

Some brief considerations concerning the caves from Bistrița-Năsăud county (Romania)

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Abstract. In Bistrița-Năsăud county (Romania) there are several interesting caves, most of them being located in Rodnei Mountains. They are generally researched only for scientific issues, being closed for the public. In this paper we briefly discuss about 4 of these caves.

Key Words: Rodnei Mountains, cave, lenght.

Introduction. In Bistrița-Năsăud county there are some remarkable caves, one of them (Izvorul Tăușoarelor) being, until 1992, the deepest cave from Romania. In this note we will shortly discuss about 4 of these caves, all of them being situated in Rodnei Mountains.

Izvorul Tăușoarelor cave. It is situated in Rodnei Mountains, at 950 m altitude, near Rebrîșoara village. It has 19 km length and a depth along 413.5m (Figure 1). It was discovered in 1955 (Orghidan et al 1984).

It has only a scientific importance being closed for the public. It contains cave bear bones, carstic formations (see Figure 2), four underground rivers; recently a 15 m high cascade was discovered.

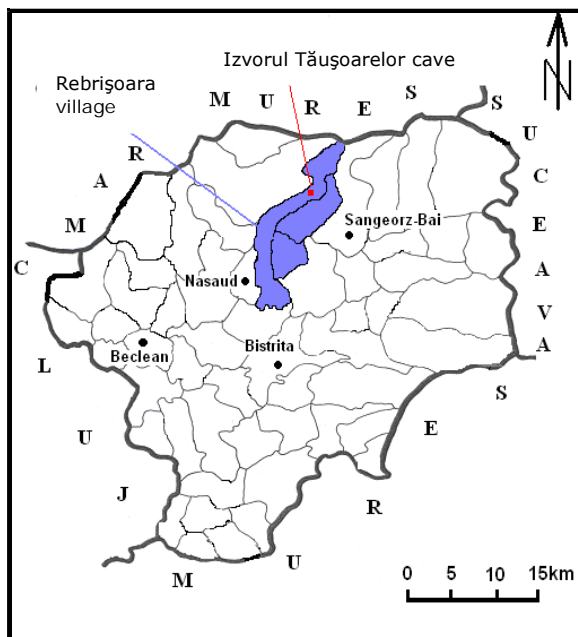


Figure 1. Location of Izvorul Tăușoarelor cave.

Jgheabul lui Zalion cave. It is situated in Rodnei Mountains and it is the most difficult cave from Romania due to its level differences. It is very narrow and has many cascades along its 4513 m length (Bleahu 1976).

Grota Zânelor cave. It is situated also in Rodnei Mountains at 1527 m altitude, being the most branched cave from our country. It has more than 4 km length, it was discovered in 1998 (Viehmman 2004).

Măglei cave and Baia lui Schneider cave. Both of them are located also in Rodnei mountains, near Izvorul Tăușoarelor cave. The second one has 489 m length.



Figure 2. Artistic images from Izvorul Tăușoarelor cave (www.inromania.info
<http://zupernews.wordpress.com/2010/12/09/pestera-tausoarelor-bistrita/>)

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