

# Trips around Ojcowski National Park with elements of Ecological Education

Ecological classes in the Ojcowski National Park are a great complement to classes conducted in schools.

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## School Discovery Expedition

It is a journey along the most beautiful hiking trail of the Ojcowski National Park - the cognitive path "Dark Cave - Mount Trenches".

Course participants can, among other things, see:

- Jaskinia Ciemna, one of the most extensive caves in the Krakow-Częstochowa Upland;
- One of the oldest archaeological sites in Poland!
- Mysterious remains of an early medieval settlement;
- Unique turf and rock thickets with numerous Mediterranean and steppe species;
- The most beautiful panoramas of the Prądnik Valley and the vicinity of Kraków;

Classes are an opportunity to supplement knowledge about natural and historical issues with student's personal experiences. The stimulation of his sensual and emotional experiences is essential for a better understanding of the material presented during school classes, making it abstract and giving meaning to particular phenomena.

Course subject:

Geography: Landscape of calcareous highlands around Ojców; karst phenomena (caves, rocks, wywierzyska); distinction of basic forms of natural landscape and transformed by man.

Biology: Structure and functioning of the ecosystem; forest layers; diversification of vegetation and fauna; variability of habitat conditions; life of plants in extreme conditions; the impact of civilization on nature; dependence of man on the natural environment.

History: Discoveries in a cave; living conditions of people from the period of the older Stone Age; the oldest apartments; getting food, clothing and tools; defensive strongholds; archeology as a method of learning about the earliest periods of history.

Time: Half or full day trip, minimum 4 hours.

Age of participants: primary school students. It is possible to adapt the program to a selected age group.

Notes: The route is mountainous. Necessary appropriate footwear!

Sightseeing: Dark Cave

Price: PLN 60.00 / person

The group is run by a lecturer of environmental classes in Polish.

## Price list for 2023

a minimum of 20 people in a group

70 PLN per person

### Additional information:

- a minimum of 20 participants
- total duration of classes: about 4-5 hours.
- one guardian for 10 students - for free!
- there is a possibility to organize a bonfire with sausages and to make the trip more attractive for visiting other objects in the Park, eg Łokietek's Cave, Pieskowa Skała Castle or, for example, horse-drawn carriage rides;

### Included in the price:

- hire a guide-lector for the duration of classes (1 lector for a minimum of 20 participants),
- materials for outdoor activities,
- introduction to tourist attractions according to the chosen topic of classes,

### Warning

- The prices do not include bus travel, parking fees.
- It is possible to transport by coach as well as rent a bike.



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