



PANGAEA

Tracing the super-continent in the centre of Thuringia

The UNESCO Global Geopark Thuringia Inselsberg - Drei Gleichen

comprises sections of two different landscape areas: the Thuringian Forest and the Thuringian Basin.

On the one hand, the name of the geopark refers to its highest elevation, the Grosser Inselsberg (916.5 metres above sea level), a prominent hill that rises above the low mountain range of the Thuringian Forest. On the other hand, the name refers to an ensemble of three medieval castles in the lower hilly landscape of the Thuringian Basin, which are also known as the 'Drei Gleichen'.



The Earth today and around 255 million years ago, at the time of the supercontinent Pangaea.

The Geopark's motto is "Pangaea - Tracing the supercontinent in the centre of Thuringia".

It represents a tiny section of this once world-spanning continent, which existed for around 100 million years. Pangaea was the last giant continent in the history of the earth, uniting all of today's continents.

The great variety of rocks and fossils in the Geopark, allows scientists to reconstruct the formation of Pangaea in the Carboniferous period and its disintegration in the Jurassic period in an impressive way. The 'geological weld' of this ancient continental fusion is still visible in the Geopark today.

You can also get very close to many of the inhabitants of Pangaea, including the famous tetrapods from the Bromacker fossil site.



Skeleton of the tetrapod *Orobates pabsti*

Discover and experience the diversity of nature with its fascinating past. Join us on a journey of discovery and immerse yourself in the geological history of the UNESCO Global Geopark Thuringia Inselsberg - Drei Gleichen.

Have we aroused your curiosity?
Take a look at the Geopark film and
come and visit us soon!



GeoRoutes in the UNESCO Global Geopark Thuringia Inselsberg - Drei Gleichen



We look forward to meeting you!

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