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St Kilda wants your pictures of World Heritage Sites

St Kilda, the UK's only dual UNESCO World Heritage Site is today inviting the Scottish public to join them in marking World Heritage Day (Thursday April 18).

Situated 40 miles to the west of North Uist in the Outer Hebrides, St Kilda holds both natural and cultural World Heritage status. Owned and managed by the National Trust for Scotland, staff are asking for people to take pictures today of Scottish World Heritage Sites and post them on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram using the hashtag #HelloStKilda.

The NTS team on St Kilda will pick the best photo from the day and hang it in the Manse on the island for all visitors to see. The photographer of the best picture will also win a National Trust for Scotland membership.

World Heritage Sites around Scotland are St. Kilda, Edinburgh Old Town and New Town, The Heart of Neolithic Orkney, New Lanark, The Antonine Wall and The Forth Bridge.

Craig Stanford, St Kilda Archaeologist, hopes to be posting live from the island today and is looking forward to seeing the pictures of the other World Heritage Sites.

He says: "World Heritage Day is a great time to really highlight the incredible places that there are around the world. We're proud to be one of the sites and although we're remote, we feel an incredible connection with the other places in Scotland to have this recognition. By asking people to post pictures today - and tagging us - we'll join us all together in celebrating the day."

To find out more about St Kilda, visit www.nts.org.uk/visit/places/st-kilda

Attached free-use pictures shows St Kilda. More can be downloaded at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/133918740@N04/albums/72157654334153786>

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