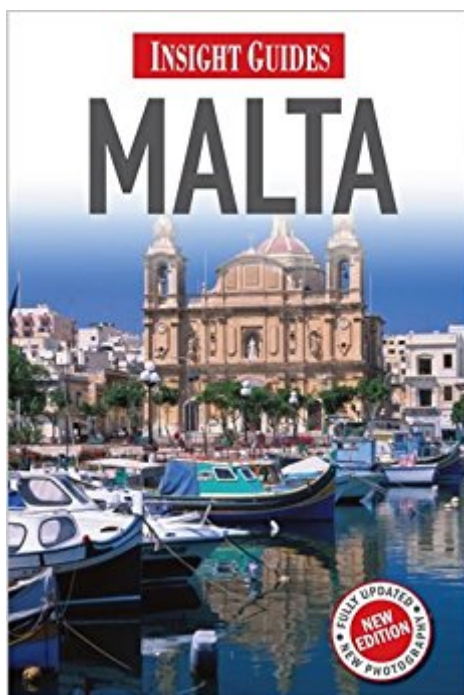


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Insight Guide Malta offers a uniquely comprehensive approach to getting the most out of one of Europe's most fascinating destinations. Engaging and inspirational History and Culture chapters explain the island's intriguing past as a gateway between Europe and the Arab world, and the factors influencing its future; from ancient temples pre-dating the Egyptian pyramids, through to Malta's role as a key battleground of World War II, to the impact of recently joining the Eurozone. The burgeoning arts scene, architectural treasures, local cuisine and folklore of the island are fully explored so that visitors can gain a sense of how Malta's distinctive character and culture has been shaped. Malta is also now one of the world's foremost destinations for divers and this guide investigates the fantastic and upcoming range of diving opportunities available on the islands. The Places chapters cover both Malta and Gozo in detail and also suggest excursions to the surrounding islands to help with planning a trip. Full-color photographs throughout illustrate the vibrancy of Malta and Gozo more than any other guide to the area on the market and give a true flavor of life on the islands today. Detailed maps throughout the book help visitors get around the different areas, with all major sites cross-referenced with the text, and the Travel Tips offer selective advice on where to stay, what to eat and the type of activities that are available.

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A disappointment compared to some other guides in this otherwise excellent series. My old Insight Guide for Malta has 356 pages. The 2012 version has been slimmed down to a mere 256, a full 100 pages of photos and other content now gone. Yet the new editor somehow still found room to devote most of one page and a portion of another to an attraction called Popeye Village. She even featured it as the first item on the editor's choice page for "The Best of Malta." Those traveling with young children might indeed want to know about the site but it is hard to understand why this would be added when coverage of many authentic cultural and historic features was cut or condensed. To be fair there is still some good material presented here and it is nice to have some updated content relative to my old guide. However, the 2012 edition definitely falls short compared to my original. I'm keeping both for now and will hope that a future edition again gives this beautiful country the more comprehensive and professional treatment it deserves.

This seems to be more like a history lesson than an actual guide book with itineraries of where to go and what to do when you are in Malta. It had nice photos, but not very helpful on our trip. I left it behind.

Good book. IN good condition, considering it is used.

Great

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