



## 5th International Meeting of Nature Photographers BIEBRZA NATIONAL PARK Program 5.05.2019 - 11.05.2019

It is said that May is the most beautiful month of the year.

In Poland, the nature develops fully and enjoys us lush greenery, warm rays of the sun, colors and scents of blooming flowers.

From 5th to 11th of May, in the Biebrza National Park, there will be held an international open air, workshop for the nature photographers. Accommodation will be in the heart of the Biebrza National Park, in the village Dobarz, in the wooden hotel Manor House Dobarz, located on the Tsar's Road running through the Biebrza marshes.

The hotel has its own atmosphere and the owners are known from their hospitality and wonderful, traditional Polish cuisine. <http://dobarz.pl/>

During the 7 days stay in Dobarz, participants will have a possibility to photograph wildlife of Polish marshes such a moose, storks, wild water birds as well as other animals and various landscapes.

Photographers will participate in several guided trips in the Biebrza National Park and surrounding areas such a catamaran trip allowing for photographing birds along the river. <https://www.biebrza.org.pl/>





There will be one-day trip to Pentowo (European Stork Village). During that trip we will visit the exhibition of photos taken during the International Meetings of Nature Photographers, in the Stork's Gallery in Pentowo. In 2020 there will be the exhibition of photos taken during the Meeting of Nature Photographers 2019. For interested photographers, there will be the opportunity to take a part in additionally payed balloon flight.

Cost is 550 euro:  
110 euro payment to 15 February 2019  
440 euro payment to 31 March 2019

Additional cost of balloon flight (for people interested) is 120 euro.

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In the price:

- accommodation in Dobarz Manor
- rooms for two or three persons
- 3 meals: breakfast (or to take away), lunch and dinner
- guided tours
- dinner by the fire
- catamaran trips on the Narew river
- trip to Pentowo (European Stork Village)
- rafting on the Biebrza river
- gala dinner with the performance of the folk song and dance group
- Park entrance fees
- entrance at the photo exhibition in Pentowo

## BIEBRZA NATIONAL PARK

Biebrza National Park is the largest of the 23 Polish national parks.

The Park includes over 15 ha of forests, 18 ha of agricultural land, and 25 ha of wetlands - the most valuable habitats of the park - the famous Biebrza marshes.

The area of 3 936 ha is under strict protection including the Red Bog at the Grzędy Forest District.



Unique in Europe for its marshes and peatlands, as well as its highly diversified fauna, especially birds- the Park was designated as a wetland site of global significance and is under the protection of the RAMSAR Convention.

In the Biebrza Marshes, there are many bird species associated with the swamp environment. For water birds, requiring extensive, wetland areas, Biebrza is one of the most important refuge in Central Europe.

Flora is characterized by a huge diversity and the presence of many rare species, such as orchids or sundews.

The most characteristic breeding species of birds are: battalion, aquatic warbler, snipe, great curlew, crane, white winged tern, whiskered tern, eagle-owl, lesser spotted eagle and short-eared owl.

The most characteristic mammal of the Biebrza National Park is moose.