

NICPMI Inv. No. 1581

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Property Name	St Michael Bastion - Valletta		
Address	Hastings 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 Michael Demi-Bastion is one of the four main land front bastions designed by Francesco Laparelli. It is a corner bastion occupying the western extremity of the front and contains a long wing . The bastion has a flanking battery (piazze basse) in its left flank . The bastion has a long wing descending towards a battery later known as Spencer Bastion. A communication tunnel extends from the left flank of the bastion and passes through the bulwark to open up at a sally-port high up in the face of the bastion, served by a arched bridge spanning the ditch in order to provide access to the counterguard. Another sally-port opens up in the face of the wing to communicate via a small bridge to St Andrew's Tenaille. This is accessed via a rockhewn tunnel cut through rampart - two window like openings cut through rock scarp. The Bastion has a thick parapet with three embrasures on the face as well as a nineteenth century circular platform for c-pivot traversing carriage on the salient .

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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Northing : Coordinates

Property Plan



Property Images

