

# WHV - Temple and Cemetery of Confucius and the Kong Family Mansion in Qufu

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Cultural property inscribed on the World Heritage List since 1994

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(dates tbc)



Located in Qufu City, the birthplace of renowned and revered philosopher, politician and educator Confucius, the Temple of Confucius was first built in 478 BC. Destroyed and reconstructed over the centuries, it now covers 14 hectares, with 104 buildings and over 1,250 ancient trees. It is the prototype and model for all Confucius temples in East Asia and Southeast Asia, particularly in terms of layout and style.

### Project objectives:

The project, organized for the eighth time at this property, aims at stimulating the inclusion of volunteers as valuable actors in the site's management plan, offering a space for young people's participation and contribution, raising awareness about the preservation of Confucius birthplace and the importance of the Chinese traditional culture it symbolizes.

### Project activities:

The volunteers will perform manual work at the property to improve its environment, like cutting the grass and trimming the tree branches around the inscribed monuments and cleaning and painting some of the damaged parts. They will also survey and sensitize the tourists about Confucius philosophy and will have the opportunity to learn and share with them, traditional sculpture and rubbing arts skills.

### Partners:

Qufu City Cultural Relics Bureau, The Confucius Culture Education and Training Center in Qufu.

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