

# Wadden Sea World Heritage Site

Decision World Heritage Committee Seville, June 2009



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# What is a World Heritage Site?

It must be of Outstanding Universal Value (OUV)

- Criteria to assess global importance
- Satisfy the condition of integrity
- Adequate protection and management



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## Criteria

- Young and unique (viii)
- Natural forces and dynamics prevail (ix)
- Unique in its variety (x)



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## Integrity

Size approx. 10,000 km<sup>2</sup>

All habitats types, features and processes

Long-term conservation and management



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# Decision World Heritage Committee

- Inscribes the Dutch-German Wadden Sea on the World Heritage List under natural criteria viii, ix and x
- Statement of Outstanding Universal Value (basis for future protection and management)
- Encourage the extension of the Danish part
- Prepare and implement an overall Tourism Development Strategy
- Implement monitoring program to control invasive species
- Strengthen cooperation with state parties at the African Eurasian Flyways



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