



EXCURSIONS

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CZK 01 / Excursion to KARLOVY VARY

Karlovy Vary is the world-famous spa known for its 12 healing mineral springs. Emperor Charles IV., one of the most important governors in central European history, founded the city situated in West Bohemia in 1358. You will visit the city centre and walk along the main street, which is surrounded by the Teplá river. The main street will bring you to the famous colonnades where the mineral springs rise. You can taste them there and understand the popularity of the place. The best known spring is the one called "**Vřídlo**" ("Geyser"), springing its healing water to a height of 12 m. After lunch you will have the opportunity to buy some of the well known Bohemian crystal or delicious local waffles. We also highly recommend to taste traditional "**Becherovka**" liqueur made of herbs (Becherovka is also called 13th spring of Karlovy Vary).

Duration: 8-10 hours

Includes: transportation, guide services, lunch



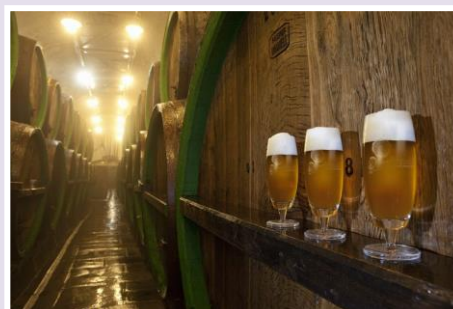
CZK 02/ PLZEŇ with Pilsner Urquell factory

Pilsen is a city in western Bohemia where the well-known **Pilsner Urquell and Gambrinus breweries** are situated. From its name, you can easily guess, that the Pilsner type of beer originates there. Even though it could seem Pilsen is all about that beer, it has also a rich cultural features for which it has been named European capital of culture for 2016. Among others, you can find there the third largest synagogue in the world.

After arriving to Pilsen we enter the Pilsner Urquell brewery. This tour will show you the history and technology of beer production with tasting of 0,3l of Pilsner Urquell beer. After the brewery tour lunch in Pilsner restaurant "Na Spilce" is served, followed by city centre and **St. Bartholomew Cathedral** surroundings tour.

Duration: 6 hours

Includes: transportation, guide services, lunch, Pilsner Urquell factory entry with beer tasting (0,3 l)





CZK 03 / Excursion to Bohemian Castle KŘIVOKLÁT

The **Křivoklát castle** is one of the oldest and the most important castle of Czech princesses and kings. The castle is hidden in dark woods and unspoiled nature. The history of castle construction starts in the 12th century and the castle has featured in several Czech and foreign movies. After an 1 hour transfer to Křivoklát, you will see the Great Royal and Chivalric Halls one of the biggest gothic halls in Europe. The visit continues to the castle library containing over 52.000 books, the museum and the famous castle prison with torture instruments etc. Right before the departure back to the Prague the clients have opportunity to photograph the castle from one of the viewpoints.

Duration: 5 hours

Includes: transportation, guide services, entrance fees to The Křivoklát Castle



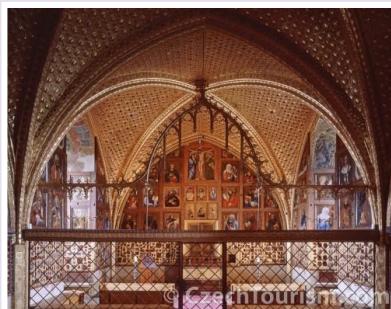
CZK 04/ Excursion to Bohemian Castle KARLŠTEJN

This tour will take you to visit the high Gothic castle founded in 1348, which has a unique position among Czech castles. It's situated just a few kilometers from Prague. It was built by Czech King and Roman Emperor Charles IV - one of the most important figures of central European history. The original purpose of the castle was to be the place for safekeeping of the royal treasures, especially Charles's collection of holy relics and the coronation jewels of the Roman Empire. The first stay of Charles IV in the castle is documented in 1355 when he came to supervise the building works as well as the decoration of interiors, especially the castle chapels. The construction of the castle was finished in 1365 when the Chapel of the Holy Cross situated in the Great tower was consecrated. The place is surrounded by a false myth of prohibition of women presence on the castle.

Nowadays it's one of the most visited places in Czech Republic thanks to its uniqueness and architectonic conservation. The visit includes lunch in local restaurant, walking tour through Karlštejn district and tour in interiors of the castle.

Duration: 6 hours

Includes: transportation, guide services, entrance fee and lunch





CZK 05/Excursion to Bohemian Castle KONOPIŠTĚ

This tour will take you to visit the Konopište Castle which is situated about 50 km from Prague. Konopistě was originally founded as a gothic fortress guarding a nearby town of Benešov. Being founded at the end of the 13th century by Tobias of Benešov, its construction has been finished at the beginning of the 14th century. The most significant alteration took place in the 18th century when the castle has been rebuilt into a baroque residence. The utterly most important and famous owner of the Konopište Castle was the archduke František (Franz) Ferdinand d'Este, a successor to the Austro-Hungarian throne whose assassination in Sarajevo in 1914 became a pretext of the World War I. This man bought the Konopište domain in 1887 from the Lobkowitzs family and converted it into a magnificent seat of a Heir. The Chambers were richly decorated with the collections inherited from the Modena's archdukes of d'Este and numerous hunting trophies hanging on the walls as silent witnesses of Franz Ferdinand's hunting passion.

The tour includes a lunch in local restaurant.

Duration: 6 hours

Includes: Transportation, guide services, entrance fees to the Castle and lunch - 3 course menu and 1 drink



CZK 06/ Excursion to KUTNÁ HORA (UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE)

Kutná Hora, located about 65 km outside of Prague, owes its origin and rich culture to its silver mines, the existence of which can be traced back to the beginning of the 13th century. It was second only to Prague as the most important town in Bohemia, having become the favorite temporary residence of several Czech kings as well as the mint for the "Prague Penny" ("Groš"). Kutná Hora was declared a world heritage, and since 1995 has been protected by UNESCO. Our guide will show you the most important buildings and places - the tour includes entrance fees to the St. Barbara's Church, the Sedlec Cathedral and the Ossuary (Bone House). A lunch in local restaurant is included to the excursion.

Duration: 5 hours

Includes: transportation, guide services, entrance fees and 3 course menu with 1 drink



CZK 07 / Excursion to ČESKÝ KRUMLOV (UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE)

On this all-day excursion the guests will have a chance to admire the beautiful south Bohemian countryside, with its picturesque villages and many ponds with the final destination of **Český Krumlov**, a city enlisted on the **UNESCO heritage list**. The unique urban complex, comprising three hundred historic houses and the National Castle and Chateau, the second largest after Prague Castle, draws many visitors every year and is pompously but rightly called the Renaissance Pearl. The city has been built on the rocky shores of meandering Vltava river. Even though the travel time from Prague is not the shortest one, the visitors unanimously declare, all the travelling of the world is worth visiting this extraordinary place. Our excursion includes entry to the castle/chateau complex and lunch in local restaurant.

Duration: 8-10 hours

Includes: transportation, guide services, lunch and Český Krumlov Castle entrance fee



CZK 08 / Excursion to HLUBOKÁ CASTLE and picturesque village HOLAŠOVICE

First stop of this excursion is a magnificent and romantic Castle/Château Hluboká close the České Budějovice city. The construction of this castle is built in Renaissance/Baroque started in 13th century and is valued for its exterior beauty as well as the interior beauty. The castle has been confiscated by GESTAPO during the WWII. and has been used as a base station for its operation. After the end of the war, the castle has been renewed and serves to public. Apart of the castle itself, the castle gardens are well valued.

The second stop of our excursion is in a beautiful village Holašovice close to the Hluboká Castle, which is valued for its intact rural Baroque architecture. Its solution of granaries together with the intact historical uniqueness has been reflected in the inscription to the **UNESCO heritage list**.

Duration: 8-10 hours

Includes: transportation, guide services, lunch and entrance fee to the Hluboká Castle

Incluye: transporte, servicios de guía, almuerzo y entrada a castillo Hluboká



CZK 09 / Excursion to TEREZÍN

(The concentration camp for Jews – the Terezín Ghetto)

Terezín was established at the end of the 18th century as a fortress; still surrounded by its massive ramparts, the town lies at the confluence of the rivers Labe (Elbe) and Ohře (Eger). The Main and Small Fortresses at Terezín, although the modern for their period, gradually became obsolete, and having lost their military function fell into disregard. Only in the relatively recent past has Terezín once again entered the world's public consciousness as a tragic symbol of the sufferings of the tens of thousands of innocent people who died here during the Nazi occupation of their homeland. You'll visit The Police prison in the Small Fortress, Ghetto Museum, Jewish Cemetery and Crematorium.

Duration: 8-10 hours

Includes: transportation, guide services, entrance fees to Terezín memorial, lunch

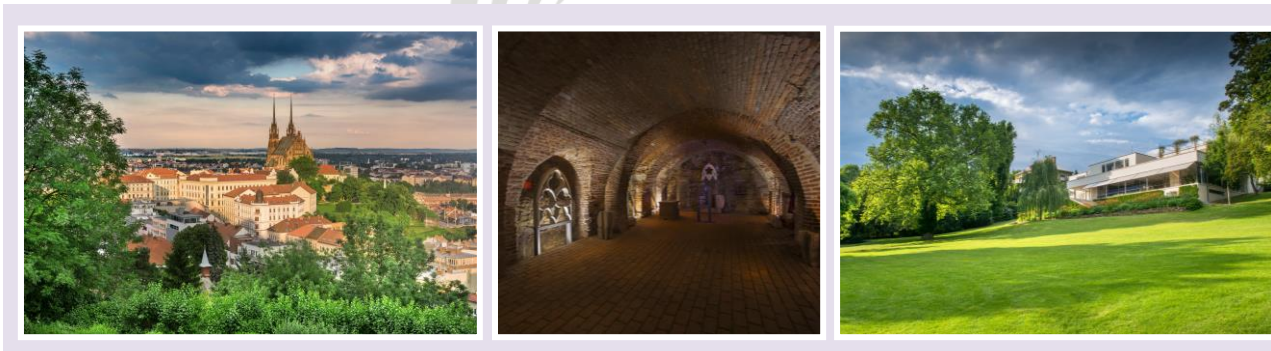


CZK 10 / Excursion to BRNO

The second biggest city of the Czech Republic and the capital of Moravian region presents itself as a modern city with beautiful historic features. The walking tour around Brno takes 2 hours and shows the Old Town, Zelný trh square, the labyrinth under the Zelný trh Square, famous Town Hall with Dragon, Petrov quarter and Freedom square. After a tour and a lunch, the day ends by a brief look over the Špilberg castle area - the dominant feature of the city panorama - and famous **UNESCO heritage listed** vila Tugendhat (without entry).

Duration: 10 hours

Includes: transportation, guide services, entrance fees - labyrinth, lunch





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Entries to the monuments are organized by their rules. For the individual clients audioguides are generally available in the language of choice from the menu.

