

WHV – Parks and Gardens of Classical Weimar

Classical Weimar, Germany

Cultural property inscribed on the List of World
Heritage since 1998

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In the late 18th and early 19th centuries, the small Thuringian town of Weimar witnessed a remarkable cultural flowering, attracting many writers and scholars, notably Goethe and Schiller. This development is reflected in the high quality of many of the buildings and of the parks in the surrounding area.

Project objectives:

The project aims at preserving and protecting the World Heritage site with an educational part aiming to sustainable management of natural and cultural heritage and a promotional part about World Heritage. The project will take place at four of the historical parks that compose "Classical Weimar".

Project activities:

The volunteers will support the revitalisation of abandoned parts of Belvedere Park, of the former kitchen garden as the dry-stone walls. Under the guidance of a bricklayer specialised in traditional techniques, the volunteers will document the walls and will learn specialized techniques.

The volunteers will support Weimar Classic Foundation by doing the maintenance work that can be undertaken only manually, such as cutting long-grass meadows on slopes.

The educational part of the project will inform the volunteers about the background of the project and provide knowledge about historical garden and park architecture, traditional gardening and other related topics. It will also include lectures, excursions and guided tours on "Classical Weimar". Finally, there will be a public presentation of UNESCO World Heritage sites from the volunteers' home countries, which will enlighten the wider public about the idea of volunteering at heritage sites.

Partners:

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

European Heritage Volunteers

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