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Old-growth Beech Forest in Carpathian Mountains, Ukraine

Wilderness Experts Exchange Program (WEEP)¹

Carpathian Mountains are still home for many species and habitats extremely rare or even extinct in Central and western part of Europe. Carpathian Mountains stretched over 7 countries. Ukraine is one of them hosting also largest fragments of old-growth beech forest.

Title of the trip:

Old-growth Beech Forest in Carpathian Mountains, Ukraine

Location:

Uzhhorod, Zacharovanyy Kray Wilderness and Uzansky NP

Number of participants:

5-7 people

Transport:

Own vehicles and local transport

Accommodation:

Hotel Uzhhorod in City Uzhhorod Local business partners in protected areas

Organization and logistic:

European Wilderness Society

1) The Wilderness Experts Exchange Programme of the European Wilderness Society focuses on exchanging information among wilderness managers and wilderness advocates involved either professionally or volunteers to save European wilderness.









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Programme:

Day 1: Traveling to Uzhhorod

Day 2-4: Visit of Zacharovanyy kray Wilderness, http://nppzk.info/golovna.html, (visit of World Heritage Beech Forest, peatbog, volcanic rocks, meeting with local wilderness managers, inventory of old-growth forest in Carpathian Mountains, Ukraine and enlargement of protected areas. State forest service & non-intervention management)

Day 5: Visit of Uzhhorod City, (guided tour, Nevitsky castle, local food)

Day 6-7: Visit of Uzansky NP, http://unpp.com.ua/, (visit of World Heritage Beech Forest, meeting with local park managers, experience with non-intervention management of this area. Inventory, monitoring, tourism and research)















