

WHV – Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, Uganda

PROJECT DATES

Natural property inscribed on the World Heritage List (1994)

04 August - 18 August 2023

THE SITE - Located in south-western Uganda, at the junction of the plain and mountain forests, Bwindi Park covers 32,000 ha and is known for its exceptional biodiversity, with more than 160 species of trees and over 100 species of ferns. Many types of birds and butterflies can also be found there, as well as many endangered species, including the mountain gorilla. As a key site for biodiversity on the continent, the species richness occurring in this site can be considered as a superlative natural phenomenon.

OBJECTIVES - The project aims at mobilising young people and communities in building together inclusive societies where World Heritage is a source of resilience, humanity and innovation beyond their cultures through awareness raising workshops/trainings. The project will implement a Non-Formal Learning approach using workcamps and hands on actions for conservation and preservation.

ACTIVITIES - The project will provide workshops on heritage protection and preservation to volunteers and local participants including communities. The volunteers will support the tree planting activity and participate in the linkage process with other organisations active in the site area by sharing their experiences working in the site and/or the site conservation and good management practices from their home countries. They will also support the office work of relevant authorities (e.g. the tourism office) in the park and apply their skills in writing outreach proposals, getting engagement data, and identifying potential funders for projects related to the site's promotion and conservation.

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