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Nanda Devi Peak

- **Nanda Devi Peak (7,817 meters)** is the **second-highest mountain in the Himalayas located in the Indian state of Uttarakhand (and the highest peak located entirely within India).**
- Situated in **Chamoli district**, this peak, which consists of **twin summits (Nanda Devi and Sunanda Devi)**, is known for its **sacredness and natural beauty** and is part of a **UNESCO World Heritage Site.**
- It is a part of the **Garhwal Himalayas**, with a height of **7,817 meters (25,643 feet)**, making it the **second-highest peak in India (after Kanchenjunga)** and the **23rd highest in the world.**
- **Nanda Devi** is regarded as the **guardian goddess of the Kumaon and Garhwal**
- It is believed that **Nanda Devi is a form of Goddess Parvati**, the consort of **Lord Shiva.**
- The famous **Nanda Devi Raj Jat Yatra** is organized here **every 12 years.**
- The peak is surrounded on all sides by **high mountain walls (about 70 miles circumference)**, known as the **Nanda Devi Sanctuary.**
- This region lies between the **Rishi Ganga and Gori Ganga valleys.**
- This area was declared as **Nanda Devi National Park in 1982**, and in **1988** it was recognized as a **UNESCO World Heritage Site** for its **natural significance.**
- The peak was first successfully climbed in **1936** by **Nandu Lal Dutt and Bill Tilgher.**

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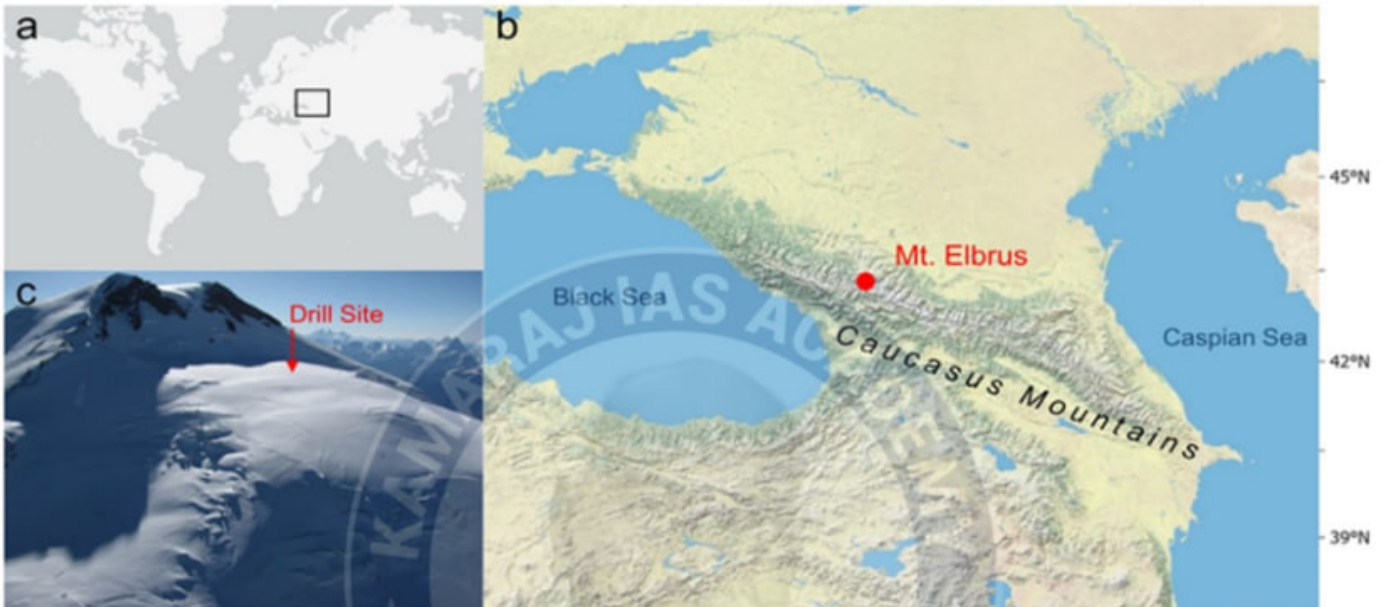
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Mount Elbrus

- **Mount Elbrus** is the highest mountain in **Russia and Europe**.
 - It is a **dormant stratovolcano** that rises **5,642 meters (18,510 feet)** above sea level, and in addition to being the highest volcano in **Eurasia**.
 - It is also the **tenth most prominent peak** in the world.
 - It is situated in the western extension of the **Ciscaucasus region**, within the **southern Russian republic** of **Kabardino-Balkaria**, and stands as the highest peak of the **Caucasus mountain range**.
 - Elbrus features two summits, both of which are dormant volcanic domes.
 - The higher western summit stands at **5,642 meters (18,510 feet)**, while the eastern summit reaches **5,621 meters (18,442 feet)**.
 - The first recorded ascent of the eastern summit
- Circassian man named Khillar Khashirov;** the western summit was first climbed in **1874** by a **British expedition** led by **F. Crawford Grove**, which included **Frederick Gardiner**, **Horace Walker**, and the Swiss guide **Peter Knubel**.
- Elbrus is located in the northwestern part of the Caucasus region, situated **100 kilometers from the Black Sea and 370 kilometers from the Caspian Sea**—the latter of which is visible from **Elbrus** on exceptionally clear days.
 - It rises to an elevation of 5,642 meters above sea level.
 - Situated eleven **kilometers north of the Greater Caucasus watershed**—which forms the border with **Georgia**—it lies on the boundary between the Russian republics of **Kabardino-Balkaria** and **Karachay-Cherkessia**.

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