

Autonomous Community / Department / State	MALTA
Town	VALLETTA
Building	Saint John's Co-Cathedral
Adress	
	35.8989085 14.5145528
Protection	
Description	<p>Saint John's Co-Cathedral (Maltese: Kon-Katidral ta' San ?wann) is a Roman Catholic co-cathedral in Valletta, Malta, dedicated to Saint John the Baptist. It was built by the Order of St. John between 1572 and 1577, having been commissioned by Grand Master Jean de la Cassière as the Conventual Church of Saint John (Maltese: Knisja Konventwali ta' San ?wann). The church was designed by the Maltese architect Girolamo Cassar, who designed several of the more prominent buildings in Valletta. In the 17th century, its interior was redecorated in the Baroque style by Mattia Preti and other artists. The interior of the church is considered to be one of the finest examples of high Baroque architecture in Europe.</p> <p>...</p> <p>The cathedral's exterior is built in the Mannerist style typical of its architect Girolamo Cassar. Its façade is rather plain but well-proportioned, being bounded by two large bell towers. The doorway is flanked by Doric columns supporting an open balcony from which the Grand Master used to address the people on important occasions. On the side are also two empty niches. The niches and the columns are a break with the rest of exterior Mannerist architecture.</p> <p>Overall, the exterior is rather austere and it is reminiscent of a fortress,[16] reflecting both Cassar's style as a military engineer as well as the Order's mood in the years following the Great Siege of Malta in 1565. WIKIPEDIA (02-08-2017)</p>
Bells	The bells of St. John's Co Cathedral at Valletta: The 2 Bells Ringing Instant a Peal Those 2 bells is 3rd bell (SI2) and big bell (SOL2) of this cathedral. The mass of big bell is 7000 kg and is 3rd great bell of Malta.
Pictures	5
Current bell ringing	Hand ringing for the main festivities.
Conservation, maintenance	
Proposals	
Authors of the documentation	BUIGUES METOLA, Marcos
Date	21-06-2008

Existing bells

Location	Bell	Bellfounder	Casting year	Diameter (in cm)	Weight
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belfry	Lascaris Bell		1636	120	1001
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