35^{PP}

Best enjoyed for
the whole table...

Pre-order when
you book – pay
on the night!

Depart Douglas 19:00 | Returns after midnight!

WED 31 DEC

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA DINNER

CANAPÉS

Smoked duck breast on toasted brioche with cranberry glaze (DF option available on request)

Truffle arancini with parmesan and chive aioli (V)

STARTERS

Roast pumpkin velouté with sage and chestnut crumb (V, VG, GF, DF)

Chicken and wild mushroom terrine with pickled vegetables and sourdough crisps (GF option available)

MAIN

Roast fillet of beef, dauphinoise potatoes, glazed baby carrots and red wine jus (GF)

Wild mushroom and spinach pithivier, madeira sauce & seasonal greens (V, VG option available)

CHEESE SELECTION

Somerset brie with fig relish and walnut bread (V)

Mature cheddar with apple chutney and oatcakes (V, GF crackers available)

DESSERTS

Dark chocolate fondant with vanilla ice cream (V)

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES FOR 2026



The Douglas Bay Horse Tramway will mark 150 years of service to the Isle of Man community and the millions of visitors since 1876. We will be sharing a series of celebratory cavalcades of trams along Loch Promenade and other special Victorian re-enactments throughout the 2026 Manx Heritage Transport Festival.

Stable Experience Tours and 'Meet and Greet' with the Trammer's and staff will also be available throughout the summer and during its official birthday on Friday 7th August. Full details and the schedule of events to follow by March 2026.

Happy New Year from the DBHT team.



bus vannin is celebrating 50 years of Nationalisation on 1st October 2026. The amalgamation of IOM Road Services and Douglas Corporation to form the operation that exists to this day.

During the 2026 Manx Heritage Transport Festival there will be a full procession of heritage and modern vehicles along the promenade, bus experience days, special bus heritage services, highlights at the Jurby Transport Museum and lots more for friends and families...

In the official anniversary month Manx National Heritage will be hosting an interactive exhibition at the House of Mannanan in Peel sharing the five transformative decades of *bus vannin*'s nationalisation through film, photo and memorabilia. Happy New Year from all the team at *bus vannin*.

DATES FOR THE DIARY 2026



DINO EXPRESS STEAM ADVENTURE TO MNH RUSHEN ABBEY FRIDAY 10TH TO SUNDAY 12TH APRIL

In collaboration with Manx National Heritage
& Steam Packet Company



manxnationalheritage.im



EASTER WEEKEND DINING CAR CELEBRATIONS FRIDAY 4TH TO SUNDAY 6TH APRIL 2026

MANX HERITAGE TRANSPORT FESTIVAL TUESDAY 28TH JULY TO SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST 2026

HOP-TU-NAA SPOOKS DOWN THE LINE FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2026



THE MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY TUESDAY 17TH MARCH - SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2026



ISLE OF MAN STEAM RAILWAY THURSDAY 19TH MARCH - SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2026



SNAEFELL MOUNTAIN RAILWAY SATURDAY 26TH MARCH - SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2026



DOUGLAS BAY HORSE TRAMWAY THURSDAY 2ND APRIL - SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2026

TICKET PURCHASE POLICY - DINING CAR AND SPECIAL EXCURSIONS

- Full payment is required at time of booking to confirm a reservation.
- Please check your booking details carefully with the Booking Clerk as mistakes cannot always be rectified later.
- All cancellations and changes to reservations must be advised with a minimum of 14 day's notice before the event date to receive a full refund. After 14 days 20% of the full price will be reimbursed. No refund will be due on the day of departure.
- All changes to reservations must be advised with a minimum 14 day's notice before the event date. Changes received after this may not be accepted.
- In the circumstance that Isle of Man Railways need to cancel a Dining Car event completely a full refund or credit voucher will be offered.
- We do not guarantee that the trains will arrive or depart at the times stated and we reserve the right to cancel, alter or suspend any train without notice, or to substitute a different engine should this be necessary for whatever reason.
- Excursions may be cancelled or rescheduled for a variety of reasons. If the excursion is cancelled, please contact us for information on receiving a refund or rescheduling the excursion.
- If an excursion is rescheduled, ticket holders will be offered tickets to the rescheduled excursion, equivalent to the face value of the ticket. If a service is cancelled, ticket holders will be offered travel on an alternative excursion (subject to availability) or a refund up to the value on the ticket.
- All meal options are required at the time of booking to confirm your reservation.
- Any food allergies should be notified on booking and again on boarding.
- No alcohol other than that purchased on the Dining Car may be consumed by passengers.
- We are unable to accept payment by cheque less than 21 days prior to departure. This is to allow for time to process the payment.
- Seating arrangements for parties of four or more. Seating is limited on many of our special events due to their popularity. We will always do our best to make sure you and your party sit together; unfortunately this can't always be guaranteed.

DISABLED ACCESS

- Heritage railway stations and train carriages were designed and built many decades ago. We are sorry that it may not be possible for some passengers with mobility issues to use our Dining Car services; however, we will assist in every way possible to accommodate everyone. It is helpful if you inform us of any special requirements in advance of your visit. Please call us to chat about what options there may be if you have any concerns.
Tel. 01624 697457

TRAVELLING DOGS AND OTHER PETS.

- We welcome guide and assistance dogs on our Dining Car services. Please advise us at the time of booking if you require this so we can select the most appropriate seating
 - We do not allow non-assistance dogs or other pets on our Dining Car carriages.
- Our full terms of booking can be viewed at www.rail.im or on request at Douglas Railway Station.

THE LAXEY VILLAGE CHRISTMAS MARKET TRAMS

Saturday 22nd November & Sunday 23rd November

FREE entry to the market on production of a valid dated tram ticket

Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd November								
Derby Castle	09:40	10:40	11:10	12:10	13:10	14:10	14:40	15:40
Groudle Glen*	10:40	11:40	12:10	13:10	14:10	15:10	15:40	16:40
Baldrine*	09:38	10:38	11:08	12:08	13:08	14:08	14:38	15:38
South Coast*	10:38	11:38	12:08	13:08	14:08	15:08	15:38	16:38
Laxey Station	10:30	11:30	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	15:30	16:30
Laxey Station	10:25	11:25	11:55	12:55	13:55	14:55	15:25	16:25
South Coast*	10:30	11:30	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	15:30	16:30
Baldrine*	10:37	11:37	12:07	13:07	14:07	15:07	15:37	16:37
Groudle Glen*	11:40	12:40	13:10	14:10	15:10	16:10	16:40	17:40
Derby Castle	10:30	11:30	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	15:30	16:30

Manx Electric Railway Fares	Adult		Child	
	SGR	RTR	SGR	RTR
Derby Castle - Laxey	£7.00	£13.00	£3.50	£6.50
Groudle Glen / Fressing - Laxey	£7.00	£13.00	£3.50	£6.50
Baldrine / Baldrine / Groudle Glen	£7.00	£13.00	£3.50	£6.50
Baldrine / Derby Castle / South Coast - Laxey	£7.00	£13.00	£3.50	£6.50

Standard Tram fares apply. One child between the ages of 5—15 will travel **FREE** with each full fare paying adult. Under 5's travel for **FREE**

View the full conditions at
www.rail.im

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GROUDLE GLEN RAILWAY'S MAGICAL CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE IS BACK

IN COLLABORATION WITH
THE MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY

13TH, 14TH, 20TH & 21ST DECEMBER

Trains run from 10am to 3:30pm

— check your ticket for your time slot

Join us for an unforgettable journey on the Santa Trains at Groudle Glen Railway, where magic awaits around every corner.

- **Meet Santa Claus** with festive gifts
- **Ride the historic narrow-gauge railway**, decked out in twinkling lights

GETTING THERE IS PART OF THE FUN!

Ride on the **Tinsel Tram** from the Manx Electric Railways Derby Castle to Groudle, and then hop on the **FREE festive minibus** from King Edward Coast Road - please don't park at Groudle Beach.

PRE-BOOKING ESSENTIAL

BOOK NOW AT www.ggr.org.uk



THE TICKETHALL RESTAURANT & CAFE

Situated in the heart of Douglas, The Tickethall Restaurant and Cafe is the go to venue for light bites, hearty meals, evening dining, or a tasty coffee and cake. Plenty of choice, friendly service, and conveniently located, it's no wonder The Tickethall is such a favourite.

Our breakfast and lunch menus feature tasty treats to suit every member of the family. With a central Douglas location, plenty of parking, full accessibility, and service with a smile, The Tickethall is perfect for all.

Our experienced chefs use quality local ingredients from Isle of Man suppliers to prepare fresh, delicious dishes for you to enjoy in the historic surroundings of Douglas Railway Station, with tasty treats to suit every diner.

For more information go to our Facebook page at:

<https://m.facebook.com/tickethalliom/>

For Booking Enquiries got to <https://tickethall.im/reservations/>



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How to book - Contact

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Advance booking essential.

Your ticket includes return train travel and meal.

You must board the Dining Car
20 minutes prior to departure.

Some menu choices are required at time of booking.

SEE PAGES 8 & 9 FOR FESTIVE DOWN THE LINE

Please advise of any dietary requirements at time of booking.
For some multiple courses not all dietary requirements can be catered for. Brochure images are for illustrative purposes only.

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