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Property Name	St Sebastian Curtain - Valletta		
Address	Marsamxett Street		
Town Name	Valletta	Toponym	Local Council Valletta
Property Owner	Government	Managing Body	
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	Curtain
Property Description	<p>A small curtain wall that forms, together with German Curtain a serrated en cremaillere trace. The lower half of the rampart is rockhewn. A nineteenth century balcony-type of machicoulis occupies the re-entrant angle form by the curtain and the flank of San Salvatore Bastion. This is fitted with loopholes and is accessed through an opening in the parapet. A pair of escutcheons, with an inscription dating to the reign of Grand Master Pietro del Monte decorates the face of the rampart. Excavations carried out in the course of 2012 revealed that the curtain flank, which has two embrasures, was served by a platform paved with hardstone. This has been reburied. The rocky base of the bastion is riddle with openings to WWII civilian air raid shelters. In some sources this curtain is referred to as a bastion.</p>

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

