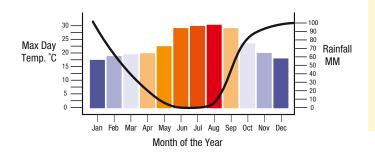




Malta's position in the centre of the Mediterranean Sea, 93 kms south of the Italian island of Sicily, makes it an ideal place for studying English all year round. Malta is an archipelago of islands, the main three being Malta, Gozo and Comino. Due to its strategic location Malta has been occupied by the Phoenicians, the Romans, the Arabs, the Knights of St. John, Napoleon and the British, all of whom have left their mark. Their influence has given Malta its rich and varied history. Malta became a British colony in 1814 and gained its independence in 1964. Mediterranean culture remains dominant but 150 years of British rule have had a lasting effect on the country and its language. English is an official language of Malta, people drive on the left and major daily newspapers are published in English. Malta's European connections became even stronger when the country became a member of the European Union in 2004.

With its passion for life Malta is a melting pot of history, traditions, energy and culture. The country is celebrated for its warm Mediterranean climate, crystal clear sea, beaches, splendid architecture, pretty villages, extensive countryside and friendly people. The Islands are alive with carnivals, mock battles, open air concerts, beach parties, theatre productions, colourful feasts, fun parks, water sports, amazing fireworks, nightclubs, extensive shopping, international restaurants, alfresco dining and hundreds of cafés.



### Major Events:

February	Carnival
March	Mediterranean Food Festival
Мау	Fireworks Festival
July	Jazz Festival
September	Malta International Airshow
October	The Malta Historic Cities Festival
November	International Choir Festival

### Don't Miss:

Beaches of Golden Bay and Ghajn Tuffieha Blue Grotto Boat Trip Ta' Qali Crafts Village St John's Co-Cathedral Malta Experience Show Island of Gozo Comino's Blue Lagoon World Heritage site of Valletta World Heritage site of the Hagar Qim & Mnajdra Temples World Heritage site of Mdina



I chose EC because two of my friends came here last year. It's true; the people and nightlife are great. The teachers make you feel at home and the school is close to everything. I recommend Native and Fuego for a great night out and St Paul's Catacombs is a must see. Harpa Fridriksdottir, Iceland

## EC MALTA

Our Centre is located in St. Julians, a charming tourist resort built around a small bay. Traditional colourful fishing boats are still found here. St. Julians provides a wide range of accommodation from host families to 5-star hotels. It is Malta's entertainment capital with restaurants, bars, night-clubs, shops, a cinema, a casino, a shopping centre, a sandy beach and a bowling alley - all within a few minutes' walk from EC.

EC Malta was established in 1991 and has a reputation of quality and excellence. The Centre holds the prestigious international ISO 9001 quality accreditation. EC was built in 2001 and consists of two modern buildings on opposite sides of a small street. All 59 classrooms are comfortable, bright and fully air-conditioned, 12 of which are designed for small groups and private tuition. EC Malta boasts a large internet café with wireless internet connection and a computer room providing a total of 47 computers. The centre also has TV, video, audio and library facilities. Students can relax in the two large roof gardens or in the student lounge. There are several cafés next to EC and the St. Julians bus terminus is conveniently located nearby.

All EC students have access to the EC Beach Club at a 5 star lido during the summer months and gym membership throughout the year. Both facilities are just a few minutes' walk away. Our dedicated Academic, Customer Service and Leisure staff are always available to answer questions, provide advice and ensure that you enjoy your stay.



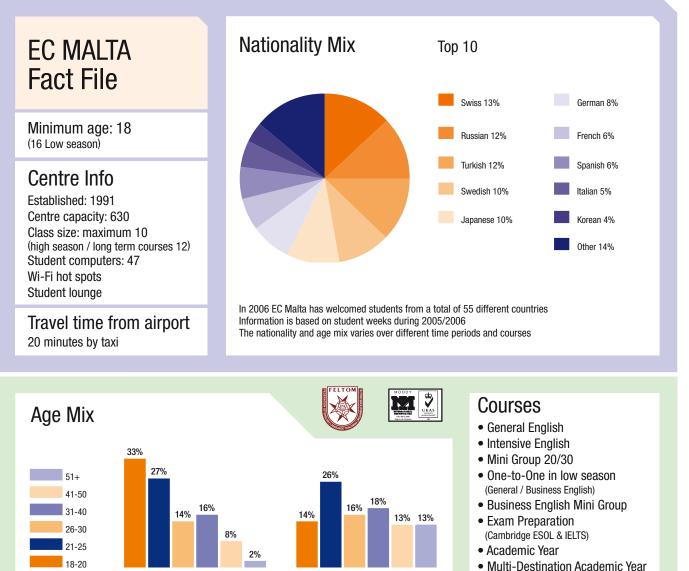
Maurice Rizzo General Manager



Nadya Aquilina Director of Studies







Rest of Year

Based on student heads 2005/2006

- - Club 50+
  - · English & Diving

#### Included in course:

Aae Mix

Course book and materials Welcome dinner Welcome drink Beach club membership (Monday to Saturday in summer) Gym membership Internet access Airport transfers (arrival & departure)

Summer



Sample of optional activities

Winerv tour Blue Grotto caves Maltese temples tour Full day Gozo & Sicily tours Discover Valletta Boat trips Salsa dancing lessons Comino by night cruise



### ACCOMMODATION IN MALTA

### Homestay

Staying with a family is the best way to find out about daily life in Malta. Learn about the history of Malta, its traditions, culture and food from the people who live there. This also gives you plenty of opportunity to practise your new English skills outside the classroom. Your host family will provide you with breakfast and dinner throughout your stay. You can choose to stay in a single room or share a room with another student. Host families are located between a 10 minute walk and a 30 minute bus journey from EC Malta. Towels and bed linen are provided; please bring your own beach towel.

# BUCKINGHAM SHARED APARTMENTS



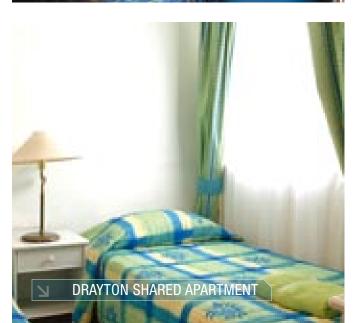
### **Superior Homestay**

For the discerning student, EC offers a superior homestay. This gives you the experience of family life with the added advantage of a private bedroom and a private bathroom.

As only a small number of superior families are available, early booking is a must. Towels and bed linen are provided; please bring your own beach towel.

### **Shared Apartments**

Ideal for independent living, shared apartments are a selfcatering option where facilities are shared with other EC students. Apartments vary in location and size but all are within 3 – 15 minutes' walk from EC Malta (maximum 20 minute bus journey in summer) and are within walking distance of supermarkets, bars, cafés and restaurants. Each apartment consists of a number of bedrooms, shared bathroom facilities,







fully equipped kitchen and living area. You can choose a private room or benefit from the cheaper option of sharing a room with another student. A limited number of one-bedroom apartments and ensuite facilities are available. Bed linen and towels are provided. Please bring your own beach towels.

### **Economy Residence**

**The Carlton** residence is a self-catering accommodation option where you can enjoy a flexible lifestyle. Staying at this residence is the best way to make new friends from around the world, have fun and enjoy student life.

Available only to EC students the Carlton residence consists of 47 fully air-conditioned bedrooms furnished with two single beds, mini-fridge, TV and an ensuite bathroom. You can choose to stay in a single or share a twin room with another student. There is a fully equipped communal kitchen, dining room with sea views, large roof terrace with a splash pool and wireless internet connection. Email, internet and laundry facilities are provided at a small fee. Bed linen and towels are provided. Please bring your own beach towels.

The residence, located on the St. Julians seafront, is a 20 minutes' walk or a 10 minute bus journey from EC Malta. Within the area are shops, bars, cafés, restaurants, newsagents and a small sandy beach.

EC may offer additional accommodation of similar standard during high season.

### Hotels & Apartments

Within 5-10 minutes' walk from EC Malta there is a wide variety of 2 star to 5 star hotels to suit all budgets. There is also a selection of self-catering apartments. We recommend:

Hotel Valentina (3 star). Located within St Julian's entertainment district, this small and friendly hotel is 5 minutes' walk from EC. Room amenities include airconditioning, ceiling fans, mini bar, TV and internet connection. Breakfast is included and half board clients dine at the hotel's popular restaurant situated in the next street.

**Hotel Juliani** (4 star). This modern boutique hotel overlooks the picturesque bay of St. Julians. Facilities include a roof top pool, 2 excellent restaurants and a café where breakfast is served. Room amenities include air-conditioning, TV and high speed internet access. The hotel is 5 minutes' walk from EC.





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