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Proposed Programme – Visit of Internet Lodge UGLE to Malta

Dates: Wednesday 10 June – Sunday 14 June

Assumptions

- Hotels mainly in **Sliema / St Julian's / Valletta** area
- Transport by **private coach** for group activities
- Walking where practical (especially Valletta)

Wednesday 10 June – Arrival Day

All day

- Arrivals at Malta International Airport
- Individual transfers or optional shared transfers (to be coordinated)

Evening (optional, informal)

- **19:30 onwards** – Informal welcome drink / light dinner
- Suggested area: Valletta Waterfront or Sliema
- Transport: on foot or short taxi rides

Thursday 11 June – Valletta & Maltese History

08:45

- Coach pick-up from main hotel points

09:30 – 12:30 | Guided Walking Tour of Valletta

- St John's Co-Cathedral
- Upper Barrakka Gardens
- Historic auberges and fortifications
- Focus on Malta's political, cultural, and strategic history

Transport:

- Coach to Valletta
- Walking within the city (comfortable footwear advised)

12:30 – 14:00 | Lunch

- Free time in Valletta or optional group lunch (pre-booked restaurant)

14:15 – 16:30 | Afternoon Visit

- Option A: Grand Master's Palace
- Option B: Fort St Elmo / National Museum of Archaeology

17:00

- Coach return to hotels

19:30 – 22:00 | Group Dinner

- Traditional Maltese restaurant in Valletta
- Transport: Coach to Valletta and return, or taxis for those staying centrally

Friday 12 June – Masonic Focus Day

Morning – Free Time

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- Free time for all participants
- Optional suggestions:
 - Harbour cruise
 - Shopping in Sliema
 - Beach or hotel leisure

Friday Evening – Split Programme

A) Brethren's Programme – Masonic Meeting

17:30

- Coach pick-up from hotels to Malta Masonic Temple

18:15 – 19:45 | Masonic Meeting

- **Venue:** Malta Masonic Temple – **Halls 6 & 7**
- **Hosted Lodge:** Maltese Lodge
- **Lecture:**
To be confirmed
- **Speaker:**
To be confirmed

19:45 – 22:00 | Festive Board

- Formal dinner with Maltese brethren
- Venue: Temple dining facilities or nearby restaurant

22:15

- Coach return to hotels

B) Separate Spouse Programme – Friday Evening

17:45

- Coach pick-up from hotels (same points as brethren)

18:30 – 20:00 | Valletta by Evening

- Leisurely guided walk through Valletta at sunset
- Upper Barrakka Gardens (evening views of Grand Harbour)
- Coffee or prosecco stop at a panoramic café

Transport:

- Coach to Valletta
- Gentle walking within the city

20:00 – 22:00 | Dinner

- Reserved dinner at a **characteristic Valletta restaurant**
- Informal, relaxed atmosphere
- Reasonably priced Mediterranean/Maltese cuisine

22:15

- Coach return to hotels
- (Option to meet brethren afterwards informally if desired)

Saturday 13 June – Panoramic Island Tour & Sea

08:30

- Coach pick-up from hotels

09:30 – 12:30 | Panoramic Island Tour

- Mdina (guided visit)
- Rabat
- Dingli Cliffs
- Scenic countryside stops

12:45 – 15:30 | Seaside Stop

- Free time by the sea
- Swimming (weather permitting)
- Light lunch available locally

16:00 – 17:00

- Coach transfer along the coast

19:30 – 22:00 | Fish Dinner

- Traditional seaside fish restaurant
- Location: Marsaxlokk / Għar Lapsi / St Paul's Bay

22:15

- Return to hotels by coach

Sunday 14 June – Closing Day

09:30

- Optional coach pick-up

10:00 – 12:30 | Optional Visit

- The Three Cities (Vittoriosa, Senglea, Cospicua)
- Or Grand Harbour boat tour

13:00

- Optional farewell lunch

Afternoon

- Departures

- Start of extended stays for brethren and spouses remaining in Malta

Optional Extensions (Before / After)

- Full-day Gozo excursion
- Blue Grotto & southern coast
- Comino / Blue Lagoon boat trip
- Additional leisure days

