

The Majella National Park is a mountain park which includes Mt. Amaro, the second highest peak of the Apennines, and many other peaks over 2,000 meters high. A protected area rich in biodiversity also thanks to the presence of large Carnivores such as the Wolf and the Marsican brown bear, Ungulates among which the rare Apennine chamois, many birds of prey such as the Golden eagle, the Goshawk and the Lanner, and over 2,100 Flora species.

The Majella National Park was established in 1995 and, in little more than a decade, besides having started up all its management instruments, has given birth to several monitoring activities regarding flora and fauna species, also thanks to the cooperation with private stakeholders such as breeders and farmers who have shared the strategies of the park and got their working conditions improved in return. By means of projects like “Progetto Qualità” and “Coltiviamo la Biodiversità” the park has supported the involved breeders and farmers by supplying services for the health care of the livestock, the purchase of tools and machineries, the distribution and certification of the products. Since 2005 the Majella National Park has obtained the PAN Parks certification. This is a very valuable achievement given that PAN Parks is a foundation born after an initiative of WWF International with the aim of preserving the last wilderness areas in Europe, and has created a network of few European protected areas, characterized by particularly high standards in terms of environment, management and sustainable tourism strategy.