

WHV – Maasai Mara National Reserve

The African Great Rift Valley - The Maasai Mara, Kenya

Site inscribed on the Tentative List since 2010

01/07/2019 – 15/07/2019



The National Reserve is Kenya's most visited protected area, world famous for its high density of herbivores and predators, and the annual migration of the Wildebeest, *Connochaetes taurinus*.

Project objectives:

The project's objective is to unite both local and international communities in an effort to conserve, protect and rehabilitate the Maasai Mara National Reserve through youth volunteer action camps and cross-border exchanges. Hence, the collaborative effort aims to achieve better maintained biodiversity and a more sustainable environment where humans and the natural world can coexist.

Project activities:

Volunteers will participate in various activities aimed at forging bonds between the local community; classroom programmes will be accessible to the locals so that they can learn more about World Heritage sites and how to contribute to their protection. They will also have the opportunity to better develop their English communicational skills, giving them more flexibility to promote their own sites among the international community. Regarding the more hands-on activities, volunteers will plant trees, assist local hospitals, and carry out renovation and environmental work in Maasai Mara's communities in order to revitalize the local communities.

Partners:

Mara Lion and Wildlife Conservation, Friends of Conservation, Mara Youth Community Centre, Maasai Mara Conservancy, Narok Country Council.

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