SEVEN INTHE PAST





GENERAL INFORMATION

Tags. Experimental archeology, psychological experiment, bushcraft survival, farming, handicrafts, ancient Russia.

Site. A scenic landscape with meadows, hills, river and forest. It is 80 km from Moscow, away from highways and noisy neighbors.

Lead time. The preparatory stage — from December, 2015 to July, 2017. The seven participants will be dwelling on the ancient Russian farmstead from December, 2017 to September, 2018.

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Project operator: «Ratobortsi». This Agency organises historical projects, such as an international urban event with 2 000 participants and 250 000 visitors (Times and Epochs), or a deep immersion in the Middle Ages for half a year (Alone in the Past).



CONCEPT

The «Seven in the Past» is a sequel of the historical experiment «Alone in the Past». This time, seven people, men and women, are going to live for nine months from December to September on an early medieval farmstead with a huge dwelling in the center. Without electricity, modern facilities and communications. The participants are allowed to use only authentic medieval clothing, tools, equipment, cattle and food. Before the project starts, the participants would prepare and manufacture 80% of resources, food supplies, tools and clothes. In the spring-2016 we'll acquire several species of cattle and animals, which are very similar to the medieval ones. Only the best and the most adequate animals will be chosen for the active phase of the experiment.

The participants have a task beyond the mere subsistance concerns: they are to establish a joint mode of life and to ensure supply of food to the end of the project, the date of which falls on the Harvest feast. If they want to see the completion of the project as a thriving community, they should be engaged in agriculture and crafts.

COVERAGE IN THE INTERNET

You can follow the project and learn about the life in Medieval Russia from the official site, blog, Facebook.



JOIN THE PROJECT AS A PARTNER!

Projects that are significant for culture, science and education should be made by people with a passion for History. «Seven in the past» require **sponsors** willing to invest in the project at least 7 000 \$.

For the partner we can do the following:

- weeklong immersion in the Middle Ages in the project precincts. A sponsor may become an additional participant for a week and there will be a series of video about him.
 As from September, 2018;
- participation in the opening of the project. It is going to be held on the Midwinter feast;
- invitation as a speaker for communication with mass media in open days. As from January, 2018;
- placement of information in the partner section on our official website. As from 25 December, 2015;
- placing information about the partner in our social networks. As from 25 December, 2015;
- placing information about the partner in print advertising materials. As from February, 2015;
- reference to the partner during communication with mass media in open days. As from January, 2018;
- reference to the partner in credits of the documentary materials or featuring therein the partner's logo. As from 25 January, 2018.

AN EXAMPLE OF A PARTNER'S INTEGRATION

You give us financial help to recreate old Russian buildings. This is a great contribution to historical education in Russia and Europe. Besides, you can plunge into medieval atmosphere with its holidays and hardships. Upon request, it may be covered in mass-media.