

Underground Scenic Beauty-Ryongmun Cavern

Ryongmun Cavern in Kujang County, North Phyongan Province is well-known for the underground scenic beauty.

It is a world-wide rare natural cavern of multifarious shapes that was formed by dissolution reaction of limestone layers by underground water for ages.

It is known that the cavern was formed 480 million years ago.

Ryongmun Cavern consists of 2 main branch caverns, 30-odd branch caverns and 20-odd beauty spots.

It is the longest natural cavern in the DPRK. It has characteristics that have various shapes of caverns.

It has endless kaleidoscopic natural wonders as if beauties of the golden tapestry of three thousand ri were shifted intact to the underground. The caverns are characterized by variety: mainly the place with bud-shaped stones, the place with different flower-shaped stones, the place picturing the ground scenes, the place with a landlike form and so on.

Especially lotus-patterned bud-shaped stone in Kwangmyongdong and Kungang Fall-shaped stone (vertical fall, 30 metres high) in the Kungang Palace are world-class.

Ryongmun Cavern has a great tourist and academic value as the longest, largest and most beautiful limestone cavern in the DPRK.

Thanks to the detailed leadership of Chairman **Kim Jong Il**, Ryongmun Cavern with excellent illuminators in every attraction is designated, protected and managed as a natural monument. It is wonderfully built as an underground scenic spot for the people that gives them pleasure and joy and a world-wide tourist showplace.