

NICPMI Inv. No. 1573

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Property Name	St John Bastion - Valletta		
Address	Hasting's Garden, Pope Pius V Street, Valletta		
Town Name	Valletta	Toponym	Local Council Valletta
Property Owner	Government	Managing Body	Local Council
Guardianship Deed			

Period	Modern (16th to 18th Century AD)		
Phase	Early Modern: Knights of St John (16th Century)		
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Historical Architectural	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	Outstanding
Property Function	Fortification	Conservation Area	UCA (Valletta)

Outline Description	Bastion
Property Description	St John Bastion is one of the four main land front bastions designed by Francesco Laparelli. It is an obtuse-angled bastion of the arrow-head type with projecting rounded orillions. The bastion has two flanking batteries (piazze basse), one in each flank, a thick parapet along the faces with two embrasures placed centrally on each face and a cylindrical domed echaugette (reconstructed) on the salient angle. The piazze basse have retired and open casemated flanks reached by vaulted underground passages from entrances located close to the flanks of the cavalier to the rear. A communication tunnel extends from the right piazza bassa and passes through the bastion to open up at a sally-port which was served by a arched bridge spanning the ditch in order to provide access to the counterguard. The bastion was turned into a public garden in the nineteenth century and forms part of Hastings Garden. A funerary monument to Lord Hastings was erected in the garden.

Scheduled by MEPA	Yes	Degree of Protection	Grade 1	G.N. No.	133	G.N. Date	2001
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Recommended Bibliography	S.C. Spiteri, Fortresses of the Knights (Malta, 2001), 268-80
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Property Plan



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