



NATURA 2000 - STANDARD DATA FORM

For Special Protection Areas (SPA),
Proposed Sites for Community Importance (pSCI),
Sites of Community Importance (SCI) and
for Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)

SITE BG0002067
SITENAME Ostrov Golya

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1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Type A	1.2 Site code BG0002067	Back to top
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1.3 Site name

Ostrov Golya

1.4 First Compilation date 2005-10	1.5 Update date 2022-11
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1.6 Respondent:

Name/Organisation:	Ministry of Environment and Water, "National Nature Protection Service" Directorate
Address:	Sofia Kn. Maria Luiza Blvd. 22 1000 Sofia
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1.7 Site indication and designation / classification dates

Date site classified as SPA:	2007-03
National legal reference of SPA designation	Site classified as SPA by Council of Ministers Decision No. 122/02.03.2007 (promulgated SG 21/2007).

Explanation(s):	Site classified as SPA by Council of Ministers Decision No. 122/02.03.2007 (promulgated SG 21/2007). Issued designation order by the Minister of Environment and Water with prohibitions and restrictions on activities contradicting the conservation objectives of the site - Order No. RD - 511/22.08.2008 (promulgated SG 78/2008) amended and supplemented by Order No RD - 1071/7.11.2022 (promulgated SG 90/2022).
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2. SITE LOCATION

2.1 Site-centre location [decimal degrees]:

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Longitude Latitude
22.9883 44.0144

2.2 Area [ha]: 2.3 Marine area [%]

2.4 Sitelength [km]:

0.0

2.5 Administrative region code and name

NUTS level 2 code

Region Name

BG31	Северозападен / Severozapaden
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2.6 Biogeographical Region(s)

Continental (100.0
%)

3. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

3.1 Habitat types present on the site and assessment for them

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3.2 Species referred to in Article 4 of Directive 2009/147/EC and listed in Annex II of Directive 92/43/EEC and site evaluation for them

Species					Population in the site					Site assessment				
G	Code	Scientific Name	S	NP	T	Size		Unit	Cat.	D. qual.	A B C D	A B C		
						Min	Max				Pop.	Con.	Iso.	Glo.
B	A054	Anas acuta			w		1	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A052	Anas crecca			w		50	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A053	Anas platyrhynchos			w	6	400	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A043	Anser anser			w	10	10	i		G	A	B	C	B
B	A773	Ardea alba			w		1	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A028	Ardea cinerea			c				P	DD	C	A	C	C
B	A028	Ardea cinerea			w		1	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A028	Ardea cinerea			r	6	27	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A029	Ardea purpurea			r		1	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A061	Aythya fuligula			w		35	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A067	Bucephala clangula			w		6	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A087	Buteo buteo			c				P	DD	D			
B	A087	Buteo buteo			w				P	DD	D			
B	A081	Circus aeruginosus			w	3	3	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A026	Egretta garzetta			r	3	30	p		G	C	A	C	A
B	A098	Falco columbarius			w	3	3	i		G	B	B	C	C
B	A123	Gallinula chloropus			c				P	DD	C	B	C	C
B	A123	Gallinula chloropus			w	3	3	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A179	Larus ridibundus			w	7	7	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A179	Larus ridibundus			c				P	DD	C	B	C	C
B	A855	Mareca penelope			w		4	i		G	C	B	C	C
B	A889	Mareca strepera			w		38	i		G	B	B	C	C
B	A875	Microcarbo pygmaeus			w		4	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A875	Microcarbo pygmaeus			r		5	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A023	Nycticorax nycticorax			r		17	p		G	C	A	C	A

B	A391	Phalacrocorax carbo sinensis		w	4	50	i		G	C	A	C	C
B	A391	Phalacrocorax carbo sinensis		r	40	128	p		G	B	A	C	C
B	A391	Phalacrocorax carbo sinensis		c				P	DD	C	A	C	C
B	A034	Platalea leucorodia		r		6	p		G	B	A	C	A

- **Group:** A = Amphibians, B = Birds, F = Fish, I = Invertebrates, M = Mammals, P = Plants, R = Reptiles
- **S:** in case that the data on species are sensitive and therefore have to be blocked for any public access enter: yes
- **NP:** in case that a species is no longer present in the site enter: x (optional)
- **Type:** p = permanent, r = reproducing, c = concentration, w = wintering (for plant and non-migratory species use permanent)
- **Unit:** i = individuals, p = pairs or other units according to the Standard list of population units and codes in accordance with Article 12 and 17 reporting (see [reference portal](#))
- **Abundance categories (Cat.):** C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present - to fill if data are deficient (DD) or in addition to population size information
- **Data quality:** G = 'Good' (e.g. based on surveys); M = 'Moderate' (e.g. based on partial data with some extrapolation); P = 'Poor' (e.g. rough estimation); VP = 'Very poor' (use this category only, if not even a rough estimation of the population size can be made, in this case the fields for population size can remain empty, but the field "Abundance categories" has to be filled in)

3.3 Other important species of flora and fauna (optional)

4. SITE DESCRIPTION

4.1 General site character

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Habitat class	% Cover
N06	62.0
N23	4.0
N08	28.0
N16	6.0
Total Habitat Cover	100

Other Site Characteristics

Golia Island is a Danubian island, located in north-western Bulgaria to the east of the town of Vidin, between km 798 and 802, south of the villages of Kutovo and Slanotrún. The site territory includes the Bulgarian bank in this section, the river itself and the western 2/3 parts of the island down to the state border with Romania. The island is overgrown with shrub and tree vegetation mainly willows and poplars. A small part of it is occupied by farmland.

4.2 Quality and importance

Golia Island is one of the most important sites in the country on European Union level for the conservation of the Night Heron *Nycticorax nycticorax* and the Little Egret *Egretta garzetta*, which nest there in a big mixed colony together with the Grey Heron *Ardea cinerea*, the Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea* and the Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*. In winter the globally threatened Pygmy Cormorant *Phalacrocorax pygmeus* also occurs in the area, using the island as a roosting site. The Greylag Goose *Anser anser*, which is listed in the Red Data Book for Bulgaria (1985), also overwinter in the area in small numbers.

4.3 Threats, pressures and activities with impacts on the site

The most important impacts and activities with high effect on the site

Negative Impacts			
Rank	Threats and pressures [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside/outside [i o b]
M	B01.02		i
M	F06		o
M	B01		i
L	H05		o
M	F02.01.02		o
M	F03.01		o
M	G05		o

Positive Impacts			
Rank	Activities, management [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside/outside [i o b]
M	D03.02		o
L	G01.01		o

M	B02.04		i
M	B		i
M	J02.10		o
M	J02.10		i
L	G01.01		o
L	E03.03		o
M	B02.01		i
M	B02.02		i
M	F02.01.02		i
M	D03.02		o
M	A03		i
M	B02.03		i
H	K03.04		i
M	D03.02		i
L	G01.01		i
L	E03		o
L	F06		i
L	F02.03		i
L	F03.01		i
L	G05		i
L	H04		o
L	E03.01		o
M	E01		o

Rank: H = high, M = medium, L = low

Pollution: N = Nitrogen input, P = Phosphor/Phosphate input, A = Acid input/acidification,

T = toxic inorganic chemicals, O = toxic organic chemicals, X = Mixed pollutions

i = inside, o = outside, b = both

4.4 Ownership (optional)

4.5 Documentation

Initial proposal and description of the site made by Georgi Gruev - Bulgarian Society for the Protection of Birds, Bulgaria, 1111 Sofia, P.O.Box 50, phone (+359 2) 9715855, fax (+359 2) 9715856, www.bspb.org .Data revised by a team of Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (<http://www.bas.bg>).Documents: BDZP/BirdLife Balgariya. 2005. Nacionalna banka za ornitologichna informacia 1988-2005, Balgarsko Druzhestvo za zastita na pticite;Botev, B. and Tz. Peshev, (eds). 1985. Red Data Book of Republic Bulgaria. 2: Animals. Sofia: Bulgarian Academy of Science. (In Bulgarian.);Iankov, P. 2002.(red.). Svetovno zastrasheni vidove ptici v Bulgaria. Nacionalni planove za dejstvie za opazvaneto im. Chast 1. BDZP-MOSV, Prirodzashtitna poredica, Kn. 4, Sofia: 204-219.;Nikolov, Hr., S. Marin, A. Darakchiev. 1999. Malkiat kormoran v Bulgaria. Razprostranenie, chislenost i zaplahi. Nauch. Tr. Plov. Univ., Animalia, 35, 6, 67-81.;BirdLife International. 2000. Threatened birds of the world. Barcelona and Cambridge, UK: Lynx Edicions and BirdLife International, 695pp.Birdlife International. 2004. Birds in Europe: Population estimates, trends and conservation status. Cambridge, UK: Birdlife International (Birdlife Conservation Series No. 12).373pp.;BSPB/BirdLife International. 2005. World Bird Database Important Birds Areas.Bulgaria. Cambridge. (unpublished);Guidelines for evaluation of protected zones according, which include habitats for birds to art.7, par.3, under the art.6 par.1.3 and 1.4 of the Biodiversity Act. 2005. (In Bulgarian.);Iankov, P., N. Petkov, A. Kovachev, D. Plachiisky. (in print). Pygmy Cormorant in Bulgaria 2001/2002. Final Report.Kostadinova, I., S.Dereliev. 2001. Results the Mid-Winter Counts of Waterbirds in Bulgaria for the period 1997- 2001. BSPB Conservation Series. Book 3, BSPB, Sofia, BG; Kostadinova, I., M. Mihailov, (comp.) 2002. Guide for NATURA 2000 in Bulgaria. BSPB nature conservation series No5. BSPB, Sofia, 80pp. (In Bulgarian.);Kostadinova, I. 2005. Application of C criteria for Identification of Important Bird Areas of European Union importance in Bulgaria. Preliminarily implementation and analysis of the gaps. In: Petrova, A. (ed.), Current state of Bulgarian biodiversity problems and perspectives. Pp. 533-548. Bulgarian Bioplatform, SofiaOsieck, E. 2000 Filling in the requirements of the EU Birds Directive: Lessons from the Dutch Case. In: European IBA Workshop. 29 March - 2 April 2000, Brussels, Belgium. Proceedings. BirdLife International, 86-99;Waliczky, Z. 2000 Important Bird Areas of European Union Importance: explanation of the EU Criteria applied in IBA 2000 In: European IBA Workshop. 29 March - 2 April 2000, Brussels, Belgium. Proceedings. BirdLife International, 12-16.Site-specific Conservation Objectives for Natura 2000 site BG0002067;

Link(s): <http://natura2000.moew.government.bg/Home/ProtectedSite?code=BG0002067&siteType=BirdsDirective>

5. SITE PROTECTION STATUS (optional)

5.1 Designation types at national and regional level:

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Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]
BG00	100.0				

5.2 Relation of the described site with other sites:

designated at international level:

Type	Site name	Type	Cover [%]
Other	IBA	=	100.0

5.3 Site designation (optional)

The area is not protected by the national nature conservation law. In 2005 it was designated also as Important Bird Area by BirdLife International. The proposed SPA is in a close vicinity to a proposed Special Protection Area in Romania.

6. SITE MANAGEMENT

6.1 Body(ies) responsible for the site management:

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Organisation:	Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water - Montana; Forestry Department - Vidin; Danubean River Basin Directorate;
Address:	
Email:	

6.2 Management Plan(s):

An actual management plan does exist:

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> No, but in preparation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

6.3 Conservation measures (optional)

7. MAP OF THE SITES

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INSPIRE ID:

Map delivered as PDF in electronic format (optional)

Yes No

Reference(s) to the original map used for the digitalisation of the electronic boundaries (optional).