

UNESCO World Heritage Sites



UNESCO's natural sites showcase unique landscapes and rich biodiversity, while cultural sites represent the history and culture of various civilizations.

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To be included on the World Heritage List, sites must be of outstanding universal value and meet at least one out of ten selection criteria.

These criteria are explained in the Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention (here) which, besides the text of the Convention, is the main working tool on World Heritage. The criteria are regularly revised by the Committee to reflect the evolution of the World Heritage concept itself.

Until the end of 2004, World Heritage sites were selected on the basis of six cultural and four natural criteria. With the adoption of the revised Operational.



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Countries



Sites areas

