

## WHV – Rwenzori Mountains National Park

### Rwenzori Mountains National Park, Uganda

Natural property inscribed on the World  
Heritage List in 1994

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The Rwenzori Mountains National Park covers nearly 100,000 ha in western Uganda and comprises the main part of the Rwenzori mountain chain, which includes Africa's third highest peak (Mount Margherita: 5,109 m). The region's glaciers, waterfalls and lakes make it one of Africa's most beautiful alpine areas. The park has many natural habitats of endangered species, and a rich and unusual flora comprising, among other species, the giant heather.

#### **Project objectives:**

The project aims to raise awareness of World Heritage and mobilize young people and local communities to be actively engaged in the preservation and promotion of the site, as well as to provide hands-on skills to the participants.

#### **Project activities:**

The volunteers will participate in awareness-raising activities of various cultural forms, such as theatre, musical shows, films, exhibitions, etc., with the objective of mobilizing the local communities to get involved in the promotion of World Heritage and inspiring them to take preservation initiatives. They will also help develop non-formal education training kits for schools and promotional materials. Together with local youth, the volunteers will plant crops and build gardens around the site to prevent animals from crossing, and will gain practical skills and knowledge on preservation of endangered species.

#### **Partners:**

Uganda Wildlife Authority, Wildlife Clubs of Uganda, Association of Secondary School Headteachers of Uganda, local authorities.

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