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If you are intrigued by this beautiful island's ability to create 'Gozo fanatics' like ourselves, then plan a visit. We always stay for more than just a day. It's the secret hideaway of all Maltese. Which is why we would prefer to leave it undiscovered by you. But it's in our nature to share the best we have with visitors.



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Tourist Info.



point to point, services. The cost of a bus route ranges from 15 cents to 70 cents. The longest bus journey takes about fifty minutes; the average ride is between 20 and 30 minutes.

Driving

Driving is on the left. There is a speed limit of 80 kilometres per hour on arterial roads and 40 kph in urban areas.

Cycling

Cycling became popular again since the introduction of all terrain cycles (ATBs), which are ideally situated to Malta and Gozo. ATBs and bicycles may be hired from various cycle shops throughout the

islands. Cyclists should remember to always follow the highway code and clearly hand signal their intentions.



Public Transport

Malta's public transport system offers a cheap and efficient way of touring the Island. The main bus terminus is in Valletta from where buses operate to all parts of Malta, although there are also direct,

Boat Hire

Canoes, rowing boats, sailing boats, pedalos and speedboats are available for hire from a number of operators in the more popular seaside resorts. Larger vessels and yachts are also available for charter.

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Museums & Heritage Sites



Hal Saflieni Hypogeum

This UNESCO World Heritage monument consists of halls, chambers and passages cut in rock. The complex is grouped in 3 levels dating from different periods, the deepest room being 10.6m under road surface.

✉ Burial Street, Paola

🕒 9am – 11am, 1pm – 4pm, guided tours on the hour.
 Tickets: Adults: €9.32, Children, Students & Senior Citizens: €4.66, Infants under

6: no admittance. Tickets can be purchased from Hal Saflieni Hypogeum, Paola and National Museum of Archaeology, Valletta from Malta and Ggantija Temples, Xaghra and Museum of Archaeology, Citadel from Gozo or booked online from www.heritagemalta-shop.com.

🚗 1, 2, 3, 4, 6

☎ 21805018/9

Malta Maritime Museum

A former British Naval Bakery, the museum shows Malta's maritime history within a Mediterranean context. It also illustrates the global nature of seafaring and its impact on society.

✉ Ex-Naval Bakery, Vittoriosa

🕒 Mon – Sun: 9am – 5pm, last admission 4.30pm.

Tickets: Adults: €4.66, Children 6–12: €1.16, Students & Senior Citizens: €2.33, Infants: Free.

🚗 6

☎ 21660052

Inquisitor's Palace Vittoriosa

The Palace was built as civil law courts for the Order of St John and remained so until 1571. It was made an official residence when then first general inquisitor Mgr Pietro Dusina came to Malta.

✉ Main Gate Str, Vittoriosa

🕒 Monday – Sunday: 9am – 5pm. Last admission 4.30pm.

Tickets: Adults: €4.66, Children 6 – 12: €1.16, Students & Senior Citizens: €2.33, Infants: Free

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☎ 21827006

The Bir Mula Exhibition

The exhibition includes a read-through narrative on the history of Cospicua.

✉ 79, St Margerita Str, Cospicua

🕒 Saturdays & Sundays from 10am - 12pm.

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Knights Spectacular 1565 Dinner Show

An action packed musical spectacle with 50 talented performers and 8 trained horses. Patrons are served a 3 course dinner with free flowing wine and beverages as the Knights of St. John in shining armour, vanquish the lavishly dressed warriors of Suleiman the Magnificent in the epic siege of 1565.

- ✉ The Arena, Montekristo Estates, Hal Farrug, l/o Siggiewi.
- 🕒 Every Thursday at 7.30pm. Tickets: Adults €48, Children under 12: €24.
- 🚗 Free transport available
- ☎ 21228065, 99991565

National Museum of Natural History, Mdina

The 18th century Magisterial Palace of Justice currently holds over 10,000 rocks and minerals, over 3,500 birds, eggs and nests, 200 mammals, over 200 fish species and thousands shells and insects. A must for nature & history lovers.

- ✉ Vilhena Palace, St Publius Square, Mdina
- 🕒 Mon – Sun: 9am – 5pm (last admission 4.30pm). Tickets: Adults: Lm1 (€2.33), Children from 6 – 12: 25c (€0.58), Students & Senior Citizens: 50c (€1.25), Infants: Free
- ☎ 21455951



Palazzo Parisio & Gardens

19th century Maltese Palace, home of the Marquis Scicluna family, with a history, architecture and interior unique in Malta. A glorious showcase of Maltese and Italian craftsmanship with an ornate gilded, mirrored ballroom reminiscent of Versailles.

- ✉ Palazzo Parisio, Naxxar NXR 1700
- 🕒 Monday - Saturday 9am - 6pm (except public hols). Last admission 4.30pm. Tickets: Adults €9, Student €6, Children €4.50.
- 🚗 54, 55, 56, 65
- ☎ 21412461

Palazzo Costanzo Medieval Times

An elegant Baroque palace built in the 17th Century offering a medieval adventure using wax figures, light, sound and smell. The history starts from the 14th and 15th century and depicts family life and Maltese trades.

- ✉ 26, Triq Villegaignon, Mdina
- 🕒 Monday – Saturday: 9.30am – 6.30pm. Tickets: Adults: Lm1.25, Children: 60c
- 🚗 89, 65, 80, 81, 84, 86
- ☎ 21454625



Maltese Summer Folklore Nights

Delight all your senses with a trio of food, wine and song. Enjoy a fabulous 3 - course buffet dinner including wine while enjoying live mandolin music and live folk entertainment by a team of dancers, under the night stars. A most memorable Maltese night out! Bookings recommended.

- ✉ The Limestone Heritage, Mons. Azzopardi Str: Siggiewi
- 🕒 Every Friday at 8.30pm
- Adults: €40, Children under 12: €5. Free transport available
- 🚗 89
- ☎ 21464931, 99457475

The Mdina Dungeons

In a series of secret underground passageways, chambers and cells, a number of events have been re-created to portray historic events from the dark and turbulent side of Maltese history.

- ✉ St. Publius Square, Mdina
- 🕒 Winter hours: Monday - Saturday 9.30am - 4pm. Sunday 9.30am - 4.30pm. Summer hours: 9.30am - 4pm. Tickets: Adults: Lm1.72 (€4). Family pack Lm4.80c (€9.50).
- 🚗 89, 65, 80, 81, 84, 86
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The Saluting Battery, Valletta

Sited at Valletta's best vantage point under the Upper Barracca Gardens and overlooking the Grand Harbour, the Saluting Battery is still equipped with original cannon. In the past, it served both to defend the harbour and as an official ceremonial platform from where gun

salutes would be fired to honour visiting dignitaries or vessels to Malta. For hundreds of years, it also doubled as the official public time marker from where a gun was fired at sunrise, noon and sunset to provide the public with the exact hour of the day. The first and last soundings indicated the time when all town gates where to be opened or closed. The noon-day round was meant for mariners to calibrate their timepieces on board for navigational reasons. After all these centuries, the old tradition of firing a gun at noon (12pm) still takes place here daily. Guided tours of the battery are offered before and after the display at 11am and 12.30pm. Open: Daily 10am and 1.30pm. Free transport from this site to the Malta at War Museum and Fort Rinella leaves daily at 12.15 and 1.15pm.

Fort Rinella, Kalkara

Fort Rinella is Malta's only historic live-museum. It is a unique example of late 19th century military engineering in being built as a steam-powered mechanical war machine to house and power the world's largest gun ever made – the



Armstrong 100-ton gun. This gun still survives in this fort. In its time, it could fire a one-ton shell up to a distance of 8-miles at which range it could pierce 21 inches of ship armour.

This fort has been painstakingly restored by volunteers back to its original state. A historical re-enactment takes place here daily at 2.30pm recreating aspects of the daily life of the Victorian garrison. This includes live cannon and musket firing. A brand new audiovisual is also available which outlines the colourful history of the fort and its monstrous gun. Open: Daily between 10.00am and 5.00pm. Guided tours and film shows are offered on the hour till 1.00pm after which there will be the historical re-enactment. Directions: Bus No.4 to Kalkara from Valletta bus station or follow signs to Three Cities and local signs to fort.



Malta at War Museum, Vittoriosa

A vast wartime underground air raid shelter formed by a labyrinth of hand excavated tunnels. Used throughout WWII as a regional civil protection centre and underground accommodation for some 500 persons during the raids. The interior of this property has been faithfully restored and reconstructed to its original state. Entrance is from Couvre Porte Gate, Vittoriosa (across from the bus station) through a permanent display of original artefacts dedicated to the daily life in wartime Malta. This Museum also comprises a wartime movie produced in 1942 by the Crown Film Unit on the express wish of H.M. King George VI to document the heroic stand of the Maltese during the conflict. Length of film is 20mins. Open Daily 10am – 4pm. All buses to Vittoriosa or follow signs to Three Cities and then local signs to museum.

FREE TRANSPORT is offered from the Saluting Battery to the Malta at War Museum and Fort Rinella daily departing at 12.15 and 1.15pm. Intermediate free trips are also available between the last two attractions throughout the day. Tel. 21800992, 21803091; email: bookings@wirtartna.org; www.wirtartna.org

Exhibitions

Bare Walls

Exhibition of sculptures - limestone, metal, ceramics by Sue Mifsud and David Mifsud.

☒ Auberge d'Italie Courtyard MTA premises, Valletta

🕒 1 - 8 August

🚌 All Buses

The Voyages of Zheng He

Presented by The China Culture Centre. An event marking the European Year of Intercultural Dialogue. Zheng He is China's most famous maritime explorer. His extraordinary ability and vision found brilliant expression in the great achievements of his life, including maritime exploration, foreign diplomacy, and military affairs. This exhibition explores how China gained influence as far away as Africa and was also the receiver of much foreign knowledge, through trade and exchange of ideas.

☒ St James Cavalier, Valletta.

🕒 1 - 10 August.

🚌 All Buses

☎ 21223200

Anima di Pietruburgo

A photographic exhibition by Kenneth Scicluna.

☒ The Loggia, National Museum of Fine Arts, Valletta.

🕒 1 - 17 August. Monday - Sunday 9am - 5pm. Last admission 4.30pm. Free admission.

🚌 All Buses

Photographic Exhibition

Exhibition by Gozitan photographer, Claire Borg.

☒ Banca Giuratale, Independence Square, Victoria, Gozo

🕒 1 - 17 August

🚌 All Buses



A Landscape Vision

Exhibition of Peter Heywood's new 'Abstract' work. Peter works from landscape and these works represent the creation and metamorphosis of landscape. The effects are created by applying several layers of colour (acrylic) to achieve subtle tonalities reminiscent of the 'oil glaze' techniques of the old masters. Some of the works are diptych or triptych but each painting should be viewed individually and then as it develops into other works.

☒ Gallery G, No 4, Sir Ugo Mifsud Street, Lija

🕒 1 - 29 August. Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm.

🚌 55, 56, 58

☎ 21421984/5

Views of Gozo (1800 - 1940) in the National Collection

A collective exhibition of paintings from the National Collection depicting views of

Gozo throughout the ages.

☒ Heritage Malta, Gozo Area Office, The Citadel, Gozo.

🕒 1 August - 12 September. Monday - Friday, 8am - 4pm. Free admission.

🚌 All Buses

Anima del Circo

An exhibition of works of art by Priscilla Ainhoa Griscti.

☒ Malta Maritime Museum, Vittoriosa.

🕒 1 August - 5 October. Monday - Sunday, 9am - 5pm. Last admission 4.30pm. Free admission.

🚌 6

Art Exhibition

An art exhibition by artist Carmel Cachia.

☒ Art..e Gallery, Library Street, Victoria, Gozo.

🕒 2 - 29 August

🚌 All Buses

Malta In Fantasy

An exhibition of oil and watercolour paintings by Anastasia Ponyatovskaya.

☒ Heritage Malta Head Office, Merchants Street, Valletta.

🕒 2 - 31 August. Monday - Friday 8am - 4pm. Last admission 3.30pm. Free admission.

🚌 All Buses

Bichi: Views from the Villa

An exhibition by Claude Busuttill.

☒ Contemporary Hall, National Museum of Fine Arts, Valletta.

🕒 2 August - 7 September.

Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm.
Last admission 4.30pm. Free admission.

🚍 All Buses

Defying Squares

An exhibition of contemporary ceramics by Maltese artist Charlot Cassar. It is an intimate but bold exploration of the ceramic surface weaved with the artist's experiences to create stunning works of art that literally defy the square in which they are set. Influenced by landscape and rock strata this collection is a statement of the artist's momentum as a ceramic artist.

✉ Couvre Porte Vittoriosa
🕒 5 - 31 August. Tuesday - Sunday, 10am - noon and 7.30pm onwards.

🚍 6
☎ 99804545

Mediterranean Filigree and Abstract

Exhibition by artist Kevin Attard.

✉ Malta Society of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce, Palazzo de La Salle, 219, Republic Street, Valletta.

🕒 12 - 28 August. Monday - Saturday, 9am - noon. Sunday and public holidays closed. Free admission.

🚍 All Buses

Greymatter

A conceptual sculpture by Pierre Portelli. Greymatter is phase I of the project 'Amazing Race', a series of projects dealing with more

than just environmental issues. Amazing Race is essentially about action and choices.

✉ Main Hall, St. James Cavalier, Valletta

🕒 18 August - 21 September
🚍 All Buses
☎ 21223200

Art Exhibition

New collection of art exhibits by German artist Jorg Bottcher.

✉ The Farmhouse Gallery, Skapuccina Street, Zebbug, Gozo

🕒 22 - 24 August. 11am - 7pm.
🚍 90, 91
☎ 21561434, 99228770

Contemporary Art

An exhibition by Salvador Provino.

✉ The Loggia, National Museum of Fine Arts, Valletta.
🕒 23 August - 28 September

ber: Monday - Sunday 9am - 5pm. Last admission 4.30pm. Free admission

🚍 All Buses

De-Coding Beauty

Art exhibition by George Scicluna. This exhibition shows sketches dating back to the early 90's when George's distinctive style was beginning to emerge. He then moved on to large-scale monochrome paintings that depict the statues of the Old Masters. Characteristic of the next period is a series of paintings 'composition of a girl' which carry the style further on. Following this phase, one then arrives at the most recent paintings where colour becomes more prominent.

✉ Casa Scicluna, Paul Portelli Str. Victoria, Gozo.

🕒 August - December
🚍 All Buses



Gozo Artists @ Home in Bugibba

Painting, jewellery, sculpture, metal work, gifts and more by Hermine A. Sammut, Jackie Roberts and other Gozo artists

✉ 'Windy Corner' 44 Borgnorr Beach Street (opposite Captain Morgan Jetty), Bugibba,

🕒 8 - 10 & 22 - 24 August. Friday & Saturday 10am - 1pm & 6 - 8pm. Sunday 10am - 1pm.

🚍 48, 49, 58, 70, 86
☎ 79617746, 79562753

Festivals

BOV Street Alive

Luna D' Estate (excerpts from Operettas) by Vox Lirica.

✉ Great Siege Square.

🕒 1 August. 8pm.

Ball Room Dancing.

✉ Casino Maltese

Artists' Garden.

✉ Auberge D'Italie.

Old Motors Club - Classic Motor Bikes Displays. Milonga Dance by Tango Malta Dine al fresco.

✉ All in Valletta's historic streets.

🕒 1 August. 7pm onwards.

🚌 All Buses

☎ 21237747

The Farsons Great Beer Festival

Sample a variety of beers from the local Cisk Lager to special beers sold exclusively at the festival. If premium beers are what you seek, international brands will also be available. You will be spoilt for choice at our food court serving a variety of dishes. Two stages featuring top local artists will suit all your music preferences. The festival will cater for all your tastes and preferences giving you a great time with Malta's most talented singers and performers. The festival can also be enjoyed by the entire family and children will be in for a good time at the Kids Fantasyland, with all sorts of fun games and entertainment.

✉ National Park, Ta' Qali

🕒 1 - 3 August

🚌 80, 81, 84

Folkloristic Evening - Ikla tan-Nanna

The Folkloristic Foundation Ta' Klula will be organising a traditional evening of food, drink and dance. There will be folk music, re-enactments and much more. For those coming from Malta, once again there will be free transport from and to Mgarr. Booking recommended. All proceeds will go towards the purchase of a heart monitor for the Gozo Cardiac Care Unit.

✉ Village Square, Sta. Lucia, Gozo.

🕒 2 August. 8pm.

🕒 14

☎ 79566496

BOV Street Alive

'My Way' Musical Entertainment by Joe Cutajar and P Abela Band and Modern Dance by William Dance Studio.

✉ Great Siege Square,.

🕒 8 August. 9pm.

Milonga By Tango, Malta Arts Garden.

✉ Auberge D'Italie Jaguar Cars Modified Cars & Old Motor Bikes Displays. Dine al fresco.

✉ All in Valletta's historic streets.

🕒 8 August. 7pm onwards.

🚌 All Buses

☎ 21237747



Delicata Malta Wine Festival

This popular, annual summer wine festival is laid on by Malta's leading winemaker, Emmanuel Delicata. A wide range of quality D.O.K. and I.G.T. wines are available for sampling and gourmet stalls are also set up with a range of Maltese and international dishes to complement the award-winning wines. Live entertainment from a variety of artists is provided throughout the festival. Doors open at 7pm and the last serving is at 11.30pm. Fee payable at the gate: €12 which includes a commemorative wine glass, sampling of all the wines on show and live entertainment.

✉ Upper Barakka Gardens, Valletta

🕒 7 - 10 August.

🚌 All Buses

Riflessi Safjin

Annual music festival organised by the OASI Foundation.

✉ Il-Menqa, Marsalforn, Gozo

🕒 9 August

🕒 21

☎ 21563333

Folkloristic Evening

Traditional dinner with folk music and dancing.

✉ Savina Square, Victoria, Gozo

🕒 10 August

🕒 All Buses

☎ 79551871

**Delicata Gozo Wine Festival**

For the sixth consecutive year, following the wine festival in Valletta, Delicata in conjunction with Nadur local council will be taking its wine festival to the viticultural heart of Gozo, Nadur. Once again this sleepy, idyllic Gozitan village will come alive as the wine festival gets underway. Over twenty quality Gozitan and Maltese wines will be available. There will also be a number of food stalls offering some delicious foods. Live entertainment every evening. A shuttle service will be in operation between Mgarr Harbour and The Wine Festival. Price €3.50 per person return. Doors open at 7pm and the last serving is at 11.30pm.

✉ Gnien il-Kunsill, Nadur, Gozo

🕒 22 - 24 August

🕒 42, 43

☎ 21558080, 21825199

Gozo Music Festival

The most wanted festival is back for its 7th Edition. A night full of music from live rock to house, and the best selection from the past to the present. All 20 top local artists will be performing exclusively on the night. Also present Thomas Anders from Modern Talking & Band - Live in Concert; Junior Jack & Kid Crème.

✉ Gozitano Complex, Mgarr Road, Xewkija, Gozo (on the way to Victoria).

🕒 23 August

🕒 42, 43, 64

☎ 99110808, 99476157, 99441667

Agricultural Show

Annual Traditional Agricultural show.

✉ Villa Rundell, Victoria, Gozo

🕒 14 - 15 August

🕒 All Buses

☎ 21556125

Ghajnsielem Day

An evening of dance, music and song.

✉ Main Square, Ghajnsielem, Gozo

🕒 21 August

🕒 42, 43

☎ 21561515

Ggantija Alive

A spectacle of dance, lights and song. An event not to be missed

✉ Xaghra, Gozo

🕒 15 August

🕒 64, 65

☎ 21563737

Gharb Day

An evening of dance and music celebrating Gharb Day.

✉ Main Square, Gharb, Gozo

🕒 29 August

🕒 2, 91

☎ 21560556

Performances

Laurentius

Oratorio for Soloists, Chorus & Orchestra to mark the 1750th Anniversary of the Martrydom of Saint Laurence. Composed by Mro. John Galea, lyrics by Bishop Nikol Cauchi.

☒ St. Lawrence Church, San Lawrenz, Gozo

🕒 1 August

🎫 2, 91

☒ St. Laurence Collegiate Parish, Vittoriosa, Malta

🕒 3 August

🎫 6

☎ 21556073

Rhythmic Earth

A spectacular concert in two parts, on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of the establishment of Olivia Dow School of Russian Ballet in Malta. Unique spectacular showcase of Maltese talent at its best.

☒ Sir Temi Zammit Theatre, University of Malta, Tal-Qroqq

🕒 3 August. 7.30pm.

🎫 42, 58, 69

☎ 21583368, 99474127

Musical Concert

By the Leone Band of Victoria.

☒ Savina Square, Victoria, Gozo

🕒 7 August

🎫 All Buses

☎ 79551871

Mamma Mia

A musical organised and cast by Santa Lucia residents.

☒ Garden of Serenity, Sta Lucia

🕒 8, 10 August

🎫 15

The Knock Out Festival

August Exclusive Artist Management and Night Promo have teamed up to bring a twelve hour dance music festival. Maxi Jazz and Sister Bliss (FAITHLESS) shall be headlining the festival with a DJ Set performance, while Cassandra Fox and her band with special guest Dave Randall (Faithless Guitarist) shall be doing a live performance on the night. The festival boast an international line up of 17 musicians and vocalists.

☒ Malta Fairs & Conventions Centre, Ta' Qali

🕒 9 August.

🎫 65, 86

☎ 99267301

Sean Paul in Concert

Easy Life Promotions is once again organizing a fantastic live concert by the King of RnB Sean Paul. With thousands of fans awaiting to see him perform live. At the moment Sean Paul is on his world tour. He will be accompanied by his DJ ,band and female dancers. The stage for this event is going to be made with catwalks into the crowd so that everyone will be watching closely the artist's performance. Free transport will be organized for Gozitans wanting to come for the event from Cirkewwa and back. Tickets from: Maltaticket.com, Vodafone, Exotique outlets, Agenda Bookshops, Bookends, Newskiosk

☒ Malta Fairs 7 Conventions Centre, Ta' Qali

🕒 14 August. 8.30pm.

🎫 65, 86

☎ 21410371/2

The 60's Special Festival

The second in the series of concerts part of the Summer Bash 2008. This free exclusive concert will feature Iconic acts from the 60's including, The searchers, Swinging Blue Jeans, Dave Berry, Brian Poole (of the tremeloes) and the Pacemakers. Supporting acts include Freddie Portelli, and Sweedish act 'The Rock Orchestra'.

☒ Il-Fossos, Floriana

🕒 16 August. 8pm.

🎫 All Buses



Saxophone Hues

Saxophone Hues is the summer concert for The Friday Evening Concert Series. Featuring saxophonist Joseph Vella and accompanied on piano by Ramona Zammit Formosa.

☒ Sagrestia Vault, Valletta Waterfront.

🕒 29 August. 8.30pm.

🎫 All Buses

☎ 79680952.

Theatre



Yellow Orange

Yellow Orange is a tale about friendship in the most difficult of situations. The Yellows and the Oranges are separated by a wall since days immemorable. Then one of them makes a move, resulting in ripples that could finally lead to the removal of the wall. Targetting children between 7 and 12, Yellow Orange is a fantastic journey into trust and discovery, where the characters have to trust the good in each to overcome their own shortcomings and prejudices. Unifaun Theatre Productions join forces with Dreamworld to bring you this fantastic production.

☒ Sophie's Space, Sacred Heart Convent, Sliema

🕒 1 Aug. 9.15am, 10.30am.

🎫 60, 63

☎ 79056558

La Mandragola

This adaptation of the play La Mandragola by Niccolò Machiavelli, brings together, using intrigue and comedy, the main themes of the play by the well-known 16th century playwright. The aim is to follow the

Italian tradition of taking an erudite text and presenting it to a general audience in a fresh and amusing way using masks and the physicality of the actors. Presented in collaboration with the Italian Cultural Institute.

☒ Old University Courtyard, Valletta

🕒 13, 14 August. 8.30pm.

Tickets €8.

🎫 All Buses

☎ 21221462

Sports

National Aquathlon Championship

Run: 2.7km. Swim: 750m. Run: 2.7km. Registration: 7.15am.

☒ St Thomas Bay, Marsascala

🕒 3 August. 8am.

🎫 19, 20

Horse Races

Traditional horse races.

☒ Republic Street Victoria, Gozo

🕒 15 August

🎫 All Buses

☎ 79551871

B'Kara St Joseph Triathlon

Swim: 750m. Bike: 20km. Run: 5km. Registration: 6.15am.

☒ Salina Bay (in front of Coastline Hotel) Salina

🕒 31 August. 7am.

🎫 68, 70



National Powerboat Race

The 2008 Championship consists of 6 races stretching from March to September. The races will all be held in the St. Paul's Bay area between 10am and 4pm. There is a 2 or 3 day time window in which the race may be held, this is so that, weather permitting, we would be able to choose the most suitable day in that particular weekend to hold the races. Always call beforehand to confirm exact date of race.

☒ St Paul's Bay

🕒 23rd - 24th August

🎫 43, 44, 45, 48

☎ 99496979

Feasts

St. Dominic

Band marches every evening at 8.30pm and on Saturday at 8.30am. Fireworks display on Saturday at 11pm. Procession on Sunday at 7.15pm.

- ✉ Merchants Street, Valletta
- 🕒 1 - 3 August
- 🚍 All Buses

Our Lady of Lourdes

Band marches every evening at 9pm. Musical programme on Saturday in church square at 9pm followed by fireworks display at 11pm. Procession on Sunday at 7pm.

- ✉ Pjazza Lourdes, San Gwann
- 🕒 1 - 3 August
- 🚍 41, 42, 65

St. Joseph

Band march on Friday at 9.30pm followed by fireworks display at midnight. Musical programme on Saturday at 6.30pm, in parish square followed by band march at 9.30pm and fireworks display at midnight. Procession on Sunday at 7.30pm and musical programme at 8pm.

- ✉ Pjazza San Guzepp, Qala, Gozo
- 🕒 1 - 3 August
- 🚍 42, 43

St. Peter in Chains

Band march on Saturday at 9.15pm followed by fireworks display at 11.30pm. Procession on Sunday at 7.15pm.

- ✉ Msirah il-Knisja, B'Buga
- 🕒 2 - 3 August
- 🚍 11, 12, 13

Trans. of Our Lord

Band marches every evening at 8.30pm. Fireworks display on Saturday 4th at 11.30pm. Procession on Sunday at 7pm.

- ✉ Transfiguration Ave. Lija
- 🕒 2 - 6 August
- 🚍 55, 56, 58

St. Laurence

Procession at 7.15pm.

- ✉ Triq San Lawrenz, Vittoriosa
- 🕒 10 August
- 🚍 6

St. Gaetan

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Mass on Sunday at 9am. Procession on Sunday at 7pm.

- ✉ Triq il-Kbira San Guzepp, Hamrun
- 🕒 4 - 10 August
- 🚍 71, 75, 80, 81, 88

St. Lawrence

Band marches every evening at 9.30pm. Fireworks display on Saturday at midnight. Procession on Sunday at 8pm.

- ✉ Triq San Lawrenz, San Lawrenz, Gozo
- 🕒 8 - 10 August
- 🚍 2, 91

The Assm. of Our Lady

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Thursday at 11.30pm. Procession on Friday at 7pm.

- ✉ Triq Rokku Buhagiar, Qrendi
- 🕒 9 - 15 August
- 🚍 35, 38

The Assm. of Our Lady

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on

Wednesday and Thursday at midnight. Procession on Friday at 7pm.

- ✉ Pjazza Rotunda, Mosta
- 🕒 11 - 15 August
- 🚍 43, 44, 45, 47, 49, 50



The Assm. of Our Lady

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Thursday at 11.30pm. Procession on Friday at 7.15pm.

- ✉ Triq Sta. Maria, Ghaxaq
- 🕒 11 - 15 August
- 🚍 8

The Assm. of Our Lady

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Thursday at midnight. Procession on Friday at 7.30pm.

- ✉ Pjazza tal-Gudja, Gudja
- 🕒 11 - 15 August
- 🚍 8

The Assm. of Our Lady

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Thursday at 10.30pm. Procession on Friday at 7.15pm.

- ✉ Pjazza tal-Knisja, Mqabba
- 🕒 11 - 15 August
- 🚍 35, 38

The Assm. of Our Lady

Band marches every evening at 8.30pm. Fireworks display on Thursday at midnight. Procession on Friday at 7pm.

✉ Cathedral, Square, Victoria, Gozo

🕒 13 - 15 August

🚍 All Buses

The Assm. of Our Lady

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Thursday at 11pm. Procession on Friday at 7.15pm.

✉ Main Street, Attard

🕒 13 - 15 August

🚍 40, 80, 81, 84

The Assm. of our Lady

Band marches every evening at 8.15pm. Fireworks display on Saturday at 11.30pm. Procession on Sunday at 7.15pm.

✉ Mgarr Square, Mgarr

🕒 15 - 17 August

🚍 47, 52

The Assm. of Our Lady

Band march on Saturday at 8pm followed by fireworks display at 11pm. Procession on Sunday at 7.30pm.

✉ Triq il-Parrocca, Dingli

🕒 16 - 17 August

🚍 81

Our Lady Star of the Sea

Band marches every evening at 7.45pm. Fireworks display on Saturday at 10.30pm. Procession on Sunday at 7.30pm.

✉ High Street, Sliema

🕒 18 - 24 August

🚍 61, 62, 63, 64

The Assm. of Our Lady

Band marches every evening. Fireworks display on Saturday

at midnight. procession on Sunday at 7.15pm.

✉ Zebbug, Gozo

🕒 22 - 24 August

🚍 90, 91

Our Lady of Lourdes

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Saturday at 11.30pm. Procession on Sunday at 7.30pm.

✉ Brittainia Street, Paola

🕒 22 - 24 August

🚍 1, 2, 3, 4, 6

St. Bartholomew

✉ Gharghur

🕒 24 August

🚍 55

St Pius X

Mass at 6.30pm followed by a musical programme in the parish square at 7.30pm.

✉ Triq Ines Soler, St. Lucia

🕒 24 August

🚍 15, 115

St. Helen

Procession on Sunday at 8am.

✉ Sanctuary Str, Birkirkara

🕒 24 August

🚍 42, 43, 44

St. Paul

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Saturday at 11pm. Procession on Sunday at 7pm.

✉ Triq St. Maria, Safi

🕒 25 - 31 August

🚍 34

St. Julian

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Saturday at 10.30pm. Procession on Sunday at 7pm.

✉ Lapsi Street, St. Julian's

🕒 27 - 31 August

🚍 64, 65, 58, 70

Maria Regina

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Saturday at 11pm. Procession on Sunday at 7pm.

✉ Triq Nerik Sacco, Marsa

🕒 27 - 31 August

🚍 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 18, 19, 27

**St. Dominic**

Band marches every evening at 8pm. Fireworks display on Saturday at 11pm. Procession on Sunday at 7.15pm.

✉ Triq il-Mina Kbira, Vittoriosa

🕒 28 - 31 August

🚍 6

St. Joseph

Agricultural Exhibition and Fair on Saturday at 7.30pm followed by fireworks display at 10pm. Band march on Sunday at 5pm followed by procession at 8pm.

✉ Dun Manwel Grima Street, Manikata

🕒 30 - 31 August

🚍 47

Our Lady of Loreto

✉ Ghajnsielem, Gozo

🕒 31 August

🚍 42, 43

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Gardens

Upper and Lower Barrakka Gardens

Two gardens, facing the Grand Harbour in Valletta, both offering a panoramic view. The Upper Barrakka Gardens offer the best view since they're more centered and at a much higher level. It was the gift of an eighteenth-century knight. The Anglican Garrison Church partly intrudes upon it. The garden is built on top of a demi-bastion. The Lower Barrakka Gardens are part of St Christopher's Bastion and have a view of the harbour. At their center is a small Greek-style folly built in memory of Governor Sir Alexander Ball, who led the siege against the French in 1800 and subsequently became Britain's first civil commissioner of Malta. The French during the 1798-1800 siege cultivated these gardens.

Argotti Botanical Gardens

In 1805 the British governor appointed a Carmelite friar; Malta's first professor of natural history. He assembled the

plants in Floriana's Mall and 50 years later they were moved to the site of the present Argotti Gardens, then the preserve of a deceased knight.

Buskett Gardens

No more than 2kms from Dingli Cliffs, sitting under the watchful eye of Cardinal Grand Master de Verdalle's summer retreat, are Buskett Gardens. Panoplies of foliage spread their shade over the valley floor; providing a welcome respite against the heat of summer. There are orange and cypress trees, irregular cacti, leguminous carobs, aromatic firs and the Judas tree, which foretells Easter with its pink blossom (this is said to be the tree from which Judas hung himself).

Hastings Gardens

From the National Museum of Fine Arts, it is well worth taking a stroll through the nearby Hastings Gardens, named after a former Governor General, the Marquess of Hastings (1824-26).



Palazzo Parisio Gardens

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🚌 54, 55, 56, 65

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Paceville

St Julian's and Paceville are Malta's main nightlife areas. Paceville lies on the hill between Spinola Bay and St George's Bay. It is the scene of Malta's year-round nightlife and offers leisure, entertainment and dining to suit all tastes. There is plenty to choose from: Paceville has the latest in club DJ music, as well as piano bars, an elegant casino and superb restaurants. The casino

is in Villa Dragonara, once the private home of a 19th century Maltese aristocrat.

St. Julian's

St Julian's is now an extension of Sliema although it started life as a small fishing port based on Spinola and Balluta Bays. Like Sliema, it is now a major residential and tourist centre, and home to some of Malta's newest hotels. St Julian's merges with Paceville, Malta's main nightlife centre where there are clubs, casinos and numerous restaurants, cafes and bars. Picturesque Spinola Bay is still used by fishermen whose traditional boats are housed just below the restaurants. The bay is particularly attractive at night and as a venue for open-air dining.

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