

10: "Jazbina" hole - a big horizontal Karst hole with halls. You finish your sightseeing directly behind the entrance door. No guidance or equipment.

11. Forest and water - The forest is an important water reservoir. We recommend you to have a look at one of many Rog springs, for instance "Obrščica" spring, not far away from here.

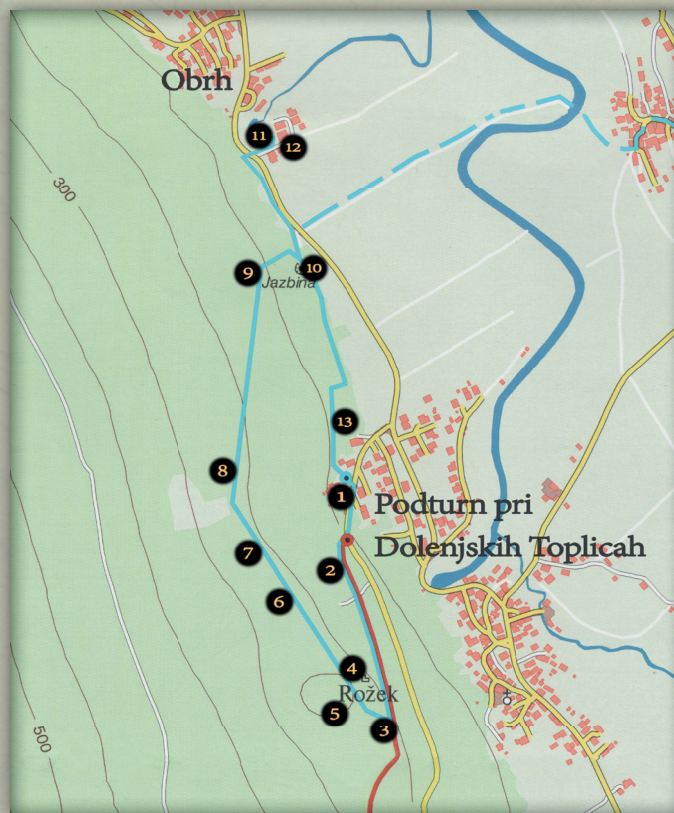
12. Essential oils distillery, production of liquor and chocolate - ambitious family Kenda makes sophisticated liquor and handmade chocolates. When announcing your visit beforehand, you can take a look at the production and buy their products.

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13. Arboretum - a plantation of mostly foreign tree and shrub species. The trees and the shrubs are provided with their Latin names.



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The nature trail “Rožek” includes biological and forestry topics, interesting natural, cultural and historical things and places worth seeing. The trail is approximately 2,5 km long. It leads you on a nice forest logging path. The trail is equipped with necessary facilities and signs. It is accessible from the main road Ljubljana - Črnomelj, turn-off for Rog (Baza 20) at the town of Podturn.

There are 13 places or spots on the map of walks, representing the vital points of interest.

1: Life and growth of a tree - demonstrated by means of a part of a giant fir tree (the fir was 40 m tall, 5 m wide at the stump, 125 old). On the cut out disc you can make out the growth and development the tree.



2: Forest tree species - representation of characteristic trees that grow along the trail.

3: Vantage point - a view of valley with wine-growing hills in the background.

4: Ruins of the Rožek castle - 250 years ago, the castle was still standing, there were gardens underneath, today only ruins in the middle of the forest are seen. Sevelar cellars nad underground rooms are still visible.



5: Sink-hole “Rožeška koliševka” - a deep, steep doline with its own climate and flora on the valley ground. This is the lowest lying pine tree habitat in Europe.

6: Forest soil - at the trail you can see the soil section with three well - shaoed layers.

7: Natural economic forest - The path leads you through the natural pine and beech forest (Abieti - Fagetum) that is the predominant form of the densely wooded Rog Complex.

8: Forest and game (animal world) - displayed are: big game lookout platform, small house for feeding birds, fenced wood, wood damaged by game, bark beetle traps...

9: “Blowpipe” - a place where air is blown out of the ground, one of the phenomena in the Karst region. The air is cooler in summer and warmer in winter.