

INVOLVING YOUTH IN ALPINE NATURE CONSERVATION

Children's programs in various parks



Events on various topics: Nature, culture, etc.:

Description Beverin Nature Park :

We learn more about nature and culture in the Beverin Nature Park in a playful way and experience small and big adventures while we are out and about together.

Explore, experience, be amazed, be outdoors together!.

How can interest in the park be maintained in adolescence?

The parks try to keep up the contact with the young people:

- **Continuing offer** for young people (e.g. Capricorn Club Naturpark Beverin)
- Retain young people as **assistant leaders** (Binntal Nature Park)



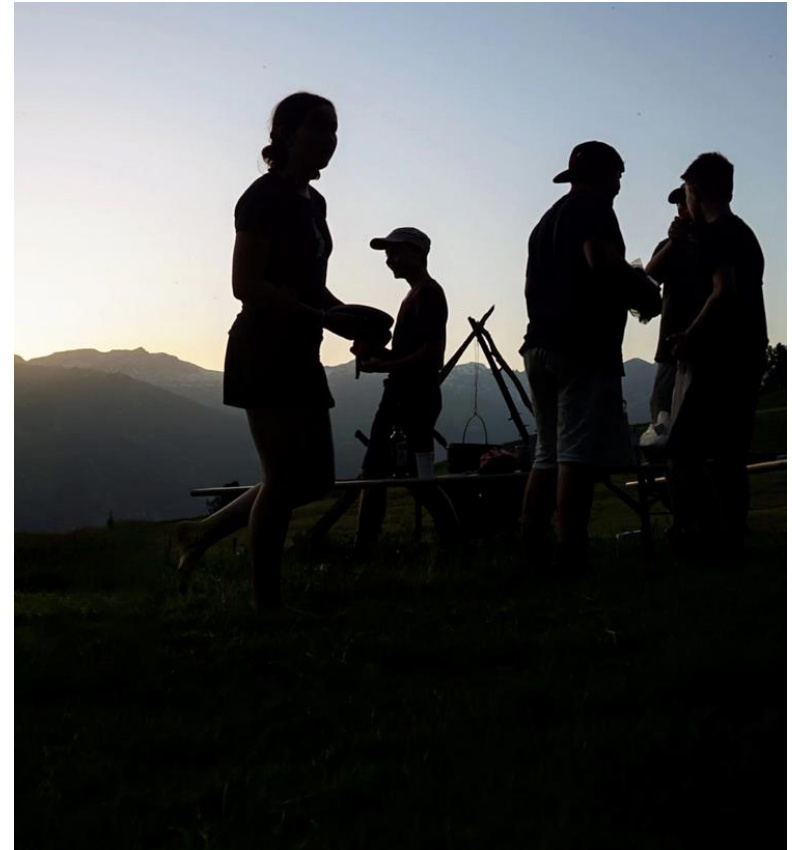
Challenges in working with young people

- Group dynamics (There can be «bad" years!)

**Long-term development
necessary...**

- Education (Time problem, changing priorities, temporary change of residence)

**Challenging offers, well
adapted to target group**





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Education project «Food for Future»

Raising awareness on **regional economic cycles**:

- Where does our food come from?
- How does it reach our plates?
- And what does this mean for the environment, the economy and society?

Excursion in the park with visits to various stations (processing of the product)

Every park has its own product (Cheese (milk), bread (cereals), etc.)

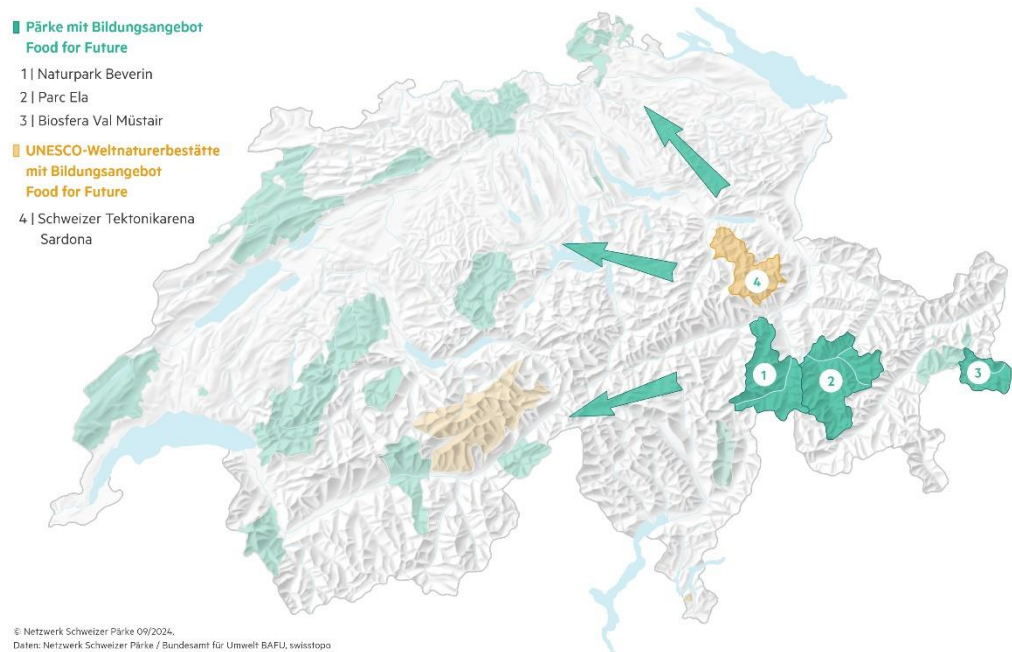
- Elaborated educational concept with teaching material
- integrated into the school curriculum



A joint education project for all Swiss parks

Vision: «Food for Future» will become an established educational offer in the Swiss parks. **In all language regions, the program promotes pupils' awareness of regional food cycles, sustainable nutrition and individual consumer behavior.**

- ⇒ Important topic for all parks
- ⇒ High interest: **12 parks want to participate**



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Main product

Guidelines that make it easier for parks to develop the offer in their own park (incl. basic material for all parks: teaching material, learning objectives, etc.)

- revise, adapt and update existing material in collaboration with a university of applied sciences
- 2 pilot projects (for two different age groups)

Joint communication and promotion

