

Rescuers Find Missing Children in Caves Outside Moscow

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Eight children ages 9 to 12 had gone missing during a tour of the Syanovskiye cave system. **Denis Voronin / Moskva News Agency**

A group of children that went missing in the caves near the Moscow region city of Domodedovo were found alive by rescuers late Thursday, [Interfax](#) reported.

On Thursday morning a group of 10 people, eight of whom were children ages 9 to 12, entered the Syanovskiye cave system. They were supposed to return around 7:00 p.m. the same day, but never did.

Upon arriving at the site, the rescuers found the instructor who led the tour, who said he lost the group during orienteering classes.

The Emergency Situations Ministry [confirmed](#) around 9:30 p.m. that the children were found unharmed.

The Syanovskiye caves, also known as Syany, is a system of artificial quarries near Moscow

from the Novlesky caves group. The passages' total known length is 19 kilometers, making it one of the largest known cave systems in Russia.

The entrances to the caves have been blocked off following the incident, Interfax [reported](#).

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