



# ECO-TOURISM IN BELARUS

# Nature

Nature is one of the most valuable riches given to men. Full of vital force and energy, fascinating in its beauty and genuineness, it can uplift the soul and bring back harmony and the serenity of mind.

Belarus is famous for the uniqueness of its landscapes that delight the eye with the untouched shine of the water surface and the gentle murmur of sanctuary forests accompanied by sweet singing of wonderful birds.

## Embark on an ecotour of Belarus!



Dive into the atmosphere of virgin nature



Watch thousands of animals and birds in their natural habitat



Learn the secrets of deep blue rivers and lakes



Take a full breath of the clean air filled with the smell of needles and field flowers



Enjoy the sight of the swamped lowlands known as the Lungs of Europe



Visit national parks and reserves



Take a walk in the largest ancient forest in Europe



Explore the natural landscapes formed about 15-20 thousand years ago

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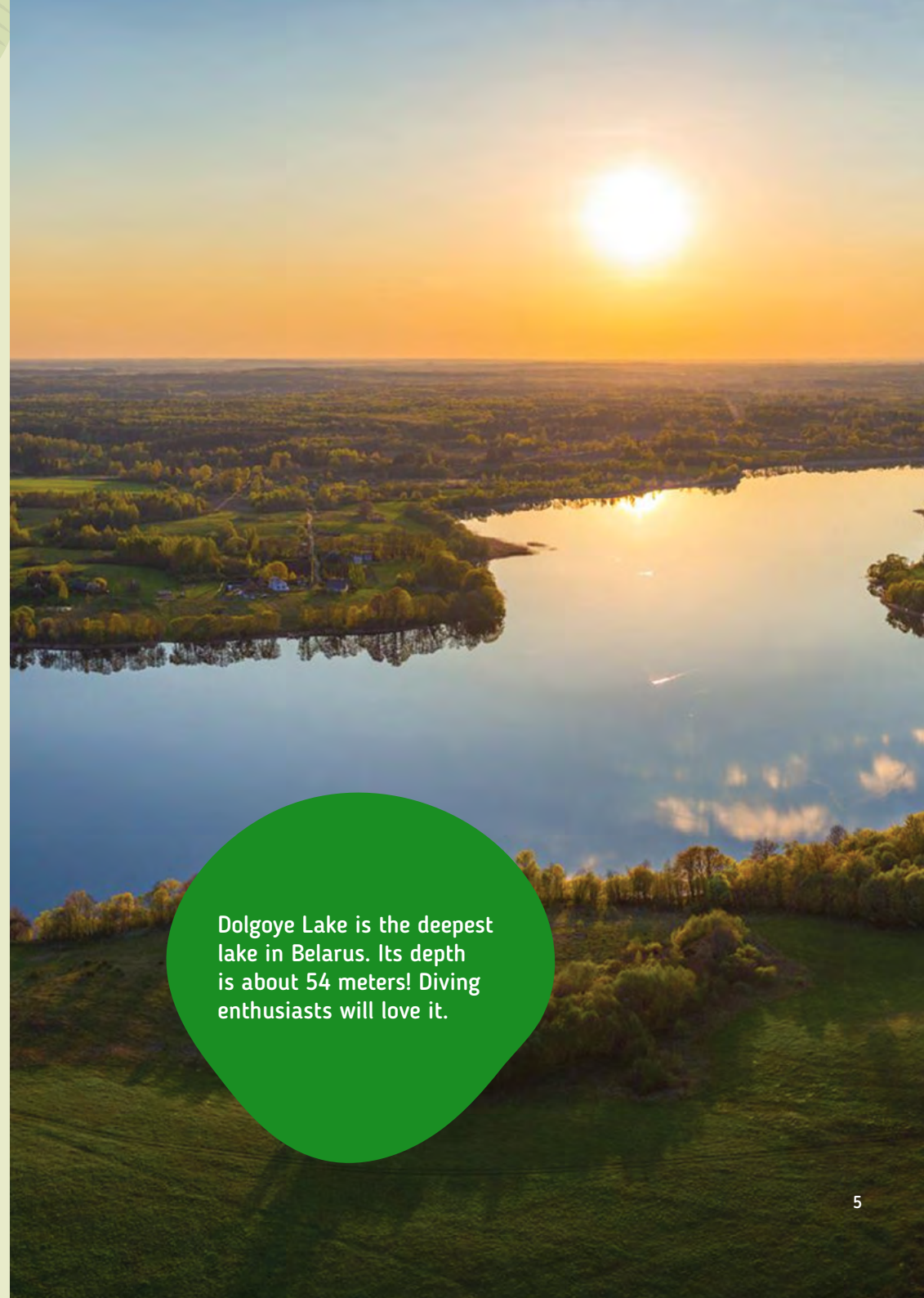


# From the Beauty of Nature to the Beauty of Soul

Belarusians have cherished their natural treasures since ancient times. Flora and fauna of Belarus are truly unique. Clean air, transparent water, hills covered with woods neighboring upon swamped lowlands, crystal mirror-like surface of lakes and upland meadows – this is only an incomplete list of natural values of our country.

Blue-Eyed Belarus has over 20 thousand rivers and 11 thousand lakes. Forest and lake

ecosystems are distinguished by the richness and diversity of flora and fauna, in which several rare kinds of animals and plants are noted.



Dolgoye Lake is the deepest lake in Belarus. Its depth is about 54 meters! Diving enthusiasts will love it.



# Choose Your Way to Rest

What can be better than spending time away from the city hustle and bustle, immersed in the incredible microclimate of nature? Or taking a bicycle ride through picturesque locations or take a walk around secluded corners of a relic forest?

Multiple farm stays, reserves and national parks of Belarus are happy to offer various ecotours to their guests, where one can not only feel magical

bond with the nature, but also taste organic products. Here, you can take a walk on foot, on a horse or a bicycle, as well as ride a boat or a motor ship. Watching wild animals and birds will genuinely please participants of eco-safari.



Did you know that birdwatching not only makes you relax, but also helps heal severe migraines?



# What Is the Appeal of Eco-Safari?

Belarus is the perfect place to watch animals and birds in their natural habitat. When joining eco-safari, take a binocular and get ready for a surprise! The swing of a black stork's wings, captivating flight of a spotted eagle and the graceful walk of a European lynx will not leave you impartial.

**The European bison.** The beautiful and powerful symbol of Belarus. This wise and calm giant can only be observed in its natural habitat in the legendary Belovezhskaya Pushcha (Belavezha Forest), which is often referred to as the calling card of our country.



**The black and white storks.** The symbols of happiness, health and well-being, which can easily be found in Belarus. The swing of wings, the captivating flight in the sky and the slow walk of these magnificent birds captivate the watcher. People say that the place where a stork lives is protected from troubles and worries.

**The greater spotted eagle.** The dignified carnivore that is very rarely found in nature. Belarus is justly proud of the largest population of this carnivorous bird species that is extremely rare in Europe. The possibility to observe a spotted eagle's flight, which is available to visitors of Belarusian biosphere reserves, is considered a great luck.

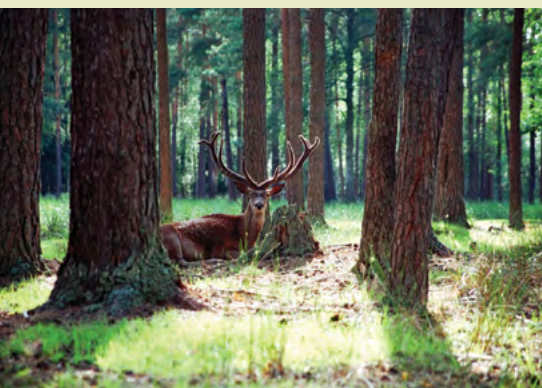


The grey crane is known as the most mysterious Belarusian bird. They say that when a grey crane floats in the air with its wings spread, it protects the Blue-Eyed Land from its enemies.



# Sacred Beauty of the Nature

Guests of national parks and reserves enter the magical world of wild nature, where they can embark on the unforgettable ecological journey. Comfortable stay of the tourists in the reserves is ensured by hotels, infrastructure objects and active leisure facilities. Each national park has its own atmosphere and character, which grant the visitor unforgettable emotions.



## Belovezhskaya Pushcha

The largest preserved relic forest in Belarus included in the list of UNESCO World Heritage. The guests can experience incredible emotions by following the exclusive route of the Pushcha Robinsons.

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## Braslav Lakes

One of the largest lake groups in the country, which is famous by its fish reserves and opens a wide range of active leisure options for the guests: kayaking, yachting, amateur fishing and much more.

[braslavlakepark.by](http://braslavlakepark.by)



HERE'S A SECRET  
Water in Lake  
Naroch is so clean  
that you can find  
eels there

## Pripyatskiy

The Belarusian Amazonia saturated with the aroma of meadow flowers captivates with the beauty of historical and cultural values of the Turov land, which please the eye so much when observed from the deck of a motor boat.

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## Narochanskiy

The unique park of rare plants and forest massifs framed in the network of blue lakes, which includes the treasure of Belarus – Lake Naroch, a part of the largest resort zone in the country.

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# Mysterious Marvel of Belarus

The enigmatic Belarusian swamps hide many mysteries and tales. The legendary monument of the ice age, the untouched beauty of natural landscapes and the unique ecosystem with rich fauna – this is only a part of the description of this amazing place.

## Swamps to visit:

- Olmanskiye
- Yelnya
- Morochno
- Dikoe
- Zvanets
- Sporovskiye



The legend has it that in April mythical creatures get out of the swamps and come back there in September. Do you want to meet a swamp spirit and make a wish? Don't miss your chance!





# Active Ecotour

The Belarusians honor their traditions and take pride in their rich historical heritage. Each guest of our country can feel the national flavor and become a part of the amazing event during one of ecological festivals held throughout the year.

During the original performance, guests can enjoy live music, take part in the fishing competition,

win the river canoe race, admire the natural beauty at the flower exhibition or walk the bog on swamp shoes.







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