

Adventure park Vulkanija

- Neogene vulcanism
- Amusement park about volcanoes with geological museum and basalt tuff quarry with olivine crystals
- Interesting for all age groups



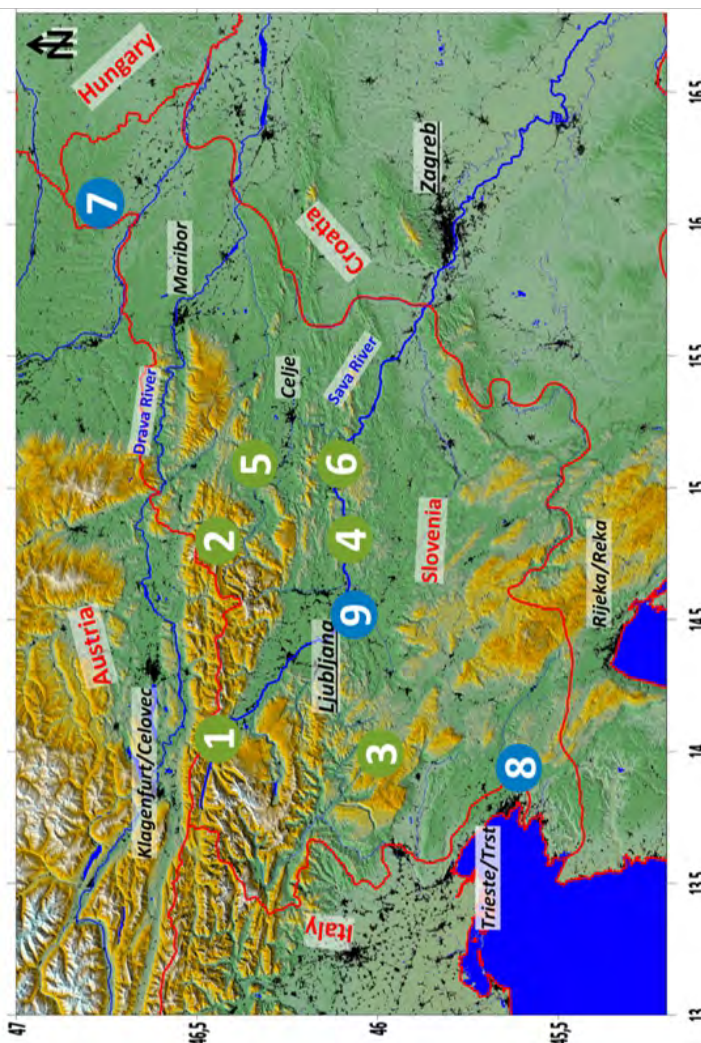
Škocjan caves

- One of the largest natural karstic caves in Slovenia and also one of the largest underground canyon in the world
- RAMSAR, UNESCO and Natura2000 site



Slovenian Museum of Natural History

- Since 1821, the first and the oldest museum in Slovenia
- Treasury of geological heritage and biodiversity
- Sigismondo Zois mineral and ore collection
- Mineral Zoisite is named after a Slovenian natural scientist Sigismondo Zois



Mine museums

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Mining heritage in Slovenia as touristic sites



Savske jame Fe mine Jesenice



- One of the oldest documented mine site in Slovenia, from 1381
- Siderite ore was excavated until 1892
- Today the site is accessible as a hiking pathway with touristic information tables



Idrija HG mine



- Epithermal mercury deposit
- Monometal and monomineral (cinnabar and native Hg) deposit
- The second largest Hg mine in the world at the time
- Mining from 1490 - 1995
- Today the site is rearranged as a mine and smelting museum
- UNESCO world heritage site 'Heritage of Mercury. Almadén and Idrija'
- Partner of the Idrija UNESCO Global Geopark



The coal mining museum of Slovenia



- Active lignite underground mine since 1875
- 250 Mt of lignite was excavated from the up to 170m thick lignite layer up to date
- In the year 1999 the museum was established
- in the abandoned parts of the mine named Škale



Mežica Pb-Zn mine



- MVT Pb - Zn mineralisation
- Galena, sphalerite, wulfenite, cerusite
- Recorded mining activities from 1424 - 1994
- Today the site is a mine museum and offers unique underground adventures (cycling, kayaking, hiking)
- It is the main attraction at the Karavanke UNESCO Global Geopark



Litija polymetallic mine



- Polymetallic hydrothermal vein deposit
- Galena, sphalerite, cinnabar, chalcopryrite, baryte
- Mining from 1537 - 1965
- The mine has been converted into a museum



Zagorje coal mine



- Historical coal mining area
- Mining from 1755 - 1995
- The museum exhibits mine machinery and simulations of mine workings

