



PILGRIMAGE TO MALTA AND SICILY

including Syracuse, Agrigento, Monreale, and Palermo

with Fr. Jason Tyler

10 Days September 28 - October 7, 2026



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Land Only - \$3795.00

Solo Traveler - \$895.00*

**additional cost*

Air price will be available in early November 2025

Prices are per person

**Land Only - Option to purchase air on your own and meet the group at the airport on September 29, 2026*

Group Air Price based on a minimum of 10 passengers

Prices are valid only if the deposit is received no later than June 20, 2026

Final payment is due July 30, 2026

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September 28, Monday, Day 1: DEPART U.S.A.

We depart Northwest Arkansas Airport (XNA) on an overnight flight to Valletta, Malta. Dinner and breakfast will be served on the plane. Add-on flights from different airports, as well as optional Premium Economy and Business Class quotes, are available upon request and will be provided starting 120 days before departure. Group air restrictions (for ten passengers traveling together) do not permit specific seating requests on flights. We recommend purchasing your own airline tickets and land-only packages with us if seat confirmation is an important part of your trip. Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact your trip Account Manager, who will be happy to assist you.

September 29, Tuesday, Day 2: MALTA

We arrive in Malta, meet our English-speaking guide, and drive to our hotel, where we check in and have time to rest and adjust to the local time zone. While in Malta, we enjoy views of the sparkling Mediterranean and visit some of the ancient temples of this fascinating little Island Country. We discover the Maltese people and their profound devotion to the Virgin Mary. We celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight in Valletta. (D)

September 30, Wednesday, Day 3: MALTA

We start the day with a visit to the Church of Our Lady of Victories, built to commemorate the Great Siege of 1565, which ended on September 8th. The Ottoman Empire, which invaded Malta with nearly 50,000 soldiers, retreated after losing more than half its army. The Maltese attribute this victory to Mary's intervention and believe it is not a coincidence that the greatest siege in the history of Malta came to an end on the same day we celebrate Mary's Nativity. We continue to Bormla (Cospicua), known as the city of the Immaculate Conception. The Virgin Mary is regarded as its patron saint. We visit the Church of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, an impressive building with an ornate interior full of statues and paintings, most of which are dedicated to Our Lady. Next, we visit St. John's Co-Cathedral, located in the center of Valletta, where we celebrate Mass. The Baroque cathedral was built in the early days of Valletta's existence following the Great Siege. After lunch on our own, we will visit the Three Cities of Malta (Vittoriosa, Senglea, and Cospicua). The fortified cities sit like a trio of villages in the

heart of Malta's historic center, directly across the Grand Harbour from Valletta. We continue to Marsaxlokk, derived from the Maltese words meaning South-East (xlokk) and harbor (Marsa). We visit the Church of Our Lady of Pompeii. The titular painting of this parish church portrays the devotional image of Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompeii, based on an original painting in Italy. Dinner and overnight in Valletta. (B,D)

October 1, Thursday, Day 4: ISLAND OF GOZO

Today, we explore Malta's sister island, Gozo. The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Blessed Virgin of Ta' Pinu inspires great devotion in Gozo, where numerous ex-votos are displayed in remembrance of various miracles attributed to the intercession of Our Lady of the Assumption. Opposite the Ta' Pinu sanctuary is Ta' Ghammar Hill, a rather steep elevation. Along the winding and rough path to the top stand 14 marble statues that depict scenes from the Stations of the Cross, beginning with the Last Supper of Jesus and culminating in scenes from the Resurrection of Christ. After lunch on our own, we will visit Victoria, Citadel (Gozo's capital city), and the Cathedral of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven. From there, we will go to the Basilica of the Nativity of Our Lady, Xaghra, and celebrate Mass at Marija Bambina Basilica. We return to Valletta. Dinner and overnight in Valletta. (B,D)

October 2, Friday, Day 5: MALTA

Our day begins with a visit to Mosta Basilica, dedicated to the Assumption of the Virgin Mary, and is renowned for having the third-largest unsupported dome in the world. The Vatican elevated it to the status of a minor basilica in July 2018. Afterwards, we will visit Mgarr and the Parish Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven. After an independent lunch, our visit to Malta is completed by visiting sites dedicated to St. Paul the Apostle. We will visit St. Paul's Church in Rabat and see the cave where St. Paul was imprisoned. We continue to the Mdina Metropolitan Cathedral of St. Paul. We see the mural in the apse of the cathedral that portrays the tempestuous storm that led to the shipwreck of St. Paul. St. Paul is in the forefront of the ship, looking upwards to the Eternal Father who is sending his angel to comfort the saint and reassure him that all on board would be saved. To the right of St. Paul is St. Luke. He is also looking towards heaven, as he holds the image of the Virgin Mary and Child Jesus, which, according to legend, he painted. We celebrate Mass in the Cathedral. Dinner and overnight in Valletta. (B,D)

YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Round-trip airfare from Northwest Arkansas to Malta x Palermo to Northwest Arkansas
- Airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- First-class hotels for eight nights
- Service charges and hotel taxes
- Buffet breakfast daily
- Six Hotel dinners (standard 3-course menu; beverages may be purchased at an additional cost)
- Farewell dinner accompanied by wine in a local restaurant
- All transfers with a private A/C motor coach as per the itinerary
- Ferry from Malta to Sicily
- Professional English-speaking Christian tour guide throughout
- Entrance fees are included for sites specifically listed (outside view means no entrance is included)

- Luggage handling at hotels (one piece per person in/out)
- Confirmation of daily private Mass
- Whisper sets

RATES DO NOT INCLUDE

- Personal expenses
- Trip Protection and Medical Insurance (highly recommended)
- Tipping/Gratuities for the guide(s), driver, and wait staff (please refer to the suggestions we will provide for you with your final documents)
- Any items not explicitly mentioned in the list of inclusions
- Beverages at meals, unless otherwise noted (lunches on your own)
- Church donations recommended at \$3.00 - \$5.00 per person per Mass

- Airport transfers for land-only passengers unless the travelers are at the airport at the same time as the group
- Airline seat assignment and flight pre-check-in
- Government imposed local taxes

BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Any airline baggage charges
- Baggage handling at train stations, airports, and hotels in excess of one suitcase per person
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges

October 3, Saturday, Day 6: SICILY

We are transferred to Valletta Pier for a ferry ride to Sicily. A boxed breakfast will be provided for our very early departure from Valletta by ferry. When we arrive at Pozzallo Pier, we will be met by our tour guide and driver and be on our way to Syracuse, where Paul stayed for three days after he departed Malta on his way to Rome (Acts 28:11-13). Syracuse is a small, sun-bleached provincial capital, but in ancient times it was the western capital of Magna Graecia and one of the greatest cities in the world. Many buildings from this ancient period have survived. Most are in the "archaeological zone," the town's ancient Parco Monumentale della Neapoli (Viale Rizzo). We visit the Catacombs of John, featuring its magnificent frescoes, and the crypt of Marziano, the site of the first Christian Church on the island. We will celebrate Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Tears, a place of pilgrimage, prayer, and recollection of a miracle when Mary wept from a humble plaster plaque of the Immaculate Heart in the center of the city of Syracuse. The reliquary containing Mary's tears is the focal point of the shrine. Next, we visit the Duomo and the church of Santa Lucia alla Badia, located on the south side of Piazza Duomo. Inside the church is a very famous painting by Carravaggio, The Burial of St. Lucy. St. Lucy is the patroness of Syracuse. Dinner and overnight in Syracuse. (Boxed breakfast. D)

October 4, Sunday, Day 7: SYRACUSE – AGRIGENTO

After breakfast, we board our motorcoach and leave Syracuse and continue to Piazza Armerina, a historic town nestled in the heart of Sicily. While it is most famous for the truly astonishing classical mosaics at the Villa Romana del Casale, it is a great town to stroll through, taking in its beautiful old buildings and winding streets. After an independent lunch, we visit Villa Romana del Casale, a UNESCO World Heritage Site due to its large and complex collection of Roman mosaics spanning over 2.2 miles. Built in the early 4th century, the buildings were covered by a mudslide in the 12th century. Though sporadic attempts were made over the centuries to uncover them, it wasn't until the 1950s that a concerted excavation effort began. We will continue to Agrigento. We'll celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight in Agrigento. (B.D)

October 5, Monday, Day 8: AGRIGENTO – MONREALE – PALERMO

This morning we'll tour Agrigento, "Land of the Gods," with our local guide. Described by the Greek poet Pindar as "the most beautiful

city of mortals," the city's symbol is a group of magnificent temples situated in a valley. The classical city comprises magnificent temples and tombs. The finest are Tempio di Giove (Olympian Zeus), the largest Doric temple ever known; Tempio di Giunone (Juno/Hera), which commands a view of the valley; and Tempio della Concordia, one of the best-preserved temples in the world. After lunch on our own, we will continue to Monreale, site of the famous Cathedral of Monreale, dedicated to the Mother of God with the title Santa Maria Nuova. The cathedral is the most important Norman church in Sicily, which contains extraordinary medieval artwork. The facade is grand, but nothing to compare with the vast interior, the walls of which are almost entirely covered with mosaic scenes from the Old and New Testaments, and the apse where a magnificent portrait of Christ Pantocrator ("Ruler of All") gestures in blessing and gazes serenely off to one side. We celebrate Mass at the cathedral. We continue to Palermo. Dinner is at leisure, overnight in Palermo. (B)

October 6, Tuesday, Day 9: PALERMO

We begin our day with a visit to the Cave Church of Santa Rosalia, patron saint of Palermo. We visit the sanctuary that serves as the burial place and shrine to Santa Rosalia, who died in the cave in the 12th century. She appeared to residents of Palermo centuries later. We celebrate Mass at the church. After our visit, we will continue to explore Palermo, a city of wide boulevards, old quarters, architecturally harmonious squares, and Baroque palaces. We visit the Palazzo dei Normanni, the splendid Norman royal palace. Inside are the Cappella Palatina and La Sala di Re Ruggiero, glittering chambers encrusted with mosaics of Eastern influence. Following lunch at leisure, we visit the Church of St. John of the Hermits. This lovely Arab-Norman church has picturesque pink domes, a cloister with elegantly wrought columns, and a tropical garden. We also visit Casa Professa, a beautiful Jesuit Church. Following Corso Vittorio Emanuele, the city's oldest thoroughfare, we will head to the Quattro Canti, also known as Piazza Vigliena, a four-cornered intersection in the heart of the Old City. Here, Sicily's Baroque soul is evident in the four monuments designed with fountains and statues. Our day of touring ends with a visit to the Capuchin Catacombs of Palermo. Tonight we have a farewell dinner in a local restaurant accompanied by wine. (B. Special dinner)

October 7, Wednesday, Day 10: RETURN TO USA

After breakfast, we are transferred to Palermo Airport for our flight home. (B)

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Plan Highlights

- Comprehensive coverage for trip cancellation, trip interruption, emergency medical and post-departure travel coverage up to \$100,000
- Up to \$150,000 in Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation of Remains coverage available
- 100% of Trip Cancellation coverage up to \$25,000
- 150% of Trip Interruption coverage up to \$37,500
- Optional Cancel For Any Reason coverage available
- Pre-Existing medical condition waiver available

10-Day Free Look Period

If you are not satisfied within 10 days of purchasing this plan, Trawick International will refund your premium cost if you have not departed on your trip or filed a claim.

Trip Cancellation Covered Reasons

This is a list of some covered reasons for Trip Cancellation. Please refer to the plan document for a full list.

- Sickness, Accidental Injury, or Death of You, a Family Member, Traveling Companion, or Business Partner
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- Approved Military Leave Revoked or Military Re-Assignment
- Terrorist Incident
- Your Home made Uninhabitable by Natural Disaster or Burglary
- Inclement Weather Causing Complete Cessation of Air/Common Carrier Services
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Assistance Services

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Allowing you the convenience of airport lounge access if your flight is delayed by more than two (2) hours.

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Your Trawick travel insurance policy includes a pre-travel medication readiness consultation from Runway Health. Runway seamlessly connects travelers with US-licensed physicians with a quick, online consultation to create personalized, physician guided prescription medicine travel kits that are shipped directly to your door before departure, if prescribed. Travel better prepared and register for your complimentary consultation at trawick.runwayhealth.com.

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Benefits	Maximum Benefit Amount
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Trip Cancellation	100% of Trip Cost up to \$25,000
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Trip Delay (6 hours)	\$1,500 (\$150/day)
Missed Connection (3 hours)	\$500
Personal Items Coverage	
Baggage Coverage	\$1,500
Per item	\$250
Limited Valuables	\$500
Baggage Delay Coverage (24 hours)	\$400
Medical & Evacuation Coverage	
Emergency Accident & Sickness Medical Expense	\$100,000
Emergency Dental Expenses	\$750
Emergency Evacuation	\$150,000
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Hospital Companion Expenses	\$200/day, 10 days maximum
Non-Medical Evacuation	\$100,000
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Pre-Existing Condition lookback period	60 days
Non-insurance 24-hour standard emergency travel assistance	Included
Optional Upgrade	
	75% of Insured Trip Cost
Trip Cancellation for Any Reason (CFAR) Optional	Must be purchased within 15 days of deposit
	Must Cancel 2 days or more prior to departure date
	Not available to residents of NY

Not all Benefits are available in all states, please see the Plan Document for all details.

Plan Rates

Trip Cost Bands	Base rate	Base & CFAR rate*
\$1-\$500	\$66	\$112
\$501-\$1,000	\$70	\$118
\$1,001-\$1,500	\$96	\$162
\$1,501-\$2,000	\$128	\$217
\$2,001-\$2,500	\$156	\$264
\$2,501-\$3,000	\$185	\$313
\$3,001-\$3,500	\$212	\$360
\$3,501-\$4,000	\$241	\$410
\$4,001-\$4,500	\$269	\$456
\$4,501-\$5,000	\$307	\$521
\$5,001-\$5,500	\$328	\$558
\$5,501-\$6,000	\$361	\$613
\$6,001-\$6,500	\$420	\$714
\$6,501-\$7,000	\$447	\$760
\$7,001-\$7,500	\$483	\$821
\$7,501-\$8,000	\$513	\$872
\$8,001-\$8,500	\$552	\$939
\$8,501-\$9,000	\$627	\$1,066
\$9,001-\$9,500	\$713	\$1,211
\$9,501-\$10,000	\$748	\$1,272
\$10,001-\$11,000	\$801	\$1,362
\$11,001-\$12,000	\$872	\$1,482
\$12,001-\$13,000	\$939	\$1,596
\$13,001-\$14,000	\$1,010	\$1,716
\$14,001-\$15,000	\$1,081	\$1,837
\$15,001-\$16,000	\$1,151	\$1,957
\$16,001-\$17,000	\$1,222	\$2,077
\$17,001-\$18,000	\$1,293	\$2,198
\$18,001-\$19,000	\$1,364	\$2,318
\$19,001-\$20,000	\$1,435	\$2,438
\$20,001-\$21,000	\$1,505	\$2,559
\$21,001-\$22,000	\$1,576	\$2,679
\$22,001-\$23,000	\$1,651	\$2,806
\$23,001-\$24,000	\$1,722	\$2,927
\$24,001-\$25,000	\$1,792	\$3,047

*Note: CFAR is 1.7 x the base rates.



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DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT:

- Please use the QR code on the front of this brochure to enroll.
- A deposit of \$500.00 per person should accompany your registration by June 20, 2026.
- Final payment is due by July 30, 2026.*
- Your passport must be valid through April 7, 2027.

All prices are based on payment via check. A convenience fee of 4% will be charged for credit card payments. We also take payment via Zelle.

Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822, Attn: Margot Jensen, 800-842-4842, margot@select-intl.com.

PILGRIMAGE PRICES: Trip price is based on a minimum of 20 passengers. Prices may be adjusted for fewer travelers, changes in currency conversion rates, or amendments in local government taxes and/or fuel surcharges. Prices for this trip are in US dollars. For European travel, an exchange rate of US \$1.18 per Euro is assumed. *A late payment fee of \$100.00 per person will be charged for all payments received after the final payment due date.

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LAND-ONLY OPTION: Land-only services start and end at the hotels and do not include any airfare. You are welcome to transfer from the airport with the group if you arrive at the same time; otherwise, transfers are not included.

TOUR CANCELLATION POLICY: Individual deposits are refundable except for a \$350.00 per person handling fee for cancellations made 91 days or more before departure. A \$500.00 non-refundable fee will be assessed if the reservation is canceled between 90 and 60 days prior to departure. Within 60 days of departure, all payments are non-refundable regardless of the reason for cancellation. All airline tickets are non-refundable once issued. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. If a roommate cancels, the cost of a solo supplement will be added to your invoice. You may be eligible for a refund through your travel protection provider.

TRIP CANCELLATION PROTECTION: We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation/travel accident insurance for every passenger to protect their investment (all payments are non-refundable 60 days before departure). PLEASE NOTE that in most cases travel protection must be purchased within 14 days. Additionally, some options are not available to residents of NY. Please see <https://selectinternationaltours.com/travel-protection-plans/> or call Trawick International at 1-888-681-6272 for complete details, restrictions, and deadlines.

AIRLINE, SEATING AND CHANGES: To best accommodate our pilgrims, we utilize Group Air Reservations. This affords more predictable space and pricing. However, the airline (not Select International Tours) assigns seats when the group tickets are issued. If you require very specific seats, we suggest you take advantage of the "Land Only" option and book your own airfare. Airline ticket name changes due to missing, incorrect, or incomplete information provided during registration will result in fees of at least \$350 per traveler. Switching reservations from Air and Land to Land Only within 100 days of departure will incur a minimum fee of \$150.00 per person. Quotes for Business class and Premium Coach seats are available upon written request, as are add-ons from your hometown airport.

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WALKING: Our trips require daily walking, sometimes up or down slopes, steps, and uneven terrain. We recommend preparing by walking before the trip. A qualified and physically able travel companion must accompany anyone needing assistance. We are not responsible for any medical condition that occurs before, during, or after the trip.

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This trip is open to passengers 10 years or older with appropriate adult supervision.

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