



York is served by a number of regional airports, as well as having fast road and rail links to London's international airports. For guests arriving by air but driving to York, see our [Driving Directions](#) guide for more details.

REGIONAL AIRPORTS

Leeds/Bradford Airport. Located to the north-west of Leeds, Leeds/Bradford Airport is the closest airport to York at only 30 miles/48 km driving distance.

If you are renting a car, depart the airport and head north-east on the A658 (Harrogate Road) towards Poole-in-Wharfedale. Follow the A658 until it joins the A59 on the outskirts of Knaresborough. Take the A59 (York Road) eastbound until you reach York's Outer Ring Road.

Alternatively, a private hire vehicle large enough for a party of four will cost a total of ~£65 from the airport to York.

If you are using public transport, we recommend not taking a bus transfer into Leeds (where a train or bus could be taken to York) as this is no cheaper than private hire and takes much longer time.

Manchester Airport. Manchester Airport is located to the south of Manchester and is about 86 miles/138 km driving distance from York.

If you are renting a car, depart the airport following signs for Manchester City Centre. You will initially head north-bound on the M56, before forking onto the A5103, and onto the M60 (Ring Road W & N). Stay on the M60 following signs for Leeds; the motorway becomes the M62 as it heads away from Manchester. At J29 of the M62 take the exit onto the M1 north-bound; this merges with the A1(M) north-bound; then, almost immediately, take the A64 east-bound towards York.

Manchester Airport is the only airport with a direct rail service to York. The train journey takes 1 hr 45 mins, and a pre-booked single ticket will cost about £15.

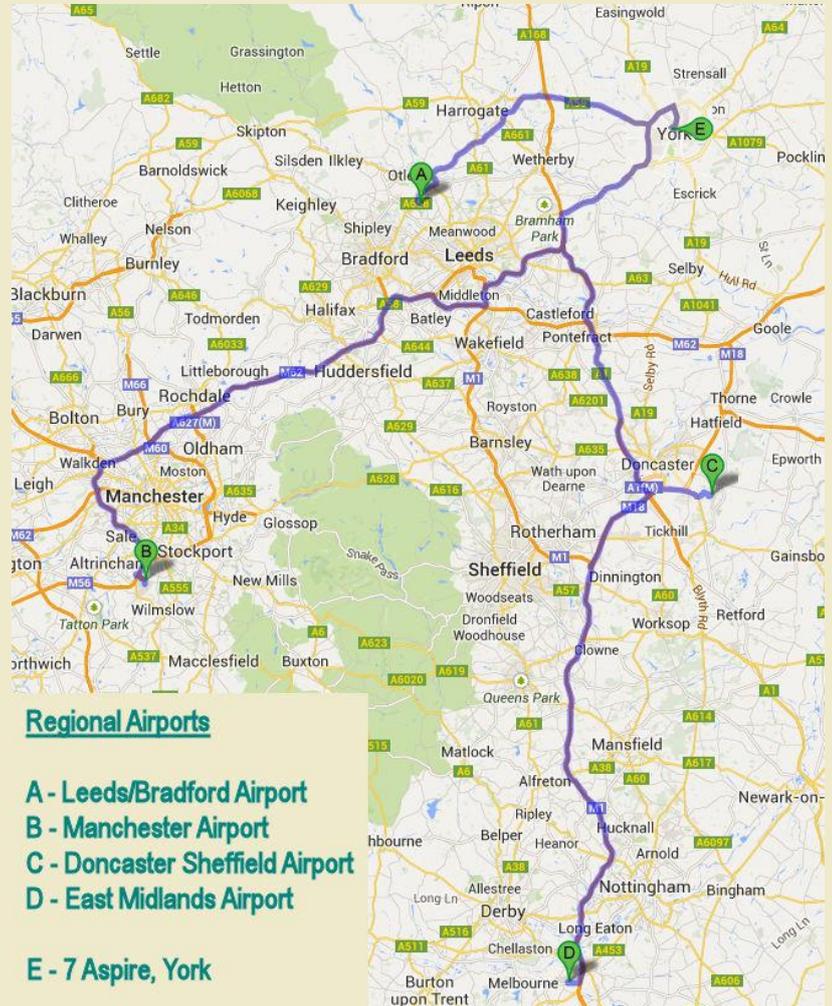
Doncaster Sheffield Airport. Located to the east of Doncaster, Doncaster Sheffield Airport is 52 miles/84 km from York by car.

If you are renting a car, depart the airport following signs for M18(S). Leaving the airport access road, turn left onto Hurst Lane. At the next junction, turn right to head north on the A638 (Great North Road); after a short distance the road forks left and becomes the A6182 (Great Yorkshire Way). At the junction with the M18 (J3), turn left and exit the motorway at J2, to head north on the A1(M)(J35). To the east of Leeds, take the A64 east-bound towards York.

If you are using public transport, there is the option of taking a taxi to Doncaster railway station, though the new X4 express bus link to Doncaster's Frenchgate Interchange bus station (opposite the railway station), runs every 30 minutes and the journey takes 22 minutes. See [here](#) for details.

East Midlands Airport. Further from York, East Midlands airport sits alongside the M1 motorway between Nottingham and Leicester, about 100 miles/160 km from York.

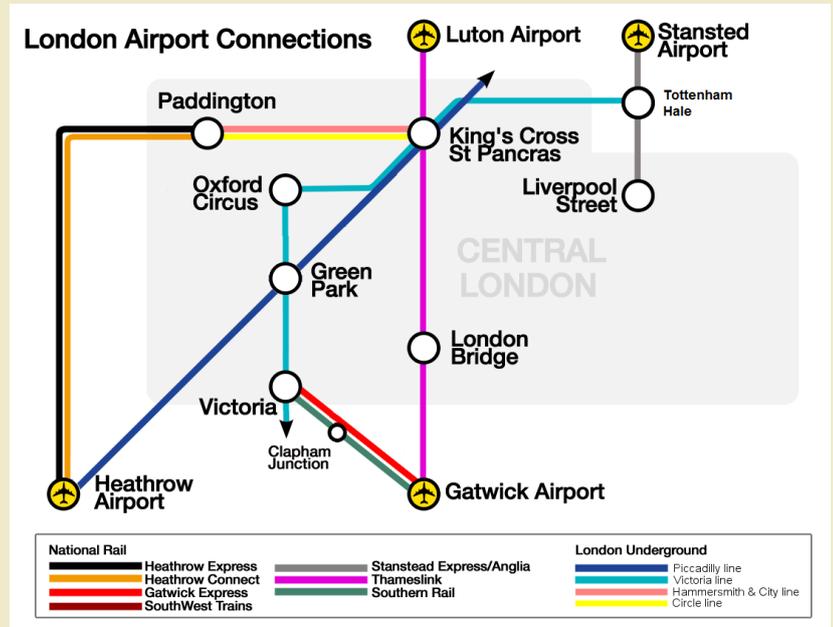
If you are renting a car, depart the airport on the A453 east-bound (Ashby Road) towards the M1. Take the M1 north-bound to just south of Sheffield, then fork onto the M18. Follow the M18 to J2, then take the exit onto the A1(M) (J35) heading north towards Leeds. To the east of Leeds, take the A64 east-bound towards York.



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- A - Leeds/Bradford Airport
- B - Manchester Airport
- C - Doncaster Sheffield Airport
- D - East Midlands Airport
- E - 7 Aspire, York

LONDON AIRPORTS



The majority of international long-haul visitors will arrive at one of London's airports. The transit times to York varying depending on which airport and by what means of travel. The table below gives route information and approximate journey times to York.

	Rail	Road
London Heathrow (LHR)	Follow signs for Underground from arrival terminal. Piccadilly line (East-bound) underground train to Kings Cross (~60mins depending on arrival terminal). Kings Cross - York (~1 hr 55 mins). ¹	215 miles/350 km (3½ hours driving). Terminals 1-3: Local roads to M4 west-bound to M25 north-bound. Terminals 4 & 5: Local roads to M25 north-bound. M1 north-bound. M18 east-bound. A1(M) north-bound. A64 east-bound.
London Gatwick (LGW)	The railway station is located at the South Terminal. Gatwick to St Pancras International (46 mins). Walk to Kings Cross station (3 mins). Kings Cross - York (~1 hr 55 mins). ²	250 miles/400 km (4 hours driving). M23 north-bound. M25 west-bound. M1 north-bound. M18 east-bound. A1(M) north-bound. A64 east-bound.
London Luton (LTN)	Shuttle bus to railway station (6 mins). Luton Parkway to St Pancras International (32 mins). Walk to Kings Cross station (3 mins). Kings Cross - York (~1 hr 55 mins). ³	182 miles/293 km (3 hours driving). Local roads to M1 north-bound. M18 east-bound. A1(M) north-bound. A64 east-bound.
London Stansted (STN)	Stansted - Peterborough - York ⁴ (3 hr 10 mins). or Stansted - Tottenham Hale (33 mins). Victoria (south-bound) underground train to Kings Cross (27 mins). Kings Cross - York (~1 hr 55 mins)	186 miles/300 km (3¾ hours driving). Local roads to M11 north-bound. A14 west-bound. A1(M) north-bound. A64 east-bound.

- 1 Passengers arriving at London Heathrow are advised not to use the Heathrow Express or Heathrow Connect fast rail service into Paddington in central London. Once you get to Paddington, you still need to get to Kings Cross for the train to York, involving a switch to the underground train or a taxi; in either case this route results in a longer and more expensive journey (and more bag carrying!) than if the direct Piccadilly line underground train, between Heathrow and Kings Cross station, is used.
- 2 Passengers arriving at London Gatwick should ensure they catch the Thameslink rail service direct to St Pancras International, and not the Gatwick Express or Southern rail services to Victoria. Kings Cross is a 2 minute walk from St Pancras.
- 3 If railway tickets have been purchased in advance with the departure station selected as Luton Airport, then the cost of the shuttle bus to the Parkway railway station is included in the rail ticket price. If passengers have no advance rail ticket or the advance ticket departure station is Luton Parkway, then the shuttle bus must be paid for separately; adults £1.60, children £0.80
- 4 Going via Peterborough is usually 10-15 minutes quicker to York and involves 1 less train change than going via Tottenham Hale/Kings Cross; moreover, tickets can be as much as £25 cheaper going via Peterborough.