

Photo of the Month



Persian Cyclamen (*Cyclamen persicum*)

The Persian Cyclamen is a beautiful wild flower, which is restricted to the Mediterranean zone in Jordan. It was recorded in several places in the northern parts of Jordan, such as Dibeen, Ajloun, and Al Yarmouk. Its populations have been severely depleted due to collection from the wild for the horticultural trade; some species are now endangered as a result.

Did you Know



There are 47 globally threatened species in Jordan

BioBit



History of Protected Areas in Jordan

Shaumari Wildlife Reserve, located in Al Zarqa Governorate, was created in 1975 and was the first nature reserve established by The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature. Its purpose was to secure a viable habitat for the critically-endangered Arabian Oryx.

Upcoming Events

7-8 July

Trip to Ajloun Forest Reserve

Wild Weekly Weekends

Have Your Say

Send us your questions, comments or even photos to:

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Go Greener!

Don't forget to turn off your computer at night (leaving it on 'standby' will continue to draw power) and unplug unused appliances and chargers.



Together, We Can Help People Help Nature

RSCN News

Irani to Head The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature

The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature (RSCN) on Wednesday announced the appointment of Dr. Khalid Irani as board chairman. In its meeting at Wild Jordan on Thursday, Ghassan Asfour was elected vice-chairman and Eisa Shaheen as Secretary.

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Local Environmental News

Severe pollution, low water flow hindering salvage efforts

Increasing water flow in the Zarqa River and removing sewage pipes from the waterway are the starting points for rehabilitating the heavily polluted river, ecologists and environmental experts said on Monday.

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Regional Environmental News

Batroun's eco-friendly music festival

24-year-old Lebanese Georges Daou has found a balance between his love for music and the environment. He has helped to organize a musical event dedicated towards influencing people to live green.

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World Environmental News

Johann Hari: A turning-point we miss at our peril

Underneath the Amazon basin in Ecuador, the most biodiverse place on Earth, lie almost a billion barrels of untapped oil, worth about \$7bn. In 2006, Ecuador offered to not destroy the rainforests, in which one hectare contains more tree species than all of North America, if the world gives only half of the worth of the oil, \$3.5bn, by the end of 2011.

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Global carbon emissions reach new record, says IEA

In 2010, world leaders agreed to limit global temperature rise to 2C. However, the 30.6 gigatonnes of CO2 emissions released in 2010 raise doubts over whether the greenhouse emissions can be curbed.

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Take Action

For a Cleaner Jordan

To obtain a cleaner streets every one of us should start doing something about it, and one of the things that we can start with is not to throw the waste outside the cars' windows. so why don't we pledge to do this one little thing. "I pledge to put a waste bag in my vehicle, starting from now, and to help put an end to the phenomenon of dumping of waste from the windows of vehicles as much as I can." We want to collect one Million pledges.

<http://www.spiritofjordan.com>



Jordanians Say NO to Cutting Bergish Forest

On June 10, over 400 people gathered in Bergish on a solidarity visit calling for the relocation of the military academy that could entail uprooting hundreds of centennial trees in one of Jordan's few forests. The trip was organized by The National Campaign to Save Bergish Forest and The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature. Participants enjoyed a wide range of activities throughout the day, including kite flying, painting, discovering Bergish cave, tasting locally-made food and eco-games for the children.



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