

WHV – Mombasa Old Town

Mombasa Old Town, Kenya

Site on the Tentative List since 1997

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The old town of Mombasa where most of the heritage of this second largest city in Kenya is largely confined in is an area of approximately 72 hectares, inhabited by a richly diverse group of communities: locals, Arabs, Asians, Portuguese and the British whom have live alongside each other for hundreds of years.

Project objectives:

The project aims to empower the volunteers and increase their capacity and knowledge in heritage preservation and conservation, as well as to strengthen sustainable cooperation among the organization, the site managers and local communities.

Project activities:

The project calls on the local communities around the site to join in a collective cleaning action along with the volunteers. The volunteers will assist in the renovation and cleaning of old buildings and walls, and participate in the installation of safe garbage bins and recycling systems in the neighbourhood. They will also join a forum involving local stakeholders and communities living in Mombasa Old Town, through which they will learn about and experience the historical and cultural values of the site, and exchange ideas and good practices on how to preserve and promote World Heritage.

Partners:

Mombasa County Government, Ministry of Tourism & Culture Development-Mombasa County, Museum of Mombasa

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