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Where to get the best Christmas Day meal...

WHY NOT HANG UP THE APRON AND HEAD OUT FOR YOUR DINNER THIS YEAR?

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IT'S time to say goodbye to the kitchen and head out for Christmas dinner this year.

Have someone else stare into the oven to make sure the precious roasties don't burn and hang up those marigolds, because there are plenty of places in Manchester that are offering a full and traditional roast for Christmas Day - so there's no need to worry about whether your Christmas turkey is enough to feed ten people.

Here's some of the best places offering great deals for Christmas Day.

Zouk

Have you decided what you want for Christmas this year yet?

How about a fabulous festive Christmas feast without the washing up? Or a delicious dinner of tasty dishes and not a sprout or turkey in sight.

If the idea of leaving the hard work to somebody else sounds good this year, then Christmas Day at Zouk could be the perfect festive treat for you and your loved ones.

Every Christmas the team whip up a special festive feast of six courses for customers that prefer a spicy banquet to slaving away over a hot stove.

Christmas is all about delicious food and great company, but that doesn't mean you can't relax too.

Why not make one of your presents this year a culinary journey

right across India with Mughlai style lamb chops, Delhi style butter chicken, Pakistani samosa chaat and Rajasthani Raan roast?

Open from 12pm until 10pm on Christmas Day, and the extra-special six course extravaganza is only £30 per person.

There are vegan and veggie options too. Visit zoukteabar.co.uk for more information.

Store Street

Christmas should be celebrated with the people that matter most to you, a time where special memories are made.

Head to Store Street at the Hilton Hotel to make the most of the festive season.

Experience some of the most delicious food in an atmosphere that oozes relaxation in the destination restaurant. Two courses start at just £18.95 per person and three courses start at £24.95.

Or you can opt to spend Christmas Day at Store Street, with festive packages at £85 per person, including dishes such as roast turkey, poached salmon pave, beef sirloin and traditional Christmas pudding.

Call 0161 242 1010 or visit www.storestreetmanchester.co.uk to book today.

Cibo

Celebrate Christmas day at the family-friendly, Neapolitan-style neighbourhood restaurant Cibo. The lovely team at Cibo will wel-



Manchester restaurants are offering a traditional meal on Christmas Day

come you with open arms before serving a delightful and traditional four course meal made with fresh ingredients cooked to perfection.

All your need to do is turn up and be merry. There's still some places available and it's very reasonably priced too at £40 for adults and £24.50 for children.

Visit cibo.uk.com to book.

Don Giovanni

For the third year in a row, award-winning venue Don Giovanni is open for Christmas Day with every-

thing you need to indulge and enjoy such a special occasion.

At Manchester's oldest Italian restaurant, the team will take good care of you and make sure your experience is filled with fine food, festivities and a very warm family atmosphere.

With show-stopping cocktails, rare vintage wines, an extensive gin and tonic list and a luxurious set menu, the team can't wait to welcome you in.

The delicious four-course menu is priced at £59.50 with two options at £28.50 or £20 for children.

Visit dongiovanni.uk.com to book.

Peter Street Kitchen Christmas Day Luncheon

Dine at Peter Street Kitchen for a less-traditional, yet equally-delightful, Christmas Day Luncheon with eight exquisite small plates, served with a glass of Moët and Chandon Brut champagne, for £85 per person.

Visit www.peterstreetkitchen.co.uk to book.

Lowry Outlet Market makes a festive return this weekend

MAKERS Market is returning to Salford for a four-day festive special this weekend, with more markets every weekend in the lead up to Christmas.

The piazza of The Lowry Outlet Mall will once again be transformed into a haven of food, drink, crafts and more, as an array of independent creators, designers, producers, bakers and artists descend on Salford Quays.

Visitors can browse the wide range of products on offer, and perhaps find the perfect Christmas gift for friends and loved ones.

The Christmas market will offer

shoppers to chance to browse unique products from local, independent traders that you won't find on the high street.

There are more than 100 traders at the event over four days this weekend, with products such as handmade jewellery, bath products, candles, art, photography and plants. Market-goers can find bespoke products to spruce up their home such as luxury, hand-poured home fragrances from Hattie & Beau and custom-made wall hangings from Seasalt & Gems.

There will be a range of street

food to tuck into and food lovers can browse the array of artisan food products on offer.

The street food offering includes burgers from What's Your Beef?, chicken wings and halloumi fries from Oh My Glaze, hot dogs from In The Dog Haus, plant-based dishes from Soul Vegan and Neapolitan wood-fired pizza from Wood Fire & Smoke.

Sweet options will come from the likes of Crepe Chateau, Cheshire Chimney Cakes and Cupcakery Prestwich. There will also be foodie products to take home, including chutneys and jams, Mediterranean

olives, loose leaf teas, chocolate, pies, chilli sauces and much more.

Shoppers can pick up bottle of their favourite spirit including Worsley Gin and Salford Rum.

There will also be street entertainers and a chance to visit Santa and his talking reindeers in the Claus' Christmas Cabin.

The Lowry Makers Market takes place from Thursday, November 22 until Sunday, November 25, with extended opening hours for the festive season.

It will be open from 10am to 7pm Thursday to Saturday, and 10am to 5pm on Sunday.



Makers Market

Further two-day festive markets will be held every weekend afterwards in the lead up to the big day, with traders rotating each week.