



Regional nature park candidate since 2009
Area: 530 km²
Number of municipalities: 31
Number inhabitants: 35'000
Canton: Vaud



In the Footsteps of Visionaries

The regional nature park of the Vaud Jura (PNRRJV) owes its origin to the farsightedness of the owners of the alpine pastures and to Pro Natura, that already paved the way for a park thirty years ago.

Indeed the park had already been founded in the Vaud Jura in 1973 with the objective of maintaining the traditional cultural landscape by supporting the conventional agriculture and forestry management.

Roam through this rich and peaceful landscape

Enormous forests interspersed with forest pastures characterise the Vaud Jura mountain range.

These landscapes are home to species and habitats of national and even European importance.

You will forget the hustle and bustle of city during a visit up there. Who knows,

perhaps you will see the rare European adder or the droppings of that shy guardian of the wide open spaces, the wood grouse.

Submerge into an unknown world

The Vaud Jura Park has been offering numerous nature excursions for 15 years. School classes or companies can visit some of the largest colonies of wood ants...

Visit the alpine pastures with the family or by yourself and learn many interesting facts about the rural architecture from an expert.

Is that a spruce or a pine? Get to know the differences in the deep forest of Risoud.

Sample the regional specialities

The alpine pastures produce the gold of the region: the "alpine pasture Gruyere". In the Vaud Jura you can closely follow the production of this speciality in 18 alpine dairies. Incidentally, the Gruyere

cheese bears the AOC label, the protected denomination of origin.

In the region of the Vallée de Joux you can taste another cheese speciality, the Vacherin Mont d'Or. Or of course you can take home a piece of this delicious AOC product in its high-quality wooden packaging from the Jura forests.

Support the municipalities in their commitment to the future

The Vaud Jura RNP is a platform for the co-operation and joint projects of the rural municipalities. The park is an instrument for sustainable development of the whole region.

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Regional Nature Park
Authentic lands**