



KARST
UNDERGROUND
PROTECTION



Zaštita krškog podzemlja

Krš na istarskom poluotoku

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Karst on Istrian peninsula

Karst represents a natural underground of the ground but that some times prove to be hidden in natural surface. Karst, as we know and study, is the result of various processes that are underway, and that from the content of karst rock and their dimensions.

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Karst, as a particular phenomenon of the Earth's surface, is specific due to appearance of the process of karst corrosion and erosion of soluble rocks, and it is especially pronounced in rocks with high calcium content (carbonates) and formed. That has a result in increased utilization of surface water into underground, and the creation of various hydrographic network of underground streams through which it flows down, storage and drainage of water from karst surface.

Karst is a specific characteristic of the planet's surface, which is located in southern Europe, but geographically belongs to Italy, Slovenia and Croatia. Karst area of the Istrian peninsula, in the most representative in the Croatian state, where it covers approximately 70% of the surface, and it is characterized by partly the surface karst (karstic depressions, dolines) and partly by karst features (e.g. karrens, karrenfields, karstic spring system of caves and karst channels) karst underground, and also the very important karstic sources of karst with numerous lakes where are located the karst springs of karst.