Russian NEAMPAN sites

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National Parks

20. Kurshskaya Kosa

21. Sochinsky

Komandorsky

9. Koryaksky

10. Kronotsky

11. Kurilsky

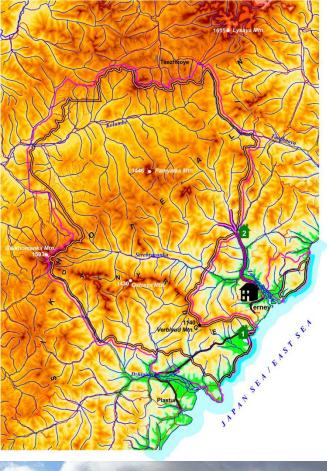
Summary of proposed ecologically and biologically significant areas in the Northwest Pacific (waters under Russia's jurisdiction) (Spiridonov V.)

29. Severozemelsky

31. Yuzhno-Kamchatsky

30. Tumninsky





Sikhote-Alin State Natural Biosphere Reserve.

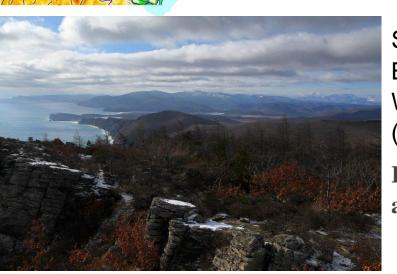
The reserve was founded in 1935 to preserve and study coniferous-deciduous forests of the central part of the ridge Sikhote-Alin.

For its animal and plant world is characterized by exceptional biodiversity, where a high proportion of rare endemic and relict species.

The largest population of the Amur Goral is noted on the reserved coast of the Sea of Japan; this species is located here at the northern limit of its distribution.

Since 1979, it is part of the World Network of Biosphere Reserves, since 2001 - on the UNESCO World Heritage List of Natural World Heritage Sites ("Central Sikhote-Alin").

Reserve has a sea area of the Sea of Japan 1 km wide and an area of 2900 hectares.



Rhododendron Fori - Rhododendron fauriei Franch.







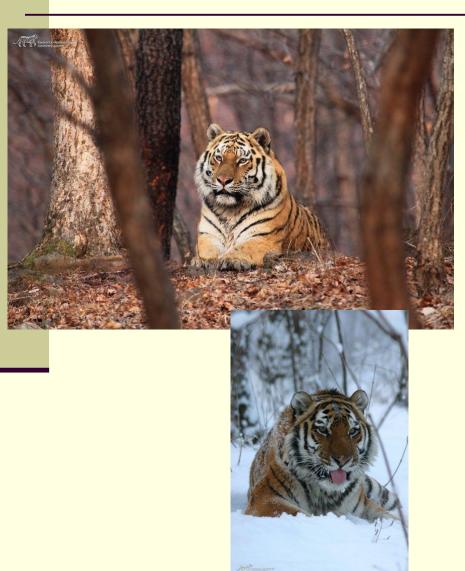
Rhododendron golden [- Rhododéndron auréum)

The bird fauna of the Sikhote-Alin Nature Reserve and adjacent territories numbers about 390 species and subspecies of birds, of which 229 nesting ones were noted.





Sikhote-Alin is the last large integral territory in the world where the Amur tiger (Panthera tigris L.) lives.







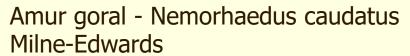
In the sea off the coast of the Sikhote-Alin Nature Reserve, representatives of the pinnipeds order are found. Only one species is common - the Far Eastern seal, or larga (*Phoca largha*). In this part of the Sea of Japan, the larga stays throughout the year.

In the water area of the reserve, 8 species of cetaceans have been registered. They also come to the shores in late summer and autumn.











Musk deer - Moschus moschiferus L.

Far Eastern State Biosphere Marine Reserve



The Far Eastern State Marine Reserve (FESBR) was established on March 23, 1978.

Aim of the Far East Marine Biosphere Reserve: conservation of natural complexes and valuable natural objects.

Three sites with a total area of 63 thousand hectares were assigned to the reserve, a protection zone was approved around the 3-mile-wide sea borders, as well as a 216 hectare area on Popova Island to create an island botanical garden.

The water surface and the deep sea of the reserve are inhabited by more than 1600 species of multicellular plants and animals, made up of boreal, subtropical, and arctic species, including 200 species of fish, 450 species of crustaceans, 30 species of echinoderms and more than 200 species of mollusks.

Main objects of protection

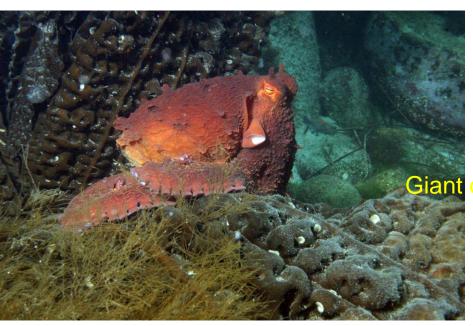
Animals - Far Eastern trepang, Kamchatka crab, giant octopus, Far Eastern garfish, large-scale rudd, Japanese hairtooth, Far Eastern seal (Larga), yellow-billed heron, small spoonbill, island cricket, high biodiversity of birds;

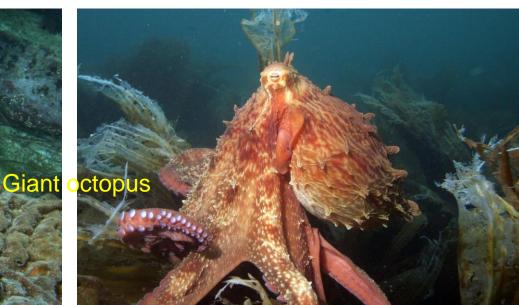
Plants - prickly raspberry, quadrangular kermek, lanceolate lily, dense-flowered pine, pointed yew, tri-pointed maiden grape, Schlippenbach's rhododendron, toothed oak.





Камчатский краб







Far Eastern seal (Larga)





Biodiversity of birds

