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Jasmund WILDCoast



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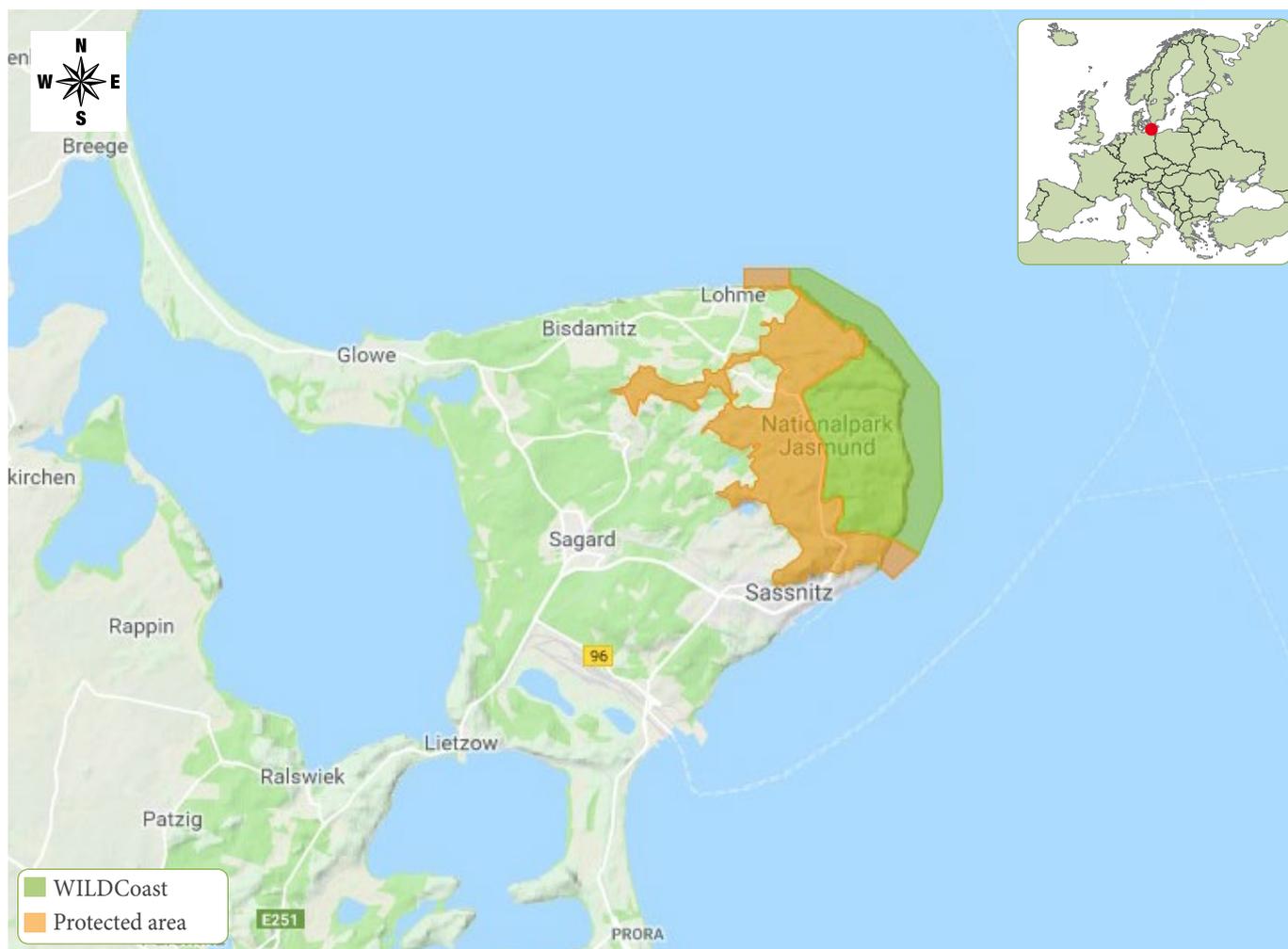
Jasmund WILDCoast, Germany

The 806 ha Jasmund WILDCoast is embedded in the core zone of Jasmund National Park, Germany. Jasmund National Park is an iconic national park in Germany due to its magnificent scenery of the stunning coastline. The Jasmund WILDCoast is a compact and complete ecosystem of chalk cliffs, a sea coast, and a narrow strip of sea. “Let nature be nature” is the main slogan of Jasmund National Park. Recently, Jasmund National Park was added to the UNESCO World Heritage Site – Ancient and Primeval Beech Forests of the Carpathians and Other Regions of Europe.

European Wilderness Quality Standard Audit System

The 806 ha Jasmund WILDCoast was subject to a Quick-Audit in 2016 and 2017 and meets the Bronze Wilderness Quality Standard. A European Wilderness Quality Standard Full-Audit is scheduled for 2021.

Wilderness information	
Protected area	Jasmund National Park
Wilderness	Jasmund WILDCoast
Country	Germany
Size of the protected area	3 072 ha
Size of the WILDCoast	806 ha: 350 ha terrestrial, and 456 ha marine
First Audit	2016
Most Recent Audit	2017
Wilderness Uniqueness	Chalk cliffs with beech forest on top, narrow strip of sea, and a wild sea coast
Number of visitors per year to the protected area	approx. 1 000 000
Number of visitors per year to the WILDCoast	approx. 700 000



Map scale 1 : 380 000



Biodiversity

Thanks to the effects of climate, topography and soil, the Jasmund National Park has an unusually broad range of habitats. The beech forests colonise a wide spectrum of locations that are rich or poor in nutrient content, dry or wet, and on chalk as well as outwash substrates. Different bog types are incorporated in the forest like mosaics, and the chalk plateau is crossed by a network of streams. During the last ice age, the Jasmund chalk substrate was covered and compressed by glaciers several times. In the post-glacial period when the Baltic Sea developed, the unusually dynamic chalk coast of the forest landscape emerged steeply from the sea, forming Jasmund WILDcoast.

The wide variety of habitats is the basis for the great wealth of flora and fauna. The beech forests are found at their natural borders at Jasmund WILDcoast. Remarkable are also the rare lady's slipper and the coralroot. The peregrine falcon nests on the slopes of the chalk cliffs, as well as several colonies of house martins. On Jasmund WILDcoast you may encounter the fallow deer and spot the majestic white-tailed eagle. Also, the marine habitats along Jasmund WILDcoast are very important and rich in biodiversity. Here, nature is left on its own.

Wilderness Tourism Experience

The chalk cliffs of Jasmund WILDcoast are a cradle of tourism in Germany and for more than two centuries a magnet attracting visitors. Attractive scenery, wild coasts and high cliffs together with rare forms of beech forest attract large amounts of visitors every year. The central information point is the Königsstuhl National Park Centre. This centre provides information fully in line with park's philosophy and long-term objective "Let nature be nature". A wide portfolio of programmes convey the beauty and uniqueness of Jasmund WILDcoast at the highest possible level in order to achieve a lasting awareness of Jasmund WILDcoast in all visitors.



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Founded on more than 20 years of Wilderness work by our members, the European Wilderness Society is the only Pan-European, Wilderness and environmental advocacy non-profit, non-government organisation.

It has a dedicated multi-cultural and experienced team of Wilderness and wildlife specialists, nature conservationists, researchers and scientists, tourism experts, marketing and business professionals, legal advisors and Wilderness advocates, whose mission is to:

- ▶ identify
- ▶ designate
- ▶ steward
- ▶ promote

Europe's last Wilderness, WILDCoasts, WILDForests, WILDIslands and WILDRivers. Here non-human intervention leads to open-ended, dynamic processes.

This is conveyed through a range of projects that facilitate Wilderness knowledge exchange, including education, culture and science, from local community through to scientific and governmental level.

European Wilderness Network

The European Wilderness Network connects Europe's wildest places. Certified by the European Wilderness Quality and Audit System, these unique areas host diverse wild ecosystems governed by dynamic open-ended processes, with no or minimum human-intervention. The Network includes, for example, Europe's last primeval beech forests, the arctic tundra, and mountain landscapes in different climate conditions. It aims to promote Europe's last Wilderness, WILDCoasts, WILDForests, WILDIslands and WILDRivers, with a comprehensive marketing strategy. The European Wilderness Network offers a platform to share Wilderness Stewardship best-practice examples and Wilderness research. It connects like-minded Wilderness managers and advocates and fosters the exchange of ideas and knowledge across Europe and the world through the European Wilderness Exchange Programme.

For more information please see <http://european-wilderness.network>

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