

# **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 **BG0000518** 

SITENAME Vartopski dol

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# 1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

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 1.1 Type
 1.2 Site code

 B
 BG0000518

### 1.3 Site name

Vartopski dol

| 1.4 First Compilation date | 1.5 Update date |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 2005-11                    | 2020-12         |  |  |  |  |  |

### 1.6 Respondent:

Date site confirmed as SCI:

Name/Organisation: Ministry of Environment and Water, "National Nature Protection Service" Directorate

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# 1.7 Site indication and designation / classification dates

| Date site classified as SPA:                | 0000-00 |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|
| National legal reference of SPA designation | No data |
| Date site proposed as SCI:                  | 2007-03 |

2008-12

Date site designated as SAC: No data

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| National legal reference | of SAC designation:                   | No data                                          |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Explanation(s):          | Adopted by Council of Minis 21/2007). | ters Decision No. 122/02.03.2007 (promulgated SG |

### 2. SITE LOCATION

2.1 Site-centre location [decimal degrees]:

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**Longitude**22.8079

43.8

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

1018.8462 0.0

2.4 Sitelength [km]:

0.0

### 2.5 Administrative region code and name

NUTS level 2 code Region Name

| BG31 | Северозападен / Severozapaden |
|------|-------------------------------|

### 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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| Annex         | Annex I Habitat types                       |  |           |       |   | Site assessment  |                     |              |        |  |  |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------|--|-----------|-------|---|------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------|--|--|
| Code          | PF NP Cover [ha] Cave [number] Data quality |  | A B C D   | A B C |   |                  |                     |              |        |  |  |
|               |                                             |  |           |       |   | Representativity | Relative<br>Surface | Conservation | Global |  |  |
| 3260 <b>8</b> |                                             |  | 14.33255  |       | G | Α                | С                   | В            | В      |  |  |
| 6210 <b>8</b> |                                             |  | 8.5       |       | G | С                | С                   | С            | С      |  |  |
| 6430 <b>8</b> |                                             |  | 8.06      |       | М | С                | С                   | С            | С      |  |  |
| 6510 <b>8</b> |                                             |  | 0.13      |       | G | С                | С                   | В            | С      |  |  |
| 7220 <b>8</b> |                                             |  | 0.02379   |       | Р | С                | С                   | С            | С      |  |  |
| 8210 <b>8</b> |                                             |  | 0.68      |       | М | D                |                     |              |        |  |  |
| 8310 <b>8</b> |                                             |  |           | 1     | G | С                | С                   | С            | С      |  |  |
| 91E0 <b>8</b> |                                             |  | 11.84904  |       | G | Α                | С                   | В            | В      |  |  |
| 91G0 <b>8</b> |                                             |  | 5.22      |       | М | С                | С                   | В            | В      |  |  |
| 91H0 <b>B</b> |                                             |  | 6.91      |       | М | С                | С                   | С            | С      |  |  |
| 91M0 <b>B</b> |                                             |  | 169.18454 |       |   | Α                | С                   | Α            | Α      |  |  |

**PF:** for the habitat types that can have a non-priority as well as a priority form (6210, 7130, 9430) enter "X" in the column PF to indicate the priority form.

**NP:** in case that a habitat type no longer exists in the site enter: x (optional)

Cover: decimal values can be entered

Caves: for habitat types 8310, 8330 (caves) enter the number of caves if estimated surface is not available. **Data quality:** G = Good' (e.g. based on surveys); G = Good' (e.g. based on partial data with some extrapolation); G = Good' (e.g. rough estimation)

# 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

| Sp | ecies                     |                              |   | Po   | pulatio | n in the | site       |         | Site assessment |       |      |      |      |
|----|---------------------------|------------------------------|---|------|---------|----------|------------|---------|-----------------|-------|------|------|------|
| G  | Code Scientific Name S NP |                              | Т | Size |         | Unit     | Cat.       | D.qual. | A B C D         | A B C |      |      |      |
|    |                           |                              |   |      | Min     | Max      |            |         |                 | Pop.  | Con. | Iso. | Glo. |
| М  | 1308                      | Barbastella<br>barbastellus  |   | р    | 6       | 10       | i          | V       | М               | D     |      |      |      |
| F  | 1138                      | Barbus<br>meridionalis       |   | р    | 8995    | 8995     | i          | С       | G               | С     | Α    | С    | Α    |
| Α  | 1188                      | Bombina<br>bombina           |   | р    |         |          | localities | Р       | DD              | С     | Α    | В    | Α    |
| A  | 1193                      | Bombina<br>variegata         |   | р    |         |          | localities | Р       | DD              | С     | Α    | В    | Α    |
| I  | 1088                      | <u>Cerambyx</u> cerdo        |   | р    | 15805   | 23320    | i          | R       | M               | С     | В    | С    | В    |
| F  | 2533                      | Cobitis elongata             |   | р    |         |          |            | Р       | DD              | D     |      |      |      |
| F  | 1149                      | Cobitis taenia               |   | p    | 6715    | 6715     | i          | R       | G               | С     | Α    | С    | Α    |
| I  | 4045                      | Coenagrion<br>ornatum        |   | p    | 1       | 1        | localities | R       | G               | С     | В    | С    | В    |
| R  | 1220                      | Emys orbicularis             |   | р    |         |          | localities | Р       | DD              | С     | Α    | С    | В    |
| P  | 2327                      | Himantoglossum caprinum      |   | р    |         |          |            | Р       | DD              | С     | В    | В    | С    |
| Ι  | 1083                      | Lucanus cervus               |   | р    | 20502   | 40331    | i          | R       | М               | С     | В    | С    | С    |
| М  | 1355                      | <u>Lutra lutra</u>           |   | р    | 1       | 3        | i          |         | G               | С     | Α    | С    | В    |
| М  | 2609                      | Mesocricetus<br>newtoni      |   | р    |         |          |            | Р       | DD              | D     |      |      |      |
| М  | 1310                      | Miniopterus<br>schreibersii  |   | р    |         |          |            | Р       | DD              | D     |      |      |      |
| I  | 1089                      | Morimus<br>funereus          |   | p    | 14972   | 17391    | i          | R       | М               | С     | В    | С    | С    |
| М  | 1307                      | Myotis blythii               |   | р    |         |          |            | Р       | DD              | С     | В    | С    | С    |
| М  | 1316                      | Myotis capaccinii            |   | р    |         |          |            | Р       | DD              | D     |      |      |      |
| М  | 1321                      | Myotis<br>emarginatus        |   | р    |         |          |            | V       | DD              | D     |      |      |      |
| М  | 1324                      | Myotis myotis                |   | р    | 11      | 50       | i          | Р       | М               | С     | В    | С    | С    |
| М  | 1306                      | Rhinolophus<br>blasii        |   | р    |         |          |            | Р       | DD              | D     |      |      |      |
| М  | 1305                      | Rhinolophus<br>euryale       |   | р    | 6       | 10       | i          | R       | G               | D     |      |      |      |
| М  | 1304                      | Rhinolophus<br>ferrumequinum |   | р    | 6       | 10       | i          | R       | G               | D     |      |      |      |
| М  | 1303                      | Rhinolophus<br>hipposideros  |   | р    | 6       | 10       | i          | R       | G               | С     | В    | С    | С    |
| М  | 1302                      | Rhinolophus<br>mehelyi       |   | р    |         |          |            | Р       | DD              | D     |      |      |      |
| F  | 5339                      | Rhodeus<br>amarus            |   | р    | 8591    | 8591     | i          | С       | G               | С     | Α    | С    | В    |
| F  | 5329                      | Romanogobio<br>vladykovi     |   | р    |         |          |            | V       | DD              | D     |      |      |      |
| I  | 1087                      | Rosalia alpina               |   | р    |         |          |            | Р       | DD              | С     | С    | В    | С    |

| F | 1146 | <u>Sabanejewia</u><br><u>aurata</u>    | р | 3538 | 3538 | i          | R | G  | С | В | С | В |
|---|------|----------------------------------------|---|------|------|------------|---|----|---|---|---|---|
| М | 1335 | <u>Spermophilus</u><br><u>citellus</u> | р |      |      |            | Р | DD | D |   |   |   |
| R | 1217 | Testudo<br>hermanni                    | р |      |      | localities | Р | DD | С | А | С | В |
| I | 4064 | Theodoxus<br>transversalis             | р |      |      | i          | V | М  | С | Α | В | А |
| Α | 1166 | Triturus<br>cristatus                  | р |      |      | localities | Р | DD | С | Α | В | Α |
| Α | 1993 | Triturus<br>dobrogicus                 | р |      |      | localities | Р | DD | С | А | В | А |
| Ι | 1032 | <u>Unio crassus</u>                    | р | 2667 | 2667 | i          | R | М  | С | В | С | В |
| М | 2635 | <u>Vormela</u><br><u>peregusna</u>     | р |      |      |            | Р | DD | С | В | С | В |

**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 <u>reference portal</u>)

**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)

| Species | s    |                            |  |  | Popula | Population in the site |  |         |    | Motivation |   |   |    |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
|---------|------|----------------------------|--|--|--------|------------------------|--|---------|----|------------|---|---|----|------|--|------|------|-----|-------------|-----|-------|------|-------|
| Group   | CODE | Scientific<br>Name         |  |  |        |                        |  |         |    |            |   | s | NP | Size |  | Unit | Cat. | Spe | cies<br>nex | Otl | ner c | ateg | ories |
|         |      |                            |  |  | Min    | Max                    |  | C R V P | IV | V          | A | В | С  | D    |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| F       |      | Alburnoides<br>bipunctatus |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | X  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| F       |      | Barbus barbus              |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   |    | Χ    |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| Α       |      | Bufo viridis               |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | Χ  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| R       |      | Coluber caspius            |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | Χ  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| R       |      | Elaphe<br>longissima       |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | x  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| M       |      | Felis silvestris           |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            | Χ |   |    |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| Α       |      | <u>Hyla arborea</u>        |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | X  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| R       |      | Lacerta viridis            |  |  |        |                        |  | С       |    |            |   |   | X  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| F       |      | Leuciscus<br>cephalus      |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   |    | X    |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| R       |      | Natrix tessellata          |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | X  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| Α       |      | Pelobates<br>fuscus        |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | X  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| R       |      | Podarcis muralis           |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | Χ  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| R       |      | Podarcis taurica           |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | X  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |
| A       |      | Rana dalmatina             |  |  |        |                        |  | Р       |    |            |   |   | Х  |      |  |      |      |     |             |     |       |      |       |

| R | <u>Vipera</u><br><u>ammodytes</u> |  |  | Р |  |  | X |  |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|
| I | Zerynthia<br>polyxena             |  |  | С |  |  | 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 <u>reference portal</u>)

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                 | 5.0     |
| N06                 | 7.0     |
| N08                 | 19.0    |
| N10                 | 7.0     |
| N16                 | 62.0    |
| Total Habitat Cover | 100     |

### Other Site Characteristics

The site Vartopski dol is on the land of tree villages Lagoshevtzi, Vartop and Drajanitza. Archar river flows through canyon valley with high steep riversides. The river has clear water and the bottom is covered with large rubble mixed with small rocks. There is a pumping station near village of Vartop. In the canyon there are caves named as follows "Studenata dupka", "Belata peshtera", "Tzurnia shtruk", "Parlenite peshteri".

### 4.2 Quality and importance

The conservational value of the site Vartopski dol is due to the following:1. Diversity of habitats included in Habitat Directive 92/43 - 3260, 7220, 8310, 6110, 6430, 91E0, 91M0;2. A vitality population of Himantoglossum caprinum.3. A model river with fresh water, fish and a lot of invertebrate species;4. Preserved forest vegetation.5. Rich flora and fauna but not studied.6. Spectacular and beautiful landscape.

### 4.3 Threats, pressures and activities with impacts on the site

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

| Negative | Negative Impacts             |                                   |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Rank     | Threats and pressures [code] | Pollution<br>(optional)<br>[code] | inside/outside<br>[i o b] |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M        | J02.05.02                    |                                   | 0                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M        | J02.05.02                    |                                   | i                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M        | A04                          |                                   | О                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L        | A04                          |                                   | i                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Positive Impacts |                                     |                                   |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Rank             | Activities,<br>management<br>[code] | Pollution<br>(optional)<br>[code] | inside/outside<br>[i o b] |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| L                | A04                                 |                                   | i                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| М                | A04                                 |                                   | 0                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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 World Wild Fund, DCP, Bulgarian Projects/Natura 2000; 67 Tsanko Tserkovski Str., Entr. A, App.3, 1421 Sofia, Bulgaria; www.panda.org/dcpo Data revised by a team of Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (http://www.bas.bg). New data provided by project "Mapping and assessment of the conservation status of the natural habitats and species - Phase 1" (see link).

Link(s): <a href="http://natura2000.moew.government.bg">http://natura2000.moew.government.bg</a> /Home/ProtectedSite?code=BG0000518& <u>siteType=HabitatDirective</u>

| 5. SITE F                                             | PROTECTIO                              | N STATUS (option                                        | onal)                    |                    |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 5.1 Designation types at national and regional level: |                                        |                                                         |                          |                    |             |
| Code                                                  | Cover [%                               | ] Code                                                  | Cover [%]                | Code               | Cover [%]   |
| BG00                                                  | 100.0                                  |                                                         |                          |                    |             |
| 5.2 Relatio                                           | n of the descr                         | ibed site with othe                                     | r sites:                 |                    |             |
| 5.3 Site de                                           | signation (op                          | tional)                                                 |                          |                    |             |
| 6. SITE N                                             | <b>IANAGEME</b>                        | NT                                                      |                          |                    |             |
| 6.1 Body(i                                            | es) responsibl                         | e for the site mana                                     | gement:                  |                    | Back to top |
| Organisation:                                         |                                        | Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water: Montana |                          |                    |             |
| Address:                                              |                                        |                                                         |                          |                    |             |
| Email:                                                |                                        |                                                         |                          |                    |             |
| _                                                     | <b>ement Plan(s)</b><br>anagement plan |                                                         |                          |                    |             |
| Yes                                                   |                                        |                                                         |                          |                    |             |
| No, bu                                                | t in preparation                       |                                                         |                          |                    |             |
| X No                                                  |                                        |                                                         |                          |                    |             |
| 6.3 Conser                                            | vation measu                           | res (optional)                                          |                          |                    |             |
| 7. MAP 0                                              | F THE SITE                             | :S                                                      |                          |                    |             |
| INSPIRE ID:                                           |                                        |                                                         |                          |                    | Back to top |
| INSPIRE ID.                                           |                                        |                                                         |                          |                    |             |
| Map deliver                                           |                                        | ctronic format (optiona                                 | al)                      |                    |             |
| Reference(s                                           | ) to the original                      | map used for the digit                                  | alisation of the electro | nic boundaries (op | tional).    |