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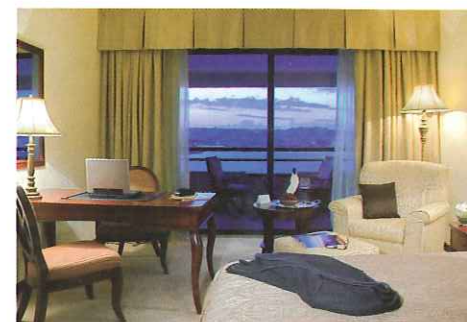
Malta, Gozo & Comino

The Mediterranean's best kept secret



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Excelsior deluxe bedroom



Salt pans - destination shot in Gozo



Artist impression, night view of Palace reception area

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Recently voted with one of the best climates in the world and with a backdrop of 7000 years of history, the islands provide a blend of both modern and past creating a unique flavour for your conference or event. This Mediterranean gem offers a rural landscape dominated by limestone architecture and historical relics evident of years of civilization. Graced by the welcoming smile of the Maltese people, a burgeoning nightlife, local and international cuisine and a host of activities from rock climbing to jeep safaris, business travellers are set to enjoy an event packed programme.

With just a three hour flight time from the UK, Malta's central Mediterranean location is an ideal choice for an incentive break or business meeting. Major airlines offer direct flights from a variety of UK airports, with Air Malta, the national carrier providing scheduled and chartered flights from main gateways in both Europe and Africa. This includes over 40 flights per week on the major UK routes including a new route from Liverpool, daily flights out of London Gatwick and twice daily flights, from London Heathrow. GB Airways offers daily flights now out of both Manchester and Gatwick.

Whilst small in size, Malta is big on service and quality and has all the amenities and services to cater to the needs of conference and incentive groups. The islands are continually developing with new conference

and hotel establishments. Scheduled to open in July, the newly rebuilt Excelsior Grand Hotel ([www.grandhotelexcelsior.com.mt](http://www.grandhotelexcelsior.com.mt)) is a five star luxurious city and resort hotel overlooking the Marsamxett Harbour and Manoel Island. Set in the 16th Century bastion walls of Valetta, the UNESCO world heritage capital of Malta, the hotel's facilities include a grand lobby, elegant ballroom that can accommodate seating for up to 600 people, meeting and multi-purpose function rooms featuring the latest technologies.

An abundance of four and five star accommodation, historical venues, modern meeting facilities are on offer with dedicated ground support in the form of specialist destination management companies. Malta also offers a variety of magnificent castles, palazzos and forts as function venues. Ta' Qali is home to a new large scale convention centre designed to the meet the need for large indoor spaces. The Malta Fairs and Conventions Centre ([www.mfcc.com.mt](http://www.mfcc.com.mt)) is an adaptable venue suitable for any type of event. Utilising award winning Tension Fabric Structures, the venue can accommodate a crowd of up to 10,000 seated and 22,000 standing.

Sliema, located in the north east of the island will be home to a new five star deluxe boutique hotel - The Palace ([www.thepalacemalta.com](http://www.thepalacemalta.com)). Boasting 161 bedrooms and themed suites the Palace is ideally situated in close proximity to the seaside, shopping areas and nearby bars of Spinola Bay. A unique feature of the hotel is the art gallery with its collection of contemporary art. Business travel facilities include a dedicated executive lounge ideal for one to one meetings supported by a fully equipped business centre. Teamed with

state-of-the-art meeting rooms the Palace has three themed 'news' restaurants such as 'The Tabloid' where delegates can experience fashionable dining and distinctive ambience. Conferences for up to 200 can be held in the Royal Hall, State Hall or the 200 year old Palazzo Capua.

Hotel establishments continue to upgrade facilities to cater to the standards of conference delegates. Suncrest Hotel ([www.suncresthotel.com](http://www.suncresthotel.com)) located in the picturesque bay of Qawra launched new delegate packages following an extensive refurbishment programme which saw enhanced conference facilities. The Ramla Bay Resort ([www.ramlabayresort.com](http://www.ramlabayresort.com)), situated on the northernmost shore of Malta, recently expanded with increased accommodation and refurbished public areas. Now complete with 180 rooms, and state-of-the-art conference facilities, this four star resort offers a distinct Mediterranean flavour.

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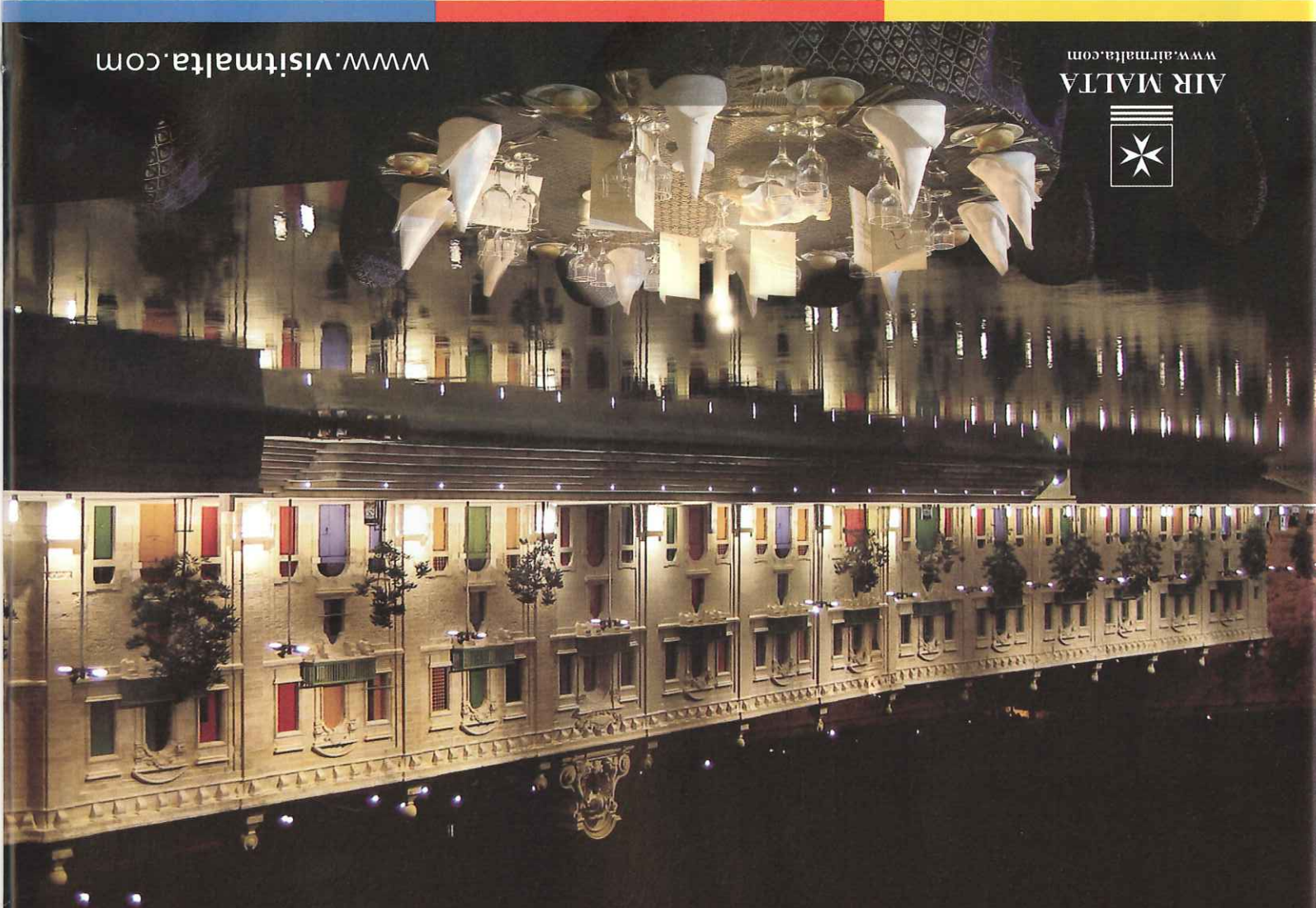
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