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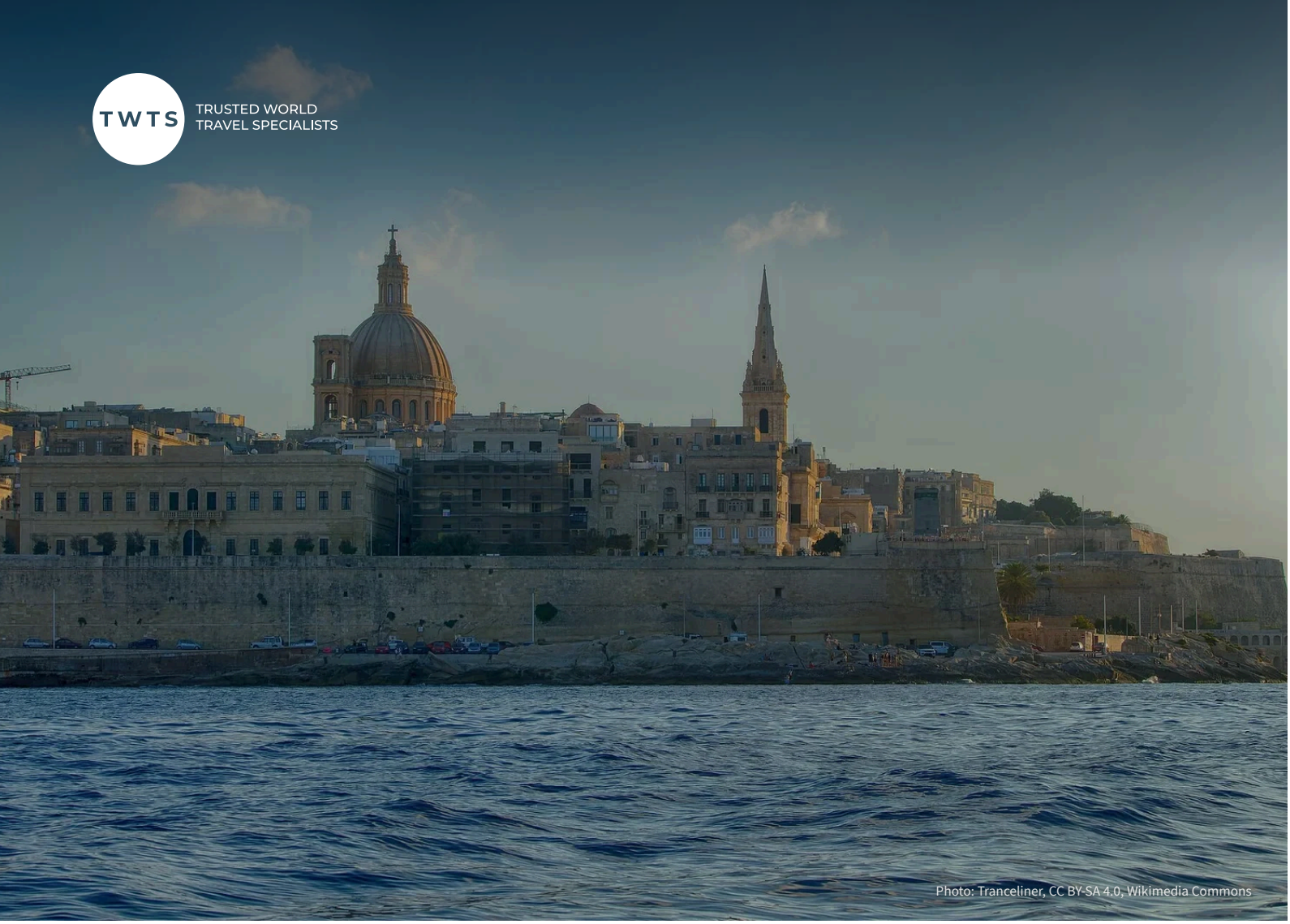


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Sicily and Malta

Sicily via Palermo, Syracuse, Etna and Taormina, followed by Malta

TAILOR-MADE JOURNEYS

LENGTH	CITIES	WHEN	PER PERSON
11 days, 10 nights	14 cities	41 departures from Mar 22, 2027 to Mar 20, 2028	R$ 20,144 For the Mar 22, 2027 departure

Departures from March 2027 to March 2028

About the trip

11 days across Sicily and Malta: 8 on a circuit through Palermo, Agrigento, Syracuse, Etna and Taormina, and 3 in Malta, with regular excursions to Valletta, Mdina and the Three Cities. The flight from Catania to Malta is included.

What you will experience

- Monreale Cathedral and Cloister and the historic center of Palermo, with the Palatine Chapel and Santa Caterina
- Erice with an almond sweets tasting and the Trapani salt pans
- Valley of the Temples, in Agrigento, and the mosaics of the Villa Romana del Casale
- Noto and Syracuse, with a boat ride around Ortigia (weather permitting)
- Mount Etna to the Sapienza Refuge, with lunch at a farmhouse and an Etna wine tasting
- Malta in three days: Valletta with St. John's Co-Cathedral, Mdina and a boat ride around the Three Cities

Day by day

1

DAY 1

PALERMO

Arrival in Palermo. Group transfer to the hotel. Meeting with the participants. Overnight stay.

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DAY 2

PALERMO / MONREALE / PALERMO

Breakfast. In the morning, departure for Monreale and visit to the Benedictine Cloister and the Cathedral. According to the story, the Norman king William II dreamed he found a treasure hidden by his father and, from it, had one of the most beautiful cathedrals in Europe built. Then return to Palermo for a short panoramic visit by coach. Lunch. In the afternoon, walk through the historic center of the Sicilian capital. Today there will be a small surprise. We visit the main monuments, such as the Palatine Chapel, Palermo Cathedral, the famous Piazza Pretoria, a huge fountain carved entirely in white Carrara marble, with mythological allegories, and the Quattro Canti or Piazza Vigliena, named after the viceroy under whose term the four Baroque palaces at the crossing of Via Vittorio Emanuele and Via Maqueda were completed. We pass in front of the Norman church of La Martorana, also called Santa Maria dell'Ammiraglio, built in 1143 by George of Antioch, admiral of Roger II, and enter the Church of Santa Caterina. Overnight stay.

3

DAY 3

PALERMO / ERICE / TRAPANI SALT PANS / AGRIGENTO

Breakfast. Departure for Erice, a medieval village 750 meters above sea level. It gathers many Sicilian traits, such as Norman urban planning, the Arab layout of houses around a courtyard and a wide variety of sweets. We stop to taste the famous almond sweets of Erice. We continue to the western part of Sicily for the panoramic visit of Trapani and its salt pans. We visit the sea salt production area, surrounded by the windmills used to make the famous Trapani salt. Lunch on the way. Continuation to Agrigento, where ten Doric temples built in the valley can still be admired today. Dinner and overnight stay.

4

DAY 4

AGRIGENTO / PIAZZA ARMERINA / RAGUSA

Breakfast. Departure to visit the Valley of the Temples. Continuation to Piazza Armerina. Lunch on the way. Visit to the Villa Romana del Casale, a luxurious residence in the heart of Sicily and an important example of the Roman era, where you can admire beautiful mosaics showing the uses and customs of the time. Continuation to Ragusa. Panoramic visit of Ragusa Ibla, the historic center of the city. Dinner and overnight stay.

5

DAY 5

RAGUSA / NOTO / SYRACUSE / CATANIA

Breakfast. Departure for Noto, capital of the Sicilian Baroque, where you see the Cathedral fully renovated after several years of restoration and walk through streets full of architectural treasures. Continuation to Syracuse, the largest city of Antiquity, founded in 734-733 BC and called Syraka. Before lunch, there will be a unique experience. If conditions allow, a mini boat cruise to see the beauties of Syracuse's old town. Lunch in a local restaurant. In the afternoon, visit to Ortigia, the historic center of Syracuse, which stretches along the sea. The islet of Ortigia is linked to the mainland by a bridge and shows visitors the remains of its glorious past: the Temple of Minerva, turned into a Christian cathedral, and the legendary Fountain of Arethusa. Continuation to Catania. Overnight stay.

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DAY 6

CATANIA / ETNA / TAORMINA / CATANIA

Breakfast. If weather conditions allow, departure for Mount Etna, the highest volcano in Europe and still active (3,345 meters). The coach goes as far as the Sapienza Refuge, at 1,800 meters of altitude. Visit to the extinct craters, called "Crateri Silvestri". The variety of flora is splendid, as are the lunar landscapes along the way. For centuries, the volcano has created a place where nature, culture and history came together and formed a landscape unique in the world. Lunch in a farmhouse at the foot of Etna, where, besides a typical and genuine meal, there will be a tasting of the estate's own Etna wine. Continuation to Taormina, on top of the picturesque rock of Monte Tauro (204 m above sea level). Free time to explore the romantic lanes of the town or visit the famous Greek Theater, with a magnificent view of Etna and the Ionian Sea. Return to Catania. Panoramic walking visit. Overnight stay.

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DAY 7

CATANIA / MALTA (FLIGHT)

Breakfast. Free day until the indicated time for the transfer to Catania airport. Economy-class flight. Arrival at Luqa airport in Malta and transfer to the hotel. Overnight stay.

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DAY 8

MALTA: VALLETTA AND MALTA EXPERIENCE

Breakfast. Excursion on a regular tour of Valletta, on foot through the busy streets of the city, to discover the charm and beauty of this fortified city built by the Knights of St. John in 1566. The Order ruled the islands for 268 years and left a unique cultural legacy, of which Valletta is the main example. We first visit the Upper Barrakka Gardens, with a panorama of the Grand Harbor. We continue to St. John's Co-Cathedral and the Oratory, which holds the paintings of Caravaggio, the Flemish tapestries and the church museum. Walking down Republic Street, we pass in front of the Grand Masters' Palace and St. George's Square, recently restored, before ending with the audiovisual show Malta Experience, which tells part of Malta's history over the centuries. Return to the hotel. Free afternoon. Overnight stay.

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DAY 9

MALTA: MDINA

Breakfast. Excursion on a regular tour of Mdina. We head to the center of Malta, dominated by the medieval fortress of Mdina, the island's former capital. Its narrow medieval streets lead to the imposing bastions, which have magnificent views of the island. Walking through the streets, we see different architectural styles in the buildings, such as Sicilian-Norman and Baroque, all of great importance. Time stands still in the "Silent City", which serves as a set for film producers. Leaving Mdina through the Greeks Gate, we stop to visit the Christian catacombs in Rabat, before continuing to the Dingli cliffs. We visit the San Anton Gardens, near the Presidential Palace, which we see from outside. There will be a chance to visit the Ta Qali crafts center and, to finish, the church of Mosta, with one of the largest domes in Europe. Return to the hotel. Overnight stay.

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DAY 10

MALTA: THE THREE CITIES

Breakfast. Excursion on a regular tour of the Three Cities. We see the area of the Grand Harbor opposite Valletta, called the Three Cities: Vittoriosa, Cospicua and Senglea. This is where the Knights of St. John settled in 1530. Passing through Cospicua, we reach Vittoriosa to walk narrow streets, in the shade of historic buildings, among them the first inns of the different languages into which the Order was divided. From the Vittoriosa marina, we take a dgħajsa, a typical Maltese boat, for a mini cruise through the colorful inlets of the Grand Harbor. From the Senglea Gardens, at the tip of the peninsula, there is a 360-degree view of the Grand Harbor, with the impressive Fort Sant'Angelo, from where Grand Master La Vallette led the defense of the islands during the Great Siege of 1565. Return to the hotel. Free afternoon. Overnight stay.

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DAY 11

MALTA

Breakfast. Transfer to Luqa airport in Malta. End of services.

Prices

Trip price by period

PERIOD	PER PERSON
from Mar 22 to Nov 1, 2027, 33 departures	R$ 20,144 US$ 3,420

Trip price by period

PERIOD	PER PERSON
from Nov 15, 2027 to Mar 20, 2028, 8 departures	R$ 19,378 US$ 3,290

per person, sharing a double room

Fees, supplements and optional extras follow the tables below.

Single room by period

PERIOD	PER PERSON
from Mar 22 to Nov 1, 2027, 33 departures	R$ 5,625 US$ 955
from Nov 15, 2027 to Mar 20, 2028, 8 departures	R$ 5,566 US$ 945

Payment options

Paid in full by Pix or bank transfer: R$ 19,137 (5% off the trip price)

Down payment of 30% R$ 6,043

9 interest-free installments of R$ 1,567

Based on the price of the Mar 22, 2027 departure.

Prices in reais at today's exchange rate, travel exchange rate based on the Travelex average for October 2026 (Central Bank of Brazil), over the PTAX selling rate of 11/27/2026.

You pay TWTS in Brazilian reais, by Pix, bank transfer or credit card. The price in foreign currency is the market reference, converted at the exchange rate on the day you pay.

- For organizational reasons, the itinerary may be modified or reversed without prior notice. In any case, all visits and excursions mentioned in the itinerary are guaranteed. Dinners and lunches during the circuit may be at the hotel or at a local restaurant. This circuit includes the issue of an air ticket. If the circuit is confirmed and the booking is later changed or cancelled, the value of the air ticket will still be charged. Municipal taxes = CITY TAX, paid at the destination. The maximum waiting time at the airport for arrival transfers is 60 minutes from the scheduled landing time of the flight. Ragusa: on some departures, the booked hotel may be in Catania instead of Ragusa. On some departures, the booked hotel may be in the Syracuse area instead of Ragusa. Catania: on some departures, the booked hotel may be in the Taormina area instead of Catania. The hotel in Catania may be an upper 3-star, located in the heart of the city.

The program includes

- ✓ Group arrival transfer from airport/station/port to hotel in Palermo
- ✓ Group departure transfer from hotel to airport in Catania
- ✓ Private airport-hotel-airport transfer in Malta
- ✓ Accommodation and daily breakfast
- ✓ 5 lunches in restaurants or farmhouses, as per the program, and 2 dinners

Not included

- – International airfare
- – Travel insurance
- – Tips for guides and drivers
- – Meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary
- – Visas and entry fees
- – Personal expenses

- Drinks included with meals: ¼ liter of wine or a soft drink + ½ liter of mineral water per person per meal
- Tasting of Etna wine and local products
- Tasting of typical sweets in Erice
- Monument entrances: Palermo: Palatine Chapel / Palermo: Church of Santa Caterina / Monreale: Cloister / Agrigento: Valley of the Temples / Piazza Armerina: Villa Romana del Casale / Syracuse: Cathedral / Malta: Co-Cathedral / Malta: Malta Experience show (June 2025 prices; if entrance fees rise, the supplement price will be adjusted automatically)
- Mandatory headsets for the visit to the cathedrals of Palermo and Monreale (if the price rises, the corresponding supplement will apply)
- 1 wireless audio kit per person
- Regular boat ride (shared with other participants) around the islet of Ortigia (Syracuse)
- Regular boat ride in Malta's harbor
- Transport in a latest-generation deluxe coach. If the group has fewer than 7 participants, the trip may be run with a driver/guide
- Spanish-speaking tour leader from day 2 to day 6
- Panoramic visits (without a local guide) in Erice, Trapani and Catania
- Spanish-speaking local guide for the visits to Palermo, Monreale, Agrigento, Villa Romana del Casale, Ragusa and Syracuse
- Regular excursions with a multilingual local guide in Malta
- Economy-class flight (taxes and fuel included) from Catania Fontanarossa to Malta Luqa. Note: airline taxes and fuel surcharges must be checked at the time of booking and reconfirmed when the air tickets are finally issued, as they are subject to change without notice by the airline. ATTENTION: includes 1 checked suitcase (max. 23 kg) per person and one carry-on bag (max. 5 kg). Excess weight is at the clients' expense
- VAT

Planned hotels

CITY	HOTEL
Palermo	NH Palermo Foro Italico Umberto I, 22/B

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Palermo	Hotel Garibaldi Via Emerico Amari, 146,
Palermo	Hotel Cristal Palace Via Roma, 477/A
Palermo	Federico II Via Principe di Granatelli, 60
Agrigento	Hotel Grand Hotel Mose Viale Leonardo Sciascia, nº47A3
Agrigento	Della Valle Via Ugo la Malfa, 3
Agrigento	Hotel Dioscuri Bay Palace Lungomare Falcone Borsellino 1
Agrigento	Villa Romana Via Lungomare Nettuno, 1
Agrigento	Hotel Kore Viale Leonardo Sciascia, 210
Agrigento	Hotel Costazurra Via delle Viole, 2,
Ragusa	Hotel Mediterraneo Palace Via Roma
Ragusa	San Giorgio Palace Via Avvocato Giovanni Ottaviano
Ragusa	Hotel De Stefano Palace Via Cavalier Francesco Destefano, 15,
Ragusa	Hotel Poggio del Sole Resort Strada Provinciale, Km 5.7
Ragusa	Villa del Lauro Via Ecce Homo, 11,
Catania	Nettuno Viale Ruggero di Lauria, 121
Catania	Hotel Nh Catania Centro
Catania	Katane Via Camillo Finocchiaro Aprile, 110
Catania	Nh Catania Parco Degli Aragonesi Viale Presidente Kennedy
Catania	Romano House Hotel Via Giovanni di Prima, 20
Catania	Il Principe Hotel Via Alessi, 24

CITY	HOTEL
Catania	Villa del Bosco Hotel Via del Bosco, 62
Acireale	B&b Catnia
Mdina	Golden Tulip Triq Dragonara San?iljan, STJ 06
Mdina	Juliani 25 St George's Road, St Julians STJ 3208
Mdina	Hotel Preluna 124 Tower Road

Planned hotels or similar, in the same category.

Documents and notes

Travel documents required:

Italy: Brazilians do not need a visa for stays of up to 90 days in any 180-day period. Passport issued within the last 10 years and valid for at least 3 months after the departure date from the Schengen area. The European Union will start requiring ETIAS, a prior electronic travel authorization; confirm with your TWTS consultant whether it applies on your travel date.

Malta: Brazilians do not need a visa for stays of up to 90 days in any 180-day period. Passport issued within the last 10 years and valid for at least 3 months after the departure date from the Schengen area. The European Union will start requiring ETIAS, a prior electronic travel authorization; confirm with your TWTS consultant whether it applies on your travel date. **International Certificate of Vaccination against yellow fever required for travelers arriving from a country with a risk of transmission (Brazil has risk areas), from 9 months of age.**

Please confirm the visa and vaccination requirements with your TWTS consultant at the time of booking.

Passengers of other nationalities must check with the destination's consulate.

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