

Mirny Mine, Russia



Mirny Mine is an inactive diamond mine in Mirny, Eastern Siberia. It is the largest open diamond mine in the world and the second largest excavated hole in the world. It is 525 meters (1,722 ft) deep and has a diameter of 1,200 m (3,900 ft). The airspace above the mine is closed for helicopters because of incidents in which they were sucked in by the downward air flow.