

RESEARCH PROJECT



Philodassiki Association's Flower Initiative at Hymettus Aesthetic Forest

Summary

The Philodassiki Association of Athens initiated a voluntary effort to raise environmental awareness and promote the preservation of nature. In collaboration with schools and educational organizations, they constructed and

distributed 500 flowers made of recyclable materials to visitors of the Hymettus Aesthetic Forest. The aim was to highlight the pollination and fertilization process in nature, discourage cutting flowers for May Day wreaths, and emphasize the importance of protecting the forest's flora and fauna as a designated Natura 2000 area.

Subject of the study. The project aimed to raise awareness about the pollination and fertilization process in nature, discourage flower cutting for May Day wreaths, and emphasize the significance of protecting the flora and fauna in this Natura 2000 designated forest.

Aim of the study. The summary aims to provide a concise overview of the Philodassiki Association's Flower Initiative at Hymettus Aesthetic Forest. It highlights the voluntary effort, the use of recyclable materials, and the objectives of raising awareness about pollination, discouraging flower cutting, and preserving the forest's biodiversity.

Activities:

Collaborative Construction:

- a. Students, educators, and parents from participating schools and educational organizations will collaborate to create 500 flowers using recyclable materials.
- b. Workshops and sessions will be conducted to teach participants about the importance of recycling and its impact on the environment.

Distribution and Awareness Campaign:

- a. The constructed flowers will be distributed to visitors of the Hymettus Aesthetic Forest.

b. Informational materials and signage will accompany the flowers, explaining the purpose of the initiative and promoting environmental consciousness.

c. Volunteers will engage with visitors, sharing insights about the pollination and fertilization process and urging them to refrain from cutting flowers for May Day wreaths.

Education and Outreach:

a. Educational sessions and presentations will be organized for students, highlighting the significance of protected areas like the Hymettus Aesthetic Forest and the importance of preserving flora and fauna.

b. Collaborative discussions and activities will be conducted to deepen students' understanding of environmental conservation and sustainable practices.

Documentation and Impact Assessment:

a. The project's progress and impact will be documented through photographs, videos, and testimonials.

b. Surveys and feedback from visitors, participants, and stakeholders will be collected to evaluate the effectiveness and reach of the initiative.

Conclusion:

The Philodassiki Association's Flower Initiative at Hymettus Aesthetic Forest serves as a powerful symbolic gesture to raise awareness and promote environmental consciousness. By constructing and distributing 500 flowers made of recyclable materials, our school and collaborating educational organizations aim to emphasize the importance of respecting nature's pollination and

fertilization process during this time of year. The initiative also highlights the significance of preserving protected areas like the Natura 2000-designated Hymettus Aesthetic Forest, which hosts thousands of visitors annually. Through education, outreach, and documentation, this project aims to inspire positive change and foster a sense of environmental stewardship among students, educators, and the wider community.

