# 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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