

Pantaron Range, Bukidnon



Address: Bukidnon

Description: While not very well known, the Pantaron mountain range in Bukidnon is a haven of biodiversity. Various species of threatened endemic fauna seek refuge within the vital watersheds that this mountain range hosts. High incidence of poverty and tenurial issues are strong influences on the lives of the indigenous Manobos or Lumads, who rely largely on the natural resources of the range.

Status: Closed

Site Profile Summary

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Ecosystem Types Lowland Forest

Protection Status

Area

- One of the Mindanao's few remaining tropical rainforests that holds several watersheds vital to the survival of Mindanao's biodiversity.

Biogeographic Features

- The mountain range is bounded by Bukidnon, Misamis Oriental and Agusan del Sur in the north, and Bukidnon and Davao del Norte in the south.

Flora

- Refuge of the critically endangered Philippine Eagle (*Pithecophaga jeffryi*) and of other endemic and vulnerable fauna like the Philippine brown deer (*Cervus mariannus*), and the Philippine flying lemur (*Cynocephalus volans*) and a Mindanao-endemic gymnure (*Podogymnura truei*)

Fauna

- More than half of the economic activities are tied to the land

Other Matters of Significance

Livelihood Resources

The Manobos or lumads are the inhabitants of the range.

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