

WHV – TeamGad

Timgad, Algeria

Cultural property inscribed on the World Heritage List (1982)

PROJECT DATES

15 May - 30 November 2024

THE SITE - Timgad, located to the north of the massif of the Aurès in a mountainous site of great beauty, 480 km south-east of Algiers and 110 km to the south of Constantine, is a consummate example of a Roman military colony created ex nihilo. The site of Timgad, with its Roman military camp, its model town-planning and its particular type of civil and military architecture reflects an important interchange of ideas, technologies and traditions exercised by the central power of Rome on the colonisation of the high plains of Antique Algeria. Timgad adopts the guidelines of Roman town-planning governed by a remarkable grid system. Timgad thus constitutes a typical example of an urban model, the permanence of the original plan of the military encampment having governed the development of the site throughout all the ulterior periods and still continues to bear witness to the building inventiveness of the military engineers of the Roman civilization, today disappeared. Timgad possesses a rich architectural inventory comprising numerous and diversified typologies, relating to the different historical stages of its construction: the defensive system, buildings for the public conveniences and spectacles, and a religious complex. Timgad illustrates a living image of Roman colonisation in North Africa over three centuries.

OBJECTIVES - The Association Future for Development will be working throughout the year to promote the participation of young people from Batna in sustainable tourism activities around the Timgad site.

ACTIVITIES - Volunteers will take part in guided tours and training courses that will enable them to acquire skills in heritage preservation, restoration techniques, communication, customer service and interpretation, enabling them to offer informative and attractive guided tours of Timgad while promoting responsible tourism practices.

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