



# 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 BG0002031

SITENAME Stenata

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## 1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

|                      |                                   |                             |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>1.1 Type</b><br>A | <b>1.2 Site code</b><br>BG0002031 | <a href="#">Back to top</a> |
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### 1.3 Site name

|         |
|---------|
| Stenata |
|---------|

|  |                                   |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| <b>1.4 First Compilation date</b><br>2005-10 | <b>1.5 Update date</b><br>2015-07 |
|--|-----------------------------------|

### 1.6 Respondent:

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>Name/Organisation:</b> | Ministry of Environment and Water, "National Nature Protection Service" Directorate |
| <b>Address:</b>           | Sofia Kn. Maria Luiza Blvd. 22 1000 Sofia   |
| <b>Email:</b>             | natura2000@moew.government.bg   |

### 1.7 Site indication and designation / classification dates

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>Date site classified as SPA:</b>                | 2007-03   |
| <b>National legal reference of SPA designation</b> | Site classified as SPA by Council of Ministers Decision No. 122/02.03.2007 (promulgated SG 21/2007).  |
| <b>Explanation(s):</b>                             | 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 - 566/05.09.2008 (promulgated SG 84/2008). |

## 2. SITE LOCATION

### 2.1 Site-centre location [decimal degrees]:

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**Longitude**

26.565

**Latitude**

44.02583333333333

**2.2 Area [ha]:**

79.7274

**2.3 Marine area [%]**

0.0



|   |      |                               |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |   |  |
|---|------|-------------------------------|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| B | A218 | <a href="#">Athene noctua</a> |  |  | 1 | 1 | p |  |  |  |  |  | X |  |
|---|------|-------------------------------|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|

- **Group:** A = Amphibians, B = Birds, F = Fish, Fu = Fungi, I = Invertebrates, L = Lichens, M = Mammals, P = Plants, R = Reptiles
- **CODE:** for Birds, Annex IV and V species the code as provided in the reference portal should be used in addition to the scientific name
- **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)
- **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](#))
- **Cat.:** Abundance categories: C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present
- **Motivation categories:** **IV, V:** Annex Species (Habitats Directive), **A:** National Red List data; **B:** Endemics; **C:** International Conventions; **D:** other reasons

## 4. SITE DESCRIPTION

### 4.1 General site character

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| Habitat class              | % Cover    |
|----------------------------|------------|
| N09                        | 42.0       |
| N15                        | 37.0       |
| N23                        | 3.0        |
| N21                        | 4.0        |
| N08                        | 14.0       |
| <b>Total Habitat Cover</b> | <b>100</b> |

### Other Site Characteristics

A vertical loess wall, about 12 m high, on the southern hillside south-west of the town of Tutrakan, North-east Bulgaria. The site is located immediately next to the Silistra Russe road. It also includes the open grasslands on the hill and the neighbouring small valley. The open grasslands have a steppe character, with single low trees and shrubs, mainly of *Crataegus monogyna*, *Rosa canina*, etc. The valley is overgrown with acacia *Robinia pseudoacacia*, and shrubs of Blackberry *Rubus* spp., Dog-rose *Rosa canina*, etc. in its lower parts.

### 4.2 Quality and importance

Stenata is a small area, which holds a big colony of the Bee-eater *Merops apiaster*, and where the Roller *Coracias garrulus* breeds as well. The area is one of the five most important sites for Bee-eater in the country. Stenata is a constant breeding and feeding place for a pair of Levant Sparrowhawks *Accipiter brevipes*. All the species mentioned above are included in Annex 2 of the Biodiversity Act, as needing special conservation measures. The Roller and Levant Sparrowhawk are listed also in Annex I of the Birds Directive.

### 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<br>[code] | Pollution<br>(optional)<br>[code] | inside/outside<br>[i o b] |
| L                | A07                             |                                   | o                         |
| M                | G05                             |                                   | i                         |
| L                | C01.01                          |                                   | i                         |
| M                | E06                             |                                   | o                         |
| L                | D01.02                          |                                   | o                         |
| L                | E06                             |                                   | i                         |

| Positive Impacts |                                     |                                   |                               |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Rank             | Activities,<br>management<br>[code] | Pollution<br>(optional)<br>[code] | inside<br>/outside<br>[i o b] |
| L                | A04                                 |                                   | i                             |

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 Yordan Kutsarov - 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](http://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;Kostadinova, I. (sust.) 1997. Ornitologichno vazhni mesta v Bulgaria. BDZP, Prirodzashtitna poredica. Kniga 1, BDZP, Sofia, 176 s. Birdlife International. 2004. Birds in Europe: Population estimates, trends and conservation status. Cambridge, UK: Birdlife International (Birdlife Conservation Series No. 12).;Botev, B. and Tz. Peshev, (eds). 1985. Red Data Book of Republic Bulgaria. 2: Animals. Sofia: Bulgarian Academy of Science. (In Bulgarian.);BirdLife International. 2005. World Bird Database Important Birds Areas. Bulgaria. Cambridge. (unpublished);Heath, M.F. and Evans, M.I., eds. 2000. Important Bird Areas in Europe: Priority sites for conservation, vol. 2 Southern Europe. Cambridge, UK: BirdLife International (BirdLife Conservation Series No. 8).;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. Preliminary implementation and analysis of the gaps. In: Petrova, A. (ed.), Current state of Bulgarian biodiversity problems and perspectives. Pp. 533-548. Bulgarian Bioplatform, Sofia; Osieck, 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;

Link(s): <http://natura2000.moew.government.bg/Home/ProtectedSite?code=BG0002031&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 does not have legal protection under the national conservation legislation. In 1997 the area was designated as Important Bird Area by BirdLife International.

## 6. SITE MANAGEMENT

### 6.1 Body(ies) responsible for the site management:

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|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Organisation: | Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water - Ruse |
| 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).