# Msida Bastion Historic Garden

FLORIANA

This beautiful garden was the main Protestant cemetery in Malta for approximately half a century during early Bristish Rule, untill 1856. The burials are mostly of British servicemen, officials and businessmen and their families, some of whose descendants still live in Malta today, as well as some Maltese.

The most famous Maltese buried here was Mikiel Anton Vassalli, known as the father of the Maltese language, who died on 12 January 1829. The monuments which have survived are predominantly in the neoclassical style, and Din l-Art Helwa was awarded the Silver Medal by Europa Nostra in 2002 for its restoration. It is located on St Philip's Bastion in Floriana, further down from the Grand Hotel Excelsior.

# About the Venue

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The large open grassy spaces of this garden lend themselves well to outdoor events. Film festivals, poetry readings, artisan markets and receptions have proved very successful, due to the elegant and unique setting, coupled with breathtaking views of Pieta' and Marsamxett Creeks.

## **Capacity & Facilities**

Reception out in garden up to 250 standing

#### Kitchen Space: Yes

### Toilet: 1

**Parking:** Yes (Sat/Sun and daily by arrangement)

