

World Heritage Volunteers

Country Estates in Saint Petersburg Region

Historic Centre of Saint Petersburg and Related Groups of Monuments

- ◆ Village Gostilitsy
Leningrad Region, Russia
- ◆ Cultural property inscribed
on the WH list since 1990

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Saint Petersburg, the 'Venice of the North', with its numerous canals and more than 400 bridges, is the result of a vast urban project begun in 1703 under Peter the Great. Later known as Leningrad, the city is closely associated with the October Revolution. Its architectural heritage reconciles the very different Baroque and pure neoclassical styles.



Project objectives: The World Heritage site “Historic Centre of Saint Petersburg and Related Groups of Monuments” consists not only of the well-known historical center of St. Petersburg and the palaces and park ensembles of its suburbs, but also of little known imperial country estates mostly built in 18th and 19th centuries. The project will both emphasize the historical role of the county estates as monuments of architecture and reflect the historical events related to the world-famous personalities having been linked to these places.

Project activities: The volunteers will be under supervision of local experts engaged in improving the park – taking care of plantation of trees, mowing the meadows, curing the trees, cleaning the hollows, sweeping the grounds and improving the paths around Gostilitsy Palace.

Partners: Committee for Culture of Leningrad region; Gostilitsy Local Municipality; Saint Petersburg Noble Assembly; Vasileostrovskiy District Administration