

MAL007 - II-Migduma

Description

II-Migduma is an artificial dam lake, located in Northern Malta, within Xemxija. The site is easily accessible by the public through a pathway. The dam lake covers an area of approximately 2,011m2. The site is predominantly surrounded by garigue habitat whilst northern region of the artificial dam lake consists of active agricultural land. It is likely that the water collected is being utilised for irrigation purposes due to numerous pipelines within the reservoir. The perimeter of the site was surrounded by different species including, Medicago orbicularis, Prasium majus, Anagallis arvensis, Sedum caeruleum and Erica multiflora. The site makes part Wied il-Mistra watercourse and is not protected by any legislation.

General information

Wetland location:	Inland	
Wetland type:	Artificial	
Natural / Artificial:	Dam lake	
Area (Ha):	0.20	
Hydrological interaction with other wetland:	No -	
Water salinity:	Fresh (< 0.5 g/l)	
Fresh water entry:	Catchment area (precipitation)	
Surface water runoff:	Other	
Open water area (%):	> 95	
Hydroperiod:	Permanent	
Geographic information		
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Island:	Malta	
Local council:	II-Mellieha	
Coordinates (WGS84):	14.378830 E - 35.952130 N	

Biological significance

Biological significance: Low

Ramsar wetland types

Ramsar type Coverage (%) 6 -- Water storage areas; reservoirs/barrages/dams/impoundments (generally over 8 ha)

Property status

Public

Protection statuses & other designations

Ecosystem Services, Activities & Impacts

Ecosystem Services

Type of Ecosystem service	Ecosystem service	Scale of Benefit	Importance	
Provisioning services	Food			
Provisioning services	Fresh water			
Regulatory services	gulatory services Flood hazard regulation			
Regulatory services	Water regulation			

Activities on wetland

Activities	Intensity
020 = Resource conservation	High
110 = Use of pesticides	High
120 = Fertilisation	High
701 = water pollution	High
910 = Silting up	Medium

Activities on drainage basin

Activities	Intensity
100 = Cultivation	High
110 = Use of pesticides	High
120 = Fertilisation	High
130 = Irrigation	High
502 = roads motorways	Medium
701 = water pollution	High
954 = invasion by a species	High

Impacts

Impact type	Intensity
EE- = Increase of economic potential	
ER- = Increase in flow regulation	
ES- = Increase in water supply	
PF- = Fertilizer/Excess nutrient pollution	
PP- = Pesticide pollution	
PU- = Increase of turbidity	

Habitats & Vegetation

Vegetation types

Vegetation type	Coverage (%)
Emergent	5 - 25
Other	26 - 50
Shrubby / Arborescent	5 - 25

Species

Flora

Species	Dominance	Reference
Anagallis arvensis		
Erica multiflora		
Medicago orbicularis		
Prasium majus		
Sedum caeruleum		

References

Representative Image & Map



