

The ambience

Our welcoming, homely and informal hostel is situated in Cuschieri Str, junction with Rue D'Argens Gzira conveniently close to the main bus routes and only minutes away from the cosmopolitan town of Sliema. Within walking distance, one would get to most amenities students normally seek, such as shopping arcades, banks, exchange bureaus, pharmacies, supermarkets, churches, telephone booths, and entertainment area. We intend to extend the Maltese reputation of genuine hospitality welcoming our in-house students with such sincerity and friendliness that many holidaymakers return again and again to.

The Hostel

Balco Harmony is a brand new six-storey house that offers a competitively priced alternative to hotel accommodation or self-catering apartments. Apart of the eight rooms, of which some have breathtaking sea views, we also have a dining room and a fully equipped kitchen. The same room also serves as TV room throughout the day or evening where Multi-lingual satellite TV, DVD player with films being changed weekly is available. Another option is available where breakfast will be served in the guest rooms by our host. In the entrance hall there is a public telephone and lavatory, and a notice board to affix the school notices as well as important telephone numbers that a student would need whilst being on a studying holiday.

Although there is not a 24hour reception desk available, our host who is very well experienced in hosting foreign students, will stay after breakfast for any assistance that the students might require. Also our very sociable host will make room service with linen, and towels changed once and twice weekly respectively. Laundry service is also available to all students.

The Bedroom

The house is able to cater 22 students in between twin rooms, treble and two quad. Each room have approximately 20sq meters of bedroom area where the bedroom contains high standards of laminated furniture, ceiling fans, carefully located lights, dressing table with mirror board on top, wardrobes which are specially designed to take empty suit cases, over bed reading light, and ceramic floors. All student rooms have ensuite shower, toilet, and wash hand basin. All rooms have standard, safe deposit boxes, a 90 litre refrigerator, hair dryer, radio, balcony, ceiling fan and in room satellite television. Airconditioned rooms are available on request basis in advance. The air condition is available at a supplement.

Besides the bedroom, all rooms come with either an interconnecting room, which is the study area, or a larger study area within the actual bedroom. Here a student will have a good size desk with nest of drawers, telephone outlet that can be operated by 'Easyline' making it more comfortable for in-house guests to keep in touch. The plugs in this area are surge protected to protect electronics against any voltage instability. Also there is in-room extra telephone outlet for students that have their own PC to connect to the internet.