

Dobšiná

Ice Cave

○ Rožňava District, Slovakia

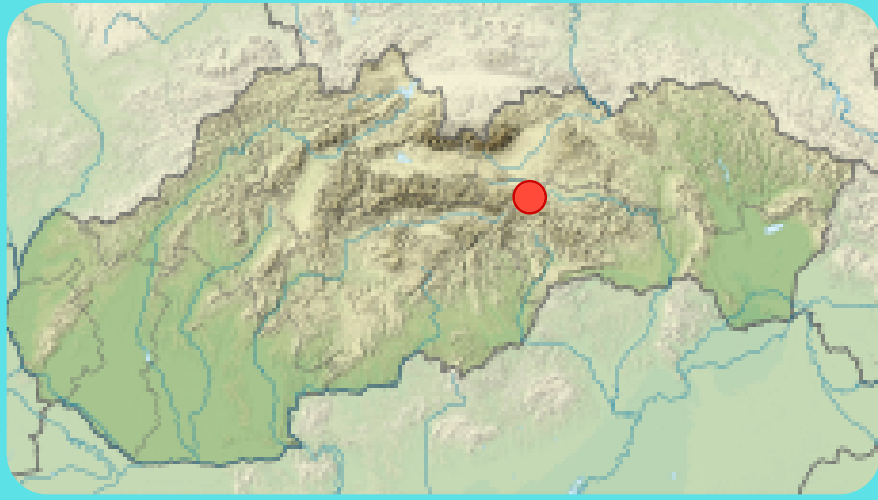


One of the most visited caves
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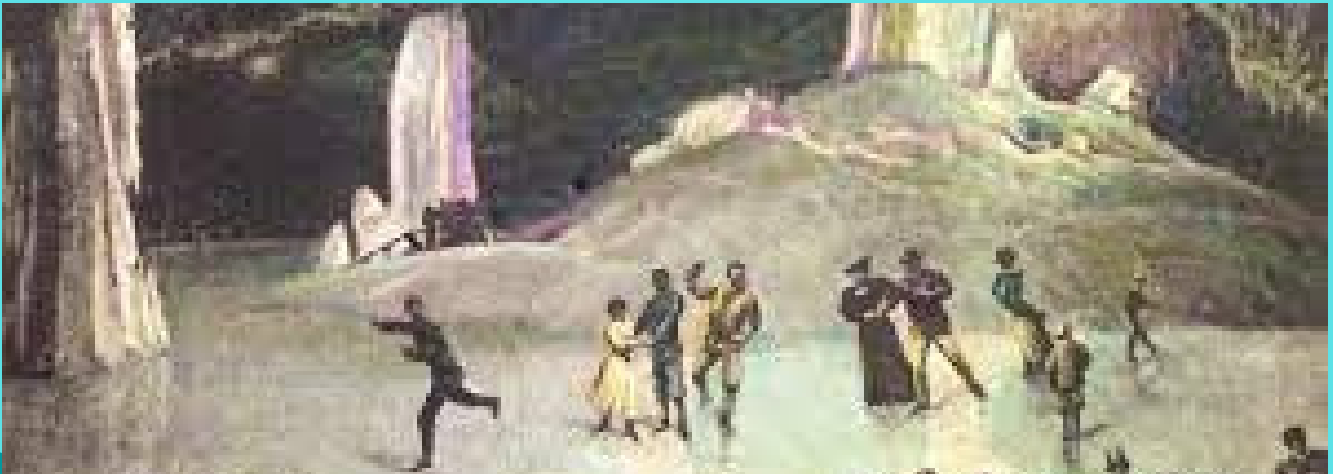


Dobšiná Ice Cave is located near the mining town of Dobšiná in the Slovak Paradise. Since 2000 it has been included on the UNESCO World Heritage list as a part of the Caves of Aggtelek Karst and Slovak Karst Site

- **HISTORY**

The cave was discovered on **15 June 1870** by the royal mining engineer Jenő Ruffinyi. In **1887**, it was the first electrically lit cave in Europe.

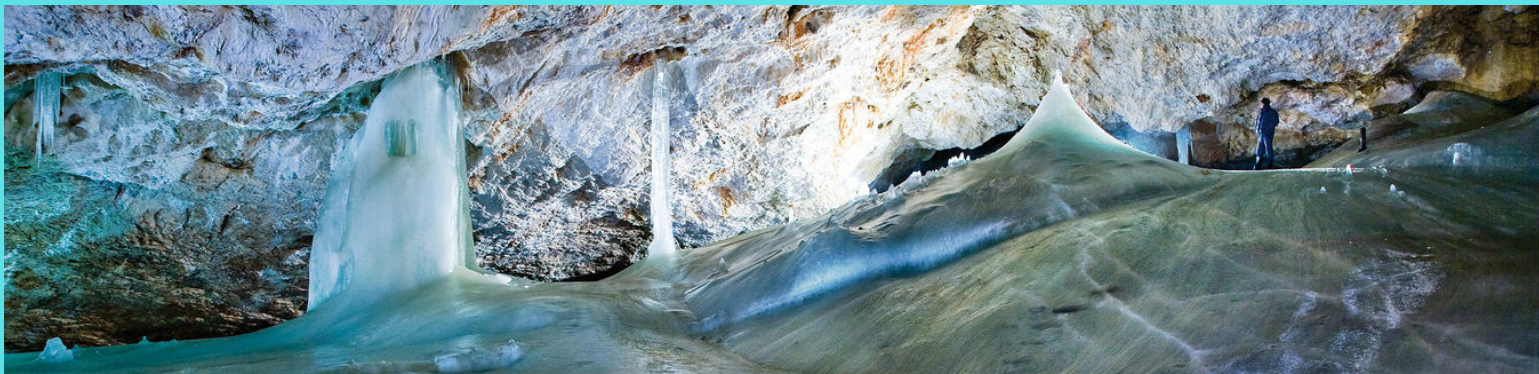
In **1890** a concert was held in the Great Hall (one of the halls of the cave) in honor of Charles Louis Habsburg and in year **1893** the first summer skating took place in here.



• DESCRIPTION

Entrance to the cave lies at an altitude of **970 m.** above sea level, which is about 130 meters above the river **Hnilec**. Of the total length of **1483m**, a **515m** long circuit is open to the public.

Dobšiná Ice Cave is a type of **static-dynamic cave**. Due to the high position of the entrance and the baggy character, a special **air circulation** is created in the winter. A cold air penetrates from the surface into the ground and, as heavier, pushes warm lighter air and at the same time cools the air walls. The seeping water froze, forming **ice scalactites, stalagmites, ice falls and floor ice**.



- **Thickness of the floor ice:** 25m
- **Area:** 11 200m²
- **Volume of ice:** 145 000m³
- **Temperature:** -3,9°C - -0,2°C

Route is **30 minutes** long.

Entry times: 9:30

11:00

12:30

14:00

Available from **15 May to 15 September**

The cave is suitable for a trip with children but also for couples or the elderly. The cave is a unique experience!

You will not regret it!

