

**VALLETTA - Malta's two capitals: Mdina & Valetta** *(ending at the airport)*

Duration: 04:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 62 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 30 participants

*The tour ends at the Malta International and it is suitable for guests whose flight departure is after 15:30.*

Take the scenic route to Malta's old capital, Mdina – one of the world's finest examples of a living medieval city. Stroll through the city's streets and listen to your guide's presentation of the city and its history. Enjoy the sweeping views from the bastions, over the valley and the surrounding areas.

After the walking tour there will be free time to see the Cathedral, do some souvenir shopping, or just relax at one of the pavement cafés and watch the world go by.

Next the coach will take you to the present-day capital, Valletta. Here you will visit St John's Cathedral (\* see notes), one of the finest examples of high Baroque architecture in Europe, richly decorated with ornate altar pieces, elaborate inlaid marble tombstones, and artistic masterpieces. You will view the Grand Master's Palace (from the outside); originally the seat of the Grand Master of the Knights Hospitaliers of St John, it is now housing the Parliament and President's Office.

Your last stop will be at the Barracca Gardens located on the highest point of the 16th century bastion walls, built by the Knights of St John to protect the city. From this vantage point you can enjoy splendid views of the Three Cities and Fort Ricasoli. Board the coach for the final transfer to Malta airport (arrival at approx. 13:00).

Please note: This tour involves extensive walking (approx. 2 km) over cobblestone and uneven (but relatively flat) surfaces.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat and water.

A proper attire is required when visiting religious sites.

\*: St John's Cathedral is closed on Saturday afternoon, Sundays and Public holidays. In case it is closed, there will be just an external visit.

**Star Clippers offers also the following transfer services (optional, upon reservation):****✓ Shared transfer to Malta International airport (MLA).**

Guests who have purchased a shared transfer cannot choose their pickup time. There will be one fixed departure from the port at about 09:00am, the arrival at the airport will be around 09:30am.

This transfer is suitable for guests whose flight leaves after 11:30am.

**✓ Private transfers to the airport / to hotels.**

Latest pick-up time from the pier will be at 10:00am.

Private transfers are operated by Sedan Cars (1-2 passengers) or Minivans (3-4 passengers).

***This tour is not available for Star Clipper call on 05-May-2024.***

**Debarb tours ending at the airport and transfers can be pre-booked prior your cruise.**

**For information and reservations, please contact our reservation department or your travel agent.**

