

# Malta Desert Odyssey

*Community ~ Connection ~ Celebration*  
October 9 -16, 2025

*"We become not a melting pot but a beautiful mosaic. Different people, different beliefs, different yearnings, different hopes, different dreams."  
~ Jimmy Carter ~*

In its tenth year, with 300 sojourners who've been through one or both passages, Desert Odyssey brings you a commemorative edition of celebrating community and connection.

Convened on the Mediterranean island of Malta, inhabited since 5900 BC, Malta provides the ideal setting to explore the past that has brought you to the present, and then to chart the future, your future.



## PROGRAMME COST: SGD4200

The fee is for single or twin. It includes accommodation, all meals, entrance fee for sites we're visiting, and local transport [excluding airport transfers and airfare]

## TO REGISTER

Click on this Desert Odyssey link

Note: Confirmation is based on registration and a deposit

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

Explore the ancient walled city of Mdina, the luminous darkness of the Blue Grotto, the catacombs of Rabat. Dine in a 2000-year old cave, savour exquisite seafood in the fishing village of Marsaxlokk, walk along the breathtaking Dingli Cliffs, take in Caravaggio's massive 5-metre painting in Valletta. Immerse yourself in the art of Kintsugi, create a mosaic design, as you explore the outer world as a metaphor for the internal journey.

October 10	October 11	October 12	October 13	October 14	October 15
Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
Opening Session	Mosaic I	Morning Prayer & Conversation with Fr Godwin	Mosaic II	Blue Grotto	Community Mosaic
Lunch in Valletta	Lunch @ Mt St Joseph	Lunch in Mdina	Lunch @ Mt St Joseph	Lunch Marsaxlokk Fishing Village	Lunch @ Mt St Joseph
St John's CC (9am - 4pm); Malta Experience (Open 11am-4pm)	Hagar Qim; Dingli Cliffs	Rabat & St Paul's Catacombs (Open 9am - 5pm)	St Paul's Bay & Sliema	Palazzo Parisio	Free & Easy
Dinner @ Mt St Joseph	Dinner in Dingli 1900 to 2100	Dinner @ Mt St Joseph	Dinner in Silema 1900 to 2100	Dinner @ Mt St Joseph	Closing Dinner Grotto Tavern in Rabat 1830 to 2100
Kintsugi I	Return to Mt St Joseph	Kintsugi II	Return to Mt St Joseph	Kintsugi III	Return to Mt St Joseph
<b>Connection</b>		<b>Community</b>		<b>Celebration</b>	

## Questions & Answers

We have put together a list of FAQs about this programme. Please contact Timothy if you have more questions.

- Q1. When do we need to arrive?  
A1. You can plan to arrive anytime on Thursday, October 9, preferably in the afternoon. We will begin with an opening dinner at 6.30pm on October 9.
- Q2. Is there twin sharing or single accommodations?  
A2. Twin sharing is only available if you are able to find your roommate. You will need to confirm this when you sign up for the programme. However, the price for single or twin sharing is the same.
- Q3. Is this Desert Odyssey Passage 1 or Passage 2?  
A3. This is a special edition of desert odyssey to commemorate 10 years. As such, it is not a conventional desert odyssey and anyone who has been to either Passage I or Passage II is welcome.
- Q4. What's the best way to get to Malta?  
A4. The best way to get to Malta is via the Middle East, Istanbul and multiple cities in Europe.
- Q5. Any recommendations for accommodation should we arrive earlier, (before October 9) or depart later (after October 16)?  
A5. The best option is to book a hotel on booking.com. If this is your first time in Malta, you may wish to stay in Sliema, St Julien's or St. Paul's Bay. We will be staying at Mount St. Joseph House which is located in Mosta.
- Q6. Any recommended excursions or walking trails for those who wish to extend our trip?  
A6. Walks in Malta: Dingli Cliffs Walk, Ħaż-Żebbuġ Heritage Trail, Chadwick Lakes Nature Trail  
If you have the time, you may wish to stay a couple of days in Gozo Island which is part of Malta.  
You can take a ferry there which normally takes between 30-45 minutes. Walks in Gozo Island: Saltpans Walk, Kemmuna (Comino) and its islets, Xlendi Bay.
- Q7. Given that the group size is much larger for Malta desert odyssey, will there be room for deep sharing as per DO 1 & 2?  
A7. Given that it is a special edition, we're opening it up and at the same time limiting it to 18 sojourners. The format of this special edition involves more kinesthetic components. The sharing will be done in small group of about 4-5 sojourners.
- Q8. As some of us may have attended both DO1 & DO2, how different will this be?  
A8. As with all desert odysseys there will be times of discovery, reflection, experience, and conversation. The format will take on a slightly different form, but the spirit and heart of desert odyssey remains. As the flyer reflects, this special edition is about connection, community, and celebration!
- Q9. When can we plan to depart?  
A9. You can plan to depart anytime on Thursday, October 16. We will end with a closing dinner on Wednesday, October 15.