



SOVRINTENDENZA  
TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI  
SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

# National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

NICPMI Inv. No. 00040

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<b>Property Name</b>	Dwejra Tower				
<b>Address</b>	Triq id-Dwejra				
<b>Town Name</b>	Dwejra	<b>Toponym</b>	Qawra	<b>Local Council</b>	San Lawrenz
<b>Property Owner</b>	Government	<b>Managing Body</b>	Din L-Art Helwa		
<b>Guardianship Deed</b>	Yes				

<b>Period</b>	Modern (16th to 20th Century AD)				
<b>Phase</b>	Early Modern: Knights of St John (1530-1798)				
<b>Cultural Heritage Type &amp; Value</b>	Architectural Historical	<b>Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment</b>	High		
<b>Property Function</b>	Defence	<b>Conservation Area</b>	Not Available		

<b>Outline Description</b>	Coastal Tower built under the reign of Grandmaster Lascaris
<b>Property Description</b>	<p>Dwejra Tower was built in 1652 by Lascaris and funded by the Università of Gozo. Lascaris coastal towers were intended specifically as watch out posts in order to keep coastline under surveillance and to warn approaching vessels.</p> <p>The Dwejra Tower, like similar towers built under Lascaris was about 11m high with a 6mx6m in plan. Internally it consisted of 2 single-roomed floors with external access provided only to upper floor.</p> <p>This Tower was still being used in the 18th Century and during WWII it was used as an observation post.</p> <p>Din l-Art Helwa conducted restoration works on this tower.</p>

<b>Scheduled by MEPA</b>	Yes	<b>Degree of Protection</b>	Grade 1	<b>G.N. No.</b>	729	<b>G.N. Date</b>	1995
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<b>Recommended Bibliography</b>	<p>Spiteri, S.C. (2001) <i>Fortresses of the Knights</i>, Malta: Book Distributors Ltd.</p> <p>Samut-Tagliaferro, A. (1993) <i>The coastal fortifications of Gozo and Comino</i>, Malta: Midsea Publications</p> <p>Coralie, 2011, <i>Dwejra Tower</i>, Gozo, Din L-Art Helwa, accessed 14 March 2012 &lt;<a href="http://dinlarthelwa.org/properties/our-properties/dwejra_tower_gozo">http://dinlarthelwa.org/properties/our-properties/dwejra_tower_gozo</a>&gt;</p>
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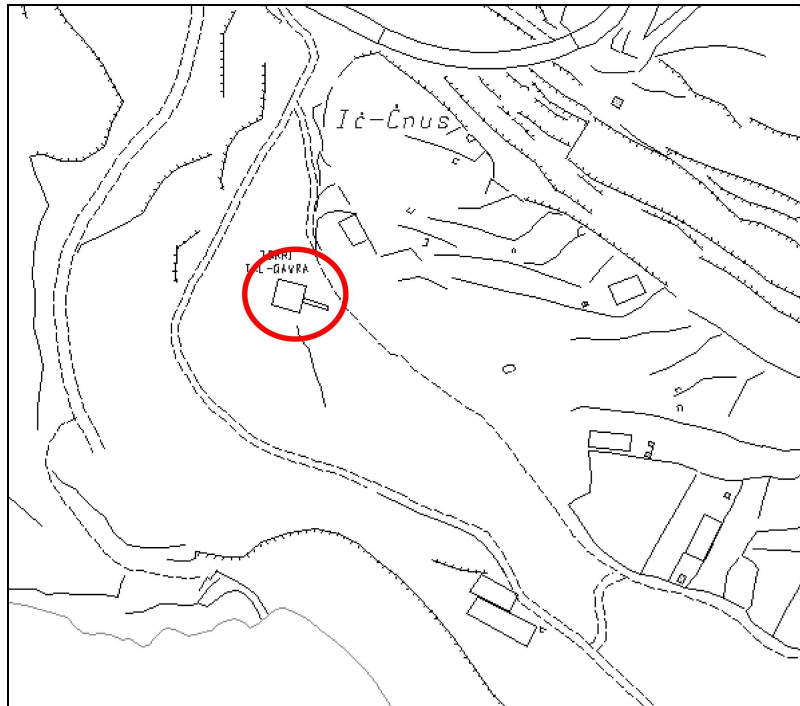
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Property Plan



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