



MALTA

HISTORY MEETS AZURE HORIZONS



Malta, a sun-drenched Mediterranean archipelago, offers a unique blend of history, sea, and vibrant island life. With over 300 days of sunshine a year, its warm climate makes it a year-round destination. Summers (Jun-Sep) are hot and perfect for beach outings and boat tours, while spring and autumn offer ideal weather for cultural exploration.

This tiny nation boasts a rich tapestry of civilizations, Phoenicians, Romans, Knights of St. John, reflected in its walled cities, megalithic temples, and Baroque churches. Stroll the golden alleys of Valletta, dive into the Blue Lagoon, or explore ancient ruins older than the pyramids. Enjoy coastal hikes, snorkeling, and sunset harbor cruises.

Maltese culture is a fusion of Southern European and Arab influences, visible in language, traditions, and architecture. Food is hearty and flavorful, think pastizzi, rabbit stew, and ftira. Locals are warm and welcoming, and festivals with fireworks, music, and street feasts add to the island's joyful rhythm. Malta is a compact yet endlessly fascinating destination.



CAPITAL
Valletta



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CURRENCY
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LANGUAGE
Maltese

ICONIC MALTA LANDMARKS

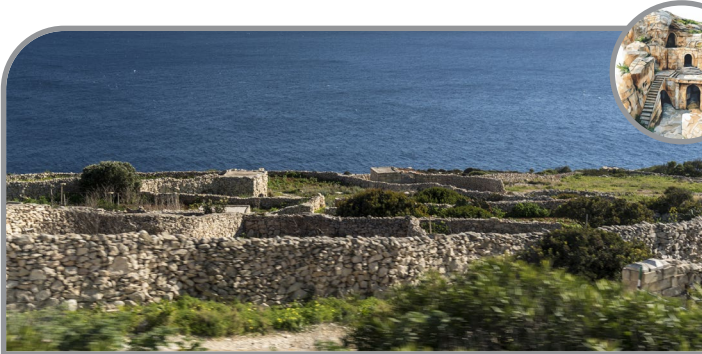


VALLETTA

The capital of Malta and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Valletta is a masterpiece of Baroque elegance, brimming with ornate palaces, grand churches, and formidable forts. Explore the awe-inspiring St. John's Co-Cathedral with its gilded interiors and Caravaggio masterpieces, stroll along narrow streets lined with colorful wooden balconies, and take in sweeping harbor views from the Upper Barrakka Gardens, where history meets Mediterranean charm.

MDINA

Perched high on a hill and known as the "Silent City," Mdina is Malta's medieval jewel, where time seems to stand still. Its narrow, winding alleys are lined with noble palaces, centuries-old stone walls, and hidden courtyards. From its bastions, take in panoramic island views that stretch to the sea. By day, it's a serene retreat into Malta's storied past; by night, its softly lit streets offer an atmosphere of pure romance and timeless elegance.



HAL SAFLIENI HYPOGEUM

This subterranean UNESCO World Heritage Site, over 5,000 years old, is one of the most extraordinary prehistoric burial complexes in the world. Carved entirely out of limestone, the Hal Saflieni Hypogeum offers an intimate and mysterious journey into Malta's ancient spiritual practices and engineering brilliance. With its chambers, passageways, and intricate carvings, it is an awe-inspiring testament to early civilization, accessible to only a limited number of visitors each day.

BLUE LAGOON (COMINO ISLAND)

Between Malta and Gozo lies Comino Island's crown jewel—the Blue Lagoon—renowned for its crystalline turquoise waters that shimmer under the Mediterranean sun. Perfect for swimming, snorkeling, and leisurely boat trips, it's a natural paradise where white sandy shallows meet rocky coves. Photographers will find endless inspiration, while visitors can relax on the beach or explore nearby caves, soaking in the tranquil beauty of this idyllic haven.



HAGAR QIM TEMPLES

Standing sentinel above the sea cliffs since around 3600 BCE, the Hagar Qim Temples are among the world's oldest freestanding stone structures. This UNESCO-listed site offers a fascinating glimpse into Malta's prehistoric culture, with massive limestone slabs, altars, and mysterious carvings. Surrounded by sweeping views of the Mediterranean, the temples inspire wonder at the sophistication of their builders and the timeless beauty of the rugged coastal landscape.

MORE TO KNOW ABOUT MALTA



TRADITIONAL MUSIC & DANCE

Ghazal, Malta's beloved folk music, is a unique form of lyrical storytelling where singers engage in poetic duels, weaving wit, humor, and social commentary into song, all accompanied by melodic guitar. Traditional Maltese dance, often performed at village festas, is equally captivating—filled with lively footwork, colorful costumes, and an infectious rhythm that celebrates the island's rich cultural heritage and communal joy.

HANDCRAFTED SOUVENIRS

Maltese craftsmanship is an art passed through generations. Visitors can find intricate lace painstakingly handmade, delicate hand-blown glass shimmering in vibrant hues, ornate silver filigree jewelry, and beautifully painted ceramic tiles. Each piece tells a story of tradition, skill, and pride, crafted by local artisans dedicated to preserving centuries-old techniques, making these items not just souvenirs but treasured keepsakes of Malta's heritage.

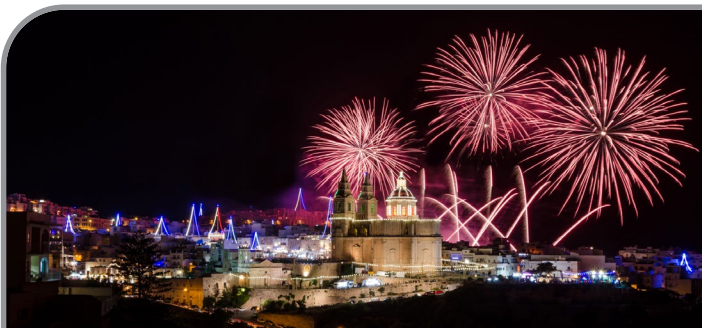


MALTESE CUISINE

Maltese food is a delicious tapestry woven from Sicilian, North African, and British influences. Traditional dishes include the rich and savory rabbit stew, hearty bragjoli—beef wrapped around a flavorful filling—and sweet, flaky imqaret pastries stuffed with dates. Fresh seafood, from tender octopus to the catch of the day, is a staple across the islands. Meals are often enjoyed al fresco, accompanied by local wine and the warm Mediterranean breeze.

LANGUAGE & HERITAGE

Malta's cultural identity is reflected in its two official languages: Maltese and English. Maltese, a Semitic tongue with strong Italian and Arabic influences, is a living testament to the islands' layered history of conquests and trade. English, widely spoken, makes travel effortless for visitors. Together, these languages embody the nation's blend of tradition and openness, connecting its ancient heritage to its modern, cosmopolitan character.



VILLAGE FESTAS

Maltese village festas are dazzling celebrations that transform towns into vibrant stages of color and sound. Each one honors a patron saint with elaborate processions, lively marching bands, spectacular fireworks, and streets lined with food stalls serving local delicacies. Residents and visitors alike join in the merriment, dancing, singing, and embracing the warm sense of community. These joyful events capture the spirit and soul of Malta in full festive bloom.

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MALTA, A FOOD & WINE PARADISE

VALLETTA

At the center of the Mediterranean, Malta beckons! Here you will stand in awe at the contrast from the deepest of Mediterranean blue waters to a landscape of honey-colored hues, and the sparkling sun that glistens upon it all. This fascinating land has been shaped by vast civilizations, from the Phoenicians to the British, Romans, Arabs, Swabians, Normans, various sects of Italians and Sicilians, and the French in between. Happily, Malta has emerged triumphantly intact and its treasures await you. Beyond traditional Malta tour packages, we invite you to explore this captivating culture through its cuisine on our inspired food and wine travel program.

MALTA, THE PEARL OF THE MEDITERRANEAN

VALLETTA

Come be amazed on this unforgettable 6-day Malta vacation package! At the center of the Mediterranean, Malta has been conquered and re-conquered by every expansionist power that ever shaped history in this cradle of civilization, from the Phoenicians to the British, with Romans, Arabs, Swabians, Normans, various Italians and Sicilians and the French in between.

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DAYS



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WHEN IN MALTA

GOZO | VALLETTA

Our "When In" Malta vacation package itineraries offer inclusions that cater to all different budgets – tourist, first-class, and deluxe – featuring a variety of options and additions to tailor-create the Malta vacation that's perfect for you. On your trip to Malta, follow in the historic paths of St. Paul; delve into the lives of early Maltese Islanders – dating back approximately 5,500 years via the many monolithic structures they built that still stand on the island today; take part in outdoor adventures of all kinds on land and sea with year-round warm weather that beckons to be enjoyed.



DREAMY MALTA

VALLETTA | GOZO

Embark on a seven-day enchanting journey through the Maltese Islands, steeped in myth and history at the heart of the Mediterranean. From the ancient Ġgantija Temples on Gozo – older than the Egyptian pyramids – to the baroque elegance of Valletta, this Malta vacation package offers a tapestry of cultural richness and historical depth. Experience the tranquility of Gozo, with its rolling hills and rural charm, before diving into Malta's vibrant streets and storied past.

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DAYS

