

## EC Escapes

EXPERIENCES, LANGUAGE & CULTURE





# Are you a mature explorer, a culture enthusiast or a lifelong learner?

EC Escapes is your ideal destination if you're eager to learn English in an exciting, enriching environment.

EC Escapes offers a unique English learning experience, designed especially for mature individuals looking to connect with the world through experiences, language and culture. Our programme is a perfect blend of English classes and the opportunity to experience the local culture, traditions, and history.

#### Malta

Malta is a rich tapestry of history, culture, and breathtaking landscapes, an ideal travel destination for mature learners seeking a culturally enriching holiday. The Mediterranean gem offers an unparalleled blend of ancient architecture, vibrant traditions, and serene natural beauty. From UNESCO Heritage historical sites to its warm, welcoming people, Malta's unique charm and fascinating past make it the perfect backdrop for a fulfilling and educational travel experience all while enjoying the leisurely pace and sophisticated ambiance that mature travelers appreciate.

#### Course overview



#### Improve your English

Our English course is expertly crafted to help you speak confidently in everyday situations while travelling. Our dedicated and highly trained teachers create a comfortable and engaging learning environment. We understand that your primary goal is to communicate effectively, and we're here to support you every step of the way.

#### **Social Activities**

At EC Escapes, we believe that learning English should be as enjoyable as it is educational. That's why we offer an exciting mix of indoor and outdoor activities to ensure you have an unforgettable experience.

#### Concierge service

We understand that every traveller is unique and that's why we provide you with a dedicated concierge at each school. They are available to ensure your journey with us is smooth, memorable and tailored to your specific needs. The EC Escapes dedicated concierge can book experiences and tickets for events outside of the programme and in line with your interests and are on hand during lesson time and excursions to guide you and answer any questions you may have.

#### Course Package

20 General English lessons

4 Weekly Activities (2-week bookings get 1 extra full day activity)

Concierge Service

Transport to and from activities

**Course Materials** 

#### Programme Dates 2025: 28th April - 20th June 29th September - 7th November

#### Included in every package

Guided tours

Leisurely walks

Visits to landmarks

Social and dining

Culinary adventures

activities

### Sample Timetable EC Escapes Malta 2025

WEEK 1												
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday					
Morning		General English		General English								
Afternoon		Valletta Tour & Grand Master's Palace		Maltese Wine Tasting			Gozo Tour (lunch included)					
	General English		General English		General English		includedy					
Evening	Welcome Dinner		Mosta Dome & Maltese Snacks									

WEEK 2											
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday				
Morning		General English		General English							
Afternoon		Three Cities & Inquisitor's Palace		Mdina Tour & Cake with a view							
	General English		General English		General English						
Evening			The Farsons Brewery Experience & The Cisk Tap		Farewell Dinner						

#### \*The above is subject to change at the discretion of EC Malta

Recommended programme duration is 2 weeks; thereafter, the schedule repeats

Weekend activity only available for every 2 week bookings

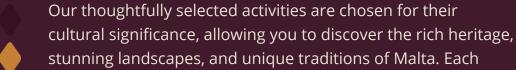
Lesson times will be as follows:

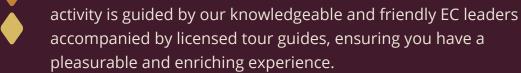
Morning Class: 9:00 - 12:15

Afternoon Class: 14:45 - 18:00

The above timetable serves as an indication for the Cultural Activity start times. Please refer to the following Activity descriptions for more accurate timings.

### EC Escapes Malta





### Cultural Activities

Welcome Dinner

Three Cities & Inquisitor's Palace

Maltese Wine Tasting

Mdina Tour & Cake with a View

Mosta Dome & Maltese Snacks

Gozo Tour with Lunch

The Farsons Brewery Experience & The Cisk Tap

Valletta & Grand Master's Palace

Farewell Dinner



#### Welcome Dinner



**Duration:** 

approx. 4 hours

**Meeting Point:** 

**EC Malta School** 

Meeting Time:

8:00 PM

Kick off your EC Escapes adventure with a warm and welcoming evening designed to help you settle in and make new friends. EC's activity leader will be on hand to facilitate introductions and provide an overview of the exciting experiences awaiting you. Enjoy a selection of delicious Maltese food and drinks, and start building connections with fellow travellers. This event is all about relaxing, socialising, and getting comfortable in your new surroundings. Private return transport by coach from and to school ensures a hassle-free experience.

In a snapshot:

Warm welcome with Maltese food and drinks

Meet and connect with fellow travelers

Overview of upcoming experiences by EC's activity leader

Private return transport by coach

### Three Cities & Inquisitor's Palace

**Duration:** 

approx. 4 hours

Meeting Point:

**EC Malta School** 

Meeting Time:

1:00 PM

Step back in time with a guided tour through the historic Three Cities of Vittoriosa, Senglea, and Cospicua. Led by EC's licensed tour guide, you'll explore the rich maritime heritage and stunning architecture of these ancient towns, including a visit to the impressive Inquisitor's Palace. Did you know that the Inquisitor's Palace is one of the few surviving palaces of its kind in Europe and was originally built in the 1530s? Wander through charming streets, learn about Malta's storied past, and take in panoramic views of the Grand Harbour. This immersive experience offers a unique glimpse into Malta's fascinating history. Private return transport by coach from and to school ensures comfort and convenience.

In a snapshot:

Guided tour of Vittoriosa, Senglea, and Cospicua

Visit the historic Inquisitor's Palace

Panoramic views of the Grand Harbour

Private return transport by coach



### Maltese Wine Tasting



Duration:

approx. 4 hours

Meeting Point:

**EC Malta School** 

Meeting Time:

1:00 PM

Visit to a renowned Maltese winery, where you'll have the opportunity to explore the lush vineyards and state-of-the-art production facilities that contribute to the creation of some of Malta's finest wines. As you tour the winery, you'll gain insight into the winemaking process, from the careful cultivation of grapes to the bottling process. The experience is includes a guided tasting session, where you'll sample a variety of Maltese wines, each paired thoughtfully with local delicacies. This tasting allows you to fully appreciate the rich flavours, and unique characteristics that make Maltese wines, offering a deeper understanding of the island's wine culture. Private return transport by coach from and to school ensures a relaxing and enjoyable experience.

In a snapshot:

Wine tasting session at a charming vineyard

Tour of local facilities

Learn about Maltese grapes and wine

# Mdina Tour & Cake with a View

Duration:

approx. 4 hours

Meeting Point:

**EC Malta School** 

Meeting Time:

1:00 PM

Stroll through the silent city of Mdina, renowned for its medieval charm and fascinating history. This guided tour reveals the city's rich past as you walk through its narrow, winding streets and admire its stunning architecture. Mdina, once the island's capital, is known as the "Silent City" due to its peaceful and timeless atmosphere. The tour concludes with a delightful treat – enjoy a piece of cake while taking in panoramic views. The day will also include a stop at a local tea garden in Mdina for tea and cakes. Private return transport by coach from and to school ensures a smooth and enjoyable experience.

In a snapshot:

Guided tour through the medieval city of Mdina
Insight into Mdina's rich history and architecture
Scenic views from the city's bastions
Enjoy a delicious cake at a tea garden in Mdina



### Mosta Dome & Maltese Snacks

**Duration:** 

approx. 4 hours

Meeting Point:

**EC Malta School** 

Meeting Time:

1:00 PM

Join EC's activity leader for an intriguing visit to the Mosta Dome, one of the largest unsupported domes in the world, and delve into the history of the World War II shelter located nearby. The Mosta Dome, also known as the Rotunda of Mosta, is renowned for its impressive architecture and miraculous survival during a wartime bombing raid. This tour offers a fascinating glimpse into Malta's resilience and architectural ingenuity. Following the exploration, indulge in an introduction to traditional Maltese snacks, providing a taste of the local culinary delights. Private return transport by coach from and to school ensures a comfortable and enjoyable experience.





#### Gozo Tour with Lunch



Duration: approx. 8 hours

Meeting Point: **EC Malta School** 

Meeting Time: 9:00 AM

Discover the scenic beauty and unique charm of Gozo, Malta's serene sister island, on a guided visit that immerses you in its rich history and breathtaking landscapes. The tour takes you to some of the island's most iconic attractions, including the majestic Citadel in Victoria, the picturesque bay of Xlendi, and the vibrant coastal town of Marsalforn. Along the way, you'll have the opportunity to experience the tranquil countryside and stunning coastal views that make Gozo so special. Midway through your exploration, enjoy a leisurely lunch at a local restaurant, where you can savour authentic Mediterranean cuisine while soaking in the peaceful atmosphere of this idyllic island.

In a snapshot:

Explore Gozo's rich history and stunning landscapes
Visit the Citadel, Xlendi Bay, and Marsalforn
Enjoy tranquil countryside and coastal views
Savour Mediterranean cuisine at a local restaurant

# The Farsons Brewery Experience & The Cisk Tap



Duration:

approx. 3-4 hours

Meeting Point:

**EC Malta School** 

Meeting Time:

6:00 PM

Experience a guided tour of the historic Farsons
Brewery, the birthplace of Malta's iconic Cisk beer.
Delve into the brewing process and uncover the rich history behind one of Malta's oldest breweries.
After the tour, indulge in a tasting session at The Cisk Tap, where you can sample a variety of local beers, including the renowned Cisk. The tour offers a relaxed atmosphere, providing fascinating insights into Malta's vibrant brewing culture.

In a snapshot:

Visit Malta's oldest Brewery, Farsons

Learn about the brewery's history with a guided tour

Visit the rooftop bar, Cisk Tap and enjoy the city views

Sample from Malta's local beers, including the iconic Cisk

# Valletta Tour & Grand Master's Palace



Duration:

approx. 4 hours

Meeting Point:

**EC Malta School** 

Meeting Time:

1:00 PM

Join a licensed tour guide for an enriching exploration of Malta's capital city, Valletta, including a visit to the magnificent Grand Master's Palace. Valletta, a UNESCO World Heritage site, is steeped in history and brimming with stunning architecture. The tour will take you through the city's vibrant streets and past notable landmarks, culminating in a visit to Grand Master's Palace. This architectural masterpiece has just undergone a major revamp and is renowned for having hosted many European political events. It also showcases an impressive display of armoury. Experience the grandeur and historical significance of this iconic site. Private transport from and to school ensures a comfortable and enjoyable experience.

In a snapshot:

Explore Valletta, a UNESCO World Heritage site

Visit the newly revamped Grand Master's Palace

Discover the city's stunning architecture and landmarks

Enjoy a tour through the city with a licensed tour guide

### Farewell Dinner

Conclude your EC Escapes journey with a memorable farewell dinner, where you can celebrate the experiences and friendships formed during your stay. EC's activity leader will join you for an evening of delicious food and drinks, providing a perfect opportunity to reflect on your adventures and share your favorite moments. This event is designed to be a joyous and heartfelt conclusion to your time in Malta, leaving you with lasting memories and a sense of accomplishment. Private return transport by coach from and to school ensures a seamless and enjoyable evening.

#### In a snapshot:

Memorable farewell dinner with Maltese cuisine
Reflect on experiences and share favorite moments
Joined by EC's activity leader
Private return transport by coach

Duration: approx. 3 - 4 hours

Meeting Point: **EC Malta School** 

Meeting Time: 8:00 PM





