

## 1. World Heritage Property Data

### 1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Ville historique de Sukhothai et villes historiques associées

### 1.2 - World Heritage Property Details

#### State(s) Party(ies)

- Thaïlande

#### Type of Property

culturel

#### Identification Number

574




#### Year of inscription on the World Heritage List

1991

### 1.3 - Geographic Information Table

Name	Coordinates	Property (ha)	Buffer zone (ha)	Total (ha)	Inscription year
	0 / 0	?	?	?	
	0 / 0	?	?	?	
	0 / 0	?	?	?	
	0 / 0	?	?	?	
Sukhothai Historical Park , Thailand	17.007 / 99.79	7000	?	7000	1991
Si Satchanalai Historical Park , Thailand	17.524 / 99.787	4514	?	4514	1991
Kamphaeng Phet Historical Park , Thailand	16.467 / 99.5	338	?	338	1991
<b>Total (ha)</b>		<b>11852</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11852</b>	

### 1.4 - Map(s)

Title	Date	Link to source
Map of Sukhothai	28/09/1991	
Map of Satchanalai	28/09/1991	
Map of Kamphaeng Phet	28/09/1991	

### 1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

### 1.6 - Property Manager / Coordinator, Local Institution / Agency

- The Director  
The 6th Regional Office of Fine Arts, Sukhothai

#### Comment

The 6th Regional Office of Fine Arts, Sukhothai The Director  
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### 1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

1. [Patrimonium-mundi.org](http://Patrimonium-mundi.org) : visitez les sites en panophotographies, des images sphériques immersives et interactives
2. [Découvrez les photos de OUR PLACE the World Heritage Collection](http://Découvrez les photos de OUR PLACE the World Heritage Collection)
3. [Office National du Tourisme de Thaïlande](http://Office National du Tourisme de Thaïlande)

4. [Sukhothai, Si Satchanalai and Kamphaeng Phet website \(Thai Fine Arts Department\)](http://Sukhothai, Si Satchanalai and Kamphaeng Phet website (Thai Fine Arts Department))

#### Comment

1. <http://www.finearts.go.th>
2. [http://www.finearts.go.th/sukhothai\\_historicalpark](http://www.finearts.go.th/sukhothai_historicalpark)
3. [http://www.finearts.go.th/sisatchanalai\\_historicalpark](http://www.finearts.go.th/sisatchanalai_historicalpark)
4. [http://www.finearts.go.th/kamphaengphet\\_historicalpark](http://www.finearts.go.th/kamphaengphet_historicalpark)
5. <http://www.thaiwhc.go.th>
6. [http://www.archae.go.th/website/htm/world\\_heritage.htm](http://www.archae.go.th/website/htm/world_heritage.htm)
7. <http://www.world-heritage-tour.org/asia/southeast-asia/thailand/sukhothai/map.html>
8. <http://www.ourplaceworldheritage.com/custom.cfm?action=WHsite&whsiteid=574>

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

#### Comment

1. The Venice Charter (1964)
2. The convention for the protection of world cultural and natural heritage (1972)
3. The Florence Charter on Historic Gardens (1982)
4. The Washington Charter on the Conservation of Historic Towns and Areas (1987)

## 2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

### 2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

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

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### 2.3 - Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion

### 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)

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### 3.15. Factors Summary Table

#### 3.15.1 - Factors summary table

Name	Impact	Origin				
<b>3.1</b>	<b>Buildings and Development</b>					
3.1.1 Housing	   					
3.1.2 Commercial development	   					
3.1.4 Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure	   					
3.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities	   					
<b>3.2</b>	<b>Transportation Infrastructure</b>					
3.2.1 Ground transport infrastructure	   					
3.2.2 Air transport infrastructure	   					
<b>3.3</b>	<b>Services Infrastructures</b>					
3.3.1 Water infrastructure	   					
3.3.4 Localised utilities	   					
<b>3.5</b>	<b>Biological resource use/modification</b>					
3.5.3 Land conversion	   					
3.5.7 Subsistence wild plant collection	   					
<b>3.8</b>	<b>Social/cultural uses of heritage</b>					
3.8.1 Ritual / spiritual / religious and associative uses	   					
3.8.2 Society's valuing of heritage	   					
3.8.3 Indigenous hunting, gathering and collecting	   					
3.8.4 Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge system	   					
3.8.5 Identity, social cohesion, changes in local population and community	   					
3.8.6 Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation	   					
<b>3.13</b>	<b>Management and institutional factors</b>					
3.13.1 Low impact research / monitoring activities	   					
3.13.3 Management activities	   					
<b>Legend</b>	 Current	 Potential	 Negative	 Positive	 Inside	 Outside

### 3.16. Assessment of current negative factors

#### 3.16.1 - Assessment of current negative factors

No factor is both current and negative.

**Comment**

- The Act on Ancient Monuments, Antiques, Objects of Art and National Museums B.E. 2504 (1961) as amended by Act(No.2) B.E.2535 (1992) - The Ratchaphatsadu Land Act B.E.2518(1975) - The Urban Planning Act B.E. 2518(1975) - The Building Control Act B.E. 2522 as amended by Act(No.2) B.E. 2535(1992) - Land Code B.E. 2497 - Regulations of the Fine Arts Department Concerning the Conservation of Monuments B.E. 2528 - The enhancement and conservation of national environmental quality act B.E.2535

**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 property had **no buffer zone** at the time of inscription on the World Heritage List

**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 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**

**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

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

**3.17.1 - Comments**

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**4. Protection, Management and Monitoring of the Property**

**4.1. Boundaries and Buffer Zones**

**4.1.1 - Buffer zone status**

There is **no buffer zone**, and it is not needed

**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 property had **no buffer zone** at the time of its inscription on the World Heritage List

**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 property had **no buffer zone** at the time of its inscription on the World Heritage List

**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 historic town of Sukhothai and associated historic towns are protected by various national laws as follows:

- The Act on Ancient Monuments, Antiques, Objects of Art and National Museums B.E. 2504 (1961) and the Amended Act on Ancient Monuments, Antiques, Objects of Art and National Museums B.E. 2535 (1992)
- The Ratchaphatsadu Land Act B.E. 2518
- The Urban Planning Act B.E. 2518
- The Building Control Act B.E. 2522
- Land Code B.E. 2497
- Regulations of the Fine Arts Department Concerning the Conservation of Monuments B.E. 2528

**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	Fair
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	Not applicable
Visitors	Good
Researchers	Good
Tourism industry	Good
Industry	Not applicable

**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 **some input** into discussions relating to management but no direct role in 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

**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 **little or no contact** 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

**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)	
International donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	
Governmental (National / Federal)	90%
Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State)	5%
Governmental (Local / Municipal)	
In country donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	
Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, parking, camping fees, etc.)	5%
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

**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?**

There is **basic** maintenance of equipment and facilities

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

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

Full-time	100%
Part-time	0%

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

Permanent	100%
Seasonal	0%

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

Paid	100%
Volunteer	0%

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

A range of human resources exist, but these are **below optimum** to manage the World Heritage Property.

**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	Fair
Promotion	Fair
Community outreach	Fair
Interpretation	Fair
Education	Fair
Visitor management	Fair
Conservation	Fair
Administration	Fair
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	Medium
Promotion	Medium
Community outreach	Medium
Interpretation	Medium
Education	Medium
Visitor management	Medium
Conservation	Medium
Administration	Medium
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 **partially implemented**; some technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally **but most of the technical work is carried out by external staff**

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

**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** for most key areas **but there are gaps**

**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 **considerable** research but it is **not directed** towards management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

**4.5.3 - Are results from research programmes disseminated?**

Research results are **shared with local participants and some national agencies**

**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**

The reconstruction of ancient monuments in Sukhothai , Si Satchanalai and Kamphaeng Phet historical parks by Prof.Dr.Santi Leksukhoom , et al (2008)

**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	Not applicable
Visitors	Excellent
Tourism industry	Excellent
Local businesses and industries	Excellent

**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 education and awareness programme but it only **partly meets the needs** and could be improved

**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?**

The Outstanding Universal Value of the property is adequately presented and interpreted **but improvements could be made**

**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	Adequate
Site museum	Adequate
Information booths	Adequate
Guided tours	Excellent
Trails / routes	Excellent
Information materials	Adequate
Transportation facilities	Adequate
Other	Not needed

**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	Static
Three years ago	Minor Increase
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 **effectively managed** and does not impact its Outstanding Universal Value

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

There is **excellent 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 considerable monitoring but it is **not directed towards 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**

**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	Average
Local communities	Average
Researchers	Excellent
NGOs	Average
Industry	Average
Local indigenous peoples	Non-existent

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

Implementation is **underway**

**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**

**4.9. 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**

No factor is both current and negative.

**5.2. Summary - Management Needs**

**5.2.2 - Summary - Management Needs**

4.3 Management System / Management Plan					
		Actions	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment
4.3.10	There is little or no contact with industry regarding management	x	x	x	No industry in the property area.



### 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	No impact
Management effectiveness	Positive
Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples	Positive
Recognition	Positive
Education	Positive
Infrastructure development	Positive
Funding for the property	Positive
International cooperation	Positive
Political support for conservation	Positive
Legal / Policy framework	Positive
Lobbying	Not applicable
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

### 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	Good
State Party Representative	Very good
Advisory Body	Good

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

Most of the required information was accessible

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

The World Heritage Convention
The concept of Outstanding Universal Value
The property's Outstanding Universal Value
The concept of Integrity and / or Authenticity
The property's Integrity and / or Authenticity
Managing the property to maintain the Outstanding Universal Value
Monitoring and reporting
Management effectiveness

### 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	Satisfactory

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

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