Malta Travel Facts

US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Malta. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Passport/Visa Requirements

For the latest passport and visa requirements for this country, please consult the US State Department's "Learn About Your Destination" search tool, available through the link below. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html

US Embassy/Consulate

+(356) 2561-4000; US Embassy Malta, Ta'Qali National Park Street, Attard ATD 4000, Malta; ACSMalta@state.gov; https://mt.usembassy.gov/

LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US State Department's International Travel page. <u>https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html</u>

Telephone Code

356

Local Emergency Phone 112

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Malta: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, yellow fever, rabies, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, COVID-19, and influenza.

https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list

Climate Mediterranean; mild, rainy winters; hot, dry summers

Currency (Code) Euros (EUR)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): G



Major Languages Maltese, English

Major Religions Roman Catholic more than 90%

Time Difference

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins last Sunday in March; ends last Sunday in October

Potable Water

Yes, but some opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit Suggested

Road Driving Side



Tourist Destinations

Valletta (includes Saint John's Co-Cathedral, Church of Saint Paul's Shipwreck); Island of Gozo; towns of Mdina and Rabat; Megalithic Temples of Malta (includes Tarxien Temples); Saint Julian's Harbor; Island of Comino (includes Blue Lagoon)

Major Sports

Soccer, rugby, motorsports, watersports

Cultural Practices

Modesty is important. Swearing and blasphemy may be offensive to your counterpart. Many Maltese are open to any conversation topic.

Tipping Guidelines

Tipping is customary in Malta and a gratuity of between 5% and 10%, whenever good service has been provided is reasonable. However if a service charge has already been included in the bill, a tip is not necessary.

Souvenirs

Religious icons/statues and prayer beads, gold and silver jewelry and filigree work, blown glass, hand woven lace, pottery

Traditional Cuisine

Stuffat tal-fenek (Maltese rabbit stew) — a slow-cooked rabbit dish; typically the tomato-based sauce is served with pasta as a first course and the rabbit with vegetables is served as a main course



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