

WHV – Volunteers for Stari Grad Plain

Stari Grad Plain, Croatia

Cultural property inscribed on the World
Heritage List in 2008

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Stari Grad Plain is a cultural landscape that has been under the UNESCO protection since 2008. It features remains of the material culture from different historical periods (ancient history, antiquity and the Middle Ages), ethnographic heritage (small stone shelters and other elements required for agricultural production) and dry stone walls used for partitioning of the land, the origins of which go as far as colonisation by the Greeks, to Roman rule, the Middle Ages up to the present day. The entire area remained almost intact because it has been intensively used for agricultural activities (planting Mediterranean cultures, olives and grapes, and breeding of stock). The intensive life in the field and its basic economic activities have remained unchanged in the past twenty-four centuries. Stari Grad Plain, the most preserved site on the Mediterranean, bears testimony to the ancient system of land division used by the ancient Greeks, and has a long agricultural activity and was recognised by UNESCO and put under its protection.

Project objectives:

Through the action camp, the young volunteers will actively participate in the restoration of heritage inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List, participate in local community development, learn about old crafts and tools, develop awareness about heritage conservation and learn about local history and cultural heritage. The action camp shall serve as an example to the local community and show them how to protect and preserve heritage.

Partners:

Directorate for the Protection of Cultural Heritage; Croatian National Commission for UNESCO; NGO Dragodid.

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