Travel Facts



US State Department Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Malta. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws, and special circumstances in this country.

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for any

entry stamp that will be required. A visa is not required as long as the stay is less than 90 days.

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/

LGBTQ+ Travelers

When venturing abroad, LGBTQ+ travelers can face unique challenges since laws, attitudes, and legal protections vary from country to country. Consult the website via the link below to learn what precautions to take before and during your trip. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/lgbtqi.html

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. http://www.who.int/

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

Left

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

