

Malta Railway

Rolling Stock

No	Description	Maker	Wheelbase	Length x Breadth x Height
1	1st class carriage saloon	Oldbury & Co.	9' 0"	25' 2" x 7' 11"x 9' 7"
2	1st class carriage large	Brown Marshall & Co.	9' 6"	25' 8" x 8' 0"x 10' 7"
1	1st class carriage small	Swansea Wagon Co.	9' 0"	22' 10" x 7' 11"x 9' 8"
2	3rd class carriage large	Brown Marshall & Co.	9' 6"	25' 10" x 8' 1"x 10' 0"
4	3rd class carriage large	Metropolitan Co.	12' 1"	25' 10" x 8' 1"x 10' 0"
9	3rd class carriage small	Oldbury & Co.	9' 0"	22' 11" x 8' 0"x 9' 8"
3	3rd class carriage small	Swansea Wagon Co.	9' 0"	22' 10" x 7' 11"x 9' 8"
1	3rd class carriage small	Swansea Wagon Co.	9' 0"	18' 0" x 8' 0"x 9' 8"
2	Open carriage large	Metropolitan Co.	12' 1"	25' 10" x 8' 0"x 10' 0"
1	Open carriage small	Oldbury & Co.	8' 6"	22' 11" x 7' 11"x 9' 8"
3	Open carriage small	Swansea Wagon Co.	8' 6"	17' 10" x 8' 1"x 9' 6"
2	Trucks	Metropolitan Co.	9' 8"	18' 3" x 7' 0"x 4' 3"
2	Trucks	Brown Marshall & Co.	8' 6"	18' 3" x 7' 0"x 4' 3"

The carriages had steel chassis and fixtures with wooden bodies. The 1st class carriages were varnished and the 3rd class painted dark green. The carriages were lit by candles until 1900 when 8 cell storage batteries and low voltage electric light bulbs were installed. Connecting planks between each carriage allowed ticket inspectors to pass along the train.

On weekdays the train service consisted of 13 trains down and 14 up between Valetta and Museum. In addition there were 3 down and 2 up between Valetta and Attard, 3 down and 4 up between Valetta and Birkirkara, and 3 in each direction between Valetta and Hamrun. The down journey time from Valetta to Museum was 35 minutes and the up time was 30 minutes. Departures from Valetta were signalled by the guard's whistle and augmented by the ringing of a hand bell.

On Sundays and festivals there were 20 trains in each direction of which 10 trains ran in each direction from Valetta to Museum and 4 in each direction between Valetta and Attard.