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Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest



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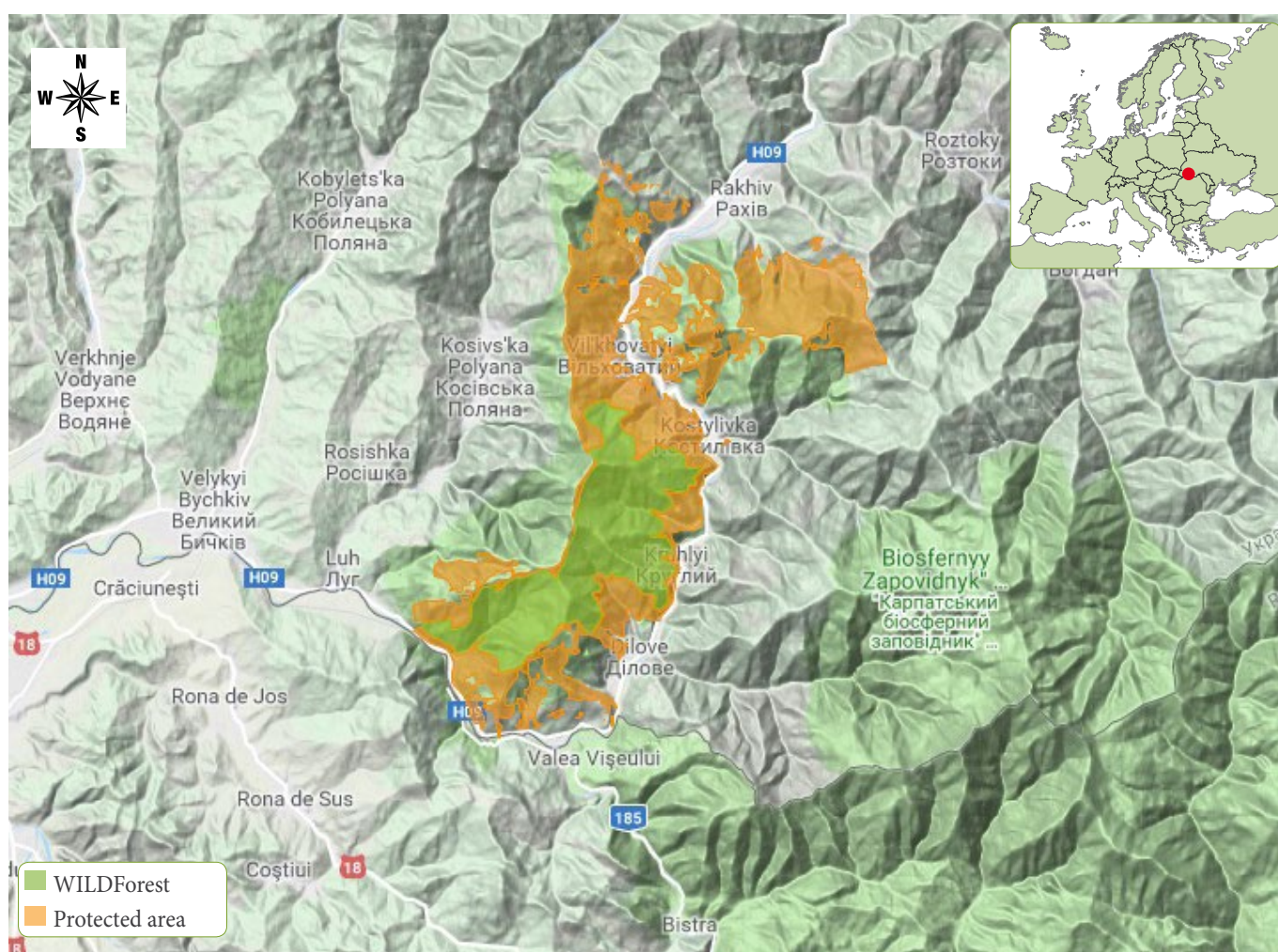
Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest, Ukraine

The 1 370 ha Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest is embedded in the Carpathian Biosphere Reserve, located in western Ukraine. The Carpathian Biosphere Reserve includes several large WILDForests. The Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest is a hotspot for biodiversity, depending on spontaneous natural processes and ecosystem dynamics. The old-growth forests of Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest is an important reference area for comparisons with managed forest. Data from this forest provides an important basis for the evaluation and improvement of nature conservation and the forest management concept all over Europe. The Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest is part of 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 1 370 ha Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest was subject to a Quick-Audit in 2017 and meets the Bronze Wilderness Quality Standard. A European Wilderness Quality Standard Full-Audit is scheduled for 2021. The WILDForest has the potential to be enlarged.

Wilderness information	
Protected area	Carpathian Biosphere Reserve
Wilderness	Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest
Country	Ukraine
Size of the protected area	57 880 ha
Size of the WILDForest	1 370 ha
European Wilderness Quality Standard Audit	2017
Wilderness Uniqueness	Contiguous area of old-growth beech and mixed forest, favourable habitat for wolf, bear and many other rare species
Number of visitors per year to the protected area	approx. 20 000
Number of visitors per year to the WILDForest	approx. 100



Map scale 1 : 233 000



Biodiversity

Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest represents an outstanding example of undisturbed temperate beech forests and provides a sample of the pure stands of European beech. The area contains a large genetic reservoir of beech, which contains representative species of flora and fauna typical for old-growth Carpathian beech forests. There are permanent, extensive populations here of brown bears, wolves and lynx. Typical dwellers are the black stork and eagle-owl. The most striking and impressive features of this forest are big trees, broken tree stems covered with fungi and the deadwood trunks of fallen trees. Rich variety of life can be found in the deadwood trunks, such as the protected alpine longicorn rosalia beetle.



Wilderness Tourism Experience

Access to the Restoration Zone of Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest is permitted for guided tours and also for individuals or groups of travellers. The area is located approx. 130 km from Uzhhorod and approx. 140 km from Ivano-Frankivsk, and is accessible for cars and buses. The trails through the Restoration Zone of Kuziy-Trybushany WILDForest provide a unique WILDForest experience. The trails lead through old beech forest, passing the limestone massifs, and end up on steep cliffs with a wide panorama. Hiking the trails, also because of safety, is recommended with a professional guide.



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European Wilderness Society

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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.

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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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