



SOVRINTENDENZA
TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI
GĦIBRIDINTENJENZA TA' KULTURA U MEDITAZZJONI

National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

NICPMI Inv. No. 1378

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Property Name	Ghajn Hadid Tower		
Address	Ix-Xaghra ta' Selmun, Selmun		
Town Name	Mellieħa	Toponym	Local Council Mellieħa
Property Owner	Government	Managing Body	
Guardianship Deed	Din l-Art Hewla - 2003		

Period	Modern (17th Century)		
Phase	Early Modern: Knights of St John (17th Century)		
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Historical Architectural Archaeological	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	Outstanding
Property Function	Fortification	Conservation Area	AHLV

Outline Description	Ruins of coastal tower and militia guard room
Property Description	<p>Ghajn Hadid Tower is the first of the thirteen coastal towers erected by Grand Master Martin de Redin in 1658/9. The tower was partially demolished by an earthquake in the course of the middle of the 19th century and only the lower half of the structures is still standing. Surrounding the tower are a small number of rubble wall enclosures which appear to have been used by the garrison to hold their farm animals and vegetable gardens. A small rectangular building, situated a few meters away from the tower appears to have served as a militia guard room. The date of this structure has not as yet been established.</p>

Scheduled by MEPA	Yes	Degree of Protection	Grade 1	G.N. No.	729	G.N. Date	1995
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Recommended Bibliography	<p>S.C. Spiteri, Fortresses of the Cross (Malta,1994), 496</p> <p>S. Mifsud, Ghajn Hadid and L-Ahrax Towers, in MilitaryArchitecture.com at http://www.militaryarchitecture.com/index.php/Fortifications/ghajn-hadid-tower-and-ahrax-tower.html</p>
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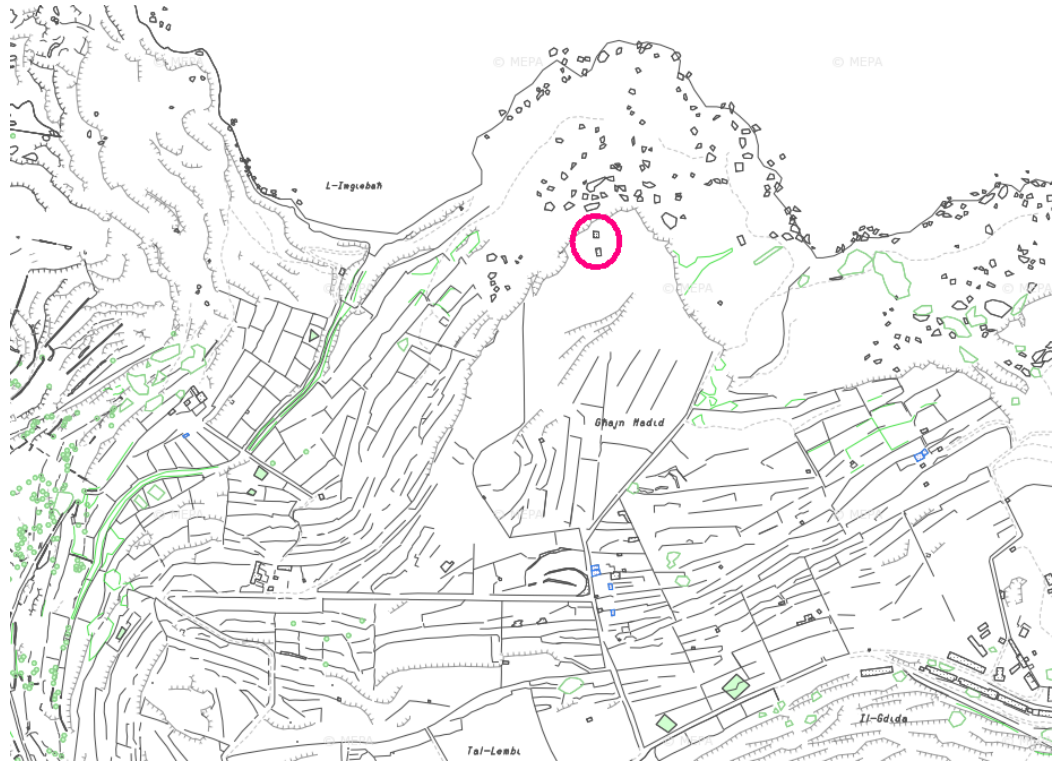
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Property Plan



Property Images

