



Malta: The mark of the Knights



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It is difficult not to succumb to the charms of this small archipelago, floating between Orient and Occident.

Malta owes a great deal of its architectural heritage to the Knights of Saint Jean, buildings such as the Auberge de Provence, which has since been converted into the National Museum. Nevertheless, this maritime crossroads, has always remained open to the influx of Mediterranean culture.

The capital, La Valette, is a surprising mixture of baroque architecture and military construction, evidence of the successful resistance mounted by the Knights against their Turkish aggressors four centuries ago.

Some of Malta's finest cultural attractions are the megalithic graves and temples which can be found in Gozo, Hal Safliene, and Tarxien, and which date back more than five thousand years.

The cathedral, dedicated to Saint Paul, and the ramparts of the small town of Malina, the « City of Silence », are also very well conserved.