

The trees of the Opawskie Mountains



Trees are one of the nature's most extraordinary creations. When you look at an old tree you see something more than just a huge plant. You see an organism much older than you, your parents or maybe even your great-grandparents. You see a giant that grew from a seed the size of your nail. The following trees are present in the Opawskie Mountains: the European beech, the European oak, the sessile oak, the grey alder, the green alder, the European white birch, the downy birch, the black birch, the European hornbeam, the European white elm, the wych elm, the field elm, the largeleaf linden, the small-leaved lime, the wild cherry, the field maple, the sycamore maple, the Norway maple, the European Ash, the European silver fir, the Norway spruce, the European larch, the Scots pine, the European yew. The following trees of foreign origin are present in or nearby the Landscape Park: the sweet chestnut, the northern red oak, the ashleaf maple, the Douglas fir, the Canadian hemlock.



The Upper Gate Tower in Glucholazy
height: approx. 25 m (82 ft).



The European hornbeam
(*Carpinus betulus* L.)
Height: 20 m (65.6 ft)



The eastern white pine
(*Pinus strobus* L.)
Height: 35 m (114.8 ft)



The European beech
(*Fagus sylvatica* L.)
Height: 40 m (131.2 ft)



The sessile oak
(*Quercus petraea* (Mattuschka) Liebl.)
Height: 40 m (131.2 ft)



The European silver fir
(*Abies alba* Mill.)
Height: 50 m (164 ft)



The European larch of the Sudetes
(*Larix decidua* Mill.) Height: 50 m (164 ft)

The height comparison shows great variations in size of the woody plants.