

# WHV – Parks and Gardens of Classical Weimar

## Classical Weimar, Germany

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In the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, the small Thuringian town of Weimar witnessed a remarkable cultural blossoming, attracting many writers and scholars, notably Goethe and Schiller. This is reflected in the high quality of many of the buildings and parks in the surrounding area.

### Project objectives:

Classical Weimar comprises eleven separate buildings or ensembles. The project will take place at four of them: Park on the Ilm, Belvedere Park, Tiefurt Park and Eppersburg Park. The project combines preservation and protection activities at the site with an educational part on the sustainable management of natural and cultural heritage and a promotional part about World Heritage.

### Project activities:

The project will support the revitalization of abandoned parts of Belvedere Park, in particular, of the former kitchen garden. The dry stone walls, as the formative element of the garden, are in ruins and will be restored. The walls will be documented, the fallen stones collected, their original places determined, smaller areas will be restored and the cap stones will be placed back. The works will be guided by a bricklayer specialized in traditional techniques.

Another part of the group will carry out maintenance works in the site's other parks and gardens, thus supporting Weimar Classic Foundation in works that can be undertaken only manually, such as cutting long-grass meadows on slopes. The volunteers will also learn about the different parks and gardens of the World Heritage site and the challenges in managing them.

There will also be lectures and guided tours, and a presentation on volunteers' home countries' World Heritage sites.

### Partners:

Weimar Classic Foundation; Weimar-Jena-Academy; Thuringian Green League.