



# 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 BG0000494  
SITENAME Tsentralen Balkan

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## 1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

<b>1.1 Type</b> C	<b>1.2 Site code</b> BG0000494	<a href="#">Back to top</a>
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### 1.3 Site name

Tsentralen Balkan
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<b>1.4 First Compilation date</b> 2005-12	<b>1.5 Update date</b> 2021-11
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### 1.6 Respondent:

<b>Name/Organisation:</b>	Ministry of Environment and Water, "National Nature Protection Service" Directorate
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### 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>Date site proposed as SCI:</b>	2007-03
<b>Date site confirmed as SCI:</b>	2008-12
<b>Date site designated as SAC:</b>	2021-03
<b>National legal reference of SAC designation:</b>	Designation Order No. RD - 260/31.03.2021 (promulgated SG 41 /2021) issued by the Minister of Environment and Water.
<b>Explanation(s):</b>	Site classified as SPA and adopted as pSCI 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 SPA - Order No. RD - 559/05.09.2008 (promulgated SG 84/2008). Issued by the Minister of Environment and Water designation Order No. RD - 260/ 31.03.2021 (promulgated SG 41/2021) with prohibitions and restrictions on activities contradicting the conservation objectives of the SAC.

## 2. SITE LOCATION

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

Longitude 24.7319 Latitude 42.7383

### 2.2 Area [ha]:

72021.0722

### 2.3 Marine area [%]

0.0

### 2.4 Sitelength [km]:

0.0

### 2.5 Administrative region code and name

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

### 2.6 Biogeographical Region(s)

Alpine (100.0  
%)

## 3. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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### 3.1 Habitat types present on the site and assessment for them

Annex I Habitat types						Site assessment			
Code	PF	NP	Cover [ha]	Cave [number]	Data quality	A B C D	A B C		
						Representativity	Relative Surface	Conservation	Global
3160B			0.72021			C	C	B	B
3260B			6.19		G	A	C	B	B
4060B			13279.0		M	A	A	A	A
4070B			56.7		M	A	C	A	A
6110B			30.38		P	A	C	A	A
6150B			1446.93		M	A	A	A	A
6170B			806.38		M	A	A	A	A
6210B			145.19		G	B	C	B	B
6230B			3156.67		M	A	B	A	A
62D0B			6303.87		M	A	A	A	A
6430B			217.33		M	A	B	A	A
6520B			54.81		M	B	C	B	B
7140B			17.366		M	B	B	C	C
7220B			46.89		G	A	A	B	B
8110B			181.19		M	A	C	A	A
8210B			635.22		M	A	B	A	A

8220B			748.42		M	A		B		A		A
8230B			34.53		P	C		C		B		B
8310B				73	G	B		C		A		B
9110B			598.03		G	A		B		A		A
9130B			25388.8		G	A		B		A		A
9150B			1719.47		G	A		C		A		A
9170B			2579.51		G	B		C		A		B
9180B			1309.08		G	A		B		A		A
91BA			1950.55		G	A		B		A		A
91CA			17.1		G	C		C		C		C
91M0			0.46453			D						
91W0			1660.24		G	A		B		A		A
91Z0			3.77		M	B		C		B		B
9410			1684.15		G	A		C		A		A
9530			57.8		G	B		C		B		B
95A0			128.87		G	A		C		A		A

- **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); M = 'Moderate' (e.g. based on partial data with some extrapolation); P = 'Poor' (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

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	A086	<a href="#">Accipiter nisus</a>			p	40	60	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A223	<a href="#">Aegolius funereus</a>			p	25	35	p		G	A	A	C	A
B	A223	<a href="#">Aegolius funereus</a>			w	50	50	i		G	A	A	C	A
B	A229	<a href="#">Alcedo atthis</a>			p		1	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A465	<a href="#">Alectoris graeca graeca</a>			p	150	240	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A255	<a href="#">Anthus campestris</a>			r		3	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A091	<a href="#">Aquila chrysaetos</a>			p	7	9	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A404	<a href="#">Aquila heliaca</a>			p		1	p		G	A	A	C	A
B	A089	<a href="#">Aquila pomarina</a>			r	1	2	p		G	C	B	C	C
I	1093	<a href="#">Austropotamobius torrentium</a>			p	95152	95152	i	C	G	B	A	C	A
M	1308	<a href="#">Barbastella barbastellus</a>			p	564	1062	i	C	M	B	B	C	A
F	1138	<a href="#">Barbus meridionalis</a>			p	1141419	1141419	area	P	P	C	A	B	B
A	1193	<a href="#">Bombina variegata</a>			p	4	4	localities	V	P	C	A	C	A
B	A104	<a href="#">Bonasa bonasia</a>			p	80	150	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A215	<a href="#">Bubo bubo</a>			p	9	11	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A087	<a href="#">Buteo buteo</a>			p	50	100	p		G	C	A	C	C

B	A403	<a href="#">Buteo rufinus</a>			p	8	10	p		G	C	B	C	A
P	1386	<a href="#">Buxbaumia viridis</a>			p	50	50	logs	R	M	B	A	A	A
M	1352	<a href="#">Canis lupus</a>			p	12	16	i		G	B	A	C	A
B	A224	<a href="#">Caprimulgus europaeus</a>			r	80	225	p		G	B	A	C	A
I	1088	<a href="#">Cerambyx cerdo</a>			p				P	DD	C	B	C	C
B	A031	<a href="#">Ciconia ciconia</a>			r	1	1	p		G	D			
B	A030	<a href="#">Ciconia nigra</a>			r	2	3	i			C	A	C	B
B	A080	<a href="#">Circaetus gallicus</a>			r		2	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A231	<a href="#">Coracias garrulus</a>			r	5	15	p		G	C	A	C	B
F	1163	<a href="#">Cottus gobio</a>			p	1279740	1279740	area	P	P	C	A	A	A
B	A122	<a href="#">Crex crex</a>			r	48	60	p		G	C	A	C	A
B	A239	<a href="#">Dendrocopos leucotos</a>			p	100	150	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A238	<a href="#">Dendrocopos medius</a>			p	20	40	p		G	C	A	C	B
B	A429	<a href="#">Dendrocopos syriacus</a>			p	90	110	p		G	C	A	C	C
P	1381	<a href="#">Dicranum viride</a>			p	75	75	trees	R	M	A	A	A	A
B	A236	<a href="#">Dryocopus martius</a>			p	65	80	p		G	B	A	C	B
B	A379	<a href="#">Emberiza hortulana</a>			r	70	210	p		G	C	A	C	A
I	6199	<a href="#">Euplagia quadripunctaria</a>			p	1340	5071	i	R	P	C	A	C	A
B	A511	<a href="#">Falco cherrug</a>			r	3	3	p		G	A	A	C	A
B	A511	<a href="#">Falco cherrug</a>			w		1	i		G	A	A	C	A
B	A103	<a href="#">Falco peregrinus</a>			r	2	8	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A096	<a href="#">Falco tinnunculus</a>			p	45	45	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A320	<a href="#">Ficedula parva</a>			r	400	500	p		G	A	A	C	A
B	A442	<a href="#">Ficedula semitorquata</a>			r	70	200	p		G	B	A	C	A
B	A217	<a href="#">Glaucidium passerinum</a>			p	10	20	p		G	A	A	A	A
B	A078	<a href="#">Gyps fulvus</a>			p	5	20	i	P	G	B	B	B	B
P	6216	<a href="#">Hamatocaulis vernicosus</a>			p	1740	1740	area	R	M	A	A	B	B
B	A092	<a href="#">Hieraetus pennatus</a>			r	1	2	p		G	C	A	C	C
B	A338	<a href="#">Lanius collurio</a>			r	400	2025	p		G	C	B	C	B
B	A339	<a href="#">Lanius minor</a>			r	3	8	p		G	C	B	C	C
I	1083	<a href="#">Lucanus cervus</a>			p	32001	62952	i	V	M	C	A	C	B
B	A246	<a href="#">Lullula arborea</a>			p	160	300	p		G	C	A	C	B
M	1355	<a href="#">Lutra lutra</a>			p	10	15	i	C	G	C	C	C	C
P	1379	<a href="#">Mannia triandra</a>			p				V	DD	D			
B	A230	<a href="#">Merops apiaster</a>			r	18	18	p		G	C	B	C	C
B	A230	<a href="#">Merops apiaster</a>			c				P	DD	C	B	C	C
M	1310	<a href="#">Miniopterus schreibersii</a>			p	11	50	i	V	G	C	B	C	C
I	1089	<a href="#">Morimus funereus</a>			p	302110	350912	i	R	M	C	A	C	B
M	1323	<a href="#">Myotis bechsteinii</a>			p	322	644	i	R	M	C	B	C	B
M	1307	<a href="#">Myotis blythii</a>			w	300	450	i	P	G	B	B	C	B
M	1316	<a href="#">Myotis capaccinii</a>			p	6	10	i	V	G	D			
M	1321	<a href="#">Myotis emarginatus</a>			p	6	10	i	V	G	D			
M	1324	<a href="#">Myotis myotis</a>			p	11	50	i	R	G	C	B	C	C

I	1084	<a href="#">Osmoderma eremita</a>			p	87706	171772	i	V	M	B	A	C	B
B	A072	<a href="#">Pernis apivorus</a>			r	4	10	p		G	B	A	C	B
B	A234	<a href="#">Picus canus</a>			p	20	30	p		G	B	A	C	A
I	4042	<a href="#">Polyommatus eroides</a>			p	7835	15669	i	C	M	C	A	A	A
M	1306	<a href="#">Rhinolophus blasii</a>			p				P	DD	D			
M	1304	<a href="#">Rhinolophus ferrumequinum</a>			p	51	100	i	R	G	C	B	C	C
M	1303	<a href="#">Rhinolophus hipposideros</a>			p	11	50	i	R		C	B	C	C
I	1087	<a href="#">Rosalia alpina</a>			p	225279	410268	i	R	M	C	B	C	B
M	1371	<a href="#">Rupicapra rupicapra balcanica</a>			p	125	190	i		G	B	B	A	A
M	1335	<a href="#">Spermophilus citellus</a>			p	12	12	colonies	C	G	C	A	C	A
B	A220	<a href="#">Strix uralensis</a>			p	25	35	p		G	A	A	B	A
B	A220	<a href="#">Strix uralensis</a>			w	50	50	i		G	A	A	B	A
B	A307	<a href="#">Sylvia nisoria</a>			r	5	15	p		G	C	B	C	C
R	1219	<a href="#">Testudo graeca</a>			p	1	1	localities	V	P	C	C	C	C
R	1217	<a href="#">Testudo hermanni</a>			p			localities	P	DD	C	C	C	C
P	4116	<a href="#">Tozzia carpathica</a>			p				V	DD	C	B	C	B
B	A165	<a href="#">Tringa ochropus</a>			r	1	1	p		G	C	B	C	C
A	1171	<a href="#">Triturus karelinii</a>			p			localities	P	DD	C	C	C	C
M	1354	<a href="#">Ursus arctos</a>			p	50	50	i		G	B	A	A	A
M	2635	<a href="#">Vormela peregusna</a>			p				P	DD	D			

- **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)

Species			Population in the site					Motivation						
Group	CODE	Scientific Name	S	NP	Size		Unit	Cat.	Species Annex		Other categories			
					Min	Max		C R V P	IV	V	A	B	C	D
R		<a href="#">Ablepharus kitaibelii</a>						R					X	
P		<a href="#">Acer heldreichii</a>						C			X			
P		<a href="#">Achillea ageratifolia</a>						R				X		
P		<a href="#">Achillea distans</a>						R				X		
P		<a href="#">Achillea grandifolia</a>						P				X		
I		<a href="#">Aeschna cyanea</a>						R						X
B	A247	<a href="#">Alauda arvensis</a>			1750	1750	p						X	
P		<a href="#">Alchemilla achtarovii</a>						V			X			
P		<a href="#">Alchemilla anisiaca</a>						R			X			
P		<a href="#">Alchemilla asteroantha</a>						V			X			



I		<a href="#">tetevensis</a>						C			X		
A		<a href="#">Bufo viridis</a>						R				X	
I		<a href="#">Bulgarica pagana bulgarica</a>						C			X		
I		<a href="#">Bulgarica varnensis</a>						P			X		
P		<a href="#">Bupleurum longifolium</a>						V		X			
I		<a href="#">Bythinus simoni bulgaricus</a>						R			X		
I		<a href="#">Calosoma sycophanta</a>						V					X
P		<a href="#">Campanula moesiaca</a>						P			X		
P		<a href="#">Campanula sparsa ssp. frivaldskyi</a>						P			X		
P		<a href="#">Campanula transsilvanica</a>						V		X			
P		<a href="#">Campanula trojanensis</a>						P			X		
M		<a href="#">Canis aureus</a>						R					X
I		<a href="#">Carabus intricatus</a>						C					X
P		<a href="#">Cardamine raphanifolia ssp. acris</a>						P			X		
B	A366	<a href="#">Carduelis cannabina</a>			270	270	p					X	
B	A363	<a href="#">Carduelis chloris</a>			685	685	p					X	
B	A365	<a href="#">Carduelis spinus</a>			110	110	p					X	
P		<a href="#">Carum graecum</a>						R		X			
P		<a href="#">Centaurea kernerana</a>						C		X			
P		<a href="#">Centaurea napulifera</a>						C			X		
P		<a href="#">Cerastium decalvans</a>						P			X		
P		<a href="#">Cerastium moesiacum</a>						P			X		
P		<a href="#">Chamaecytisus kovacevii</a>						V		X			
I		<a href="#">Chionophylax mindszentyi bulgaricus</a>						C			X		
P		<a href="#">Cirsium appendiculatum</a>						P			X		
P		<a href="#">Cirsium oleraceum</a>						P		X			
P		<a href="#">Clematis alpina</a>						R					X
I		<a href="#">Coelotes jurinitschi</a>						R			X		
I		<a href="#">Coenonympha rhodopensis</a>						C			X		
R		<a href="#">Coluber caspius</a>						V					X
B	A207	<a href="#">Columba oenas</a>			31	31	p			X			
B	A208	<a href="#">Columba palumbus</a>			6000	6000	p						X
I		<a href="#">Cordulegaster bidentatus</a>						R					X
R		<a href="#">Coronella austriaca</a>						C				X	
P		<a href="#">Cortusa matthioli</a>						R		X			
B	A347	<a href="#">Corvus monedula</a>			300	300	p						X
I		<a href="#">Coryphium balcanicum</a>						C			X		
B	A113	<a href="#">Coturnix coturnix</a>			75	75	p					X	
I		<a href="#">Cousia uhligi</a>						C			X		





I		<a href="#">ochraceus</a>					R				X		
M		<a href="#">Felis silvestris</a>		60	70	i						X	
P		<a href="#">Festuca balcanica ssp. balcanica</a>					C				X		
P		<a href="#">Festuca panciciana</a>					R				X		
P		<a href="#">Festuca riloensis</a>					V				X		
P		<a href="#">Festuca stojanovii</a>					V				X		
P		<a href="#">Festuca valida</a>					C				X		
P		<a href="#">Festuca xanthina</a>					C			X			
I		<a href="#">Formica lugubris</a>					R						X
I		<a href="#">Formica rufa</a>					C						X
I		<a href="#">Formica transcaucasica</a>					C						X
B	A359	<a href="#">Fringilla coelebs</a>		157500	157500	p						X	
P		<a href="#">Galanthus nivalis</a>					C			X			
B	A244	<a href="#">Galerida cristata</a>		105	105	p						X	
P		<a href="#">Galium heldreichii ssp. protopycnutrichum</a>					P				X		
P		<a href="#">Genista depressa ssp. frivaldszkyi</a>					P				X		
P		<a href="#">Genista pilosa</a>					V			X			
P		<a href="#">Gentiana acaulis</a>					C			X			
P		<a href="#">Gentiana frigida</a>					V			X			
P		<a href="#">Gentiana lutea</a>					R			X			
P		<a href="#">Gentiana punctata</a>					R			X			
P		<a href="#">Gentianella amarella</a>					C			X			
P		<a href="#">Gentianella bulgarica ssp. bulgarica</a>					P				X		
P		<a href="#">Gentianella praecox</a>					V			X			
I		<a href="#">Geodromicus schubertii</a>					R				X		
P		<a href="#">Geranium coeruleatum</a>					V			X			
I		<a href="#">Glaucopsyche alexis</a>					P						X
I		<a href="#">Gnophos glaucinarius peruni</a>					R				X		
P		<a href="#">Grimmia caespiticia</a>					R						X
P		<a href="#">Haberlea rhodopaensis</a>					C			X			
I		<a href="#">Harpolithobius hemusi</a>					C				X		
I		<a href="#">Helicigona pelia</a>					P				X		
I		<a href="#">Helicigona trizona balcanica</a>					R				X		
I		<a href="#">Helicigona trizona haberhaueri</a>					P				X		
I		<a href="#">Helix pomatia</a>					C						X
P		<a href="#">Hesperis dinarica</a>					P				X		
P		<a href="#">Hieracium pseudopilosella</a>					P				X		
B	A251	<a href="#">Hirundo rustica</a>		1500	1500	p						X	
A		<a href="#">Hyla arborea</a>					C					X	
P		<a href="#">Hypericum umbellatum</a>					P				X		
P		<a href="#">Iris reichenbachii</a>					P				X		

I		<a href="#">Isophya pravdini bazyuki</a>						C				X		
I		<a href="#">Isophya pravdini pravdini</a>						C				X		
P		<a href="#">Jasione bulgarica</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Jovibarba heuffelii</a>						V			X			
P		<a href="#">Juniperus sabina</a>						C			X			
B	A233	<a href="#">Jynx torquilla</a>		65	65		p						X	
P		<a href="#">Knautia midzorensis</a>						P				X		
R		<a href="#">Lacerta agilis</a>						R					X	
R		<a href="#">Lacerta viridis</a>						R					X	
P		<a href="#">Laserpitium kraftii</a>						C			X			
P		<a href="#">Laserpitium siler</a>						R			X			
P		<a href="#">Lathyrus linifolius</a>						R			X			
P		<a href="#">Lathyrus montanus</a>						R			X			
P		<a href="#">Laurocerasus officinalis</a>						R						X
I		<a href="#">Lechmannia brunneri</a>						R				X		
P		<a href="#">Leontodon riloensis</a>						C			X			
P		<a href="#">Leontopodium alpinum</a>						R			X			
I		<a href="#">Lepthyphantes rectilamellus</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Lesteva albanica</a>						C				X		
I		<a href="#">Lesteva uhligi</a>						C				X		
I		<a href="#">Leuctra helenae</a>						C				X		
P		<a href="#">Lilium jankae</a>						R			X			
I		<a href="#">Limenitis populi</a>						P						X
P		<a href="#">Limodorum abortivum</a>						C			X			
I		<a href="#">Lindbergia uminskii</a>						C				X		
P		<a href="#">Linum extraaxillare</a>						V			X			
P		<a href="#">Linum uninode</a>						V			X			
I		<a href="#">Lithobius beroni</a>						V				X		
I		<a href="#">Lithobius zelezovae</a>						V				X		
B	A271	<a href="#">Luscinia megarhynchos</a>		850	850		p						X	
P		<a href="#">Luzula deflexa</a>						C			X			
I		<a href="#">Macrotylus quadrilineatus</a>						R						X
I		<a href="#">Maculinea arion</a>						C					X	
M		<a href="#">Martes martes</a>		60	80		i				X			
I		<a href="#">Mecomma ambulans montanus</a>						R				X		
P		<a href="#">Melampyrum scardicum</a>						P				X		
I		<a href="#">Melitaea trivia</a>						C					X	
P		<a href="#">Menianthes trifoliata</a>						R			X			
I		<a href="#">Meromyza balcanica</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Metrioptera domogledi</a>						R						X
P		<a href="#">Meum athamanticum</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Micromeria frivaldszkyana</a>						R			X			

M		<a href="#">Microtus nivalis</a>						C						X
I		<a href="#">Milax parvulus</a>						P				X		
I		<a href="#">Milax verrucosus</a>						C				X		
B	A383	<a href="#">Miliaria calandra</a>			700	700	p						X	
P		<a href="#">Minuartia bulgarica</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Minuartia saxifraga</a>						C			X			
P		<a href="#">Moehringia grisebachiana</a>						V			X			
P		<a href="#">Moehringia pendula</a>						P			X			
I		<a href="#">Molops alpestris kalofericus</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Molops dilatatus angulicollis</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Monacha carascaloides</a>						R				X		
B	A280	<a href="#">Monticola saxatilis</a>			43	43	p						X	
M		<a href="#">Muscardinus avellanarius</a>						C					X	
B	A319	<a href="#">Muscicapa striata</a>			200	200	p						X	
M		<a href="#">Mustela putorius</a>						C						X
P		<a href="#">Myosotis suaveolens</a>						P				X		
M		<a href="#">Myotis alcaethoe</a>						V					X	
M		<a href="#">Myotis aurescens</a>						C					X	
M		<a href="#">Myotis brandtii</a>						R					X	
M		<a href="#">Myotis daubentonii</a>											X	
M		<a href="#">Myotis nattereri</a>											X	
I		<a href="#">Myrmeleon formicarius</a>						R						X
M		<a href="#">Nannospalax leucodon</a>												X
R		<a href="#">Natrix tessellata</a>						V					X	
P		<a href="#">Neckera pennata</a>						V						X
I		<a href="#">Nemoura bulgarica</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Nemoura pirinensis</a>						V				X		
I		<a href="#">Neptis rivularis</a>						P						X
M		<a href="#">Nyctalus leisleri</a>						R					X	
M		<a href="#">Nyctalus noctula</a>						R					X	
I		<a href="#">Ocalea bulgarica</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Ocyusa regisborisi</a>						R				X		
P		<a href="#">Orchis militaris</a>						V			X			
I		<a href="#">Otiorrhynchus demirkapensis</a>						R				X		
B	A214	<a href="#">Otus scops</a>			90	90	p						X	
I		<a href="#">Pardosa drenska</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Parnassius apollo bosniensis</a>						C				X		
I		<a href="#">Parnassius mnemosyne</a>						C					X	
B	A329	<a href="#">Parus caeruleus</a>			9750	9750	p						X	
B	A443	<a href="#">Parus lugubris</a>			80	80	p						X	
P		<a href="#">Pastinaca hirsuta</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Pedicularia oederi</a>						R			X			

P		<a href="#">Pedicularis leucodon</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Pedicularis orthantha</a>						P				X		
B	A274	<a href="#">Phoenicurus phoenicurus</a>		70	70	p					X			
B	A314	<a href="#">Phylloscopus sibilatrix</a>		3000	3000	p							X	
P		<a href="#">Phyteuma confusum</a>						P			X			
B	A235	<a href="#">Picus viridis</a>		125	125	p							X	
P		<a href="#">Pinguicula balcanica</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Pinus peuce</a>						R				X		
M		<a href="#">Pipistrellus pipistrellus</a>						R					X	
M		<a href="#">Pipistrellus savii</a>											X	
M		<a href="#">Plecotus auritus</a>											X	
M		<a href="#">Plecotus austriacus</a>						R					X	
R		<a href="#">Podarcis muralis</a>											X	
R		<a href="#">Podarcis taurica</a>						V					X	
I		<a href="#">Polydesmus planinensis</a>						C				X		
I		<a href="#">Polyergus rufescens</a>						P						X
P		<a href="#">Potentilla apenina</a>						V			X			
P		<a href="#">Potentilla chrysantha</a>						V			X			
P		<a href="#">Potentilla haynaldiana</a>						R				X		
P		<a href="#">Primula frondosa</a>						R			X			
B	A267	<a href="#">Prunella collaris</a>		700	700	p					X			
B	A266	<a href="#">Prunella modularis</a>		13000	13000	p							X	
I		<a href="#">Pterostichus melanarius bulgaricus</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Pterostichus merkli</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Pterostichus rhilensis vitosensis</a>						V				X		
I		<a href="#">Pterostichus vecors</a>						R				X		
I		<a href="#">Pyrgus cacaliae</a>						P				X		
P		<a href="#">Pyrola rotundifolia</a>						V			X			
B	A345	<a href="#">Pyrrhocorax graculus</a>		310	310	p							X	
I		<a href="#">Quedius bulgaricus</a>						C				X		
I		<a href="#">Quedius schipkanus</a>						C				X		
A		<a href="#">Rana dalmatina</a>												X
B	A318	<a href="#">Regulus ignicapillus</a>		9500	9500	p							X	
B	A317	<a href="#">Regulus regulus</a>		4100	4100	p							X	
P		<a href="#">Rhodiola rosea</a>						R						X
P		<a href="#">Rhododendron myrtifolium</a>						R			X			
I		<a href="#">Rhyacophila braaschi</a>						P				X		
I		<a href="#">Rhyacophila joosti</a>						C				X		
I		<a href="#">Rhyacophila kownackiana</a>						C				X		
I		<a href="#">Rhyacophila margaritae</a>						C				X		
I		<a href="#">Rhyacophila polonica</a>						P						X
P		<a href="#">Rhynchocorys elephas</a>						R			X			
P		<a href="#">Ribes nigrum</a>						V			X			



I		<a href="#">divergens</a>					P				X		
I		<a href="#">Trechus rhodopeius</a>					P				X		
P		<a href="#">Trifolium medium ssp. balcanicum</a>					P				X		
P		<a href="#">Trifolium velenovskyi</a>					P				X		
P		<a href="#">Trollius europaeus</a>					R						X
I		<a href="#">Tropiphorus caesius</a>					P				X		
B	A283	<a href="#">Turdus merula</a>			29000	29000	p					X	
B	A285	<a href="#">Turdus philomelos</a>			21000	21000	p					X	
B	A282	<a href="#">Turdus torquatus</a>			6000	6000	p					X	
B	A287	<a href="#">Turdus viscivorus</a>			3700	3700	p					X	
P		<a href="#">Turritis pseudoturritis</a>					V				X		
P		<a href="#">Valeriana montana</a>					V				X		
P		<a href="#">Verbascum abietinum</a>					P					X	
P		<a href="#">Verbascum boevae</a>					V				X		
P		<a href="#">Verbascum humile</a>					V				X		
P		<a href="#">Verbascum longifolium ssp. pannosum</a>					P					X	
P		<a href="#">Verbascum nobile</a>					V				X		
P		<a href="#">Veronica austriaca ssp. neicevii</a>					V				X		
P		<a href="#">Veronica krumovii</a>					V				X		
M		<a href="#">Vespertilio murinus</a>					R						X
P		<a href="#">Vicia dumetorum</a>					R				X		
P		<a href="#">Viola aetolica</a>					P					X	
P		<a href="#">Viola balcanica</a>					V				X		
R		<a href="#">Vipera ammodytes</a>					R						X
P		<a href="#">Viscaria vulgaris ssp. atropurpurea</a>					P					X	
I		<a href="#">Vitrea neglecta</a>					P					X	
I		<a href="#">Xyphosia miliaria balcanica</a>					R					X	
I		<a href="#">Zabrus balcanicus</a>					R					X	
I		<a href="#">Zerynthia polyxena</a>					C						X
I		<a href="#">Zodarion pirini</a>					V					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
N23	1.0

N08	18.0
N11	2.0
N10	20.0
N22	1.0
N16	48.0
N17	8.0
N20	2.0
<b>Total Habitat Cover</b>	<b>100</b>

#### Other Site Characteristics

Mountainous relief with steep slopes. Altitude's displacement within the park's territory is 1900 m. Four altitude belts are clearly distinguished, and the upper parts are habitats of alpine type. Old beech forests (40 % of the park's territory) predominate in the forest belt. Dry heaths with predomination of the Siberian juniper (*Juniperus sibirica*) and mesophyllous meadows (40 %, too) are dominant in the highlands zone. Northern slopes are covered with forests and the highest rainfalls in the country are given there (1200-1360 mm). Southern slopes are rocky, very steep, cut through by gorges. Park's area is made up by magma plutonic bodies, sediment and metamorphous rocks of the Prepaleozoic, Mesozoic and Paleogenic age. Four denudation levels are observed in the park with various geomorphologic elements. These include flattened ridges, sloping steps, sloping declivities, granite over-thrusts and well expressed surface and underground limestone (karst) forms. Approximately one quarter of the forested area of the park is on granite rock. Next in distribution are the crystalline schists. Third is sandstone. The Stara Planina karst covers a small area of the park.

#### 4.2 Quality and importance

The site is with national, European and global significance for the preservation of examples of the Mixed Mountainous Systems with Complex Zoning Biome. 27 types and subtypes recognized in the park are natural habitats with European and national significance and they cover 94.7% of the park's territory. *Fagus sylvatica* forests take 40 % of it. They are distinguished for their high degree of naturalness, forests of between 100 and 250 years are prevailing. 57 species (30 species of birds, 16 mammals, 1 amphibian, 2 fish species and 8 invertebrate species) of Annex <sup>22</sup> of the Habitat Directive are recognized in the park. The site is a core zone of one of the most eminent European formation centers of flora and fauna endemic species. The additional invertebrate species include 29 local and 52 Bulgarian endemics - of all 168 endemic species and subspecies (from only 4 sample groups), the Pre-glacial relicts (from the total 108), as well as 19 species of the Red List of IUCN. The list of the additional high plant species includes 101 endemic species and subspecies, 100 species of the Red Data Book of Bulgaria, species, included in the Bern and Bonn conventions, as well as some rare relict species. About 2 150 species belonging to high flora are estimated in the park. One can recognize 211 species of vertebrate animals during breeding season - 6 species of fish, 8 amphibian species, 14 species of reptiles, over 220 bird species (123 species of the nesting ones that occur during the breeding period) and 60 mammals. The additional list includes 49 species of the Red Data Book of Bulgaria, of the Red List of IUCN, species, included in the Bern convention (Annex II) and in the Bonn convention, as well as bird species with unfavorable status in Europe and 2 endemic subspecies. The site was recognized as a Bird Area in 1996; it was expanded in 2005 and in 2003 was included in the preliminary list of Important Plant Areas. There are 9 strict nature reserves in the park, named respectively Boatina, Tsaritchina, Steneto, Dzhendema, Kozya Stena, Stara Reka, Severen Dzhendem, Peeshti Skali and Sokolna. The first four ones are declared as biosphere reserves under the UNESCO's Man & Biosphere programme. The existing reserves correspond to Category I protected areas in accordance with IUCN and the park as a whole - to Category II. Due to its well preserved and managed European wildlife the park became member of the European network of protected areas PAN Parks.

#### 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]
L	L09		i
L	G01.06		i
M	G02.02		i
L	B02.04		o
L	K01.01		i
M	E01		o
M	E02.01		o
M	G02.04		i
M	G01.04		i
L	L04		i
M	A03		i
H	J01		i
L	L07		i

Positive Impacts			
Rank	Activities, management [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside /outside [i o b]
L	G03		o
L	A04		i
L	L04		i
M	K03.04		i
L	G01.06		i
H	A04.03		i
L	L07		i
M	K04.01		i

L	K03.06		i
L	D01.01		i
L	F03.02.09		i
M	K03.01		i
M	K04.01		i
L	B01.02		i
L	H04		i
M	F03.01		o
H	F04		i
L	H05		i
M	F04		o
M	B02.02		o
L	D01.02		i
L	G01.02		i
L	F03.02.03		o
M	F03.02.03		i
M	K03.04		i
M	F03.01		i
M	G05.01		i
L	F02.03		i
L	E03.01		i
H	E01.01		o
M	G01.03		i
L	B02.02		i
M	G01.05		i
M	F03.02.02		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 Eng. Nela Rachevitz - Director of Central Balkan National Park Directorate, 3 Bodra smyana Str., Gabrovo, 5300, P.O.Box 80, tel. +359 66 801 277, office@centralbalkan.bg; Zh. Spiridonov, tel.+359 2 8505408, gspiridonov@wf-bg.org; St. Beshkov - NMNH, Sofia; Sv. Spasov - BSPB. Initially listed documents: Digital forests database for Central Balkan National Park. Meshinev, T, A. Popov - editors. 2000. High-mountain treeless zone of Central Balkan National Park, USAID, MoEW. Management Plan of Central Balkan National Park 2001 - 2010 Manual for determining the habitats of European importance in Bulgaria, 2005, WWF, Green Blaknas, MoEW. Sakalyan, M - editor. 1999. Biological Diversity in Central Balkan NP, MoEW, USAID. Spiridonov, J. 1997. Central Balkan. - Kostadinova, I. Important Bird Areas in Bulgaria. BSPB. Red Book of Bulgaria. 1984, 1985. Volume 1 and 2. BAS, Committee for environmental protection of Ministerial Council. Benda, P. and others. 2003. Bats (Mammalia) Chiroptera of the Eastern Mediterranean. Part III. Revue of Bat distribution in Bulgaria. Acta soc. Zool. Bohemia 67. BirdLife International (2004). Birds in Europe: estimates, trends and conservation status. Cambridge, UK, BirdLife International, 12. Ivanova, T. 1998. First data on bats of the Central Balkan mountain, Bulgaria. Vespertilio 3. Schunger, I. and others. 2004. Swarming of Bats (Chir., Mamm.) in the Vodnite Dupki Cave (Central Balkan NP, Bulgaria). Acta zool. Bulgarica, 56. Spiridonov, G edit. 1998. Corine biotopes, Bulgaria, Final report MoEW, Phare. 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): <http://natura2000.moew.government.bg/Home/ProtectedSite?code=BG0000494&siteType=HabitatDirective>  
<http://natura2000.moew.government.bg/Home/ProtectedSite?code=BG0000494&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 [%]
BG02	100.0	BG01	28.51218319431974	BG00	



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

designated at national or regional level:

Type code	Site name	Type	Cover [%]
BG01	Peeshti skali	+	2.068775439207238
BG01	Tzarichina	+	5.004640268534026
BG01	Sokolna	+	1.6978780685438197
BG01	Steneto	+	5.182931281466616
BG01	Kozya stena	+	1.102989371165533
BG01	Dzhendema	+	5.9841136450742285
BG01	Severen Dzhandem	+	2.6292696147942607
BG01	Stara reka	+	2.704538308947214
BG02	Central Balkan	=	100.0
BG01	Boatin	+	2.1370471965868054

designated at international level:

Type	Site name	Type	Cover [%]
Other	IBA - Central Balkan	-	100.0
	Steneto	+	5.0
	Boatin	+	2.0
	Dzendema	+	6.0
	PAN Park Central Balkan	=	100.0
	Tzarichina	+	5.0

## 5.3 Site designation (optional)

The park was established with the aim to protect forever and for the benefit of society complexes of self-regulating eco-systems and their inherent diversity of species, habitats of rare and protected species and communities, typical and remarkable landscapes and abiotic objects of global significance for science and culture. It was declared with Order No 843/31 October 1991 of the Minister of Environment. According to the legislation in effect at that time (Article 17 and Article 22 of the Nature Protection Act), it was declared as a people's park. Upon its adoption in 1998 the Protected Areas Act (PPA) provided for opportunity to update the boundaries of the park. The newly adopted Protected Areas Act defines Central Balkan as a park of national significance. With Order RD-396/15.10.1999 the park was officially reclassified as national park. The currently existing 9 reserves (28 % of the total park's area) had been declared and territories added to them between the years 1948 - 1992. In accordance to Article 5 of PPA the reserves have the strictest protection (Category I IUCN), and the national park - IUCN category II protected area. The reserves preserve examples of natural ecosystems, including typical and/ or remarkable wild plant and animal species and their habitats. The four reserves: Boatin, Tzarichina, Steneto and Dzhendema were declared as biosphere reserves under the UNESCO's program Man and Biosphere in 1977. In compliance with Article 18, Paragraph 2 of PAA national parks are managed with the following purposes: 1. Maintenance of the diversity of ecosystems and protection of wildlife; 2. Preservation and maintenance of the biological diversity in ecosystems; 3. Providing opportunities for development of research, educational and recreational activities; 4. Providing premises for development of tourism, nature-oriented livelihood for local communities and other activities consistent with the aims under paragraphs 1-3. In 2003 the park became member of the European network of protected areas PAN Parks.

## 6. SITE MANAGEMENT

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

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Organisation:	Regional Inspectorate of Environment and Water: Veliko Tarnovo, Pleven, Plovdiv, Sofia, Stara Zagora; Central Balkan National Park Directorate
Address:	
Email:	

### 6.2 Management Plan(s):

An actual management plan does exist:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
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Name: Management Plan for Tsentralen Balkan National Park, adopted by Council of Ministers Decision No. 195/24.03.2016 (promulgated SG 26/2016).

Link: [https://www.moew.government.bg/wp-content/uploads/filebase/Nature/Protected\\_areas/Planove\\_za\\_upravlenie/CB\\_20162025.zip](https://www.moew.government.bg/wp-content/uploads/filebase/Nature/Protected_areas/Planove_za_upravlenie/CB_20162025.zip)

No, but in preparation

No

### 6.3 Conservation measures (optional)

The Management plan of Central Balkan NP (2001 - 2010) was adopted with Ruling No. 522 of the Council of Ministers of Republic of Bulgaria; dated 04.07.2001. The Plan contains two main sections - I. Descriptive and II. Prescriptive. The Descriptive Section contains 8 chapters. They describe and present the following basic data about the Park: general description, physico-geographic characterization with information about the climate, geology, hydrology, soils, and the biotic features (plant communities, diversity of habitats, flora and fauna). A detailed review is made of the various aspects of the relations between the people and the national park - the current uses of resources tourism and the profile of visitors, the cultural and historical heritage, the scientific research in the park as well as the nature conservation education, and awareness of the public around the park. Information is presented about the infrastructure and about access to the park, about park landscapes, the overlooks and the picturesque qualities of the area. The demographic trends in municipalities, the impact of industries, recreation and tourism, the park in the context of regional planning, etc. are also given in the section. The Prescriptive Section consists of 7 chapters. It is developed on the basis on analysis of the results from the scientific studies on the natural element, sociological studies, and information in the park Directorate. Threats and limitations of natural and anthropogenic kind are analyzed as well as some limitations related to time, finances and policy. The zoning of the national park is of substantial importance in its management. Five functional zones are defined - reserves, human impact limitation zone, tourism zone, infrastructure zone and a multi-purpose zone. Each zone is described and the content and nature of the sites included in it are indicated, along with the norms for the allowed activities, in order to limit the negative impacts to nature features. Four Ideal Goals corresponding to the protected area's managerial aims are defined. The fulfillment of the long-term objectives is carried on by implementation of programs and projects. Provisions are made for 27 basic programs and 82 projects whose long-term implementation would lead to the achieving of the management objectives in the planned period of time. The final chapter of the Prescriptive Section contains a three-year action plan (2001-2003). It incorporates a priority based selection of programs and projects to ensure efficient conservation of the park components as early as the initial stage of management. Under elaboration is the Five-year Action Plan (2006-2010). Provisions for activities to be fulfilled each calendar year are made in the respective Annual Action Plan. Also separate annual plans are devised for the allowed use of natural resources as follows: Plan for Maintaining and Restoration Activities in Forests; Plan for Stock-grazing and Hay Harvesting; Plan for Collecting of Medicinal Plants; Plan for Picking of Mushrooms and Wild Berries as well as Annual Plan for Monitoring of the Components of Environment.

## 7. MAP OF THE SITES

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