

NICPMI Inv. No. 1604

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Property Name	St James Counterguard - Valletta		
Address	St James Ditch, Valetta		
Town Name	Valletta	Toponym	Local Council Valletta
Property Owner	Government	Managing Body	Central Bank of Malta
Guardianship Deed			

Period	Modern (16th to 18th Century AD)		
Phase	Early Modern: Knights of St John (17th Century)		
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Historical Architectural	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	Outstanding
Property Function	Fortification	Conservation Area	UCA (Valletta)

Outline Description	Counterguard
Property Description	A pentagonal counterguard with open gorge divided internally into three areas by means of two large traverses. Salient occupied by echaugette and flanks built en barbette. Contains four sally-ports and a nineteenth-century gunpowder magazine. central platform was excavated and remodelled to house the Central Bank annex. The counterguard is linked to the bastion to its rear by an arched bridge.

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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Coordinates : Easting

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Property Plan



Property Images

