

What is GEOfood?

GEOfood is sustainable local food from a unique geological area. It is the official brand of food produced in a European UNESCO Global Geopark. Only a recognized UNESCO Global Geopark is allowed to use the GEOfood brand and criteria.

To achieve the credit to call your product GEOfood you must be able to confirm that the food is produced inside a Geopark, and you must be able to tell the story of the product and the geological area it is produced in.



What is UNESCO?

UNESCO is the "intellectual" agency of the United Nation (United Nation Educational, Scientific and Culture Organization). Its main role is to seek peace promoting the cultural heritage, increasing the intercultural dialogue, to improve education and to increase sustainable development processes around the world.

UNESCO is developing actions focused on 8 main themes:

- Education
- Freedom of expression One planet, one ocean
- Heritage protection
- Building knowledge society
- Science for a sustainable future
- Learning live together Preventing violent extremism

What are UNESCO Global Geoparks?

New UNESCO destinations of the XXI century, they are territories with landscapes and sites of an international geological significance where can be understood and read the "Memory of the Earth". With their holistic concept, UNESCO Geoparks are linking and promoting their geological heritage with all their territorial heritage: natural, cultural, intangible and thus to develop new policies of sustainable development for the direct benefit to its local population.





















The GEOfood VISION

Behind the GEOfood brand lies a clear philosophy: the support to local communities, the holistic and bottom-up approach which characterizes the UNESCO Global Geoparks is also the core of the GEOfood brand.

The GEOfood brand has its routes within the UNESCO Global Geoparks and it can be used only in such UNESCO designated areas.

GEOfood aims to be in use in at least 30 % of the UNESCO Global Geoparks in Europe by end of 2023, and the 10 % of Geoparks in the rest of the World by 2025.

The GEOfood MISSION

GEOfood's mission is to support the sustainable development of local communities, increasing the actions towards the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, GEOfood aims to operate within the UNESCO Global Geoparks values and bottom-up approach.



United Nation sustainable development goals and Unesco Global Geoparks

The 17 sustainable development goals and 169 targets demonstrate the scale and ambition of this new universal agenda. The goals and targets will stimulate action in the following areas of critical importance for humanity and the planet. UNESCO Global Geoparks are cooperating to the achievement of these goals, specially:

- Goal 4: They educate and create awareness on sustainable development and lifestyles. They teach the local communities and visitors to live in harmony with nature
- Goal 12: Through educational activities awareness is raised on the issue and people are provided with knowledge to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change.





How Geoparks provide an integrated sustainable development for the direct benefit of its local population:

- Embracing good practices for increasing the awareness about citizens on climate change and related issues.
- Following environmental "green" practices during our daily activities.
- · Empowering local communities though educational activities.
- Supporting the valorization of local food products linked with unique cultural farming traditions.
- Developing environmentally friendly authentic tourist activities involving local businesses.

Local food and local economy development

There is a general consensus that local food systems and shorter food supply chains are to be encouraged, supply chains assist in retaining more money in the local economy by minimising the number of intermediaries between grower and consumer, allowing farmers to capture a higher percentage of the farm-value share.

Furthermore, bringing consumers closer to the producers of their food helps to increase awareness of how food is grown, and how this impact on the environment: which is what we like to gain with GEOfood brand developed by Magma UNESCO Global Geopark. Much information can be found in the GEOfood MANIFESTO. www.geofood.no









A network of partners in many countries

The intention behind the GEOfood brand is to encourage UNESCO Global Geoparks across the world to work together towards the same goal. The goal is to influence local, global and national politics by implementing innovative local solutions with regards to local food and area planning, that can strenghten the connection between urban and rural areas.

We believe Geoparks play an important role in connecting rural and urban areas, by working together with citizens and local communities. GEOfood will support areas by reinforcing this connection and give them tools that can strengthen the local economy. To become a GEOfood partner the company has to reside within a UNESCO Global Geopark. Read more about our criteria for partnership on our website **geofood.no**









Magma UNESCO Global Geopark is a geographic area with a geology that has a major international importance, recognized by UNESCO, and where sustainable development plays an important role. Magma geopark is in a network of more than 140 UNESCO Global Geoparks in about 40 different countries on 5 continents.

GEOfood geopark partners worldwide:



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Lauhanvuori-

Hämeenkangas

UNESCO Global

Geopark

FINLAND

Magma UNESCO Global Geopark ® NORWAY



Naturtejo UNESCO Global Geopark PORTUGAL

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Qeshm island UNESCO Global Geopark IRAN



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Sesia Val Grande



Terras de **Cavaileros UNESCO Global** Geopark **PORTUGAL**



Tuscan Mining Park UNESCO Global Geopark ITALY





Villuercas Ibores UNESCO Global Geopark SPAIN



Mudeungsan **UNESCO Global** Geopark SOUTH KOREA



Estrela UNESCO Global Geopark PORTUGAL







Vis Archipelago **UNESCO Global** Geopark CROATIA





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Map shows GEOfood partners in December 2020. For a live updated map,

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Sustainable local food from unique geological areas.

Map showing GEOfood geopark partners worldwide:

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UNESCO Global Geopark ITALY