

NATURAL HERITAGE

Caves of Skocjan

They can be found numerous sinking sinkholes, a network of galleries six kilometers long located more than 200 meters deep, numerous waterfalls and one of the largest underground chambers discovered so far.



Palafitos of the surroundings of the Alps

This site includes 111 places with vestiges of prehistoric human settlements in stilt houses, that is, houses built on stilts. vestiges date from the period between the fifth millennium and the fifth century BC. and are located on the banks of lakes, rivers and swamps.



Mercury heritage

The site includes the Almaden mines in Spain and the Idria mines in Slovenia. The Spanish site includes several places related to its mining history, such as the castle of Retamar, religious buildings and traditional wells. In Idria there are warehouses and infrastructure related to mercury, as well as homes for miners and a theater. The Almadén and Idria are the largest mercury mines in the world and were operational until a few years ago.



Primary beech forests of the Carpathians and other regions of Europe

European beech forests spread out from a few isolated refuges in the Alps, the Carpathians, the Mediterranean and the Pyrenees for a short period of a few thousand years in a process that still lasts.

