



ABOUT THE WORLD MONUMENTS WATCH

Launched in 1996 and issued every two years, the World Monuments Watch is the flagship advocacy program of World Monuments Fund. The Watch calls international attention to cultural heritage around the world that is at risk from the forces of nature and the impact of social, political, and economic change. From archaeological sites to modern architecture, cultural landscapes to historic urban centers, the Watch identifies places of significance in need of timely action. The 2012 World Monuments Watch continues this tradition with the inclusion of 67 sites from 41 countries and territories.

In its sixteen-year history, the Watch has served as a beacon, not only for treasured places but for society as well. As an open process, the Watch receives nominations directly from individuals, organizations, and governments on the ground. More than 500 advocates in over 80 countries engaged in the preparation and endorsement of nominations to the 2012 Watch, raising local issues to inform an international dialogue.

More than ever, this ninth cycle of the Watch underscores the important dynamic between communities and their collective heritage. The 2012 Watch includes many sites from urban, densely populated areas, which highlight the growing need to balance heritage preservation with the demand to serve contemporary social, economic, and environmental

priorities. The 2012 Watch continues to highlight the need to protect the heritage of the recent past, as well as the challenges faced by archaeological sites that increasingly need improved management and visitor plans. The 2012 Watch is an opportunity to discover many places that are jewels hiding in plain sight or found in remote areas that may be enjoyed by only small numbers of local residents and adventurous travelers. Just saving sites from destruction or decay is not enough. Conservation means working to integrate heritage into the fabric of society and reconnecting people and places in new and innovative ways.

The 2012 World Monument Watch encourages everyone to do the same. Do your part to make the past part of a better future by supporting activities at 2012 Watch sites, joining local advocacy efforts, or just passing on the message. For more information, visit www.wmf.org/watch.



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ARGENTINA

Casa sobre el Arroyo, Mar del Plata,
Buenos Aires Province
City of La Plata, Buenos Aires Province
Pucará de Tilcara, Quebrada de
Humahuaca, Jujuy Province

BELIZE

Historic Architecture of Belize City

BENIN

Akaba Idéna, Kétou, Plateau Department

BHUTAN

Wangduechoeling Palace, Jakar,
Bumthang District

BOLIVIA

El Fuerte de Samaipata,
Santa Cruz Department

BRAZIL

Historic Center of Salvador de Bahia

BURKINA FASO

Cour Royale de Tiébélé,
Centre-Sud Region

CAYMAN ISLANDS

Mind's Eye, George Town, Grand Cayman

CHINA

Archaeological Site of the Palace
of Nanyue Kingdom, Guangzhou
Tiantai An, Wangqu, Shanxi Province

COLOMBIA

Historic Center of Santa Cruz
de Mompox, Bolívar Department
Paeces Chapels of Tierradentro,
Cauca Department

CUBA

Parish Church of San Juan Bautista
de los Remedios, Villa Clara Province

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Parish Church of San Dionisio,
Higüey, La Altagracia Province

GHANA

Asante Traditional Buildings,
near Kumasi, Ashanti Region

GREECE

First Cemetery of Athens

GUATEMALA

Archaeological Park and Ruins
of Quiriguá, Izabal Department
El Zotz, Petén Department

HAITI

Gingerbread Neighborhood, Port-au-Prince
Jacmel Historic District
Palace of Sans Souci, Milot

INDIA

Bagh-i-Hafiz Rakhna,
Sirhind-Fategarh, Punjab
Balaji Ghat, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
Historic Havelis of Bikaner, Rajasthan
Royal Opera House, Mumbai, Maharashtra

INDONESIA

Desa Lingga, Karo Regency,
North Sumatra

JAPAN

Denchu Hirakushi House and Atelier,
Taitō, Tokyo
East Japan Earthquake Heritage Sites,
Tōhoku and Kantō Regions
Kyoto Machiya Townhouses

JORDAN

Abila, Quweilbeh, Irbid Governorate

KAZAKHSTAN

Necropolises of Nomads in Mangystau
Province



MACEDONIA

Stobi, Gradsko

MADAGASCAR

Royal Hill of Ambohimanga, Antananarivo Province

MEXICO

Colonial Bridge of Tequixtepec, San Miguel Tequixtepec, Oaxaca
Ruta de la Amistad, Mexico City

NETHERLANDS

Beth Haim Portuguese Jewish Cemetery, Ouderkerk aan de Amstel, North Holland

NEW ZEALAND

Canterbury Provincial Government Buildings, Christchurch

PALESTINIAN TERRITORY

Tell Umm el-'Amr (Saint Hilarion Monastery), Nuseirat, Gaza Strip

PANAMA

Way On Cemetery, Panama City

PERU

Alameda de los Descalzos and Paseo de Aguas, Rímac, Lima
Lines and Geoglyphs of Nasca, Ica Region
Quinta de Presa, Rímac, Lima

POLAND

St. Paraskewa Church, Radruż, Subcarpathian Voivodeship

PORTUGAL

Jardim Botânico de Lisboa, Lisbon

SAINT HELENA, ASCENSION, AND TRISTAN DA CUNHA

Saint Helena

SPAIN

Barrio del Cabanyal-Canyamelar, Valencia
Berrocal de Trujillo

TUNISIA

Old Town of Testour, Béja Governorate

TURKEY

Haydarpaşa Railway Station, Istanbul
Oshki, Çamlıyamaç, Erzurum Province
Rum Orphanage, Büyükkada, Princes' Islands, Istanbul

TURKMENISTAN

Ulug Depe, near Dushak, Ahal Province

UNITED KINGDOM

British Brutalism, Birmingham, London, and Preston
Newstead Abbey, Ravenshead, Nottinghamshire
Quarr Abbey, Ryde, Isle of Wight
Ruins of the Former Cathedral Church of St. Michael, Coventry, West Midlands

UNITED STATES

510 Fifth Avenue, New York City
Charleston Historic District, South Carolina
Manitoga, Garrison, New York
New York Studio School of Drawing, Painting and Sculpture, New York City
Orange County Government Center, Goshen, New York
Walpi Village, First Mesa, Arizona

VIET NAM

Fishing Villages of Hả Long Bay, Quảng Ninh Province

YEMEN

Mosque and Hammam al-Mudhaffar, Ta'izz

ZIMBABWE

Nalatale Ruins, near Gweru, Matabeleland North