




Nature trail: THE SPEAKING STONES

The theme path is located in Salciaua commune, with access from DN Torda-Câmpeni. The theme path is to be accessed after entering Salciaua de Jos village (from Turda), crossing the wooden deck, or from the commune center following the road to Huda lui Papara cave. The theme path entry is to be made following the tourist route to Poarta Zmeilor cave (red cross mark).
 Theme Path Length: 6 km; level difference 300 m (425-725m)
 Duration: 3-4 hours (interpretation time included)
 Markings: , (panel 1-5), , (5-7), , (7-8).
 Low level difficulty; accessible throughout the year; however attention is required on inclined slopes and slippery areas (e. g waterfall descent).

For activities lasting one day (10 hours minimum duration) the route may be extended from Sipote glade to Poarta Zmeilor cave following the red cross markings; the yellow strip markings are to be followed on return. It is a difficult route recommended to those with good skills in field orientation and properly equipped.

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A world of stories and stone, a magical land with mysterious legends opens in front of you; a world of caves and waterfalls, of rare animals and plants, with hardworking people ...

Discover, Learn, Protect ...

Panel 1 is located at the entry to the theme path providing general information on Natura 2000 Trascau Site and the theme path. The panel contains also maps of the theme route and touristic routes in the area.
 Panel 2 is located near the edge of the forest, an area from which a beautiful perspective over Aries Valley opens, towards Salciaua village, Bedeleu limestone cliffs. This is the place where one can learn the stories on how the river Aries came into being, as well as the main types of rocks that are to be found in the area.

Panel 3 is situated near a clean and cold water spring, in a beautiful glade in the middle of a beech forest. One takes a stop at this point to learn interesting things about the plants and animals of this forest.

Panel 4 is located at the superior waterfalls on the Sipote creek. Here one learns the stories brought from the deep by the waters that have spawned the relief formed on travertine.

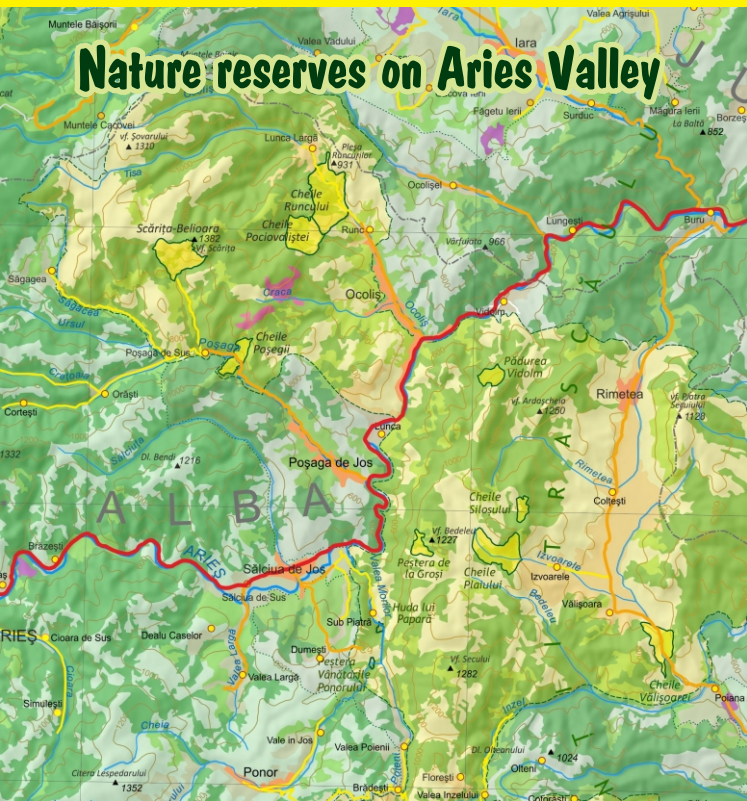


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Nature reserves on Aries Valley



Panel 7 is to be found as one gets out of the forest, at the bifurcation of the red triangle route with the yellow strip route. The mountain meadows have an outstanding biodiversity and represent a typical habitat for Trascau Mountains.

Panel 6, located on the edge of the forest put to the ground by the storms. This is the place where one can take a closer look at the limestone cliffs that shelter numerous species of reptiles, birds and mammals.

fascinating legends and mysteries.

Panel 5 is situated in the Sipote glade, a place of rest, where cliffs and grasp how the underground world came into being, full of sitting on the stones in the glade, one can admire Bedeleu limestone drinking water is at hand for continuing the routes in the area. While

Panel 8 is located in a place of panoramic view, from where one can admire Salciaua village and its surroundings, in order to understand why agricultural activities and animal breeding are so important for this area.



Coasta Lungă

Lunca Arieșului

Peștera
Poarta Zmeilor

▲ 1227
Muntele Bedeleu

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Sălcia de Jos

LEGEND

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|--|-------------------|--|------------------------|
| | Crops | | Național road |
| | Glades/Pastures | | County road |
| | Bushes | | Gravel road |
| | Deciduous forests | | Path (Trail) |
| | Mixed forests | | Theme path panel |
| | Cave | | Touristic path marking |
| | Cliff | | Trinity |
| | | | Source |
| | | | Karst |
| | | | Sinkhole |
| | | | River |
| | | | Waterfall |

0 0,5 1 1,5 2km

spre Huda lui Păpăraș

spre Colțești

spre Izvoarele

spre Cheile Vălișoarei

