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JINA - SOURCE OF TOURIST ATTRACTIONS AND TRADITIONS

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Abstract: Jina commune is located in the central part of Romania, in the south of Transylvania, and administratively belongs to Sibiu county. Jina is a blessed commune, where people are hardworking and hospitable. Jina is a commune where the local public administration is receptive to investments and projects, which lead to the sustainable development of the locality. The commune is a real mold for hiking in the Cindrel mountains. In addition to the wonderful landscape of the commune and the tourist attractions that can be visited and admired, Jina commune preserves traditions inherited from the ancestors. We thus open a window for you to come and know the beauty of this commune and to discover the values of the community and the history of these lands.

• Introduction

Within the county, the commune occupies the entire southwestern part of it, the western border of the commune being at the same time the border between Sibiu and Alba counties, and the southern border the border between Sibiu and Vâlcea counties. The year of the documentary attestation of the commune of Jina is 1396. The hearth of the village is located on 7 hills like Rome: Diudiu (Cucuruz), Curmătura, Hodeșul, Cimitiluru, Muntele, Ulica Mare and Guruietul. The nearest cities to this locality are: Sibiu, located approximately 49 kilometers away, Sebeș, 38-41 kilometers away, Săliște, 24 kilometers away and Miercurea Sibiului, 20 kilometers away.

• Material and method

For the writing of this paper we used a series of study methods. The best way to know and analyze an area or a commune is to visit it. This fact helped us a lot to identify the most interesting attractions in the commune. In addition to the anthropogenic tourist attractions identified in the commune, we also discovered a series of tourist attractions declared natural monuments of great beauty. The local authorities were very open to introduce us to the commune which, in addition to the present beauties, is also an area full of traditions and customs. Thus we were able to realize and centralize the situation, we analyzed it and in the end we managed to draw a series of conclusions.

• Results and discussions

Jina commune is located in the ethno-folkloric area called Mărginimea Sibiului. Due to its generous surface and its location on seven hills, Jina is one of the most picturesque mountain communities in the country. Here the horizon opens so wide that you can see the Transylvanian Plateau and the Apuseni Mountains, all the way to Cheile Turzii. The spurs from the Jina Coast are a natural monument with geological and landscape value. They are located in Sibiu county, on the administrative territory of Jina commune. La Grumaji (monument of nature), is a protected area of national interest corresponding to IUCN category III (mixed nature reserve), located in Sibiu County, on the administrative territory of Jina commune. The Jidovului Table is one of the most interesting natural monuments in Transylvania, located on the right bank of the Sebeș River, in close proximity to the national road DN 67C – Transalpina.

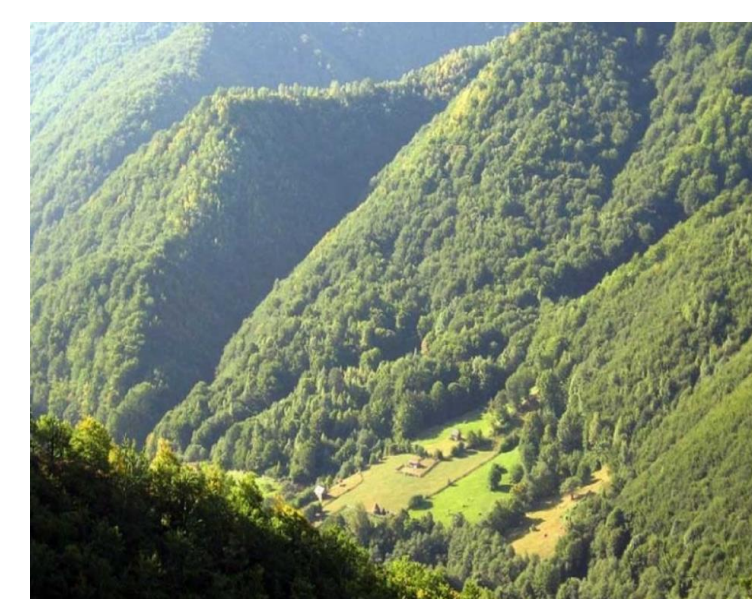


Figure 1. The spurs from the Jina coast, the rocks from Grumaji and Jidovului Table

The "Casa Morariu" pastoral museum was inaugurated in 2006 and is unique in the country. The nunnery monastery from Măgura is located on the valley of the Șugaglu stream, 13.5 km from Jina and 6.5 km above the village of Dobra. The old wall church with the patron saint "Buna Vestire", was declared a historical monument in 1968.



Customs and traditions :

- The whistlers team
- "Poruncile"
- "Recruții"
- "Obiceiul Junilor"
- "Mătăuzul"
- Folk festival "Sus pe muntele din Jina".

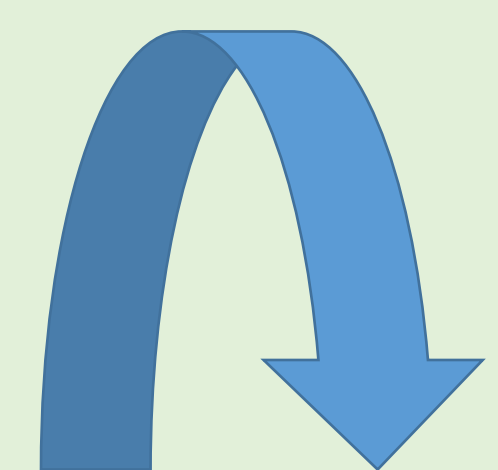


Figure 2. "Casa Morariu" Pastoral Museum, The nunnery monastery from Măgura, "Buna Vestire" church

Conclusions

The studied commune has a great development potential. In addition to natural resources and tourist potential, the commune also has potential for economic development. On the accommodation side, Jina offers a wide range of accommodation options, a large number of traditional accommodation structures, which offer tourists or visitors the opportunity to enjoy the hospitality of the people of the area and the local traditions. A strong point of the commune is the ski area, but unfortunately it is closed to the public. The Jina slope was inaugurated in 2013, with funds from EU projects and funds from the town hall. If the ski section would work, it would help a large number of people to benefit from jobs, stability and thus they would no longer have to leave the commune. The commune is admirable because it still preserves many traditions and customs from the ancestors and they have preserved the authentic specifics of the area. We appreciate that the national port, the local cuisine, the old objects are still part of the life of the commune.