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Living & working in Malta

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Malta in a Nutshell

- Geographical Size: Just 316 km²!
- Population: Over 500,000
- National Languages: Maltese and English
- Currency: Euro (since 1st January, 2008)
- Malta & The EU: Malta joined the EU on the 1st of May 2004
- Climate: Mild winters and hot summers, with average temperatures of 23° C (daytime)
- Capital City: Valletta
- Tourism: Over 3.5 million tourists annually (in 2024)
- Religion: Over 90% of the population is Roman Catholic



Tourism Sector in Malta

- Malta's strategic position in the Mediterranean Sea, its rich history, and its architectural tradition have long made the island an attractive tourist destination
- There are many aquatic activities to enjoy in Malta as well as Gozo and Comino.
- Tourism is one of the cornerstones of Malta's economy, contributing approximately 25% of the country's GDP in recent years.
- The tourism sector employs more than 10% of the Maltese workforce, spanning across various industries like hotels, restaurants, transport services, and tour operators.
- Tourism is responsible for generating significant foreign exchange revenue. In 2024, tourism accounted for more than €2 billion in revenue, representing a major portion of Malta's economic income.



Key Tourist Attractions in Malta

Valletta: Malta's capital city and a UNESCO World Heritage. One can find many Baroque architecture, historical buildings, and cultural landmarks, including St. John's Co-Cathedral and the Upper Barracca Gardens.



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Mdina: Known as the Silent City, Mdina is a medieval fortified city offering visitors an enchanting atmosphere with its narrow streets, historic churches, and panoramic views of the island.



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Gozo: The second-largest island in the Maltese archipelago, Gozo is known for its rural charm, stunning beaches, and Ġgantija Temples which are older than the Pyramids of Egypt.



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Blue Lagoon: Situated on the island of Comino, the Blue Lagoon is famous for its crystal-clear turquoise waters, ideal for swimming, snorkelling, and boat trips. It's one of Malta's most sought-after natural attractions.



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Historical Sites: Malta is home to some of the oldest free-standing structures in the world, such as the prehistoric Hagar Qim and Mnajdra Temples, as well as the Inquisitor's Palace and the Fortifications of the Knights of St. John.



Vacancies

Chefs
F&B Servers, attendants, runners
Hosts
Maintenance Persons
Security Officers
Barteners, barbacks
Dancers
Cleaning Staff
Accounts Clerks
Beach and Watersports Crew
Receptionist
... and much more!



Recruiting Companies



Working in Malta

Once you arrive in Malta and you've secured a job, there are a few steps you'll need to follow to start working.



1. Obtain a National Insurance Number which will enable you to be insured under Malta's Social Security System.



2. Register your employment as all employment in Malta legally needs to be registered with Jobsplus. Your employer will fill in an engagement form and submit it to Jobsplus. Once this is processed, you will both receive an acknowledgement letter.



3. Apply for a Residence Card after three months of living in Malta, EU Nationals must apply for a Residence Card through Identity Malta.



Working Conditions in Malta

- Employment Contracts can be indefinite (without an end-date) or definite (with an end-date).
- A normal week consists of 40 working hours plus eight overtime hours for full-time employees.
- Full-time employees are entitled to 216 hours of paid annual leave (pro rata for definite contracts)
- Malta's Wage Regulation Orders (WROs) set minimum wages, working hours, and employment conditions for various sectors, including tourism and hospitality.
- The weekly minimum wage in Malta is:

Age 18 years and over	€221.78
Age 17 years	€215.00
Under 17 years	€212.26



Living in Malta



You can find properties for rent on various Real Estate websites. Rent is normally paid in advance with one month's rent paid as a deposit when you first move in.



It is important to keep accommodation costs in mind when negotiating your salary. While this can vary depending on area, the average rental price of a 2-bedroom flat is Eur 1000/1500 per month.



On January 1st, 2020, Malta introduced new rules for the rental market to establish the minimum and maximum rental periods for long lets and short lets respectively among other subjects.



European Health Insurance Card



A European Health Insurance Card will grant you access to any emergency health services through Malta's Public Health Sector for the first three months following your arrival, so make sure that your card is valid before you leave!



Once you start working in Malta and paying social security contributions, you will be entitled to the same health services as other residents.



Finding a Job in Malta: Where to Start?

EURES Malta: We recommend that you try to secure a job before you move to Malta, and EURES Malta's advisors are here to help you with this. You can send your CV to EURES Malta on eures.recruitment.jobsplus@gov.mt.

Jobsplus: To look for work in Malta, you can register on the Jobsplus website (www.jobsplus.gov.mt) and apply for jobs advertised directly through your profile.

Contact EURES Malta – updated CV in English and we will assist you with job matching



Getting Around



Residents in Malta can apply for a Tallinja Card, (a contactless bus card), which grants them free access to Malta's public transport system. You'll need a valid residence permit before applying for a Tallinja card.



Buses are the cheapest way to travel in Malta. Most day routes operate between 5:00 and 23:00, with a special night service operating between 23:00 and 04:00 on selected routes.



A ferry service operates between Sliema and Valletta, which can also be accessed using your Tallinja card.



For more information, please visit the Transport Malta website
<https://www.transport.gov.mt/>



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