



Khomutovsky Steppe –  
the natural reserve of Ukraine

## General information

- Situated in south-east of Donetsk region near from the coast of the Azov sea.
- Area – 1028 acre.
- The first people, who mastered this territory were Scythians, Peachenegs and Sarmats.
- The status of the reserve was got in 1926. Before that time, it was a “wild field”, where inhabited Don Cossacks.

# Plants

There are more than 560 kind of plants. 50 of them are very scarce and 15 of them are in the Red Book.





**s pumila**

**(карликовый)**



**ра gesneriana  
(Тюльпан Геснера)**



**Narlophyllum suaveolens**  
**(Цельнолистник душистый)**

# Feather grass



Khomutovsky Steppe is a “country of Feather grass”. We can meet there 12 kinds of this plant. Besides, one type of *Feather grass unusual* grow only in Khomutovsky Steppe.







# Wild peonies - another special thing of Khomutovsky Steppe



# Animals

Fauna in Khomutovsky Steppe are although very different. Here lives wolf, fox, gross-snake, polecat, weasel, steppe marmot, hamster, gopher. 80 kinds of birds and 15 kinds of fish in Load Yelanchyk river.

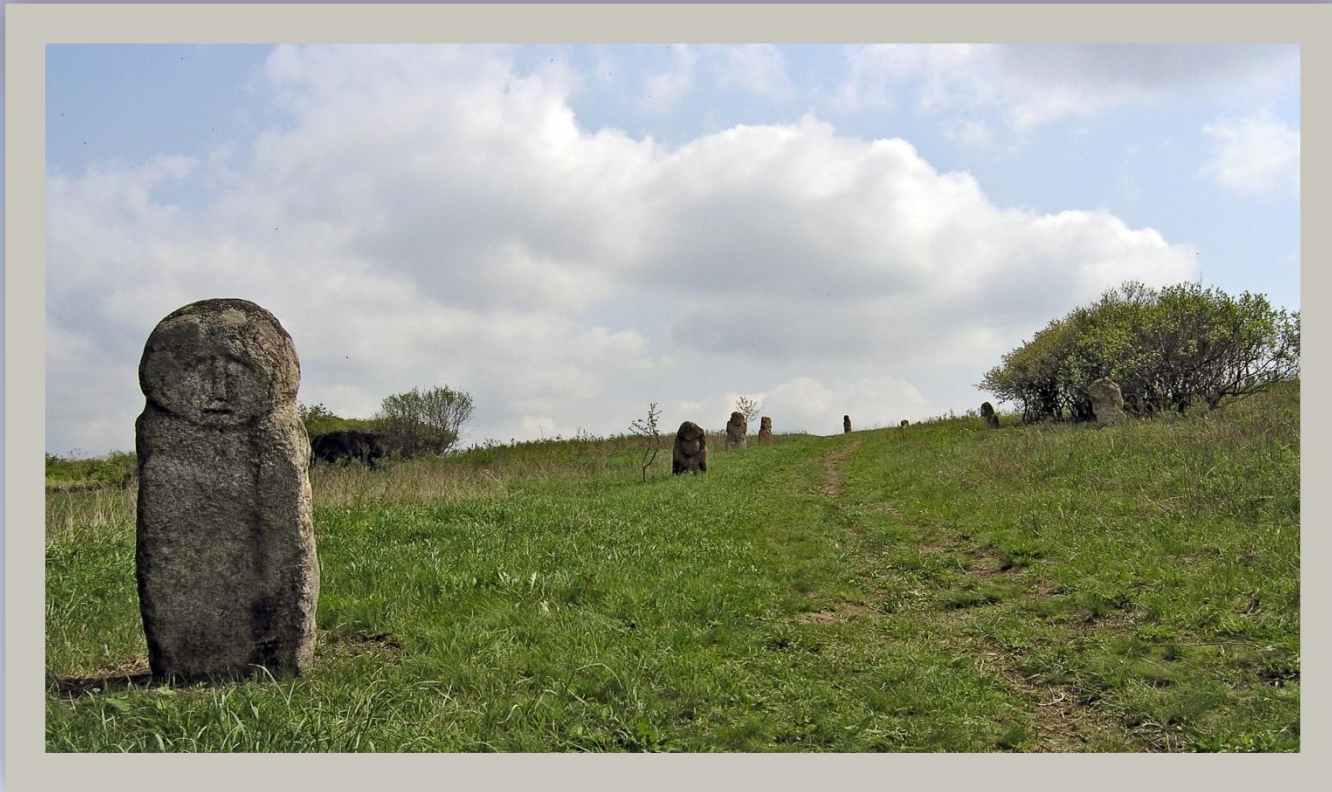


Today in Steppe starts to multiply horses.



# The peculiar feature and proud of Steppe is a Stone Baba

These stone statues were created by the tribes, who lived in this place many century ago. And today we can see this heritage in Khomutovsky Steppe.





# Fact

In 1979 Sergei Bondarchuk immortalized “wild field” in the film “Steppe”, which was written by Anton Chekhov.



У этого места в июне  
1976 года знаменитый артист  
СССР Сергей Федорович  
Бондарчук снял первые кадры  
фильма «Степь» по  
одноименному роману  
А.П. Чехова.

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