

Marble Caves

Marble Caves is a cave in Crimea, located at the lower plateau of Chattyr-Dag, mountainous massif. It is a popular tourist attraction site.

In 1987, Simferopol speleologist team discovered a cave with a complex system of halls and galleries, not far from other caves, Bin Bash-Koba (Thousand Heads) and Suuk-Koba (Cold). The new cave, that lay at the altitude of 920 metres (3,020 ft) above sea level, was called Marble (initially also the name "Afghan" was used), due to the fact it was formed by marble limestone. In 1988, center of speleology tourism Onyx-tour established sightseeing tours, concrete paths were laid, cave was as well equipped with lighting. Tour goes through Fairy Tales gallery, Tiger Path with hundreds of various stalactites, Reconstruction Room, that is the largest cave room of the Crimea and one of the largest equipped rooms in Europe with its length of 100 metres and height of 28 metres; Pink Room with stone roses covering the top of the room, Palace Hall with "Queen" and "King" columns, Hope Room and Balcony Room; a stalactite "forest" leads to the Luster Room.

