

WHV - Conservation de la biodiversité et des habitats

Niokolo-Koba National Park, Senegal

Natural property inscribed on the List of World 15/06/2018 – 05/08/2018 Heritage in danger since 1981

Located in a well-watered area along the banks of the Gambia river, the gallery forests and savannahs of Niokolo-Koba National Park have a very rich fauna, among them Derby elands (largest of the antelopes), chimpanzees, lions, leopards and a large population of elephants, as well as many birds, reptiles and amphibians.

Project objectives:

The project aims to inform the local communities and international visitors about the threats affecting the national park and the importance of biodiversity. The project intends to engage the volunteers in the protection and preservation of natural heritage.

Project activities:

The volunteers will be involved in organising various actions, such as public debates, community visits, and exhibitions to raise public awareness regarding the significance of biodiversity and the need to preserve and protect natural resources. Trained by the site management authorities, the volunteers will learn tree-planting techniques and plant over 400 trees in 4 villages surrounding the park. They will also monitor ponds' wildlife by documenting, mapping and identifying vumnerable species present on the site, and will afterwards intervene on the rehabilitation of the ponds. The volunteers will also work on the maintenance of signposts and create new ones within the park.

Partners:

Association des guides du Niokolo Koba, Association des maires, Association des amis de la nature, ASC des jeunes

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