



## 2.4 Sitelength [km]:

0.0

## 2.5 Administrative region code and name

NUTS level 2 code	Region Name
BG34	Югоизточен / Yugoiztochen
BG32	Северен централен / Severen tsentralen
BG31	Северозападен / Severozapaden
BG42	Южен централен / Yuzhen tsentralen
BG41	Югозападен / Yugozapaden

## 2.6 Biogeographical Region(s)

Alpine (88.6  
%)Continental (11.4  
%)

## 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	A402	<a href="#">Accipiter brevipes</a>			c				P	DD	C	B	C	C
B	A402	<a href="#">Accipiter brevipes</a>			r	1	1	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A086	<a href="#">Accipiter nisus</a>			p	60	80	p		G	B	A	C	C
B	A086	<a href="#">Accipiter nisus</a>			c				P	DD	C	A	C	C
B	A223	<a href="#">Aegolius funereus</a>			p	9	9	p		G	C	A	C	A
B	A229	<a href="#">Alcedo atthis</a>			p				P	DD	C	B	C	C
B	A465	<a href="#">Alectoris graeca graeca</a>			p				P	DD	C	A	C	A
B	A255	<a href="#">Anthus campestris</a>			c				P	DD	D			
B	A255	<a href="#">Anthus campestris</a>			r				P	DD	D			
B	A091	<a href="#">Aquila chrysaetos</a>			p	4	6	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A091	<a href="#">Aquila chrysaetos</a>			c				P	DD	B	A	C	A
B	A404	<a href="#">Aquila heliaca</a>			c				P	DD	A	A	C	A
B	A104	<a href="#">Bonasa bonasia</a>			p	71	100	males		M	C	A	C	A
B	A215	<a href="#">Bubo bubo</a>			p	9	9	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A087	<a href="#">Buteo buteo</a>			c				P	DD	C	A	C	C
B	A087	<a href="#">Buteo buteo</a>			p	69	90	p		G	B	A	C	C
B	A403	<a href="#">Buteo rufinus</a>			p	14	24	p		G	B	B	C	A
B	A403	<a href="#">Buteo rufinus</a>			c				P	DD	B	B	C	A
B	A243	<a href="#">Calandrella brachydactyla</a>			r				P	DD	D			
B	A224	<a href="#">Caprimulgus europaeus</a>			r	119	119	p		G	C	A	C	A
B	A136	<a href="#">Charadrius dubius</a>			c				P	DD	D			

B	A031	<a href="#">Ciconia ciconia</a>			c	2	200	i		P	C	B	C	C
B	A031	<a href="#">Ciconia ciconia</a>			r	1	1	p		G	C	B	C	B
B	A030	<a href="#">Ciconia nigra</a>			c	11	11	i		G	C	A	C	B
B	A030	<a href="#">Ciconia nigra</a>			r	1	3	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A080	<a href="#">Circaetus gallicus</a>			c				P	DD	C	A	C	C
B	A080	<a href="#">Circaetus gallicus</a>			r	1	3	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A858	<a href="#">Clanga pomarina</a>			r	1	1	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A858	<a href="#">Clanga pomarina</a>			c				P	DD	C	B	C	C
B	A122	<a href="#">Crex crex</a>			r				P	DD	C	A	C	A
B	A239	<a href="#">Dendrocopos leucotos</a>			p	50	80	p		G	C	A	C	A
B	A429	<a href="#">Dendrocopos syriacus</a>			p	25	40	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A236	<a href="#">Dryocopus martius</a>			p	130	180	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A379	<a href="#">Emberiza hortulana</a>			r	60	60	p		G	C		C	C
B	A511	<a href="#">Falco cherrug</a>			c	1	1	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A511	<a href="#">Falco cherrug</a>			c	3	3	i		G	B	A	C	A
B	A103	<a href="#">Falco peregrinus</a>			r	5	5	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A103	<a href="#">Falco peregrinus</a>			c				P	DD	B	A	C	A
B	A099	<a href="#">Falco subbuteo</a>			r	1	1	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A099	<a href="#">Falco subbuteo</a>			c				P	DD	C	A	C	C
B	A096	<a href="#">Falco tinnunculus</a>			c				P	DD	C	A	C	C
B	A096	<a href="#">Falco tinnunculus</a>			p	24	24	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A321	<a href="#">Ficedula albicollis</a>			c				P	DD	D			
B	A320	<a href="#">Ficedula parva</a>			r	195	195	p		G	A	A	C	A
B	A442	<a href="#">Ficedula semitorquata</a>			r	75	75	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A217	<a href="#">Glaucidium passerinum</a>			p	6	6	p		G	B	A	A	A
B	A092	<a href="#">Hieraetus pennatus</a>			c				P	DD	C	A	C	C
B	A092	<a href="#">Hieraetus pennatus</a>			p	1	1	p			C	A	C	C
B	A338	<a href="#">Lanius collurio</a>			r	500	800	p		G	C	B	C	B
B	A339	<a href="#">Lanius minor</a>			r	4	10	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A868	<a href="#">Leopieus medius</a>			p	70	110	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A246	<a href="#">Lullula arborea</a>			p	145	250	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A230	<a href="#">Merops apiaster</a>			r				P	DD	D			
B	A230	<a href="#">Merops apiaster</a>			c				P	DD	D			
B	A094	<a href="#">Pandion haliaetus</a>			c				V	DD	C	B	C	C
B	A072	<a href="#">Pernis apivorus</a>			r	5	10	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A072	<a href="#">Pernis apivorus</a>			c				P	DD	C	A	C	B
B	A234	<a href="#">Picus canus</a>			p	50	80	p		G	C	A	C	A
B	A249	<a href="#">Riparia riparia</a>			r				P	DD	D			
B	A220	<a href="#">Strix uralensis</a>			p	8	8	p		G	A	A	B	A
B	A307	<a href="#">Sylvia nisoria</a>			r	100	200	p		G	C	B	C	C

- **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

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### 4.1 General site character

Habitat class	% Cover
N19	24.0
N15	7.0
N16	47.0
N17	2.0
N22	
N23	1.0
N25	11.0
N21	
N08	8.0
Total Habitat Cover	NaN

### Other Site Characteristics

"Tsentralen Balkan bufer" SPA covers almost entirely the buffer zone of "Central Balkan" National Park. Its boundaries almost coincide with those of IBA "Central Balkan" with few exceptions along the southern border, where additional nesting areas of conservation significant birds of prey are covered. It is low-and middle mountain area the major part of which is covered by forests (primarily deciduous). Some pastures are also included.

### 4.2 Quality and importance

In "Tsentralen Balkan bufer" SPA are found 34 species of birds listed in Annex 1 of the Birds Directive (2009/147/EC). Of these, 27 species nest and 7 species pass through the area during migration. The site is an important part of the Natura 2000 network in Bulgaria for birds, ensuring the effective conservation of many conservation significant birds of prey and woodland birds. Regarding the breeding species, the site is especially crucial to the protection of 7 species that are represented by over 2% of their national population: Long-legged Buzzard (*Buteo rufinus*) - represented by 3% of the national population, Golden eEagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*) - represented by 4% of the national population, Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) - represented by 3% of the national population; Eurasian Eagle-owl (*Bubo bubo*) - represented by 2% of the national population, Eurasian Pygmy Owl (*Glaucidium passerinum*) - presented by 8% of the national population; Red-breasted Flycatcher (*Ficedula parva*) - represented 16% of the national population; Semi-collared Flycatcher (*Ficedula semitorquata*) - represented by 3% of the national population.

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

### 4.4 Ownership (optional)

### 4.5 Documentation

Proposal and description of the site made by Institute for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Research, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, 1113 Sofia, 2 Yuriy Gagarin Str., tel. (+359 2) 8736 137, fax (+359 2) 8 705 498. Documents: Natura 2000 Database of IBER-BAS. Kostadinova, I. & Gramatikov, M. 2007. Important Bird Areas in Bulgaria Natura 2000. BSPB Sofia. Yankov, P. 2007. Atlas of the Breeding Birds in Bulgaria, BSPB Sofia. Data revised in 2023 by an expert team led by IBER - BAS and published Site-specific Conservation Objectives for Natura 2000 site BG0002128 in 2024.

Link(s): <https://natura2000.egov.bg/EsriBg.Natura.Public.Web.App/Home/ProtectedSite?code=BG0002128&siteType=BirdsDirective>

## 5. SITE PROTECTION STATUS (optional)

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### 5.1 Designation types at national and regional level:

Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]
BG04	0.0865	BG00	97.7413	BG01	1.8837
BG03	0.2616	BG06	0.0269		

## 5.2 Relation of the described site with other sites:

designated at national or regional level:

Type code	Site name	Type	Cover [%]
BG01	Elenova gora	+	0.0769
BG06	Zhdreloto	+	0.0269
BG03	Mechkite	+	0.0211
BG03	Suchurum	+	0.0127
BG03	Cherti grad	+	0.15
BG01	Kamenshtiza	+	1.2878
BG03	Evkaya - Kamennata kushta	+	0.0239
BG04	Chamdzha	+	0.0865
BG03	Orlov kamak - chervenata stena	+	0.0538
BG01	Leshnitza	+	0.519

## 5.3 Site designation (optional)

The site is important for the conservation of woodland bird species listed in Annex 1 of the Birds Directive. It complements the conservation impact of the neighboring sites on the territory of the Balkan Mountain and ensures the inclusion of important areas for nature protection in Bulgaria in the Natura 2000 network.

## 6. SITE MANAGEMENT

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

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Organisation:	Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water - Sofia
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Email:	riosv@riew-sofia.org

Organisation:	Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water - Plovdiv
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Email:	riosv@plovdiv.riew.gov.bg

Organisation:	Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water - Pleven
Address:	1A Al. Stamboliysky Str., 5800 Pleven
Email:	office@riew-pleven.eu

Organisation:	Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water - Stara Zagora
Address:	2 Stara Planina Str., Stara Zagora 6000
Email:	office@stz.riew.gov.bg

Organisation:	Regional Inspectorates of Environment and Water - Veliko Tarnovo
Address:	68 Nikola Gabrovski Str., Veliko Tarnovo 5002
Email:	riosvt-vt@riosvt.org

### 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).