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World Curiosities



Our world is immense and we do not dream about everything that can have in it, there are many curiosities and facts that we do not know that it is possible to happen or exist, many places that we could not believe we do not know, some that we could not access, others that we can access but that remain very far, but they are interesting to know and read about it.

In this book I will cite some curiosities and facts that, in my opinion, are fascinating to know and learn about the huge world we live in. Here you will read about a snake island that is located in Brazil, the truth about shooting stars, two cities that are submerged by water, a secret area of the United States government and one of the most beautiful places in China.

Probably you should not know these places, so I invite you to know a little more about these places and the world that we live.

Snake island

An island of the Brazilian coast, between the cities of Itanhém and Peruíbe, is known by the population of snakes of diverse species and sizes. Also known as "Big Burn Island," this name was given because it was necessary to set fire to the island before it was accessed to drive away the snakes and other animals that lived there.

For many years, this island hadn't had any human contact and the snakes were reproducing and evolving and for that reason a new species was developed in this island by the variety of snakes.

Today access to this island is totally prohibited because it is one of the most dangerous places in the world, access is allowed only by some biologists.

Even with the danger, some people try to access this island to steal some species of snakes to sell and also out of curiosity for the stories of the place.

There are also many species of spiders, reptiles and other types of animals living there.

Shooting Stars

Even with the name "star", that light that we see passing through the sky at night and even make wishes when it happens, is not a star, that is in fact, fragments of asteroids or remains of comets that enter our atmosphere with a speed of approximately 250,000 km / h. Because of the high velocity and the friction with the atmospheric air, these space asteroids get on fire, and this causes a very fast trail of light in the night sky.

Depending on their position, they are given different names. If they are wandering in space outside our atmosphere, they will be called meteoroids, but if they enter the Earth's atmosphere and burn because of contact with the atmospheric air, they will be called the meteor.

Some moving stars have been recorded, but they are extremely rare, so if you have seen a light through the night sky, it was a meteor.

Lion city

This city, also known as Shi Cheng, is located in China and is submerged by water 40 meters deep in a lake. This city was once a wealthy place of the Chinese empire 1200 years ago.

The city has this name because at that time, all the important buildings had a large lion statue in front, these lions meant protection for the people who lived there and they believed they would be safe as long as they had the lions in front of these buildings.

The city was completely flooded in 1959 and today the whole city and its decoration is submerged in Lake Qiandao and this happened when a hydroelectric was activated in the region and took a lot of water to the city leaving it submerged. Around 290 thousand people left the city when the flood began, going to nearby cities and some were left homeless.

Saeftinghe

Saeftinghe is a Dutch city that, like the lion city, is submerged by the water, this happened because in 1200 a swamp was drained to be fertile for the plantations, everything was going well until 1570 when a flood reached the place and destroyed the whole plantation and also much of the city there. .

Fifteen years later, during a war, the Dutches had to destroy a reserve of water that controlled the water of the region, but the water of the reserve lost control and arrived in the city flooding it entirely and leaving it all under the water.

Today the place has become a huge and very dangerous swamp and cannot be explored without a guide because there is also a meeting between the river and sea and the water is very strong and unstable, it can get turbulent at any time causing the boats to lose control and go into the middle of the sea.

The Area fifty-one

The Area fifty-one is a secret United States place that, in theory, has aliens and technology hidden there to do extraterrestrial activity studies. The government has never proved anything but access to this place is totally forbidden.

The terrain is huge and is located in the Nevada desert and it is forbidden to get close to that area, fly over the area or approach drones. There are several signs telling you to move away when you are a certain distance from the area. The area is also equipped with several technological devices that detect movement and can even fire at anything trying to get close to the area.

The government has already spoken about the area and confirmed its existence but do not give details about it, they only say that it is an area reserved for special technology, research and constructions that happen there.

The Colorful Mountain of China

For having colorful mountains in orange, blue, yellow and purple, this place looks like photoshop, but it really exists and the most incredible thing is that this place was made by nature. Located in China, in Zhangye city, these mountains stand in a very large park.

These mountains are the result of a type of sandstone deposit and some other types of minerals that were present there in that soil for more than twenty and four million years. Being so beautiful and almost unbelievable, this place with these colorful mountains was once considered one of the most beautiful places in China.

The park that the mountains are, is not difficult to access, it is only forty minutes from the city and it is possible to go by bus or car to there.

The entrance fee of the park is only seven dollars per person, considered little by the beauty of the place.