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## The fascinating marian estate of Sugny is often called the Lourdes of the Ardenne

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**The Marian estate of Sugny was created in 1911 by the locals, nestled beautifully in the green setting of a park. Considered an open-air museum, it was nicknamed the Ardenne Lourdes, probably due to its faithful reproduction of the Notre Dame de Lourdes grotto, star piece of the site.**

There is a beautiful range of art pieces to see on site, aside the famous grotto. The "Scala Sancta", for example, simply are impressive. Representing the stairs Jesus Christ would have walked to go up to Ponce Pilate's palace, they required a papal authorisation to be built. There only are 3 in the world (Lourdes, Rome and Sugny).

Amongst other gems, visitors can admire a station of the cross (14 stops surrounded by century-old trees), the sanctuary of Saint Thérèse and the child Jesus, monuments, etc... This superb outdoor collection retraces the Christian faith in the second half of the 19th century up to the second World War.

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