

Periodic Report - Second Cycle

1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Archaeological Site of Mystras

1.2 - World Heritage Property Details

State(s) Party(ies)

- Greece

Type of Property

cultural

Identification Number

511

Year of inscription on the World Heritage List

1989


1.3 - Geographic Information Table

Name	Coordinates (latitude/longitude)	Property (ha)	Buffer zone (ha)	Total (ha)	Inscription year
Archaeological Site of Mystras	37.081 / 22.367	54.43	1202.52	1256.95	1989
Total (ha)		54.43	1202.52	1256.95	

Comment

The correct coordinates are: N 37°04'26".320 E 22°21'59".450

1.4 - Map(s)

Title	Date	Link to source
Archaeological site of Mystras, scale 1:50000	14/01/2008	

1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

Comment

Hellenic Ministry of Culture and Sports - 5th Ephorate of Byzantine Antiquities

1.6 - Property Manager / Coordinator, Local Institution / Agency

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Comment

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1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

1. [Prefecture of LACONIA \(Hellenic Ministry of Culture\)](#)

Comment

http://odysseus.culture.gr/h/3/gh351.jsp?obj_id=2397
<http://www.culture.gr/culture/mystras-edu/>

Section II-Archaeological Site of Mystras

1.8 - Other designations / Conventions under which the property is protected (if applicable)

2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Comment

The Draft Retrospective Statement of Outstanding Universal Value for the Archaeological Site of Mystras has been submitted to the World Heritage and is under evaluation.

2.2 - The criteria (2005 revised version) under which the property was inscribed

(ii)(iii)(iv)

2.3 - Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion

Criterion (ii): Mystras constitutes a medieval city whose complex history is clearly inscribed in the series of fortifications, castles and palaces, churches and convents, houses streets, and public squares. In Mystras, one comes across a new, authentic art, which was the fruit of the so-called «Palaeologan Renaissance». Mystras' distinct architecture is influenced by the so-called "Helladic" school of Byzantine architecture as well as the architecture of Constantinople. The painting of churches reflects the quality and the eclecticism of the art of Constantinople with which Mystras had close political and intellectual relations. Elements of the Romanesque and Gothic art are also present as a result of the political and financial relations between the Empire and the West during the 14th and 15th centuries. At the same time the art of Mystras influenced the development of Late Byzantine and Post-byzantine art. The heritage of Mystras is apparent not only in architecture and painting but also in intellectual aspects. Distinguished intellectuals of Mystras (amongst them, Georgios 'Plethon' Ghemistos, the Neoplatonist philosopher) aroused the interest of the West for the interpretation of Platonic philosophy and the study of ancient Greek texts, thus contributing to the European Renaissance. Criterion (iii): Mystras constitutes a unique example of a Byzantine city, an expression of a flourishing urban society. As a political and administrative provincial centre of the Byzantine state, Mystras became a unique intellectual, cultural and artistic centre. Criterion (iv): Mystras constitutes an exceptional example of a well-preserved fortified late-Byzantine city with elaborate land-planning organization, triple fortification with the citadel on the top of the hill and two fortified precincts at the lower level. The urban fabric of the city includes residences and mansions, churches and monasteries, as well as constructions related to the city's water supply and drainage to commercial and craft-based activities. Various architectural types are applied in ecclesiastical architecture but the so-called "mixed type of Mystras" is dominant. The splendid complex of palaces, one of the few surviving Byzantine palaces, the impressive mansions and the urban residences clearly demonstrate the high quality of life of the Mystras' inhabitants.

2.4 - If needed, please provide details of why the Statement of Outstanding Universal Value should be revised

2.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

3. Factors Affecting the Property

3.14. Other factor(s)

3.14.1 - Other factor(s)

3.15. Factors Summary Table

3.15.1 - Factors summary table

Name	Impact	Origin
3.1 Buildings and Development		
3.1.1 Housing		
3.1.4 Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure		
3.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities		
3.2 Transportation Infrastructure		
3.2.1 Ground transport infrastructure		
3.2.4 Effects arising from use of transportation infrastructure		
3.3 Services Infrastructures		
3.3.1 Water infrastructure		
3.6 Physical resource extraction		
3.6.4 Water (extraction)		
3.7 Local conditions affecting physical fabric		
3.7.1 Wind		
3.7.2 Relative humidity		
3.7.6 Water (rain/water table)		
3.8 Social/cultural uses of heritage		
3.8.1 Ritual / spiritual / religious and associative uses		
3.8.6 Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation		
3.11 Sudden ecological or geological events		
3.11.2 Earthquake		
3.11.5 Erosion and siltation/ deposition		
3.11.6 Fire (wildfires)		
3.13 Management and institutional factors		
3.13.1 Low impact research / monitoring activities		
3.13.2 High impact research / monitoring activities		
3.13.3 Management activities		
Legend	Current	Potential
	Negative	Positive
	Inside	Outside

3.16. Assessment of current negative factors

3.16.1 - Assessment of current negative factors

	Spatial scale	Temporal scale	Impact	Management response	Trend
3.7 Local conditions affecting physical fabric					
3.7.1 Wind	restricted	one off or rare	insignificant	high capacity	static
3.7.2 Relative humidity	localised	frequent	insignificant	high capacity	static
3.7.6 Water (rain/water table)	localised	intermittent or sporadic	insignificant	high capacity	static

3.17. Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to factors affecting the property

3.17.1 - Comments

The 5th Ephorate of Byzantine Antiquities has taken all the necessary measures to neutralize or minimize any possible negative effects on the property.

4. Protection, Management and Monitoring of the Property

4.1. Boundaries and Buffer Zones

4.1.1 - Buffer zone status

There is a buffer zone

4.1.2 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.1.3 - Are the buffer zone(s) of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.1.4 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property known?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are known by both the management authority and local residents / communities / landowners.

4.1.5 - Are the buffer zones of the World Heritage property known?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property are **known** by both the management authority and local residents / communities / landowners.

4.1.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to boundaries and buffer zones of the World Heritage property

4.2. Protective Measures

4.2.1 - Protective designation (legal, regulatory, contractual, planning, institutional and / or traditional)

The Archaeological Site of Mystras, as all movable and immovable monuments, archaeological sites and the cultural heritage of Greece in general, from ancient to contemporary ones, are protected by the Law 3028/2002 «On the Protection of Antiquities and Cultural Heritage in general». Furthermore, the 5th Ephorate has proceeded with the designation and delimitation of the boundaries of the Archaeological Site of Mystras (Ministry of Culture Decision 24700/744/9.5.2001) in order to achieve a more effective protection of the site. The designated Archaeological Site has been extended (Ministry of Culture Decision 24700/744/9.5.2001 Government Gazette 626/τ. Β'/25.5.2001). The Archaeological Site

includes the medieval residential complex of Mystras and the historically and archaeologically documented surrounding landscape, including an important number of monuments and traditional settlements.

The 5th Ephorate has submitted a proposal to the Central Archaeological Council, for the delimitation of a zone where building construction is prohibited (zone A) and of a zone having specific building and land use restrictions (zone B). The existing protection arrangements are considered sufficiently effective.

Periodic Reporting Cycle 1 (2001-2006) Section 2

Source: [Periodic Reporting Cycle 1 \(2001-2006\)](#)

Submitted on Tuesday, October 25, 2005

• Question 6.02

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4.2.2 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides **an adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection

4.2.3 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides **an adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection

4.2.4 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the area surrounding the World Heritage property and the buffer zone provides **an adequate**

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or **better basis** for effective management and protection of the property, contributing to the maintenance of its Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity

4.2.5 - Can the legislative framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) be enforced?

There is **excellent** capacity / resources to enforce legislation and / or regulation in the World Heritage property

4.2.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to protective measures

4.3. Management System / Management Plan

4.3.1 - Management System

The Committee for the Restoration of the Monuments of Mystras was set up in September 1984 and has been operational ever since. It comes under the Credit Management Fund for the Execution of Archaeological Projects. The Committee has hired specialist staff, with the objective to have funds drawn in for the site; the funds, under the management of the Committee, will be allocated to the execution of works in the site of Mystras. The Committee has the jurisdiction to carry out restoration works in the monuments of Mystras, and to enhance the Archaeological Site.

The responsibilities of the Site Manager have been added to an existing job.

The management and protection of monuments and archaeological sites in Greece is not based on an actual management plan. Greece has a system of protection, which is administered centrally by the Ministry of Culture through its regional services. The Ministry of Culture is the competent body supervising the sites and overseeing all works carried out. As far as the safeguarding of cultural and natural heritage is concerned, there are cases where other competent bodies besides the Ministry of Culture are involved. The Ministry of Culture sets out the guidelines and the general policy for the management of the monuments and sites, which is then implemented by the competent Ephorates.

The current management system is considered sufficiently effective.

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• Question 5.02

Steering group or similar management committee has been set up to guide the management of the site

• Question 5.03

Set up date: 1984

Function: The Committee for the Restoration of the Monuments of Mystras was set up in September 1984 and has been operational ever since. It comes under the Credit Management Fund for the Execution of Archaeological Projects. The Committee has hired specialized staff (archaeologists, architects, accountants, designers, craftsmen etc.), with the objective to have funds drawn in for the site; the funds, under the management of the Committee, will be allocated to the execution of works in the site of Mystras.

Mandate: The Committee is exclusively involved in the Archaeological Site of Mystras. It has the jurisdiction to carry out restoration works in the monuments of Mystras, and to enhance the Archaeological Site.

Constituted: legal

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• Question 5.05

- Overall management system of the site
- Management by the State Party
 - Management under protective legislation

Comment

The “Credit Management Fund for the Execution of Archaeological Projects”, which was responsible for the administration of the funds, was repealed by the Law 4109/2013 (Government Gazette 16/ A/ 23-1-2013) and the Committee for the Restoration of the Monuments of Mystras is now supervised by the Directorate of Byzantine and Post-Byzantine Antiquities of the Ministry of Culture and Sports.

4.3.2 - Management Documents

4.3.3 - How well do the various levels of administration (i.e. national / federal; regional / provincial / state; local / municipal etc.) coordinate in the management of the World Heritage Property ?

There is **excellent coordination** between all bodies / levels involved in the management of the property

4.3.4 - Is the management system / plan adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value ?

The management system / plan is **fully adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.3.5 - Is the management system being implemented?

The management system is being **fully** implemented and monitored

4.3.6 - Is there an annual work / action plan and is it being implemented?

An annual work / action plan exists and **most or all activities** are being implemented and monitored

4.3.7 - Please rate the cooperation / relationship with World Heritage property managers / coordinators / staff of the following

Local communities / residents	Fair
Local / Municipal authorities	Good
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	Fair
Visitors	Good
Researchers	Good
Tourism industry	Good
Industry	Fair

4.3.8 - If present, do local communities resident in or near the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone have input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

Local communities have **no input** into decisions relating to the management

4.3.9 - If present, do indigenous peoples resident in or regularly using the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone have input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

No indigenous peoples are resident in or regularly using the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone

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4.3.10 - Is there cooperation with industry (i.e. forestry, mining, agriculture, etc.) regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone?

There is contact but only **some cooperation** with industry regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone

4.3.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

4.3.12 - Please report any significant changes in the legal status and / or contractual / traditional protective measures and management arrangements for the World Heritage property since inscription or the last Periodic report

The "Credit Management Fund for the Execution of Archaeological Projects", which was responsible for the administration of the funds, was repealed by the Law 4109/2013 (Government Gazette 16/ A/ 23-1-2013) and the Committee for the Restoration of the Monuments of Mystras is now supervised by the Directorate of Byzantine and Post-Byzantine Antiquities of the Ministry of Culture and Sports.

4.4. Financial and Human Resources

4.4.1 - Costs related to conservation, based on the average of last five years (relative percentage of the funding sources)

Multilateral funding (GEF, World Bank, etc)	70%
International donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	
Governmental (National / Federal)	30%
Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State)	
Governmental (Local / Municipal)	
In country donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	
Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, parking, camping fees, etc.)	
Commercial operator payments (e.g. filming permit, concessions, etc.)	
Other grants	

4.4.2 - International Assistance received from the World Heritage Fund (USD)

4.4.3 - Is the current budget sufficient to manage the World Heritage property effectively?

The available budget is **acceptable** but could be further improved to fully meet the management needs

4.4.4 - Are the existing sources of funding secure and likely to remain so?

The existing sources of funding **are secure** in the medium-term and planning is underway to secure funding in the long-term

4.4.5 - Does the World Heritage property provide economic benefits to local communities (e.g. income, employment)?

There is a **major flow** of economic benefits to local communities from activities in and around the World Heritage property

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4.4.6 - Are available resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure sufficient to meet management needs?

There are **adequate** equipment and facilities

4.4.7 - Are resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure adequately maintained?

Equipment and facilities are **well maintained**

4.4.8 - Comments, conclusion, and / or recommendations related to finance and infrastructure

4.4.1.7 and 4.4.1.8: Revenues from tickets as well as from commercial operator payments are collected by the Archaeological Receipts Fund (T.A.P.), a public jurisdiction legal entity under the auspices of the Ministry of Culture & Sports, and they are redistributed to the archaeological sites and museums of the country according to their needs. Therefore, such revenues are subject to centralized administration and for that reason it is not possible to estimate their contribution to the total funding of each property

4.4.9 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Full-time	100%
Part-time	

4.4.10 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Permanent	60%
Seasonal	40%

4.4.11 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Paid	100%
Volunteer	

4.4.12 - Are available human resources adequate to manage the World Heritage property?

Human resources are **adequate** for management needs

4.4.13 - Considering the management needs of the World Heritage property, please rate the availability of professionals in the following disciplines

Research and monitoring	Good
Promotion	Fair
Community outreach	Fair
Interpretation	Fair
Education	Fair
Visitor management	Fair
Conservation	Good
Administration	Good
Risk preparedness	Fair
Tourism	Fair
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Fair

4.4.14 - Please rate the availability of training opportunities for the management of the World Heritage property in the following disciplines

Research and monitoring	High
Promotion	Medium
Community outreach	Medium

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Interpretation	High
Education	High
Visitor management	Medium
Conservation	High
Administration	High
Risk preparedness	Medium
Tourism	Medium
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Medium

4.4.15 - Do the management and conservation programmes at the World Heritage property help develop local expertise?

A capacity development plan or programme is **in place and fully implemented**; all technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally, who are assuming leadership in management

4.4.16 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

4.4.15: None of the 4 answers fully reflects the property's current situation. However, 4.4.15.4 is closer to the current status, since constant care for transferring technical skills among the personnel exists at a permanent basis, although there is no specific capacity development plan or programme.

4.5. Scientific Studies and Research Projects

4.5.1 - Is there adequate knowledge (scientific or traditional) about the values of the World Heritage property to support planning, management and decision-making to ensure that Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Knowledge about the values of the World Heritage property is **sufficient**

4.5.2 - Is there a planned programme of research at the property which is directed towards management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value?

There is a **comprehensive, integrated programme of research**, which is relevant to management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

4.5.3 - Are results from research programmes disseminated?

Research results are **shared widely** with the local, national and international audiences

4.5.4 - Please provide details (i.e. authors, title, and web link) of papers published about the World Heritage property since the last Periodic Report

1. Στ. Σίνος (επ. επιμ.), Τα μνημεία του Μυστρά, 2009 2. Στ. Σίνος, Η αρχιτεκτονική του καθολικού της Μονής της Παντάνασσας του Μυστρά, 2013 3. Μ. Ασπρά-Βαρδαβάκη-Μ. Εμμανουήλ, Η μονή της Παντάνασσας στον Μυστρά, 2005 4. Ρ. Ετζέογλου, Ο ναός της Οδηγήτριας του Βροντοχίου στο Μυστρά, 2013 5. Sh. Gerstel (ed.), Viewing the Morea. Land and People in the Late medieval Peloponnese, 2013

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4.5.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to scientific studies and research projects

4.6. Education, Information and Awareness Building

4.6.1 - At how many locations is the World Heritage emblem displayed at the property?

In **many locations and easily visible** to visitors

4.6.2 - Please rate the awareness and understanding of the existence and justification for inscription of the World Heritage property amongst the following groups

Local communities / residents	Average
Local / Municipal authorities within or adjacent to the property	Excellent
Local Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Local landowners	Average
Visitors	Excellent
Tourism industry	Excellent
Local businesses and industries	Average

4.6.3 - Is there a planned education and awareness programme linked to the values and management of the World Heritage property?

There is a **planned and effective** education and awareness programme that contributes to the protection of the World Heritage property

4.6.4 - What role, if any, has designation as a World Heritage property played with respect to education, information and awareness building activities?

World Heritage status has been an **important influence** on education, information and awareness building activities

4.6.5 - How well is the information on Outstanding Universal Value of the property presented and interpreted?

There is **excellent presentation and interpretation** of the Outstanding Universal Value of the property

4.6.6 - Please rate the adequacy for education, information and awareness building of the following visitor facilities and services at the World Heritage property

Visitor centre	Poor
Site museum	Excellent
Information booths	Not provided but needed
Guided tours	Excellent
Trails / routes	Excellent
Information materials	Excellent
Transportation facilities	Excellent
Other	

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4.6.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to education, information and awareness building

4.7. Visitor Management

4.7.1 - Please provide the trend in annual visitation for the last five years

Last year	Minor Increase
Two years ago	Decreasing
Three years ago	Static
Four years ago	Decreasing
Five years ago	Static

4.7.2 - What information sources are used to collect trend data on visitor statistics?

Entry tickets and registries

4.7.3 - Visitor management documents

4.7.4 - Is there an appropriate visitor use management plan (e.g. specific plan) for the World Heritage property which ensures that its Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Visitor use of the World Heritage property is managed but **improvements could be made**

4.7.5 - Does the tourism industry contribute to improving visitor experiences and maintaining the values of the World Heritage property?

There is **limited co-operation** between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry to present the Outstanding Universal Value and increase appreciation

4.7.6 - If fees (i.e. entry charges, permits) are collected, do they contribute to the management of the World Heritage property?

The fee is collected, and makes **some contribution** to the management of the World Heritage property

4.7.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to visitor use of the World Heritage property

4.8. Monitoring

4.8.1 - Is there a monitoring programme at the property which is directed towards management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value?

There is a **comprehensive, integrated programme** of monitoring, which is relevant to management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

4.8.2 - Are key indicators for measuring the state of conservation used to monitor how the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is maintained?

Information on the values of the World Heritage property is sufficient and key indicators have been defined but **monitoring the status of indicators could be improved**

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4.8.3 - Please rate the level of involvement in monitoring of the following groups

World Heritage managers / coordinators and staff	Excellent
Local / Municipal authorities	Poor
Local communities	Non-existent
Researchers	Excellent
NGOs	Non-existent
Industry	Non-existent
Local indigenous peoples	Not applicable

4.8.4 - Has the State Party implemented relevant recommendations arising from the World Heritage Committee?

No relevant Committee recommendations to implement

4.8.5 - Please provide comments relevant to the implementation of recommendations from the World Heritage Committee

4.8.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to monitoring

4.8.3.2: The local municipal authority is involved in the monitoring of the buffer zone of the property only.

4.9. Identification of Priority Management Needs

4.9.1 - Please select the top 6 managements needs for the property (if more than 6 are listed below)

Please refer to question 5.2

5. Summary and Conclusions

5.1. Summary - Factors affecting the Property

5.1.1 - Summary - Factors affecting the Property

	World Heritage criteria and attributes affected	Actions	Monitoring	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment
3.7	Local conditions affecting physical fabric					
3.7.1	Wind	Wind does not affect the attributes of the property.	Relevant studies are being elaborated and conservation projects are being implemented.	On going	Continuously	5th Ephorate of Byzantine Antiquities, Committee for the restoration of the monuments of Mystras
3.7.2	Relative humidity	Relative humidity does not affect the attributes of the property	Conservation works are being executed	Continuous	On going	5th Ephorate of Byzantine Antiquities, Committee for the restoration of the monuments of Mystras
3.7.6	Water (rain/water table)	Rain table does not affect the attributes of the property	Conservation projects are being undertaken	On going	Continuous	5th Ephorate of Byzantine Antiquities, Committee for the restoration of the monuments of Mystras

5.2. Summary - Management Needs

5.2.2 - Summary - Management Needs

Answers provided have not outlined any serious management need.

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5.3. Conclusions on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.3.1 - Current state of Authenticity

The authenticity of the World Heritage property has been **preserved**

5.3.2 - Current state of Integrity

The integrity of the World Heritage property is **intact**

5.3.3 - Current state of the World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value

The World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value has been **maintained**.

5.3.4 - Current state of the property's other values

Other important cultural and / or natural values and the state of conservation of the World Heritage property are **predominantly intact**

5.4. Additional comments on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.4.1 - Comments

6. World Heritage Status and Conclusions on Periodic Reporting Exercise

6.1 - Please rate the impacts of World Heritage status of the property in relation to the following areas

Conservation	Positive
Research and monitoring	Positive
Management effectiveness	Positive
Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples	Very positive
Recognition	Very positive
Education	Positive
Infrastructure development	Positive
Funding for the property	Positive
International cooperation	Positive
Political support for conservation	Positive
Legal / Policy framework	No impact
Lobbying	Positive
Institutional coordination	Positive
Security	Positive
Other (please specify)	Not applicable

6.2 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to World Heritage status

6.3 - Entities involved in the preparation of this Section of the Periodic Report

Governmental institution responsible for the property
Site Manager/Coordinator/World Heritage property staff

6.4 - Was the Periodic Reporting questionnaire easy to use and clearly understandable?

yes

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6.5 - Please provide suggestions for improvement of the Periodic Reporting questionnaire

6.6 - Please rate the level of support for completing the Periodic Report questionnaire from the following entities

UNESCO	Very good
State Party Representative	Very good
Advisory Body	Fair

6.7 - How accessible was the information required to complete the Periodic Report?

All required information was accessible

6.8 - The Periodic Reporting process has improved the understanding of the following

The concept of Outstanding Universal Value
The concept of Integrity and / or Authenticity
Monitoring and reporting

6.9 - Please rate the follow-up to conclusions and recommendations from previous Periodic Reporting exercise by the following entities

UNESCO	Excellent
State Party	Excellent
Site Managers	Excellent
Advisory Bodies	Not Applicable

6.10 - Summary of actions that will require formal consideration by the World Heritage Committee

- **Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance**

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- **Geographic Information Table**

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6.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to the Assessment of the Periodic Reporting exercise