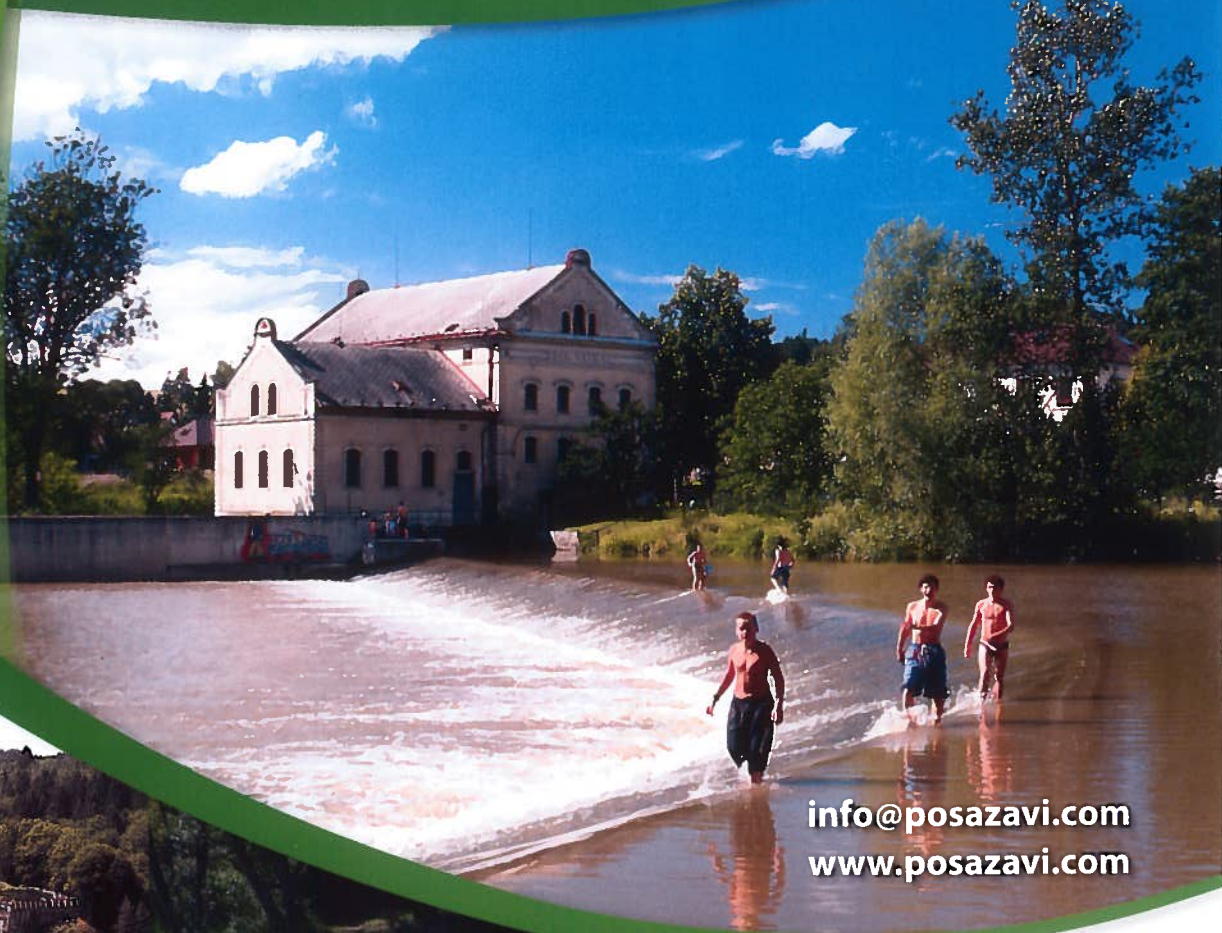


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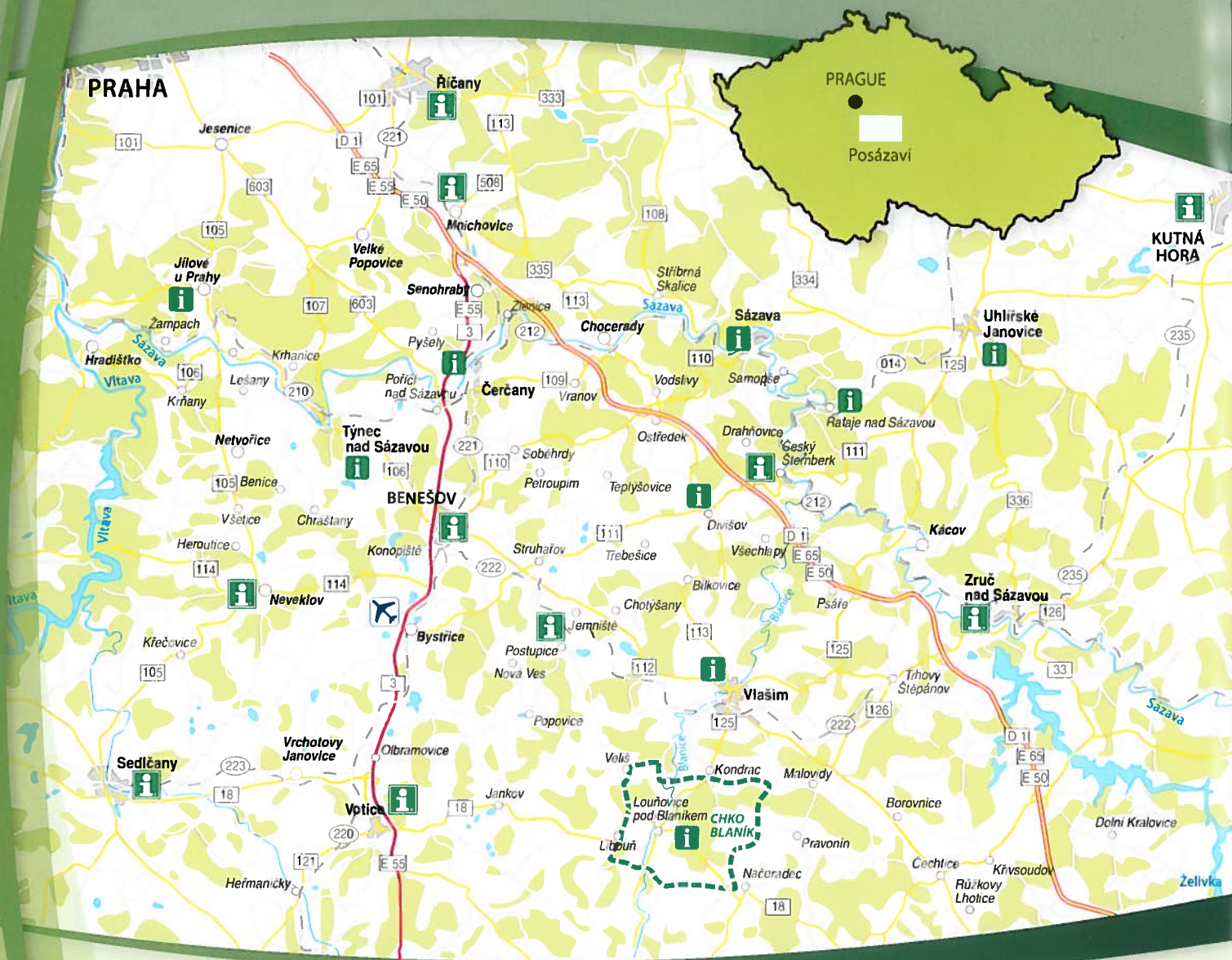


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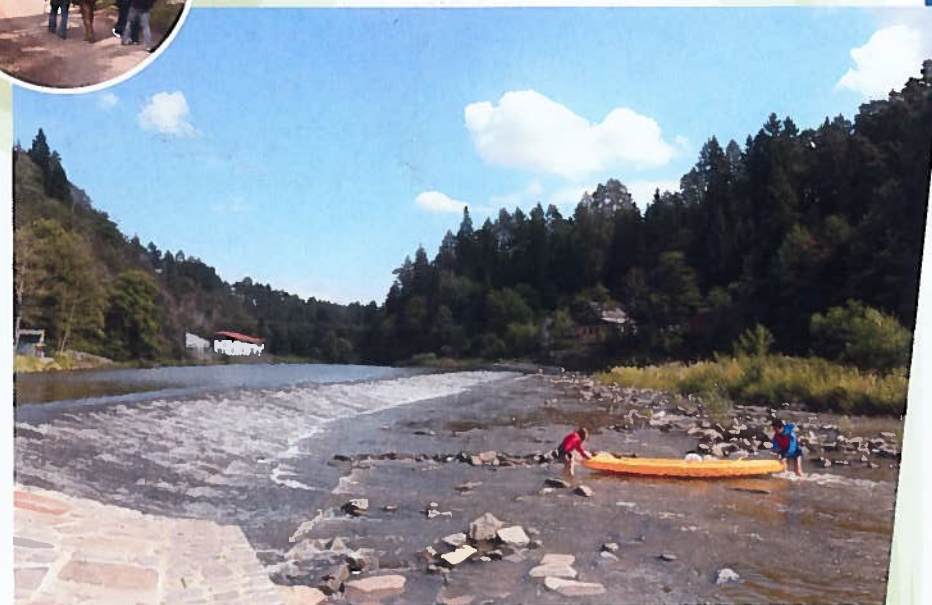
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| monasteries | café, tea-room | airport | suitable for motorbikes |
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| Sázava Pacific train | outside terrace | paddling | tennis |
| accommodation | buffets, catering | rafting | garden chess |
| satellite TV | conferences, workshops | bathing | route valleys |



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River Sázava



The territory situated to the southeast of the Czech capital Prague in the Region of Central Bohemia historically served as an economic supply, defense wall against enemies and the center of relaxation for the whole of central Bohemia. This territory is called the Posázaví. The region derives its name from the Sázava river, which is

meandering as a blue thread through through, and whose name has two historical explanations. The first is derived from the Celtic "sath-ava", which means a river flowing amidst pine woods. The other one originates from the Slavic "sad-jati" and could be translated as a river settling and bringing alluvium - clay and sand.

In the beginning of the 20th century, the Posázaví region became a traditional tourist destination satisfying the requirements of its visitors on peace, beautiful nature and array of experiences. Different kinds of services, lodging and catering establishments were flourishing at the time. This boom was however interrupted by the World War II and the following period of the communist domination. In present, the Posázaví region develops the success of the past generations and becomes a sought-after destination of many content visitors.

Come and join in. We are looking forward to you.



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POSÁZAVÍ



POSÁZAVSKÝ PACIFIK



There is no doubt that the railway influenced importantly the whole region of the Sázava Basin, mainly as concerns its economy. It is even very hard to imagine what would the life in here look like if the railway was not here. There are still many places along the Sázava River that are inaccessible otherwise than by train. Building of the Posázavský Pacifik railway was initiated towards the end of the 19th century. Except for its short segment from Prague-Vršovice to Prague-Modřany, was the whole of the railway from Modřany, through Davle, along the Sázava River up to Světlá nad Sázavou built at the turn of the 19th and 20th century.

In the first railway guide from 1897, the Posázavský Pacifik was denoted number 78 and bore a note "opens on the day of announcement". The note concerned mainly the segment from Skochovice to Jilové due to the delays in the definite trajectory of the rail, which was finally put into operation on 1st May 1900. The railway from Čerčany to Davle and Prague-Vršovice enabled access to the formerly unknown natural beauties of the Sázava lower reach. Thanks to its romantic character and spirited design, the railway is rightly acknowledged one of the prettiest in the Czech Republic. In the period after the World War I, it was a destination of excursions of polytechnic universities every year. The railway has brought access to many places of interest in the region to the tourists.

This romantic railway still leads through the beautiful countryside along the Sázava River, thus enabling to the visitors of the region to wander from a historical

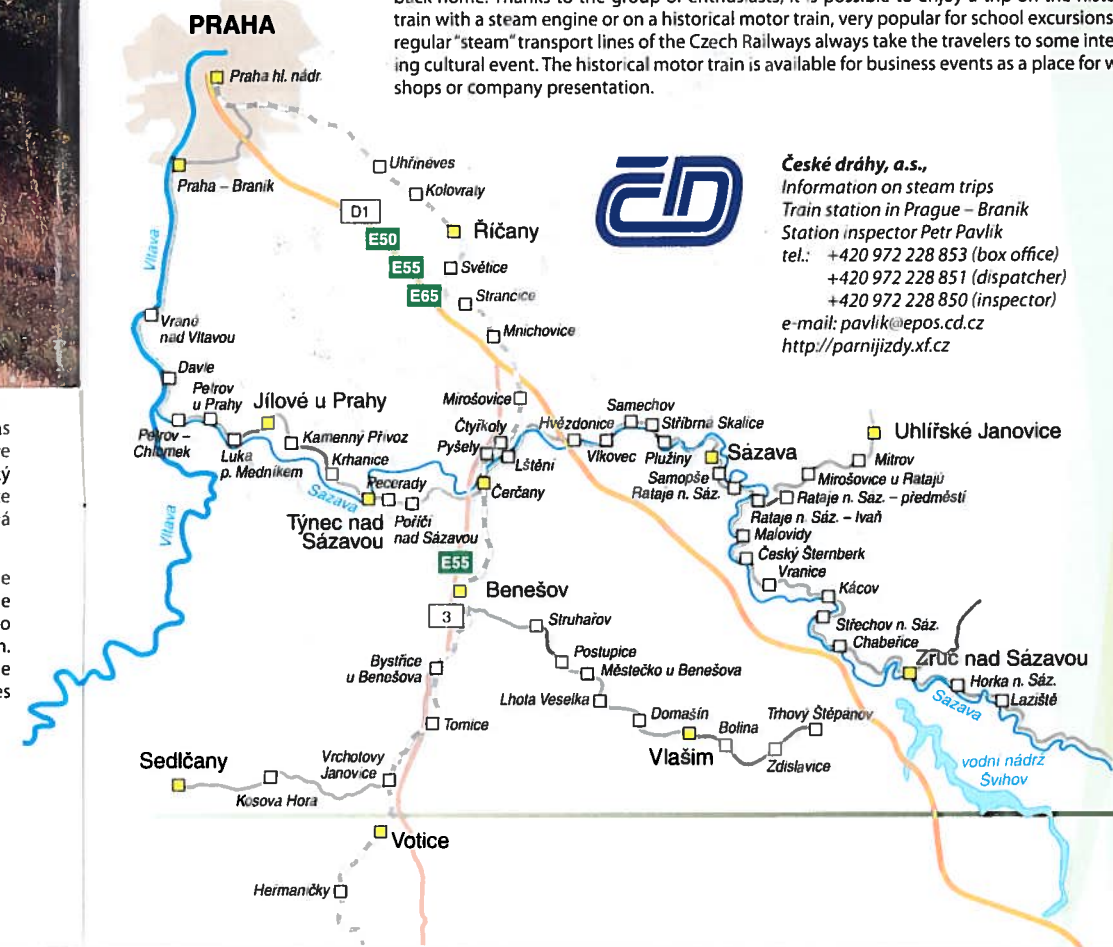


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Railway bridge at Žampach

monument to the museum, from a village to the town, from a campsite to the guest house and back home. Thanks to the group of enthusiasts, it is possible to enjoy a trip on the historical train with a steam engine or on a historical motor train, very popular for school excursions. The regular "steam" transport lines of the Czech Railways always take the travelers to some interesting cultural event. The historical motor train is available for business events as a place for workshops or company presentation.



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Train station in Prague – Braník



Train station in Čerčany



JÍLOVÉ U PRAHY



Town Hall in Jílové u Prahy



Gallery in Halíř



Regional museum

The royal gold-mining town is the right place for the family holidays, entertainment and sports. Jílové was founded as a mining settlement in the 1st half of the 13th century. The oldest listed buildings – the Town Hall and "Mince" House housing the Regional Museum – make the town very attractive. The gallery of St. Joseph is one of many mining constructions of the significant part of the Jílové gold-mining district. Another notable monument is the St. Adalbert Church featuring a Gothic panel altar. The restored complex of the Town Hall premises still include the cells of the former district prison. The Chapel of St. Wenceslas is situated in the part of the town called Lázně, next

to the spring of healing water, as the legend retails. In the neighbourhoods of Jílové, there is also one notable technical monument – the railway bridge at Žampach, which is according to certain sources the highest stone bridge in Europe. The new outlook tower on the hill of Peří offers beautiful view of Jílové and its surroundings and represents another interesting tourist destination.

St. Joseph Gallery opening hours:

April – October: Sat, Sun, holidays 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
July – August: also Tue – Fri 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
November – March: upon reservation for groups



Railway bridge at Žampach



Chapel of St. Wenceslas



Outlook tower on the hill of Peří



FAMILY MUSEUM



Netvořice – Pražská 13

FAMILY MUSEUM OF ENAMEL

Various enamel ware accompanies people in their lives since the mid 19th century. In our museum, you can find the daily-used objects as well as curiosities. The collection features samples of the majority of the Austrian-Hungarian and later Czechoslovak enamel factories. We are open when we are at home. Call us to check up whether we are at home.



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Museum of Enamel



The "Cat behind the Chimney" Bed



Second-Hand Shop

MILITARY TECHNICAL MUSEUM IN LEŠANY



Since 1996 the premises of the former artillery quarters between Krhanice and Lešany u Týnce nad Sázavou have hosted the exhibition of the Military Technical Museum of the Prague Military History Institute. The collections currently contain more than 450 historic tanks, cannons, motorcycles, armoured military trucks and cars dating from 1890 up to the present, which can be seen in seven halls, under six shelters as well as in the open air. The Museum ranks among the leading European institutions of its kind due to both quantity and quality of its collections featuring many a world-unique object. Especially

the collection of Czechoslovak military vehicles dating from 1918 to 1939 and the Škoda system cannons collection have no parallel.

As in the past years, we are going to organize an original Museum event focused on a special army type within the scope of the Opening Day of the 2008 season, on Saturday, 24th May. The 6th year of the popular Tank Day will be held on the last Saturday of summer holidays, on 30th August.



Opening hours:
July, August
June, September

Wed – Sun
Sat – Sun
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.



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MUZEUMS IN NETVOŘICE



Motorcycle and Technical Museum



Municipal Museum



Municipal Museum



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VŠETICE FARM

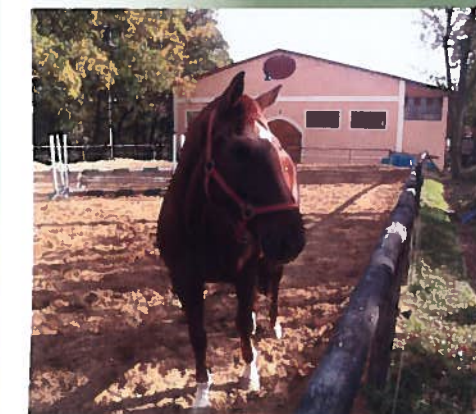
The riding area of the Všetice farm offers a riding hall with the indoor sandy hippodrome, 55 x 21 m large, with the heated stand for spectators. The Horse Power Bar, which is situated in the hall, offers an observation terrace, a gym, an outlook into the indoor hippodrome, audio and video technology with large-screen projection. The whole capacity of the bar is 50 to 100 persons.

The Hotel Statek Všetice houses 21 luxurious rooms and apartments with private bathrooms and toilets of total capacity of 50 – 70 beds. There is a relaxation center with sauna and whirlpool too. The visitors may also enjoy the outdoor heated swimming pool (17 x 5 m) with illumination and a counter current. After the sport, the visitors are invited to refresh themselves at and to taste delicious meals of the restaurant club bar Všetická výheň with 100 seats, a dance floor (70m²), a concert podium and a sheltered terrace for 50 people. The hotel with the swimming pool and the restaurant club bar Všetická výheň will be put in operation in summer 2008.

Všetice farm has an outdoor illuminated sandy arena of the area 20 x 40 m and a sandy turf with two arenas (50 x 60 m and 50 x 80 m). The horses may be boxed in the stables with total capacity of 50 horses.



Sauna



Všetice Farm



Riding-hall

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POSÁZAVÍ



TÝNEC NAD SÁZAVOU



Týnec nad Sázavou has a very long history. Its name itself indicates that at the place where the Týnec Castle is located these days – on a high cliff above the river – there was a fortified settlement in the ancient times, the so-called Týnec ("enclosure" or "fortification" was "Týn" or "Týnec" in old Czech). There is a probable connection between the settlement and an old trade route leading from southern Bohemia through the town of Sázava and along the Kostelec Castle to Prague. Adjacent to a stone rotunda, a religious building, was a secular residential structure, uncovered during a research in 1969. It was just a stilted structure and dated back to the 11th century. A stone Romanesque palace was built on its place at the turn of the 13th century, with a prism defence tower next to the rotunda constructed later on. The palace currently houses the Municipal Museum with an exhibition of earthenware for which Týnec was famous in the period from 1791 to 1866. There is also an exhibition on the history of the town of Týnec, a concert hall and an exhibition hall in the building. Nearby stands a Gothic tower of the Týnec Castle. It's used as the lookout with the view into the Posázaví region and there is the respected European summer domicile of the big bat. The Romanesque rotunda, used as the house of prayer by the Czechoslovak Hussite Church, it is also a part of Municipal Museum sightseeing.

History of earthenware from Týnec. The founder of the manufacture for the fine earthenware was an owner

Opening hours:

April – September: Tue – Sun 10 a.m. – 12 noon and 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.



Municipal museum



Zbořený Kostelec



of Konopiště and Týnec the count František Josef z Vrtby. He appropriated to this purpose financial means together with neglected and abandoned castle district including the Romanesque rotunda. There were produced not only utility articles, but also decorative articles. The local earthenware had reached a European repute and concerning the art the high artistic value. Thanks to the production enlargement the count Vrtba had had to build a new large factory building in 1812 – present Společenské centrum TÝNEC (Community Centre TÝNEC). The both buildings are used to the cultural and community purposes now. Besides concerts and exhibitions here they are also taking place in actions in outdoor spaces, as today already traditional town celebrations Týněcký střep, Summer Theatre Scene in Posázaví and Music Summer in Týnec.



Community Centre



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We provide catering services for all different kinds of occasions: garden parties, wedding receptions, company events and receptions. We offer complete gastronomic service from decoration, through welcome drink to the supper. Our only criterion is the customer's satisfaction.

COMMUNITY CENTRE TÝNEC

This traditional cultural centre in the region of the Sázava River offers a theatre, disco, restaurant, games room and a club, all in one historical building. The ballroom with a capacity of 600 people is supported by an all-round technology background and trained staff are available for balls, school-leaving ceremonies, corporate events, seminars, assemblies and general meetings, conferences, concerts, theatre performances, lectures and fashion shows. The offered advantage is a comprehensive tailored service including accessory programmes.

The enclosed GARDEN of 4,000 m² is suitable for concerts, garden parties, Sunday gatherings with musical performances or just for some short-yet-refreshing relaxation within a small corner of nature over a cup of tea or coffee, either in the midst of, or after, a hectic working week.



Garden concert



Information centre



Main hall



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HOTEL A PIZZERIE NAD ŘEKOU

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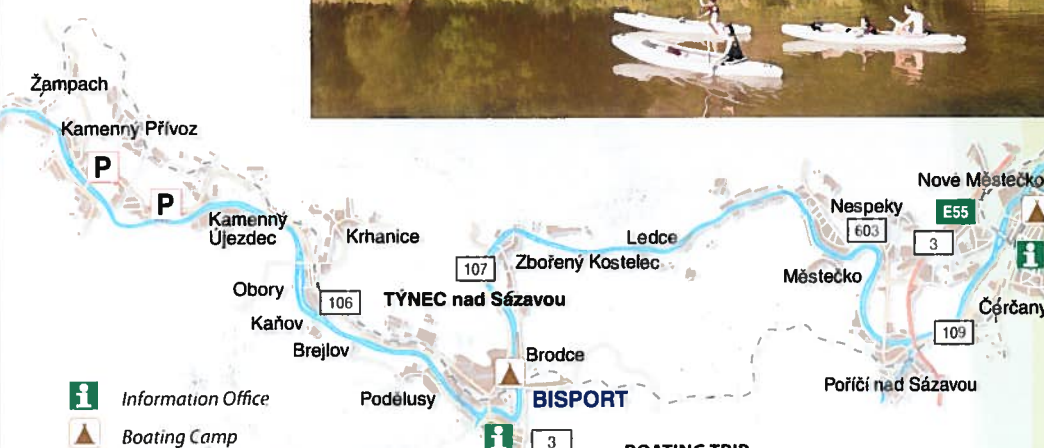


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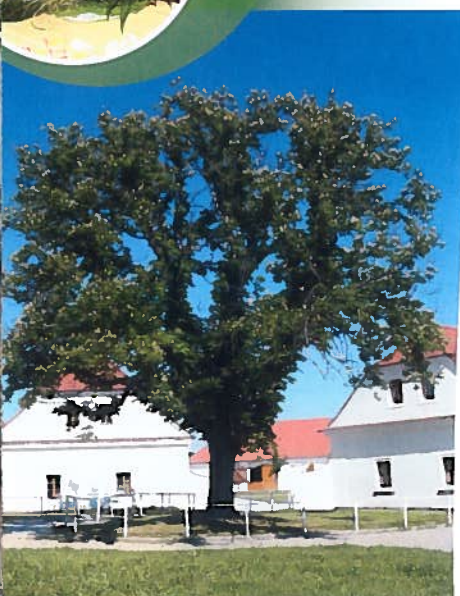
Čerčany – Týnec nad Sázavou 14,2 km
Týnec nad Sázavou – Pikovice 15,9 km

The Sázava river in the segment from Týnec nad Sázavou to Pikovice is passable above the watermark of 45 cm at the water gauge of Nespeky. For the other parts of the river the water meter of 35 cm is sufficient (www.bisport.cz – Informace).





STUD FAVORY



Not even one hour drive from Prague, directly in the heart of the former manor of archduke Frantisek Ferdinand d'Este, there is the unique baroque estate Benice, the seat of one of the biggest private breeder of Kladruby horses both in our country and in the world, the stud FAVORY.

The stud FAVORY is breeding some 80 horses, mostly of the Kladruby breed – one of those bred continuously the longest time in the world. Visiting our stud will certainly inflict you with euphoria as soon as you meet the herd of these noble animals. You will feel the grandeur of this breed designed exclusively for the ceremonial purposes of the emperor's court in the past and still popular at royal courts all over Europe. The stud is however not only a place for horse lovers, it also offers many services for the public – horseback and carriage rides in beautiful countryside, riding lessons for beginners and advanced riders, guided tour about stables. In winter, you may try skijoring (horse-drawn skiing) or a ride in the sledge ringing with jingle bells throughout the white countryside. Children

are always welcomed in Benice where they can experience a donkey or a pony ride. In summer, we organize children camps where they learn how to ride.

The unique three-winged estate built in 1750 offers various opportunities for your rest and refreshments: accommodation in the attic, stylish pub or outdoor barbecue. The farm offers a restaurant in the antique grange room which can accommodate up to 200 sitting guests, a Baroque house-place with the capacity of 30 persons, the court and vast surrounding lands as the ideal place to hold various social events, e.g. parties, presentations, garden parties, training, team-building events, weddings including the ceremony, weekend stays, etc.

The farm is surrounded by vast meadows and forests and offers coziness and privacy for your deserved relaxation and rest. Thanks to its historical and architectural value, the Baroque estate of Benice has been registered as a cultural monument



Baroque estate Benice



HEROUTICE FARM



Private riding school in beautiful natural surroundings offers all-year-round week-long or weekend relaxation stays with horse riding training. Advanced riders may enjoy one- or two-day horseback tours of the Sázava riverside.

The farm focuses on children, offering them year-round training camps with horseback riding theory and practice, practical experience with tending horses along with language lessons and a complete program, including meals 5 times daily.

The complex accommodates 42 persons in rooms for two or four, has a stylish restaurant for 80 persons that can be used for weddings or seminars, a summer terrace and basic shopping possibility directly at the farm. The pride of the farm is a covered riding hall and an international standard parcours hurdle course.





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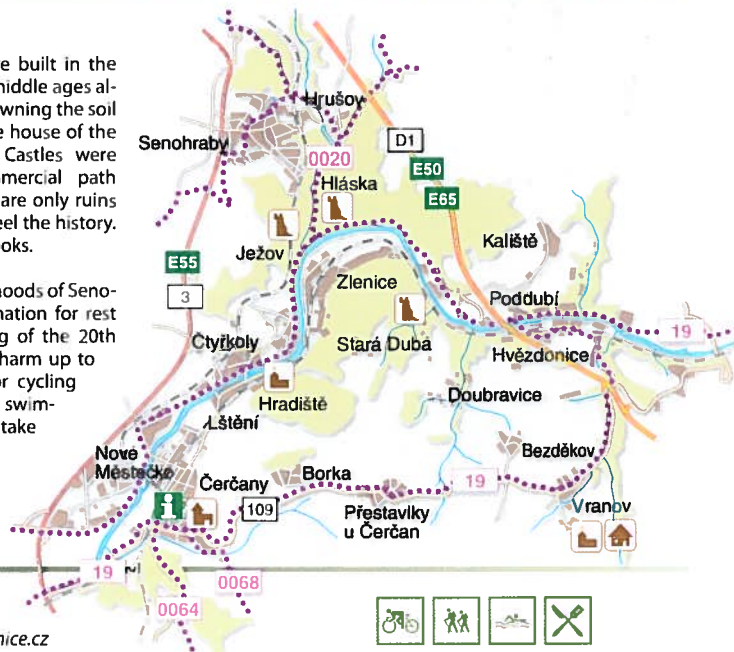


Hláška – Castle ruins Zlenice



The farms and settlements were built in the crook of the Sázava river in the middle ages already. The oldest known family owning the soil in the Sázava river basin was the house of the Lords of Dubá nad Sázavou. Castles were guarding the important commercial path and the wade. In present, there are only ruins of the castles. They will let you feel the history. There are also many romantic nooks.

The landscape in the neighbourhoods of Senohraby was a sought-after destination for rest and recreation in the beginning of the 20th century and has preserved its charm up to the date. During your hiking or cycling tour you may visit the open-air swimmingpool, get refreshments or take a ferry over the river.



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HOTEL AKADEMIE NAHÁČ



The Hotel AKADEMIE Naháč was reopened after complete renovation in June 2006. It is situated in the picturesque region of the Sázava Basin, close to the exit no. 29, direction Čerčany and Chocerady, from the motorway D1.

The premises of the hotel as well as the services offered and the operation are adapted to the requirements of the congress tourism. The hotel is nevertheless ready to welcome also private tourists and families traveling about the beauties of central Bohemia. In spite of its position in the proximity of the D1 motorway, the guests need not worry about noise. The reconstruction concentrated on this aspect and the hotel has been redesigned to eliminate any disturbance of its guests, whether during the day or at night. And it is exactly the favorable position of the hotel, hand in hand with the wide range of relaxation services that make it an ideal base for your excursions to interesting destinations in the neighbourhoods.

Total accommodation capacity is 50 rooms (of that 4 suites and 1 room with non-barrier access). All rooms are equipped with TV with the satellite broadcasting, direct-dial telephone, internet connection and bathroom with shower. The bathrooms of the suites have baths. A half of the rooms have an outdoor terrace.

Conference premises include the large conference hall for 130 people, a conference room for 60 people and three lounges for 20 persons, one computer study-room

with 14 computer units and 2 small business lounges. Complete conference technology (sound systems, data projectors, flipcharts, screens, TV sets, DVD, VHS, internet, WIFI, etc.) is available. All conference halls and rooms have daylight and are air-conditioned.

The gastronomy centers consist of the hotel restaurant with the lobby bar and a bowling bar with an outdoor barbecue terrace.

Relaxation services represent an important part of the complementary services for business managers and employees, as well as private guests and tourists. The guests are invited to spend their leisure time at the sports and relaxation premises of the hotel – 2 bowling lanes, billiard, tennis court, multipurpose playground, petangue lane, massages, sauna, infra-sauna, fitness, whirlpools, solarium and crèche.

The neighborhoods of the hotel offers many interesting activities, parcou shooting-range in Vraž, chateaux of Konopiště and Jemniště, Sázava monastery, Český Sternberk castle, native house of the poet Svatopluk Čech with his native room. There are several marked hiking trails and cycling tracks in vicinity of the hotel. The Sázava River is a real paradise for the fans of canoeing and water tourism – the hotel can ensure an afternoon on boats with complete equipment on the Sázava.





MONASTERY IN SÁZAVA



Foundations of the Holy Cross Church



Medieval tower of St. Procopius church from the 14th century



Overall view of monastery

The monastery was founded by Prince Ulrich and the hermit Procopius in 1023. It houses an exhibition called "Old-Slavic Sázava". The tour includes the Baroque Refectory and the Chapter-house with murals dating back to the 14th century. You can visit the Baroque church dedicated to St. Procopius and see the underground crypt. There are uncovered foundations of the Holy Cross Church from the 11th century in the northern monastery garden.

Opening hours:

April, October:	Sat and Sun	9 a.m. – 12 noon and 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
May, August:	Tue – Sun	9 a.m. – 12 noon and 1 p.m. – 6 p.m.
September:	Tue – Sun	9 a.m. – 12 noon and 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.



Interior of Baroque St. Procopius church



Na Maráncce, photo Tomáš Máhring

BOATING TRIP

Sázava – Čerčany	20,5 km
Sázava – Týnec nad Sázavou	34,7 km
Sázava – Píkovice	50,7 km

The Sázava river in the segment from Sázava to Týnec nad Sázavou is passable above the watermark of 35 cm at the water gauge of Nespeky (www.bisport.cz – Informace).



LEVÍN FARM

The farm of Levin dates back to the 14th century. It offers the premises for organizing of private social events for approximately 150 persons, accommodation and horse riding.



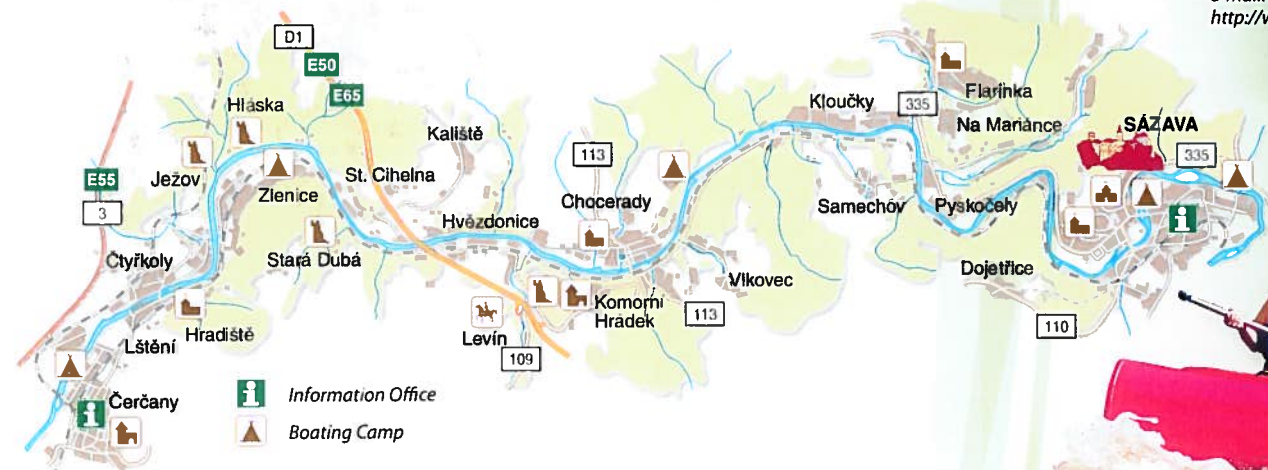
Levin farm



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ČESKÝ ŠTERNBERK



Český Šternberg Castle

ČESKÝ ŠTERNBERK CASTLE

When touring the Sázava riverside, do not omit to visit the Český Šternberg castle, for you will be rewarded with a view of the gothic castle majestically spanning over the Sázava river. During the excursion you will be allowed to take a glimpse of its more than seven-hundred year history, connected mainly with the Šternberg family.

The castle was founded around year 1241 by Zdeslav of Šternberg. The name was derived from the coat-of-arms, a golden octal star, and germanised according to contemporary custom. The last greater adaptations were made in the early Baroque period.

The tour takes you through fifteen rooms richly furnished with stylish furniture and a collection of family portraits, porcelain, weapons, hunting trophy's, silver miniatures etc. Among the most famous pieces exhibited is doubtless a collection of graphic prints from the time of the Thirty-years war.

Opening hours:

April, October:	Sat, Sun, holidays	9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
May, September:	Tue – Sun	9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
June – August:	Tue – Sun	9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
January, February, March, November, December:	per order	

The castle is open all year round for groups with prior booking



Hunter's lounge



Rose salon



PENSION ČESKÝ ŠTERNBERK

GUESTHOUSE ČTYŘLÍSTEK

On the same place, right underneath the castle and on the main town square, there is also a family guesthouse with one triple and three double rooms with comfortable beds, nice bathrooms and other equipment. The smell of freshly baked cakes will wake you up in the morning; the peace and coziness of the place with the rich history will lull you in the evening.

ŠTERNBERK CAKES

The square of Český Šternberg is ready to caress both your spirit and your stomach. The local baker makes delicious poppy, cottage cheese, apple, damson cheese, and blueberry cakes. The bakery is a part of the local groceries shop, where the customers can buy the cakes or order them for their wedding parties, family celebrations or just for the breakfast. Or they come and taste this delicacy with a cup of coffee at our terrace.



Guesthouse Čtyřlístek



DIVIŠOV

MUSEUM OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY LIFE IN DIVIŠOV

The Jewish settlement in Divišov dates from before year 1685. The synagogue, where the museum is located, was built in the first half of the 19th century in a late Classicist style with an apse. The reconstruction of the building, which was finished in autumn of 2004, was subsidised also by the European Union. The exhibit, mapping the life of the Jewish settlement in the region, was conceived by the joint effort of the municipal association CHOPOS, the Divišov municipality, the Jewish museum in Prague and Museum of Podblanicko region in Vlašim. The first part of the exhibit is dedicated to the extensive project of reconstructing small sacral buildings on the territory of the municipalities associated in CHOPOS.

THE TRAIL OF KNIGHT JAN KRYŠTOF ŠIC

Set out with us on a journey that was to be forgotten, but fate willed it for the pupils of Divišov's elementary school to give it new meaning. The nature trail has 10 resting points. It leads from Divišov across the Vrch hill, Měchnov village, by teh Brtničák pond, Český Sternberk castle to the village common of Český Sternberk or the other way round ... You will find out a lot about game management, Jewish religion, nature around Divišov.



agriculture or the castle Český Sternberk. The overall length of the trail is less than 7 kilometres (4,3 miles) and you can walk the whole way in about 2 or 3 hours. Throughout the trail you will be accompanied by the figure of knight Jan Kryštof Šic of Měchnov. This knight lived in the Divišov region assumedly in the first half of the 17th century. Excerpts from his diary will help you imagine what times long past were like and learn from history the way the school children understood it.

The trail is especially suitable for daytrips of families with children of age 7 and older. Help us make history come alive by your visit!



Synagogue in Divišov



Church in Měchnov



Castle Český Sternberk



Ceramics shop and wine store



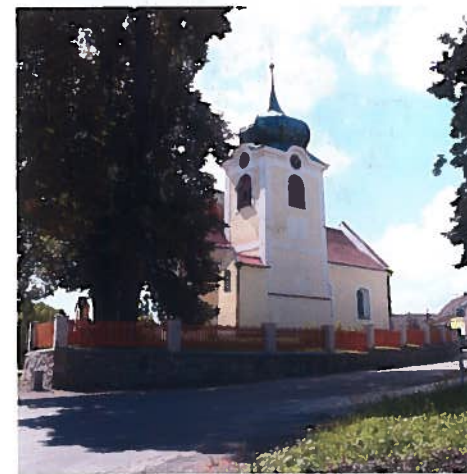
Bedřich Smetana



Ružkovy Lhotice

RŮŽKOVY LHOTICE, MUSEUM OF THE REGION PODBLANICKO

The Baroque-style manor house, dominating the village, was built on the place of the former fortress of Ones Tluksa of Lhotice erected in the 14th century. Between the years 1835 and 1844, the manor house was held



Svatopluk Čech Square in Postupice

by František Smetana, father of the music composer Bedřich Smetana. The great composer himself often visited the house and drew inspiration for his works. That is why the collections installed within the manor house and open to public since 1984 are dedicated to the early stages of Smetana's creative life.

Opening hours:

May - September: pursuant to written or telephoned bookings only

OSTŘEDEK, THE CHAMBER WHERE SVATOPLUK ČECH WAS BORN

The Baroque chateau with St. Jan Nepomuk's chapel from 1741 was built on the site of a 14th century citadel. From a historical viewpoint it is noteworthy that the writer Svatopluk Čech was born in the local chateau in 1846. His father, František Jaroslav Čech, was the estate keeper. The chamber, where the poet was born and which can still be seen in the chateau today, was established by the people from Ostředek as early as 1898.

Opening hours:

pursuant to telephoned bookings only

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Chateau Ostředek

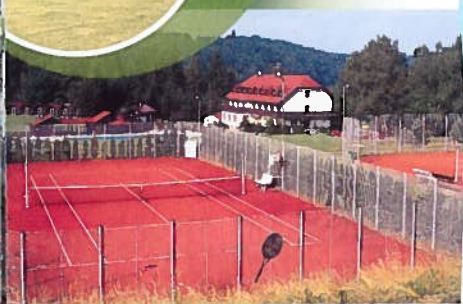


The Chamber where Svatopluk Čech was Born



Svatopluk Čech

KÁCOV



Tennis courts



Restaurant terrace



Restaurant



Sporthotel Kácov

SPORTHOTEL KÁCOV

The modern three-star hotel with parking area is situated approximately 33 miles southeast of Prague between the townships of Tichonice and Kácov. Surrounded by woods only a couple of feet from the Sázava River you will find everything you need to have a nice vacation, organize business or social meetings or trainings.

The hotel offers 20 double rooms, 2 four-bed rooms and 3 apartments with private bathroom and WC, color TV with satellite broadcasting, telephone, radio-alarm clock and minibar. The area also has accommodation in log cabins with bathrooms or cabanas suitable especially for trainings or sport events. The restaurant can seat and board 90 – 100 people. After a nice lunch or dinner one may stay in the bar or patisserie.

An outdoor 75-feet swimming pool with night lighting and a paddling pool is ideal for active leisure as well as 2 tennis courts with synthetic surface and lighting, 2 volleyball courts with synthetic surface, lawn football field and a basketball field. You may also play miniature golf or table tennis. There is also a sauna, massages or a bike rental.



Hotel room



Chateau and brewery in Kácov

THE TOWN OF KÁCOV

is an old settlement on the Sázava river with the dominant of the Kácov chateau neighbouring with the historical square. The princess Anne Maria Francesca let build a beautiful statue of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the square in 1730. <http://www.kacov.cz>

The first reference to the beer brewing in Kácov dates from 1457. The brewery of Kácov is therefore one of the earliest founded in the Czech Republic. Its premises are situated on the original medieval location, neighbouring



Brewery Hubertus

Pivovar Hubertus Kácov, a. s., V Podskali 6, 28509 Kácov
tel.: +420 327 324 693, fax: +420 327 324 694
<http://www.pivovarkacov.cz>

directly with the Sázava river. The brewery sticks thoroughly to the classical technology of beer production. The visitors can taste the beer in the brewery's beer-house. You can't replace good beer...

THE HOLIDAY RESORT "NA ŽABKÁCH"

is situated 2,5 km from the town of Kácov. Accommodation is provided in twelve 4-bed cabins composed of a living room with kitchenette on the ground floor and a bedroom on the first floor. The toilets and showers are situated in an independent building.



Na Žabkách Holiday Resort

Rekreační středisko Na Žabkách
tel.: +420 737 367 809
<http://kacov.aspweb.cz>



Marian plague column



Church of the Ascension of Our Lady



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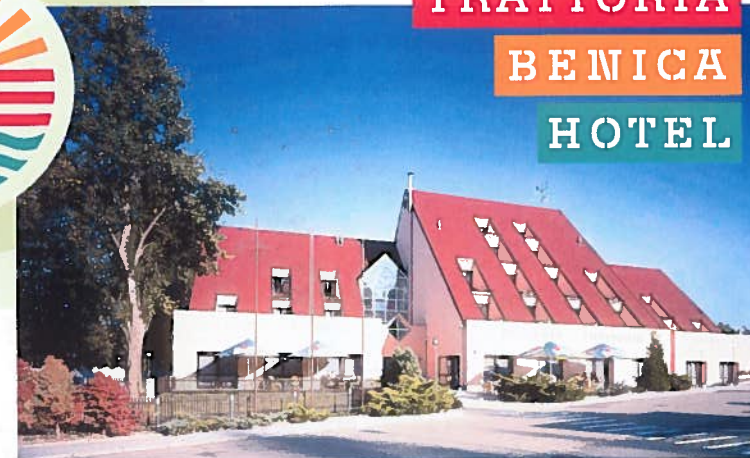
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TRATTORIA BENICA HOTEL



Hotel Benica

Accommodation

The recently renovated hotel with the capacity of 33 rooms (67 beds) offers accommodation in single to 4-bed rooms, in the apartments with a kitchenette and in a honeymoon suite. All rooms are equipped with telephones and color TV sets with satellite broadcasting. Each room has a private bathroom with shower and toilette.

SERVICES, SPORT AND RELAXATION

- WiFi internet link
- secretarial services
- cloths washing and ironing
- guarded parking supervised with camera system
- garden with pool and barbecue
- children's playground with attractions, slides and a sandpit
- two football fields – one with an artificial surface and the other with the grass surface complying with the ČSMFS standards, both with direct entrance from the hotel
- indoor tennis courts
- cycle store
- billiard, table football
- mimi – gym

In vicinity

- in the distance of 4 km, there are two 18-hole golf courses and one 9-hole golf course for public



Operating hours:

Hotel Benica
Open nonstop
Restaurant – Pizzeria
Mon - Sun 11 a.m. – 10 p.m.

- minigolf
- fitness center
- attractive cycling trails

We provide:

- sightseeing flights in balloons or on airplanes
- hunting in the forests of the Konopiště chateau
- fishing in the Konopiště lake
- horse riding
- guided tours of the Konopiště and Jemniště chateaux
- turnkey wedding solutions with wedding ceremonies at the Konopiště or Jemniště chateaux
- taxi

Restaurant

The hotel houses a renowned restaurant serving meals of the Italian, international and traditional Czech cuisine. Stylish premises of the hotel including the cozy and calm garden terrace with barbecue make it the perfect place for various social events.

CONGRESS HALLS

The hotel also offers a conference room for 120 people, equipped with the latest technology, perfect for seminars, lectures, training modules and presentations. The hotel also provides separate rooms for coffee breaks outside the conference room, with access to the terrace, a hotel garden with the grill and the swimming pool. There are also two lounges, for 30 persons each, ideal for family celebrations or business lunches. The hotel offers parking for 60 cars. The hotel parking lot may be used as an exhibition area for presentations.



Hotel swimming pool



Restaurant



Hotel room





KONOPIŠTĚ CHATEAU



Konopiště Chateau

The castle of Konopiště was founded at the end of the 13th century, probably by the bishop Tobias of Benešov. It was built as a Gothic fortress copying the design of French castles. First building alterations were ordered by George of Sternberk at the end of the 15th century, and later by Hodejovští of Hodejov in the 17th century. In the 18th century, Vrtbové of Vrtba converted the castle into a Baroque palace. Francis Ferdinand d'Este, who bought it in 1887, had it rebuilt into a grand emperor's residence.

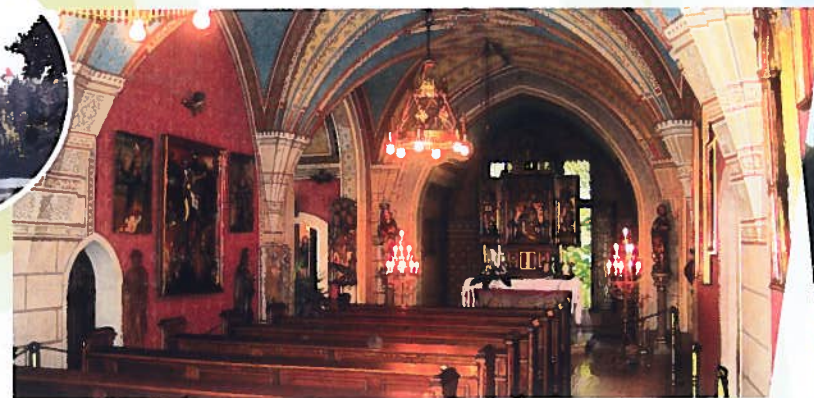
Reservation visits:
tel.: +420 274 008 154 – 6
e-mail: rezervace@stc.npu.cz

Opening hours:

From 22nd March:	Sat, Sun, Hol	9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. also the general public
	Ve – Fri	9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. only groups on prebooking
April, October:	Tue – Fri	9 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
	Sat, Sun	9 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
May – August:	Tue – Fri	9 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
September:	Tue – Fri	9 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
	Sat, Sun	9 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
November:	Tue – Fri	9 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. only groups on prebooking
	Sat, Sun	9 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. also the general public

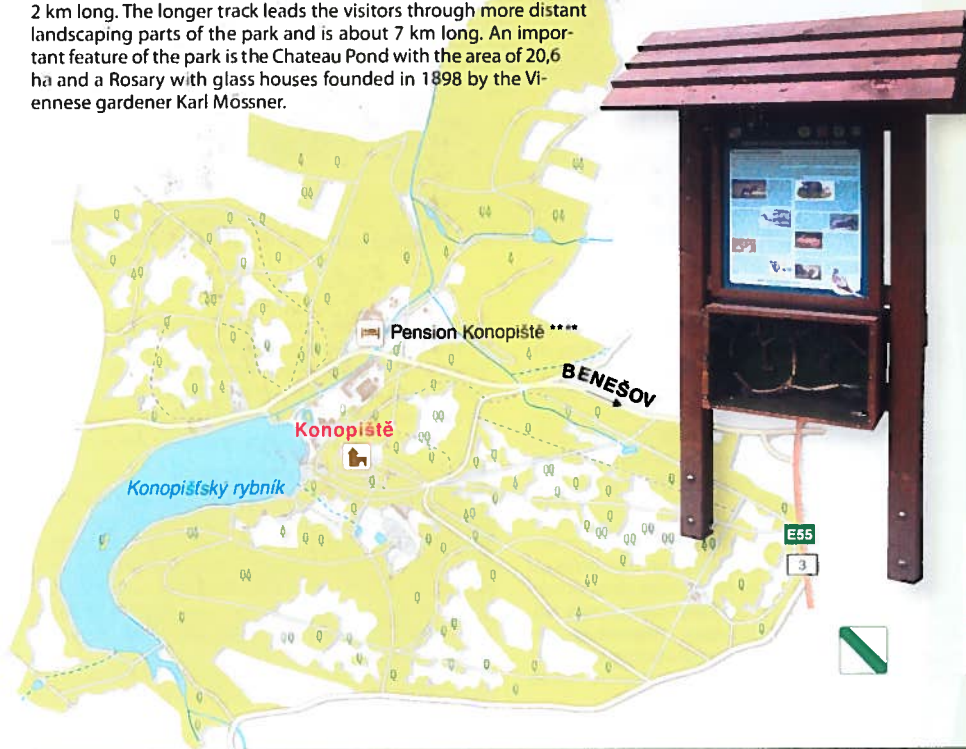
January, February, March, December: closed

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tel.: +420 317 721 366, +420 602 349 068, e-mail: konopiste@stc.npu.cz
http://www.zamek-konopiste.cz, http://www.stc.npu.cz



Chateau Chapel

The instructive path "History and Nature of the Konopiště Chateau" provides elementary information about the development and current state of the park, as well as about its most significant places of interest. The whole area of the park (340 ha) can be explored on foot or on bike along two tracks marked with 12 informative boards. The circuits are also to the larger extent accessible for physically handicapped people on wheelchairs. The shorter track is focused on the closest surroundings of the chateau designed in the style of Italian Baroque and is approximately 2 km long. The longer track leads the visitors through more distant landscaping parts of the park and is about 7 km long. An important feature of the park is the Chateau Pond with the area of 20,6 ha and a Rosary with glass houses founded in 1898 by the Viennese gardener Karl Mössner.



Rosary



„Modrě z nebe“ ("Blue of Heaven") shop

ZO ČSOP Benešov, Mendelova 131, 256 01 Benešov
tel.: +420 317 704 113, +420 604 120 158
e-mail: csop.benesov@seznam.cz

Pension Konopiště ****
tel.: +420 317 702 658, +420 737 230 294
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POSÁZAVÍ 27



GUESTHOUSE KONOPIŠTĚ



Guesthouse



Bathroom



Bedroom

Pension Konopiště

★★★★

Romance, family relaxation or a short stay for businessmen in the heart of the Czech Republic only a 20-minute drive from Prague, amidst lovely countryside, just a few steps of the most beautiful chateau in Central Bohemia, Konopiště – all of that and more offers the new guesthouse Pension Konopiště ****

The guesthouse is located in the building of the museum of motorcycles and provides original conjunction of the historical character of the location (in close vicinity of the chateau of Konopiště) and the largest Czech museum of motorcycles. The breakfast is served right in the glassed room amongst the exhibited motorcycles. Each of the six apartments of the guesthouse has its

own character, color and spirit. All of them are equipped with the computer with internet link, satellite broadcasting TV set, telephone, minibar and safe-deposit. Two of the apartments have discrete private entrances, further two are designed as honeymoon suites with quality water king size beds, and three are equipped with kitchenette.

New married couples (up to 2 years from their marriage) and married couples staying in the guesthouse in the month of their wedding anniversary are granted 15% reduction in price of their accommodation. Upon request, the guesthouse provides turnkey wedding solutions, or other services in the wedding organization at the chateaux of Jemniště and Konopiště (including open-air wedding party)



SPORTS CENTRE BENEŠOV



Sports centre Benešov



Tennis courts



Restaurant



Spinning



HOTEL

The lodging facilities of the complex disposes of 20 double rooms and 3 apartments (3-5 beds). The rooms are equipped with shower bath, WC, TV, internet link and telephone.

SPORT

The sports facilities include 4 tennis courts (of that 2 covered), 4 badminton courts, 1 volleyball court, 1 football-tennis court, 1 beach-volleyball court, 1 mini-football playground (4th generation of artificial lawn), cardio-fit-



Room

SPORTS AND WELLNESS HOTEL COMPLEX

ness room, spinning hall, aerobics, gym with elastic surface, 6-lane Brunswick bowling. All the sports facilities are equipped with modern surfaces and air-conditioned.

WELLNESS

The wellness facilities include massages, Finn sauna, whirlpool, steam sauna, restaurant, sport-bar and bowling-bar.

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES

The premises offer a large conference hall with the capacity of 55 seats and a small conference hall with the capacity of 25 seats, projection technology, internet link and quality sound system to the companies organizing workshops or seminars.

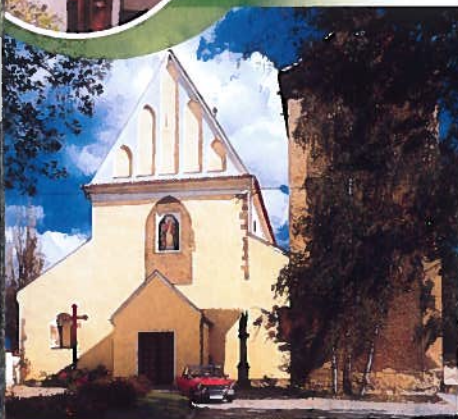
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Tel.: reservations – bowling +420 317 750 003
Tel.: reservations – sports +420 317 750 004
Tel.: reservations – restaurant +420 317 750 005

S-CENTRUM, U Vodárny 2215, 256 01 Benešov
e-mail: info@scentrum.eu, objednavky@scentrum.eu
http://www.scentrum.eu/



BENEŠOV



Church of St. Nicolas in Karlov



The town of Benešov offers to its visitors a wide range of activities. Indoor swimming pool, outdoor swimming bath, ice skating stadium and number of tennis courts as well as other facilities are here for those who enjoy sports. The amateurs of history may visit remains of the Karlov Minorits' Church, Piarist College with the Church of St. Anna or the Old and New Jewish Cemetery with the memorial of holocaust victims. Benešov Museum of Art and Design t offers its expositions to the lovers of modern art.

The Museum of Art and Design t offers the following expositions:

- Contemporary Czech Painting
- Contemporary Czech Plastic Art
- Czech and Slovak Photography of the 19th and 20th Centuries
- Drawing and Graphic Art of the Personalities of the Czech Art in the 20th Century
- Czech Graphic Design of the 20th Century
- Global Visual Grammar
- Laboratory of Colors and Shapes

Muzeum umění a designu Benešov, Malé nám. 74/1, 256 01 Benešov
tel.: +420 317 729 113, e-mail: recepcie@muzeum-umeni-benesov.cz
<http://www.muzeum-umeni-benesov.cz>

The Museum of the Region Podblanicko shows the following displays:

- History of the Town of Benešov
- Benešov – Garrison Town 1882 – 2002
- Artists of the Benešov Region in the 20th Century
- Folklore of the Benešov Region



Museum of the Region Podblanicko
Museum of Art and Design in Benešov



HOTEL ATLAS

This modern three-star hotel in "the heart of Benešov" offers 20 double rooms (6x mini bar), 6 treble rooms and one room with threshold-free access for disabled persons, all equipped with a bathroom and lavatory, a TV with satellite broadcasting, a telephone and an Internet connection.

The reception desk operates 24 hours a day and offers a range of secretarial services, faxing, Internet access, and the use of a hotel safe. The reception desk also provides information on local sights and monuments, and mediates entry for various cultural and social events in the region.

The hotel includes a conference room for up to 45 people, equipped with modern audio-visual technology. The hotel



Hotel Atlas, hotel restaurant Globe

Hotel Atlas, Tyršova 2063, 256 01 Benešov
tel.: +420 317 724 771, fax: +420 317 724 761
e-mail: hotelatlas@quo-reklama.cz, <http://www.hotel-atlas.cz>



Hotel Atlas

restaurant offers seating to 60 persons, with the smokers' and non-smokers' sections separated. The menu features dishes of both Czech and international cuisine. In summer, the restaurant capacity is increased by another 20 seats on the terrace. The indoor Hotel Club offers 60 seats for varied corporate as well as private parties and celebrations. The hotel provides its own car park.

Opening hours of the Globe restaurant:

Mon – Thu	7 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Fri	7 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. – 11 p.m.
Sat	8 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. – 11 p.m.
Sun	8 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. – 11 p.m.



ŠVEJK RESTAURANT U ZIMŮ

The traditional Czech restaurant in close vicinity of the Masaryk Square in Benešov offers unique Czech cuisine, Pilsen beer, South-Moravian wines, Slivovitz or Carlsbad herb liquor Becherovka. A duck leg with dumplings and cabbage, beef sir-

loin with cream sauce, grilled pork legs, potato pancakes or fruit dumplings – all of that awaits you to please your taste-buds.

Come and meet the good soldier Švejk in our stylish restaurant from Monday to Sunday, relax in its cosy ambience and relish the care with which your lunch or dinner is served. We naturally offer smokers and non-smokers departments and a summer terrace.



Švejk Restaurant U Zimů



Švejk restaurant U Zimů
Masarykovo náměstí 7, 256 01 Benešov
tel.: +420 317 725 566, <http://uzimu.zde.cz>



CYCLING TRIP



CHATEAU JEMNIŠTĚ



Café of the Chateau



Rainer apartment - bedroom



The Baroque chateau Jemniště was built in 1720 – 1725 and today belongs to Jiří Sternberg.

The Jemniště chateau is the right place to carry out a romantic engagement dinner, a wedding or a family party, or a company dinner. We will be pleased to prepare a picnic in the English park surrounding the estate for you. During the season, do not forget to bring your children to visit theatre performances and the zoo, bring your friends to see some of many concerts, and – most of all – let us look after you and take a rest.



Chateau is open to public – year 2008

January – March:	per order only
April, May:	Sat, Sun and bank holidays
June:	daily except Mon
July, August:	daily except Mon
September:	daily except Mon
October:	Sat, Sun and bank holidays
November, December:	per order only

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
9 a.m. – 5.30 p.m.
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Zámek Jemniště, Zámek Jemniště 1, 257 01 Postupice
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POSÁZAVÍ 33



VLAŠIM

Středočeský kraj



Exposition „Precisely Focused“



Vlašim chateau

CHATEAU AND PARK INVLAŠIM

The chateau of Vlašim, originally medieval castle referred to in written documents from 1318 already, became the headquarters of the museum in 1988. The visitors may see the expositions "Chateau Parks", "History of Vlašim Chateau", "Countryside in the Region of Blaník Hill", "Precisely Focused" (tradition of huntsmanship and armament) and the long-lasting exposition named "The Mirror of the Past". The visitor's experience is augmented by the historical interiors of the chapel, fresco and stucco decorations of the halls, arrays of exposed antiquities, natural and technical exhibits. There are also concerts of classical music, lectures and gallery exhibitions organized at the chateau.

Another attraction is the view of the chateau tower. In 2007, the chateau extended its services to visitors by providing access to the system of cellars with the installed exposition named "The Secret of the Basement".



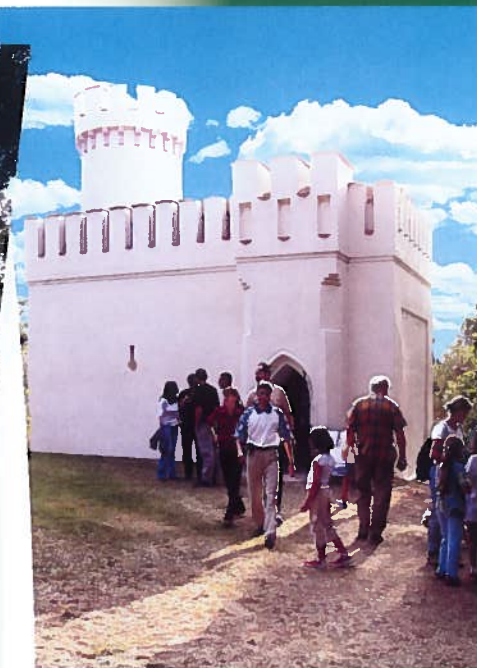
Basement



Exposition "The Mirror of the Past"



Vlašim gate



Old castle



The valley of the Blanice river neighbouring with the chateau in the area of former game-preserve and chateau garden was transformed by then lord of the manor Carl Joseph of Aeusperg and his wife Maria Josephine of Trauson into the chateau park in the romantic style in the last quarter of the 18th century. The park was gradually developed into the unique natural landscaping formation with number of romantic constructions and nooks appreciated as one of the most beautiful parks in Bohemia shortly after its establishment already.

In present, the chateau and the park are open to public, including the majority of the romantic constructions housing different expositions or restaurants.

Opening hours of Information Office:

Year round: Mon – Fri 8.30 a.m. – 12 a.m.
12.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.
1st May – 15th September: Sat – Sun 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Seasonal tour of the park, internet access

Opening hours of Vlašim museum:

March – June: Tue – Sun 9.00 a.m. – 12 a.m.
1.00 p.m. – 4 p.m.
July – August: Tue – Sun 9.00 a.m. – 12 a.m.
1.00 p.m. – 5 p.m.
September – December: Tue – Sun 9.00 a.m. – 12 a.m.
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Chinese Pavilion





Beach volleyball



Club Hall

VLAŠIM OPEN-AIR SWIMMING POOL

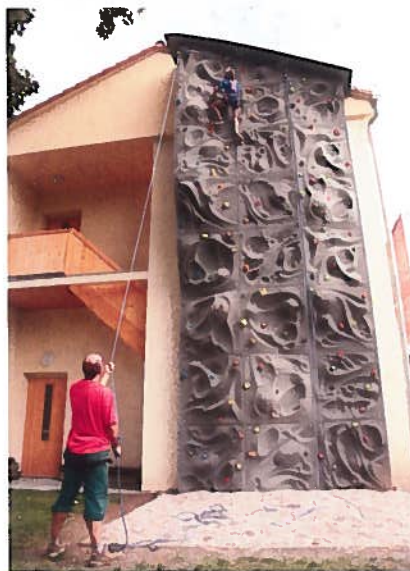
Opening hours:

*1st June – 31st August from 10:00 a.m. to 07:00 p.m.
Sports facilities within the premises are available beyond the
opening hours upon telephone reservation.*



CLUB HALL

- accommodation in peaceful ambience, 15 beds
- enclosed premises with extensive garden
- rooms equipped with toilet, shower bath, wash-basin
- room with barrier-free access
- free internet access in rooms
- equipped kitchen available
- rooms for workshops and company events
- technology for presentations
- bouldering wall 8 x 3 m within the premises
- significant discounts for non-profit organizations



Bouldering hall at the Club Hall



Podblanicko eco-centre ČSOP Vlašim



Circus aeruginosus




Vlašim Observatory



Telescope observation



**CZECH UNION OF NATURE
CONSERVATORS**

 Podblanicko is among the regions, which are sought after by tourists for over 100 years thanks to their well-preserved nature. Within the region's territory are the Natural preserve area Blaník, 3 natural parks, 17 preserve areas and 159 memorial trees. A visitor can find romantic corners, picturesque views of the countryside and encounter many rare species of flora and fauna throughout the region. The Czech union of nature conservators in Vlašim tends to the Podblanicko region nature for 15 years already and its goal is to preserve it for future generations. Besides terrain excursions and plant and animal watching we also offer visitors a possibility to see wild animals in the Handicapped animal station in Vlašim.

IT IS POSSIBLE TO ORDER:

- trip to nature and protected areas
- trip to CHKO Blaník (Protected Landscape Area)
- visiting palace gardens in Vlašim
- visiting memorable trees
- watching birds

Opening hours of the Handicapped animal station:

April 15 th – October 31 st	Wed	8 a.m. – 11 a.m.
		1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
	Sat	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

other times by prior agreement



OBSERVATORY IN VLAŠIM

Regular observations with interpretation for public are held in the Vlašim Observatory on Fridays from the beginning of April till the end of September. In the months of

April and September the observations start at 8 p.m., while in the months from May to September the observations start at 9 p.m.

The Vlasim Observatory has prepared day and night observations for individuals as well as organized groups (outside the regular opening hours only upon previous reservation), thematic lectures by invited professional astronomers, observations of exceptional phenomena (eclipses, etc.). „**See you soon under the starry sky**“

Vlašim Astronomical Society
Hvězdárna ve Vlašimi
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tel.: +420 317 842 390
e-mail: hvездarna@vas.cz
<http://www.vas.cz>





LEGENDARY BLANÍK MOUNTAIN



Louňovice pod Blaníkem and Velký Blaník Hill

The region of the Blaník Knights called after the Blaník Hill is situated in the heart of the Posažaví. The legend says that an army under the command of St. Wenceslas, the patron of the Czech land, sleeps inside the mountain and waits to go up to help the Czech nation at the worst of times. Up to now the army has not intervened yet, though nearly did several times. Occasionally a knight comes out of the mountain to check up how the people of Bohemia manage.

LOOKOUT TOWER ON VELKÝ BLANÍK
The wooden covered tower of 29,5 m height is situated in the altitude of 638 m on top of the Velký Blaník hill. It was built in 1939-1941 from the initiative of the Club of Czech Tourists.

Opening hours:
April – September: Tue – Sun 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
October – March: Sat, Sun, holidays 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.



Remainders of chapel on Malý Blaník



Great Blaník



Wetland in Podlesí



NATURAL PRESERVE AREA BLANÍK

Today the mountain Great (Velký) Blaník is the dominant of the Natural preserve area Blaník. The area's axis is the river Blanice with a preserved natural course and a meadow floodplain.

The Great Blaník is a natural preserve established for the protection of beech forests. Places such as the Stone sea, Pier stone, Knight's rocks (Kamenná moře, Veřejná skála, Rytířské skály) and others are closely linked to the Blaník legend. At the top you will find stone fortifications of a Celtic citadel. A natural trail of the same name leads to Great Blaník.

The Small (Malý) Blaník is a natural preserve for the protection of beech and talus forests. A remarkable landmark is the ruin of the Baroque chapel of St. Mary Magdalene from the 18th century and interesting rock formations.

The natural preserve Podlesí protects a system of wetlands with rare flora. The Small Blaník and Podlesí are connected by a circuitous natural trail starting from the parking lot below the Great Blaník.

The instructive tourist trails lead through the moderately difficult terrain of natural reserves. They are designed only for hikers; the entry is prohibited to bikers.

Natural preserve area Blaník administration provides:
• guide service for organised groups
• thematic excursions to select localities
• lectures



The great eagle-owl



LOUŇOVICE POD BLANÍKEM



Chateau court



Museum exposition



Chateau

CHÂTEAU LOUNOVICE POD BLANÍKEM

The first written reference to the site dates back to 1149 and mentions a convent of the Premonstratensians, founded in the so-called Moon Valley. The Lounovice convent was ruined in 1420 by the Tabor forces that then dominated the whole region. The museum displays findings of the archaeological research of the convent, installed in the chateau by the National Museum in 1981. During a reconstruction in 1982, a band of sgraffito was

Chateau opening hours:

April – December:

Tue – Sat 9 – 12 a.m. and 12.30 – 3.30 p.m.

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uncovered, depicting an interesting view of the biblical theme of The Flood. Above the bossage of the entry portal there is the coat of arms of the archbishops as a reminder of the times when the chateau was in their possession. The collections also include a display of "The Oldest History of Lounovice pod Blaníkem" and a display dedicated to apiculture. Lounovice pod Blaníkem is also the birthplace of the music composer Jan Dismas Zelenka (1679 – 1745).

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STROLL ABOUT THE COUNTRY



INSTRUCTIVE TRAIL BUCHOV - NESPERY

You are welcome to come for a nice walk through the countryside on the foothill of Blaník Mountain, along the 1,5 km long instructive tourist trail from Nespery to the vicinity of Buchov seclusion. You will get acquainted with local natural conditions and with fauna and flora typical for different locations of the area. And if you enjoy this place, you can stay for several days in the rustic cottage some 200 years old, whose owners offer private lodging..

COUNTRYSIDE MUSEUM IN KAMBERK

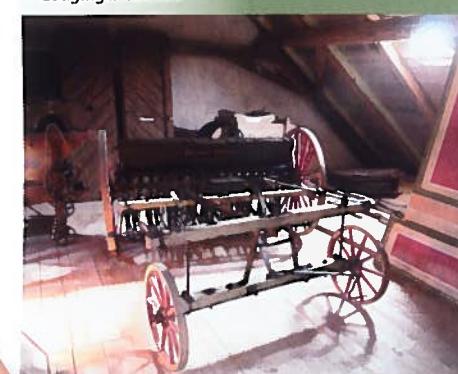
Do you know what a classroom looked like in times when our grandmas and grandpas went to school? What were the conditions that people lived in and what instruments and farming technology they used? Come to Kamberk and see.

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Lodging in Buchov



Kamberk, exposition in the attic



Kamberk, rustic house-place



KONDRAC



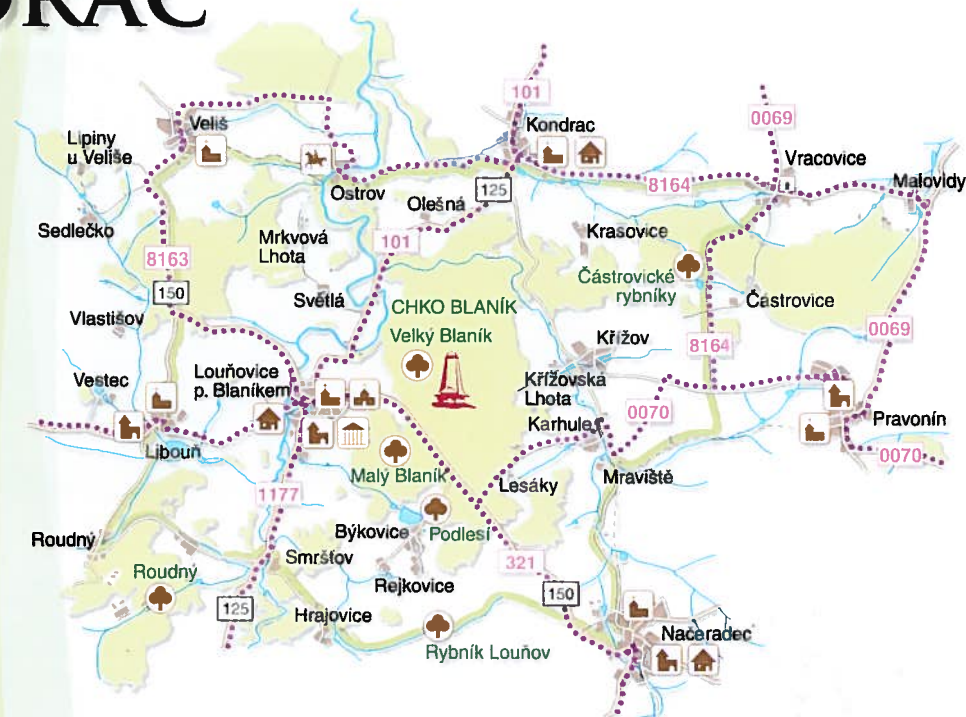
Dormitory of TJ Sokol



Guesthouse U blanických rytířů



St. Bartholomew Church



The village of Kondrac is located in the protected landscape in vicinity of the mysterious Blaník Mountain. The St. Bartholomew Church (kostel Sv. Bartoloměje) dating from 1200 is the dominant of the triangle village square. The originally Romanesque building was gradually adapted, with the cylindrical towers with two double windows forming a unique and precious element.

TRACKING THE BLANÍK KNIGHTS ON BIKE AND ON FOOT

The project has enabled establishment of the quality background for the development of tourism in the village and its integration to the whole tourist area called "the region of Blaník knights". The building of former municipal office was adapted to the tourist guesthouse, including the non-barrier room with private kitchenette and bathroom for handicapped visitors.

On the first floor of the building, there are four four-bed rooms with private bathroom, a common kitchen and a common room with television. There is also a computer with internet link and the bikes rental with eight fully

equipped tracking bicycles of different sizes. The project also initiated building of a cycling route called "Tracking the Blaník knights" and an instructive tourist trail, both furnished with information materials. The visitors may also visit the new minigolf course. The village offers a downhill skiing facility and several cross-country skiing tracks for winter period.

DORMITORY OF TJ SOKOL KONDRAC

Bigger groups can take advantage of the services offered by the dormitory of Sokol Kondrac with the capacity of 35 beds in four rooms with common bathrooms. The dormitory is situated on the football stadium. The guests can also spend their time at the universal court for tennis, volleyball or football-tennis, as well as newly built children's playground.

RESTAURANT "U MATOUŠKŮ"

The restaurant offers selection of meals of the original Czech home cuisine. The guest will enjoy cozy ambience and willing personnel of this renowned restaurant.



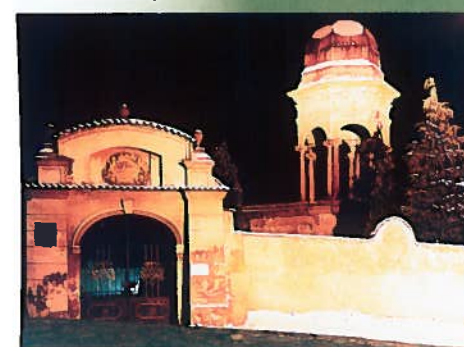
VOTICE



Square



Jewish cemetery



Holy Sepulchre



"Around Votice for Cognition" instructive path

The town of Votice is situated right on the border of the region that the writer Jan Herben called the "Czech Siberia" – the region typical not only for cooler weather but also for number of smaller historical objects and natural beauties.

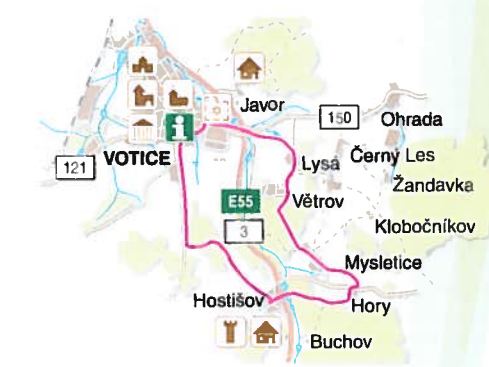
The most important historical monuments in the town include the reconstructed, originally Gothic, St. Wenceslas Church (kostel sv. Václava) with the sculpture of St. Wenceslas in company with the knights of Blaník by Čeněk Vosmik standing right in front of it, the true copy of the Jerusalem Holy Sepulchre from 1685 or the Marian plague column in the Komenský Square dating from the early 18th century. There is also the well-preserved Jewish cemetery with the reconstructed building of the ceremonial hall housing the permanent exposition called "The Jews and Jewish monuments in the region of Votice".

The fans of hiking and biking can set off for the tracks or rides in the neighborhoods. The settlement Kalistě located in the Natural Park Džbány-Žebrak offers one of the most beautiful views of the region.

Votice is also a town with the rich clubbing and special interest activities, as for instance the civic association "Protection of Fauna in the Czech Republic" or the Archer Club.

INSTRUCTIVE PATH "AROUND VOTICE FOR COGNITION"

Set off with us for the tour called "Around Votice for Cognition". The path begins and ends in the square of Votice and is 8 km long. The tour includes nine stops with commentary acquainting the visitors with flora and fauna of the neighbourhoods, taking you to the St. Adalbert Chapel, informing you why is this area called the Czech Siberia, acquainting you with famous people whom the local countryside charmed, telling you the story of the gallows hill, of the majestic Votice maple-tree and other attractions of the region.



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Children field camp



Guesthouse near St. Wenceslas



Guesthouse near St. Wenceslas



Premises of the Protection of Fauna in the Czech Republic

PROTECTION OF FAUNA IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

The civic association "Protection of Fauna in the Czech Republic" has been operating in Votice since 1998. It is engaged in the practical protection of free-living animals and their biotypes right in the field and in the public environmental education.

The Protection of Fauna in the Czech Republic manages a Station for Wounded Animals, carries out specific projects of the species protection, provides care of the preserved natural locations in the region and participates in the operation of the ecological farm Družstvo Džbany farming in the Natural Park of Džbany-Zebrák. Within the scope of the activities of its Educational Center, the association offers educational programs for schools, lectures, workshops, naturalistic excursions, excursions into the Station for Wounded Animals, exhibitions and other events for schools, organizations and public. The association also provides the services of environmental consulting.

The Station for Wounded Animals in Votice is open all the year round on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9.00 a.m. to 4 p.m., and from April to November also on weekends from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The excursions into the Station include the outdoor exposition of permanently handicapped animals and the visit to the current exposition in the premises of the Ecological Center.

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Guesthouse "U Modré kočky"

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GUESTHOUSE "U MODRÉ KOČKY"

Our region looks as if created for trips on bikes and on foot to many tourist places of interests and monuments ("Czech Siberia", Blaník Mountain, Džbany Natural Park, Čertovo břemeno). We are integrated into the "Bikers Welcomed" network. You can visit 9 different lookout towers within the distance of 35 kilometers.

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BATTLE OF JANKOV



Reconstruction of the battle by Jankov

THE NATURE TRAIL „FOLLOWING THE TRACES OF THE BATTLE OF JANKOV“

will acquaint you with a great battle in European history, in which, on March 6th 1645, the imperial armies of general Hatzfeld and Götz met with the Swedish army of general Torstensson. The battle's outcome was the defeat of the imperial armies and today it is considered the bloodiest battle of the Thirty-years war on our territory. The trail ends at the probable location of general Hatzfeld's capitulation. The nature trail has 3 rest stops and is 1675 meters (approx. 1 mile) long.

RATMĚŘICE

The instructive path is an extension of the existing path "Along the Traces of the Battle by Jankov". The existing path was extended to the village of Ratměřice, giving thus the birth of an enclosed circuit, where the visitors can select the track according to their abilities. The path in the vicinity of Ratměřice includes three stops - next to the St. Anne spring, close to the cross under the chestnut-trees of "Habrovka" hamlet and in the Ratměřice village square. There are also supplementary signs installed in the village informing the visitors about other interesting places.

The path acquaints the visitors in an original way with the story of the local farmer Oněs and his uneasy life in times of the battle. Realization of the path was supported by the Region of Central Bohemia from the Program of Countryside Revitalization within the scope of the project "Hiking Paths of Džbany Micro-Region".



Memorial of the battle of Jankov



Engraving illustrating the battle by Jankov

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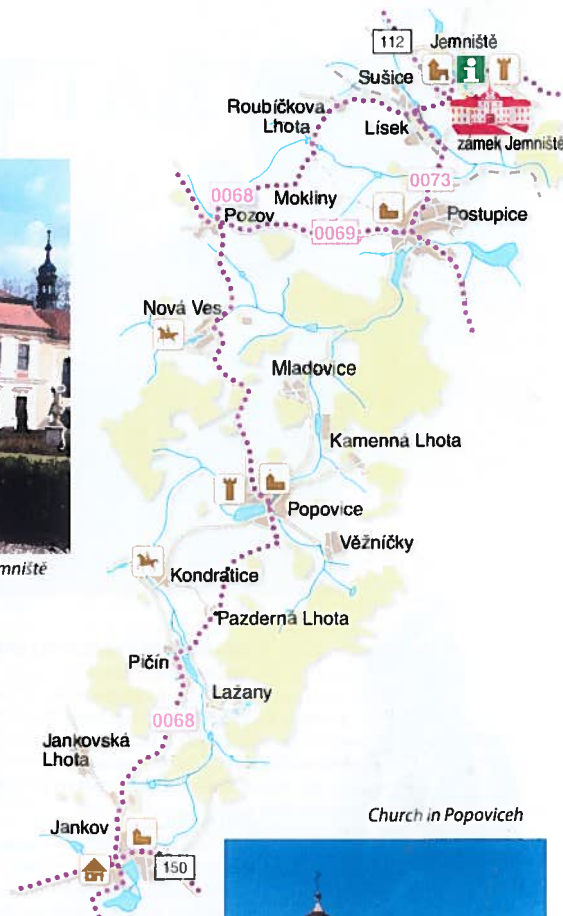
Chateau Jemniště

SPORTS FIELD IN POPOVICE

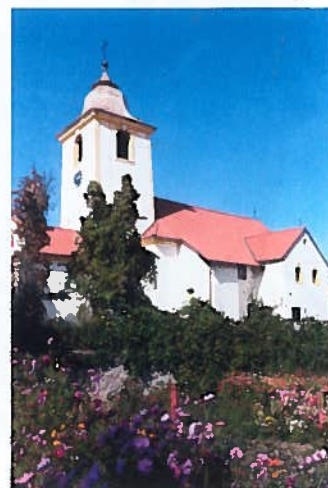
The new sports complex is located directly in the Popovice village, which lies between the towns Benešov, Vlašim and Votice. The multi-purpose playing field is suitable for football, volleyball and tennis – the surface is artificial grass. The complex also offers refreshments. Beautiful nature in the area and possibility of bathing in the pond right next to the sports complex. It is possible to rent tennis racquets, volleyball and football balls from the sporting grounds supervisor. A children's playground is also available. Accommodation in neighbouring complex TJ Sokol Popovice (club room, TV).



Sports field in Popovice



Church in Popoviceh



Moated fortress in Popovice



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