



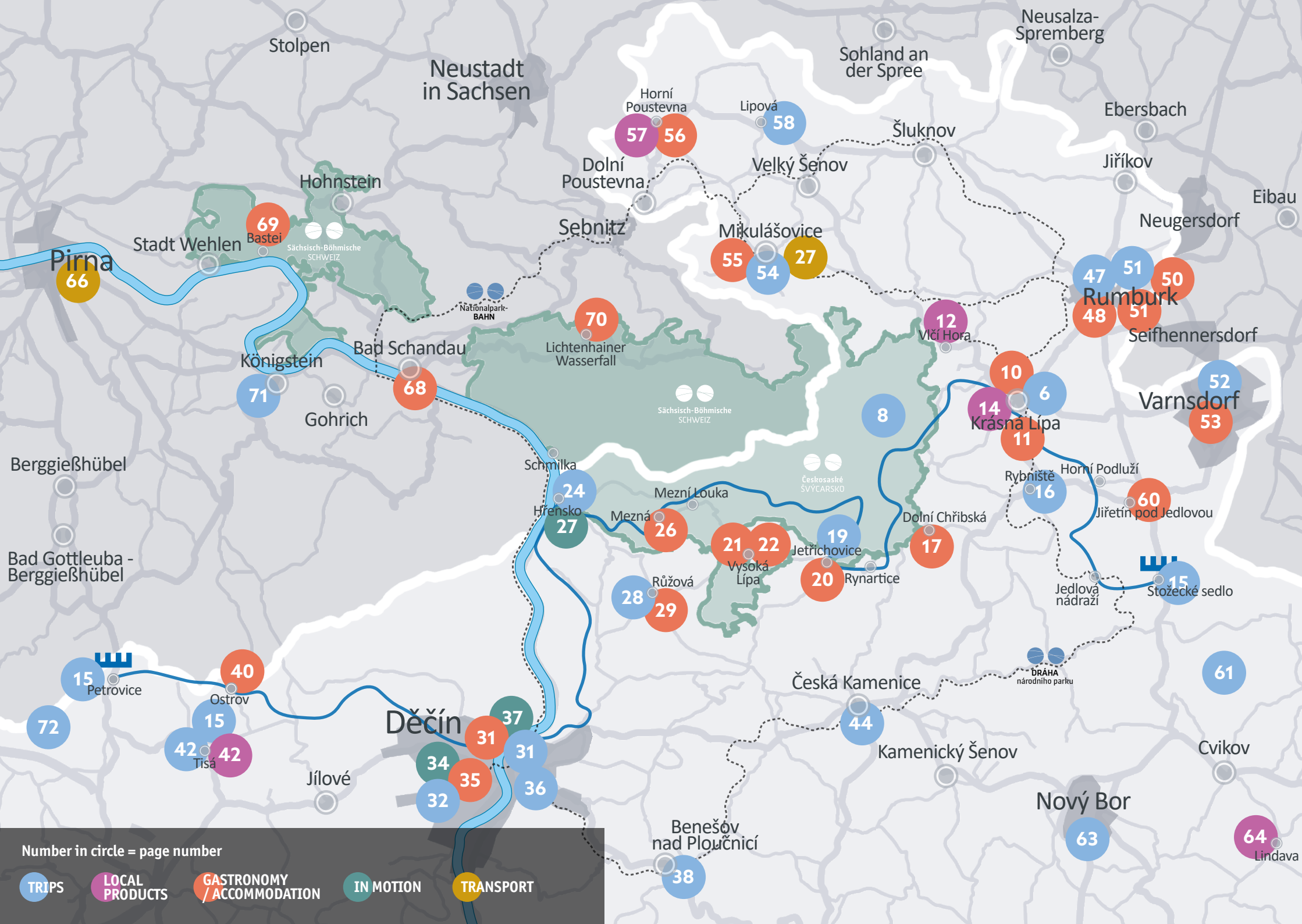
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The romantic, rocky landscape of Northern Bohemia is one of the most beautiful in our country. The Elbe enters a unique deep sandstone canyon behind Děčín. Already in the mid-19th century, steamers from Saxony, Ústí nad Labem, and Litoměřice brought eager hikers. Trails to the peaks, inns, and lookout towers were created then, with the support of the Mountain Association for Bohemian Switzerland and the Association for Northern Bohemia. When the railway from Dresden to Prague opened in 1851, the landscape became accessible to visitors from all over Europe.

A week's vacation can't cover it all. The ever-changing scenery, paths leading through ravines, gorges, plateaus, and basalt peaks call for endless trips. A network of tourist bus lines makes it easier to see the rocks, so avoid parking lots at Hřensko and Mezní Louka, which are often crowded during the season.

Visit the jewel of the region – Pravčická Gate – and the famous gorges, but also go to less frequented places connected by the recently reopened Ridge Trail: Tisá Walls, Děčínský Sněžník, Shepherd's Wall with a ZOO and via ferrata, Růžový hřeben and Belveder with breathtaking views, lookout tower in Janov, rock castle Šaunštejn, Jetřichovce Rocks, Chřibská Kamenice Gorge, Narrow Stairs Gorge, Kyjov Rocks, Krásná Lípa with the House of Bohemian Switzerland, Tolštejn and Jedlová in the Lusatian Mountains.

While strolling along old stone paths from the 19th century, all of this will leave you in awe. Enjoy the full embrace of stone romance, complemented by old cottages, the half-timbered houses and unique monuments of history. Some hikes are more demanding, but the views that are unprecedented in Czechia are rewarding.

TIP:

Traveling around the Ústí Region with the Transport of the Ústí Region system is comfortable, simple, and sustainable. A single ticket allows you to use various modes of transportation—trains, public buses, public transit, boats, and ferries—and transfer between them easily. This lets you travel across the region worry-free.

More information about transport and the DÚKapka mobile can 📲



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KRÁSNÁ LÍPA REGION

Krásná Lípa is the eastern gateway to Bohemian Switzerland. The picturesque Kyjov Valley stretches all the way to the Křínice Canyon, where you can enjoy a unique experience on a boat trip through the Obere Schleuse Gorge. The starting point is located on the Saxon side, on the right bank, from where you can continue further into the Saxon Switzerland countryside.

The surroundings of Krásná Lípa offer incredible diversity—each direction opens up a different type of landscape and story.

To the south, via Jiřetín pod Jedlovou, reach the Lusatian Mountains, while to the east, explore Varnsdorf, the former textile capital of northern Bohemia nicknamed the “Czech Manchester”, and the German town of Großschönau with its textile museum and dozens of half-timbered houses stretching from the local district of Waltersdorf to the foot of the Lusatian Mountains.

To the north lies the nearby Rumburk with a lookout tower on Dymník, from where it is only a short walk to Upper Lusatia. Whether you head to the springs of the Spree in Ebersbach, to the Bieleboh and Czorneboh lookout towers, to the Karásek Museum in Seiffhennersdorf, or to the region of the Lusatian Serbs around Bautzen, interesting destinations and strong genius loci await you everywhere.

This diversity makes cozy Krásná Lípa an ideal place for a shorter or longer holiday full of exploring.

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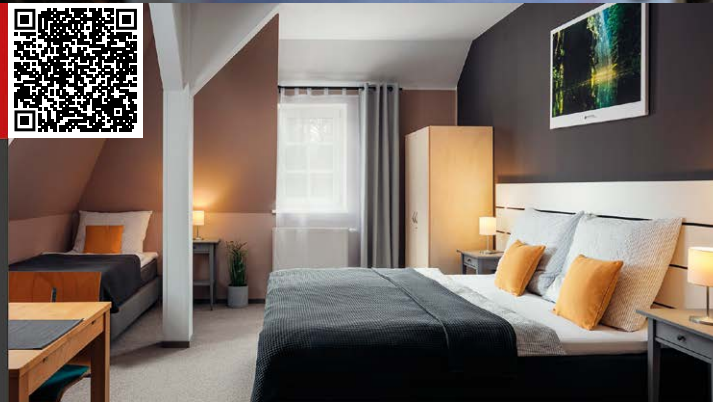
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KRÁSNÁ LÍPA

A town that honors its name

Krásná Lípa is an ideal starting point to wander through Bohemian Switzerland and the Lusatian Mountains and a place to enjoy peace, nature, and lively urban events. For inspiration and tips for trips, visit the **information center with an exhibition in the House of Bohemian Switzerland** on the square.

The town impresses with rich architecture. When walking in Kamenná Hůrka, discover half-timbered houses typical for this region, as well as significant villas, such as the **functionalist Palme Villa** or the **neo-Renaissance Hiele Villa**. The legacy of painter August Frind will also guide you through the history of this place.



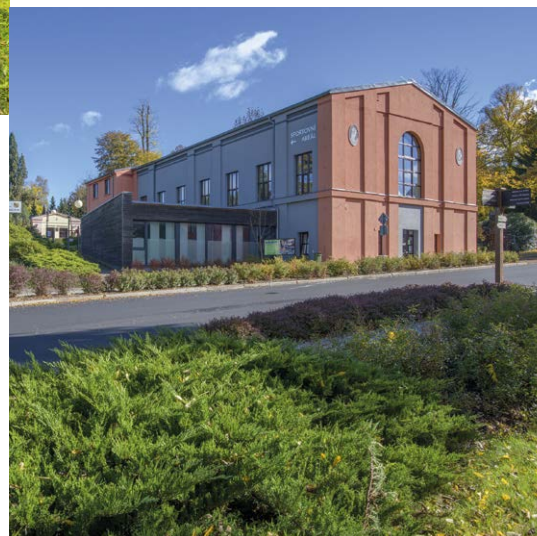
Krásná Lípa is also a town of living traditions. The last functional industrial knittingworks in Bohemia, **Schindler's Knitting Mills**, has been operating here for more than 170 years. Even today, knitwear and hosiery are manufactured here. Tradition and craftsmanship can also be explored during guided tours.

The town's surroundings beckon to explore nature. **The Kögler Nature Trail** leads you all the way to the national park. **The lookout tower on Vlčí hora** boasts unique panoramas, while the **Kyjov Valley** charms you with its romantic Křinice River canyon, which you can easily walk through to the Tourist Bridge and on to Saxony. **Sněžná** attracts with its baroque Chapel of the Holy Trinity and the Church of Our Lady of the Snows. If you continue along the red sign to **Krásný Buk**, let yourself be guided by signposts from Grohmann Cross to the year-round accessible arboretum of Mr. Fritsche. Don't forget about the view from **Karlova výšina**, too.

Near the town center, enjoy a walk to the **town's forest park**, and if you want to discover the landscape's secrets, **visit Plšík Garden**, located next to the headquarters of the Bohemian Switzerland National Park Administration. The garden is full of greenery and water; there is a gazebo, a butterfly meadow, a geological display, and other eco-educational elements.

Also worth visiting is the **Sports and Recreation Complex** with tennis courts, a climbing wall, a seating area and grill, a gym, minigolf, and a playground for kids; you can rest and eat in the Sportbar in the middle of the complex. There's also a new wellness area with a Finnish sauna, steam sauna, infra sauna, and hot tub, as well as a cooling pool or calming relaxation area.

If you're caught in bad weather in Krásná Lípa, or you want to hide from the sun, we have a tip for you. Come to **Pumput's Mill**. That's when you can tackle an escape room in 3 to 5 players.



Stop by for a beer at the local **brewery Falkenštejn**, for baked goods at Chodská bakery, or make your own chocolate figure in **MANA chocolate factory**, or relax at the **Herbal Garden in Vlčí hora**, as well as try natural cosmetics **Nobilis Tilia**.

Krásná Lípa teems with culture and sport throughout the year. In May, it comes alive with the Tour de Feminin international cycling race; in spring and autumn with travel festivals; and at the end of summer with Bohemian Switzerland Day and the Čechie–Böhmerland motorcycle show. You can learn about the manufacturer Albin Hugo Liebisch and the town's history in a fun way thanks to the **Skryté příběhy** mobile app, which you can download from Google Play or App Store, just select the **Výroba mamutů** mission and set off on a walk through the city.

Krásná Lípa will win your heart in a moment, whether you're looking for peaceful walks, adventure, history, or an experience your family won't forget.

 Krásná Lípa Archive

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THE SECRET OF A LANDSCAPE BORN FROM THE SEA

Adventures for the whole family

The National Park Bohemian Switzerland introduces countless places perfect for curious families with children. Places where adventure naturally blends with exploration and where the secrets of a landscape born of the sea unfold before you. Whether you visit the Phoenix Lookout, follow the footsteps of ancient history on the Czech Road, or go to the sense-awakening Kyjov Valley or to a new cross-border trail connecting two national parks, adventure awaits that inspires explorers of all ages.

Phoenix Viewpoint

Since spring of 2025, the Phoenix viewing deck on the Mill Road has been one of the most popular destinations in Bohemian Switzerland. A unique view of Pravčická Gate unfolds, with the forest affected by the extensive fire in 2022, which is now dynamically and naturally regenerating.

The viewpoint serves not only as a place to admire nature but also as a pleasant spot to relax. It is easily accessible for parents with prams, visitors with mobility limitations, and even cyclists. A permanent outdoor exhibit of large-format photographs capturing the changes of the local landscape over time enhances the atmosphere.



Czech Road

Czech Road is the name of a historical route and, at the same time, an educational trail leading visitors through the past of one of the most important roads in Bohemian Switzerland. Beginning in Vysoká Lípa under the rock castle Šaunštejn, it leads to Zadní Jetřichovice, bordering Saxon Switzerland.

Twelve stops along the 6-km route introduce you to the history of this route from the Mesolithic to the modern era. The trail is livened up by sculptures and the reconstructed Uhlíř's Cottage, known from the Czech fairytale movie Proud Princess. Families with children will appreciate the adventurous quiz game, taking players of all ages on the trail of Mesolithic treasure hidden at the end of the route.



Kyjov Valley and the mysterious Křinice River

Embark on a path that awakens your senses. Starring: touch, sight and hearing.

This trail is a bit different than you might expect. You won't find classic boards full of texts and charts. Instead, it lets you discover nature's stories at your own pace and with your own senses.

The trail winds along the picturesque Křinice River, which carved out a deep gorge in the sandstones over thousands of years. You will pass high rock walls, Fairy Cave, Kyjov Castle, the Praporek Viewpoint and Klenotnice—hiding place during Thirty Years' War.

The asphalt road allows wheelchair users and families with strollers to move comfortably. This fact help the trail to earn certification from the Czech Tourist Club as a barrier-free route—the first ever in Bohemian Switzerland.

And what will you experience on the trail? We'll leave that to you. We would not like to deprive you the joy of your own discovery.



Educational Trail "Křinice River Valley with All Senses"

Location: Kyjov Valley—along the Křinice River near Kyjov by Krásná Lípa

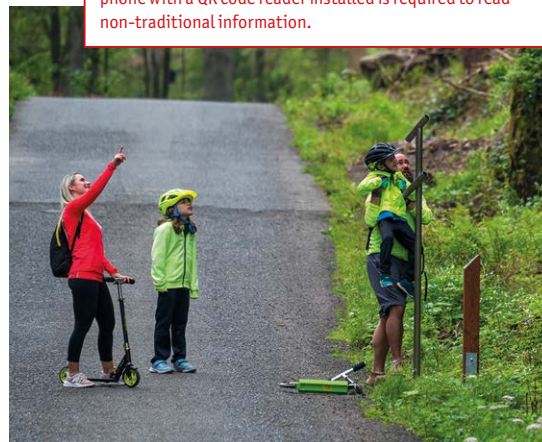
Arrival: tourist bus from Krásná Lípa and Děčín

Length: 5.7 km (the trail does not form a loop)

Number of stops: 10

Difficulty: minimal

Recommendation: young children can enjoy the trail on a bicycle or a balance bike with inflatable wheels; a mobile phone with a QR code reader installed is required to read non-traditional information.



Cross-border trail—new connection of national parks

From April 2026, visitors can discover a new cross-border route connecting Hřensko and Schmilka in Saxony. Visitors' needs and impacts on protected nature were carefully considered, and a connecting road was created, leading from the yellow-marked route from Schmilka via Dlouhý roh towards Hřensko.

On the Czech side, the route will take you through the area where the forest dynamically regenerates after the fire in 2022. On the Saxon side, you will visit the remarkable beech cover of the Großer Winterberg basalt massif.

During a single trip, you can visit two important nature parks: the Way to the Wild (Weg zur Wildnis) in Saxony and the Phoenix viewing deck on the Czech side. The distance between the Journey to the Wilderness and the Phoenix is about 8 km. The trail is suitable for more experienced children and to return, we recommend using a bus or train that runs regularly between Schmilka and Hřensko.




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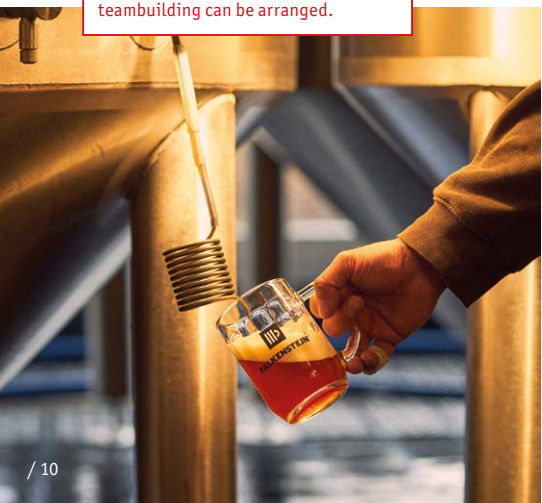
BREWERY FALKENŠTEJN

Beer of Bohemian Switzerland

Bohemian Switzerland is the home of Falkenštejn Beer. The brewery is located on the square in Krásná Lípa, the eastern gateway to Bohemian Switzerland, a town bordering the national park and Lusatian Mountains and a starting point to other attractive destinations.

The brewery has its own restaurant with a summer terrace and a lounge for corporate and group events. The restaurant offers the whole portfolio of Falkenštejn beers, including the permanent varieties but also seasonal and limited editions.

Tip: Smaller groups can book a guided tour of the brewery. If planning corporate events, an accompanying program to liven up your meeting or teambuilding can be arranged.



Chef René Vokurka oversees the kitchen and curates seasonal menus. The menu is regularly expanded with special culinary events and, recently, tasting menus.

If you want to have beer and cuisine literally at your fingertips, book a room at the brewery guesthouse with 24 beds.

Godspeed. www.pivofalkenstejn.cz



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LÍPA RESORT AND RESTAURANT LÍPA

Varied accommodation and splendid dining

In the heart of Krásná Lípa, at Bohemian Switzerland's doorstep, that is where a place combining modern architecture honoring local tradition is found. **Lípa Resort** is not only an ideal starting point for wandering in the rock formations but mainly an oasis of peace where a familial atmosphere and personal approach to each guest play the main role. Whether it is relaxation or active rest you are after, this is where you find it.

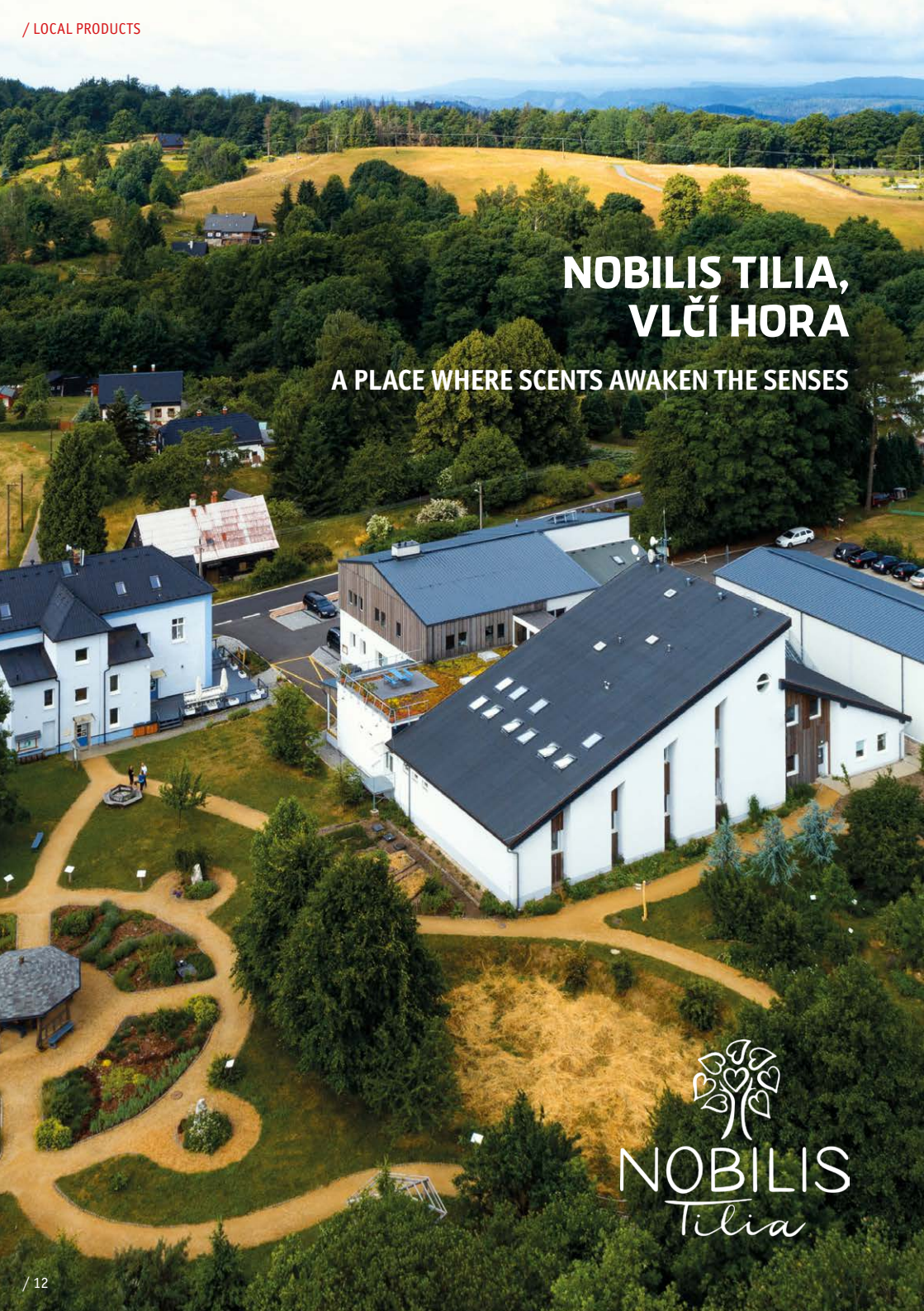
The Resort's uniqueness lies in its variability. Under one roof, there is accommodation for every visitor. More particular guests and families will appreciate the modern **Aparthotel** with fully furnished kitchens; couples will fall in love with cozy rooms in **Penzion**; and tourists or sports-oriented people will enjoy the stylish and affordable **Hostel**. Cleanliness, comfort, and serene sleep are at the forefront of all options.

The perfect experience is crowned by renowned culinary delights. **Lípa Restaurant** is a great place to meet over great food in a pleasant environment. The kitchen team is led by a top chef; daily they prepare rich breakfasts, hearty lunch menus, and exquisite dinners. Come and taste modern Central European cuisine and be charmed by hospitality that will make you want to return to Lípa Resort again and again.



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NOBILIS TILIA, VLČÍ HORA

A PLACE WHERE SCENTS AWAKEN THE SENSES



Are you looking for a place worth more than just a nice photo? In Bohemian Switzerland's Vlčí Hora, natural aromatherapeutic cosmetics Nobilis Tilia have been made since 1994. Essential oils do not just "smell nice" here, but elaborate combinations for everyday care have been developed with specific benefits for your skin and mood in mind. You can experience all this for yourself at the Nobilis Tilia Visitor Center.

"From the very beginning of our company, its founder, local native and doctor of natural sciences Zbyněk Šedivý, wanted to utilize the healing powers of nature, especially herbs. He wanted to offer cosmetics caring for the body and soul. The magic of our products lies in honest work, top-quality, ingredients and the fact that we have been working long-term to combine modern scientific procedures with proven effects of medicinal herbs," says Adéla Zrubecká, one of the co-owners. In person, see how natural cosmetics can be medicinal, certified, and gentle for your skin and nature all at the same time.

What can you experience here?

Take a walk through a sample herb garden based on the principles of permaculture and biodynamics. Besides local and old varieties, **aromatic herbs** are grown here. Relax in the middle of a floral mandala, arranged according to the cardinal directions, seasons, and elements. The garden is freely accessible all year, and the gardeners will be happy to guide you through the main season. The **Herbal Tea Room** will delight you with a seasonal menu, regional sweet goods, and of course, herbal teas. The **store staff** will advise you on products according to your skin type and current needs. You can also mix your own bath or massage oil or even an oil-based perfume. If you are seeking deeper relaxation for your body and mind, book a beauty treatment or a massage at the **Nobilis Tilia Salon**. You will fall in love with the magic of aromatherapy cosmetics there.

And if you'd like to peek behind the scenes, Nobilis Tilia invites you to take a **guided tour of the production facilities**.



Why visit?
Come and visit where aromatherapeutic natural cosmetics Nobilis Tilia is made. CPK/CPK BIO certifications for natural cosmetics ensure that each product is completely natural and with thought-out details to care not only for your body but your soul as well. Relax in a place that allows you to slow down.

Calendar and more information can be found at www.nobilis.cz/centrum-aromaterapie

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SCHINDLER'S KNITTING MILLS IN KRÁSNÁ LÍPA

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Take a closer look at the knitting craftsmanship with an uninterrupted 170-year tradition and exceptional architecture.

Are you curious? Do you take interest in how merino wool and cashmere knitwear are made? Or do you want to discover the benefits of knitwear and why it's so popular? Have you ever seen the industrial knitting mills and machines that knit elegant ELITE brand stockings as thin as a spider's web? Welcome to Krásná Lípa, a town with a long textile industry tradition, even now still represented by **Schindler's Knitting Mills**, founded in 1854, the last functional one in Czechia.

The craft has been passed on from generation to generation for more than 170 consecutive years. In addition to that, it is in an architectonically unique building designed by Hans Richter, one of the jewels of Czech functionalism with the original authentic appearance. In 2025, Schindler's Knitting Mills was registered as Czechia's cultural monument.

They organize:

- Regular guided tours.
- Guided tours for organized groups (upon request).
- Concerts and exhibits in the industrial setting of the knitting mills.
- **III. Krásná Lípa Knitting Symposium** on June 18 and 19, 2026. Offering many lectures and workshops, it is an event intended for students, experts, and anyone interested in the history and contemporary evolution of the knitting craft and clothing design. The symposium program also includes an evening concert in the knitting mills and a guided trip to Bohemian Switzerland.



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Schindler's
Knitting Mills



Guided
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BOHEMIAN SWITZERLAND RIDGE TRAIL

1,000 wonders in 100 kilometers

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The Bohemian Switzerland Ridge Trail was created thanks to the cooperation of the Bohemian Switzerland Public Benefit Society, Czech Tourist Club, and Ústí nad Labem Region. In 2021, a new tourist bridge over the busy road on Stožecké sedlo was completed, allowing for safe passage of pedestrians, cyclists, and cross-country skiers. It also helped to restore the once famous Blue Ridge Trail, the longest and oldest of its kind in Czech history. Though it was partially forgotten after the war and the decades that followed. In the first half of the 20th century, it measured a total of 1,200 kilometers and led from Aš to Praděd.

The modern Ridge Trail cuts through the landscape of Bohemian Switzerland from the foot of the Ore Mountains to Luž, or precisely from Petrovice or Tisá to Stožec, measuring a total of 100 kilometers. The trail winds its way around the most popular tourist spots to not miss anything important, but also to see the lesser-known trails and hidden corners of the region.

It is divided into six stages: the shortest is 11 km, and the longest is 23 km—but you can divide it as you see fit. Plan it as one long-distance hike or a series of shorter trips.

It is up to you how you'll enjoy the Ridge Trail and what time of year you'll choose; nowhere else can you discover 1,000 wonders in 100 kilometers. Not surprisingly, the Bohemian Switzerland Ridge Trail has been awarded a European quality certificate and ranks among the most beautiful trails in Europe.

Share your adventures at #jduhrevenovku and join the Ridge Trail Hiker community.

Infobox:

To plan the long-distance trek, consult the Ridge Trail website or brochure you can obtain at regional information centers or download online.



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RIDGE TRAIL
Bohemian Switzerland



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Incredibly ordinary

Visitors can spend time actively or relax at the new village square with a children's playground and inline skating track. Cyclists and hikers will enjoy marked trails crossing the picturesque landscape that encourage unique trips. You can enjoy sports in any season because in winter there are cross-country skiing trails being maintained.

The cultural house with a multifunctional sports field, restaurant, and summer terrace is the center of social life, where various events for locals and visitors are organized. Angling at the Školní Lake is ideal for those who want to enjoy peace and relaxation by the water.

The village has a varied range of accommodation satisfying the requirements of each guest. **JV Ranch Caffé & Bistro** invites you to taste quality coffee and homemade desserts in a pleasant environment.

Come discover the beauty of the village and enjoy everything it has to offer!



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NA STODOLCI

See with your own eyes

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The phrase "translator, traitor" illustrates that translation is not the original. No description or photos will paint the picture of the **Na Stodolci** guesthouse in Dolní Chříbská as accurately as when you see it in person.

First, head for the hill above the farmstead. A horizon of rolling hills, a landscape dotted with greenery and crisscrossed by a web of forest paths leading to dramatic rock formations. Here you will discover what luxury means these days: peace, time, and safety. The silence is interrupted only by the neighing of horses and bleating of goats. Time passes slowly; this is the countryside, and here you are at home.

In the old barn, at **Kafé Tyjátr**, which smells of a hundred years of sun-dried wood, enjoy fresh coffee, homemade ice cream, and cakes. Then in the **Na Stodolci restaurant**, in a traditional half-timbered house, enjoy delicious

food from local ingredients and beer from a nearby brewery just brewed for them. Na Stodolci is a genuine rural pub with fair service and good prices, no theatrical backdrops attracting tourists, even though the owners' parents were actors. That's why you'll come across a cinema and theater in the summer.

When you come back from long hikes and relax in the sauna and in lovely beds, you might say to yourself, "It's like the movies". And you'd be right, because there were many fairy tales filmed in the area. Any guesses why? You won't find a similar landscape anywhere else in the Czech Republic, where the wild nature of the national park and human culture blend together so harmoniously. You must see it with your own eyes.

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JETŘICHOVICE REGION



The Jetřichovice Rocks are maybe the shiniest jewel of Northern Bohemia, and it was here that the name **Bohemian Switzerland** in the strictest sense of the word was coined. In the mid-19th century, Prince Kinský had Maria's Rock, Vilemína's Wall, and Rudolf's Stone made accessible and named after members of his family.

Other marked paths near Jetřichovice will take you to the romantic Pauline's Valley or to the rock path at Koliště, copying the Bohemian Switzerland Ridge Trail. A relaxing walk to Dolský Mill, famous from the fairy tale Proud Princess, is also perfect for families with strollers.

However, most of the routes in Jetřichovice Region are rather demanding, yet very well marked. Your reward will be breathtaking views from rocky lookout points—of the volcanic Růžovský vrch hill and the world of table mountains in Saxon Switzerland.

TIP:
Go on a wolf adventure with the **Discover Bohemian Switzerland mobile app!**

The Lupínek Wolf will guide you through the **life and stories of the noblemen**. Choose from two routes: the shorter, 3 km, ideal for smaller children, and the longer, 8 km, designed for more experienced hikers, which leads along the famous Jetřichovice Lookouts.

Complete fun tasks and explore with augmented reality along the way. Collect rewards for challenges, and if you complete the trail, you can pick up the real reward at the House of Bohemian Switzerland in Krásná Lípa.



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JETŘICHOVICE

Breathtaking views

In the most beautiful part of Bohemian Switzerland, the town of **Jetřichovice** hides, one of the most visited places in the region and the cradle of sightseeing tourism. The history of scenic routes here began with the noble Kinský family, who had the famous Jetřichovice lookout points and the paths leading to them built. A 7-km loop trail will take you to them. You can admire the view of the surrounding countryside from a wooden gazebo at the top of **Mary's Rock**, from **Vilemína's Lookout**, or—for savvy tourists—from the legendary gazebo at the top of **Rudolf's Stone**.

It would be a shame to visit only the mentioned lookouts in Jetřichovice. You can also climb to the heights of **Falkenštejn** rock castle, located about a kilometer away, which contributed to the founding of the village. The castle originally protected the trade route along the Czech Road, connecting Bohemia with Saxony and Lusatia. Today, it serves its function no more but is a great place for families with children and less courageous tourists.

In Jetřichovice, you will find old cottages hidden under sandstone rocks and on sunny slopes with beautiful views of gorges and wooded hills. Above, **Růžovský Hill** rises, the symbol of Northern Bohemia. Old trails wind through dark ravines and take you back up the steps to the homesteads and village churches that create the unique atmosphere.



There's plenty to discover—we are far from listing them all. When visiting Jetřichovice, we recommend stopping at the local information center in the center of the village, which serves as a natural starting point for trips. Here, they will happily advise you and help you choose a route.

New touchscreen **tourist information panels can also help**—one can be found in the center of the village near the Praha Restaurant, the other in the parking lot in Vysoká Lípa. Panels offer tips for trips and information about services like restaurants and accommodation.

Final tip: After a day-long hike, refreshment in the local swimming pool with a natural vibe will prove useful in the summer months. There are a children's playground and a volleyball court, a restaurant with outdoor seating, and the possibility of staying overnight.

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BELLEVUE IN JETŘICHOVICE

Hotel and restaurant surrounded by sandstone rocks

Are you planning to discover the natural beauty of Jetřichovice? There are so many picturesque nooks and rock formations that one day is not enough time for. Stay at the **Hotel Bellevue**; the famous Jetřichovice lookouts and other breathtaking places are mere moments away from there. Walks in the rocks, lookouts, and tranquil forests ensure unforgettable memories for visitors young and old.

The hotel offers cozy, affordable rooms where you can unwind after a day of exploring. Czech cuisine will delight you from breakfast to dinner, and there are plenty of leisure activities to do: in summer, there is a 25 m outdoor pool for swimmers and kids to splash around in, a playground for kids to play at, a terrace with refreshments, a sauna for adults to relax in, and a bowling alley for the whole family to have fun.

There are other areas of the hotel: lounge and games room, suitable for annual meetings, seminars, trainings, conferences, or family celebrations.

Hotel Bellevue is a perfect place for a family stay or an active holiday. Thanks to its location amidst sandstone rocks, picturesque views, and walking and cycling routes, peace and comfort at the hotel are a given.



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RESTAURANT AND HOTEL KORTUS



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& HOTEL

Amidst everything
worthwhile

If a trip to Bohemian Switzerland is to have one good base, it is Vysoká Lípa. And if there is one place where one goes out into the countryside in the morning and returns to the table in the evening, it is **Restaurant and Hotel Kortus**.



Kortus is not a resort or an overcrowded guesthouse. It's a house that belongs to nature. In the morning, you will walk straight out the door to the trail; in the afternoon, you will return from the Jetřichovice lookouts or the Kamenice Gorges, and in the evening, you will have food you looked forward to all day.

The restaurant cooks traditional cuisine fine-tuned to modern day—without unnecessary effects, but with a reasonable taste. And most importantly, you don't have to go anywhere anymore. Nature and dinner, all in one place.

Kortus is simply an ideal base if you want to get to know the best of Bohemian Switzerland without the crowds and stress. Open the door, go—and in the evening return to where you feel well.



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RESORT VYSOKÁ LÍPA

Where tradition meets
modern comfort



In the picturesque town of **Vysoká Lípa**, in the heart of the Bohemian Switzerland National Park, the **Resort Vysoká Lípa** is located—a place where nature, comfort, great food, and deep relaxation interlock. Guests will find everything they desire for the perfect visit all in one place, whether it's active adventure, calm flow of time, or both.

The Resort consist of three unique buildings, each offering something for everyone. Those appreciative of traditional architecture will be in awe of a more than 200-year-old **log cabin** with its authentic charisma. It draws a quiet backdrop for those who want to slow down for a while. It is ideal for larger families or groups of friends.

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The imaginary heart of the complex is the new **hotel**, opened in summer 2025. Guests can choose from an array of luxurious rooms, wellness center with a covered pool and sauna, and a restaurant with a summer terrace offering breathtaking views of the surrounding landscape, including the famous Mary's Lookout, one of the Jetřichovice viewpoints.

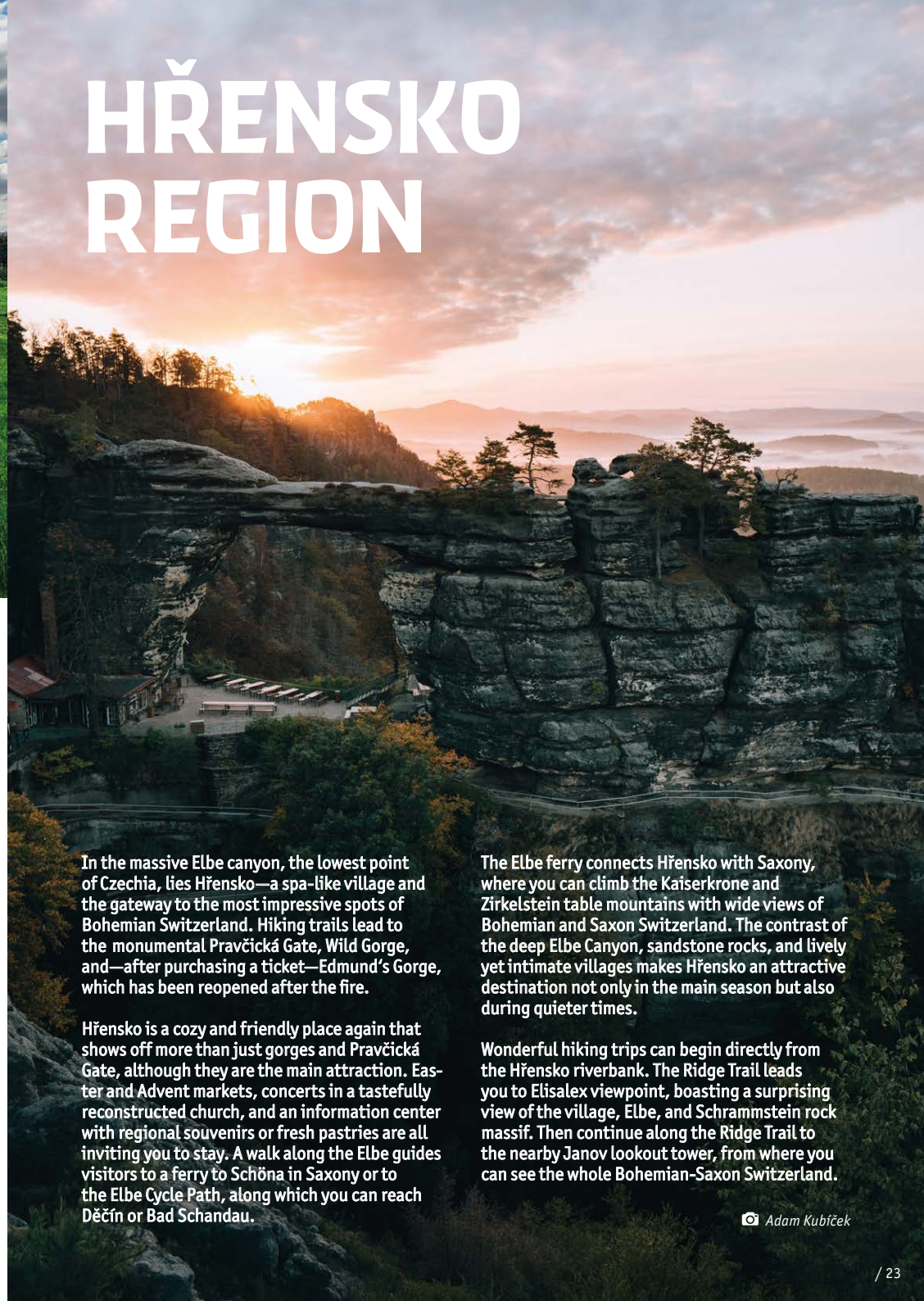
The hotel **restaurant** is open every day from March to December and embraces not only guests staying in the hotel but also all visitors to the region. Modern dining, carefully selected ingredients, and panoramic views from the glass interior or summer terrace turn every meal into an unforgettable experience.

Resort Vysoká Lípa is a completely unique concept in Bohemian Switzerland that will leave a lasting impression.

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HŘENSKO REGION




In the massive Elbe canyon, the lowest point of Czechia, lies Hřensko—a spa-like village and the gateway to the most impressive spots of Bohemian Switzerland. Hiking trails lead to the monumental Pravčická Gate, Wild Gorge, and—after purchasing a ticket—Edmund's Gorge, which has been reopened after the fire.

Hřensko is a cozy and friendly place again that shows off more than just gorges and Pravčická Gate, although they are the main attraction. Easter and Advent markets, concerts in a tastefully reconstructed church, and an information center with regional souvenirs or fresh pastries are all inviting you to stay. A walk along the Elbe guides visitors to a ferry to Schöna in Saxony or to the Elbe Cycle Path, along which you can reach Děčín or Bad Schandau.

The Elbe ferry connects Hřensko with Saxony, where you can climb the Kaiserkrone and Zirkelstein table mountains with wide views of Bohemian and Saxon Switzerland. The contrast of the deep Elbe Canyon, sandstone rocks, and lively yet intimate villages makes Hřensko an attractive destination not only in the main season but also during quieter times.

Wonderful hiking trips can begin directly from the Hřensko riverbank. The Ridge Trail leads you to Elisalex viewpoint, boasting a surprising view of the village, Elbe, and Schrammstein rock massif. Then continue along the Ridge Trail to the nearby Janov lookout tower, from where you can see the whole Bohemian-Saxon Switzerland.

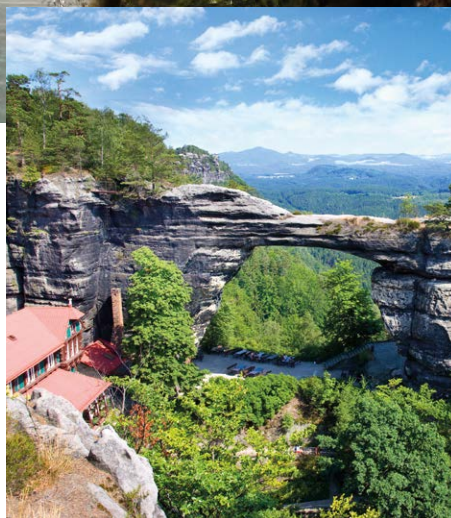
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HŘENSKO

Gateway to the iconic sights of Bohemian-Saxon Switzerland

Hřensko, the gateway to Bohemian Switzerland, is one of the most sought-after towns in the region. It prides itself on a unique blend of iconic natural landmarks, high-quality tourist facilities, and a vibrant cultural life—all year round.

The symbol of the entire destination and what visitors from all over the world are coming to see is the largest European rock bridge, **Pravčická Gate**. Buy tickets on-site or **online** (www.pbrana.cz/vstupenky) to avoid queues and crowds, especially in summer.



Another highlight and a great adventure during the tourist season are the **gorges formed by the Kamenice River**. The **Wild Gorge** is open without restrictions, and you can pay the ferryman in cash or by card. The **Edmund Gorge** is accessible with some restrictions; entry is only possible with a guide, and tickets can be purchased at the Information Center in Hřensko or, as of recently, online. Boat rides with a ferryman and commentary are one of the most memorable activities in the entire region. Up-to-date information on the operation of the gorges is available on the village's official website (www.hrensko.cz).

The **Information Center in Hřensko is open all year round**, provides not only valuable advice and tips for trips but also regional products, select pharmaceutical products, and other services. There's also a grocery store in the building, and next to it, a post office. A **new information center** was also built right next to the ferry, with **public toilets and luggage and bicycle storage**. The new bicycle storage facility is a welcomed feature for cyclists passing through Hřensko who wish to explore the most famous sites on foot. Convenience is also enhanced by the option to pay for parking by card at central parking lots in the village.






Hřensko, however, is not only about nature. Throughout the year, **cultural and social events** take place here and liven up the village and attract visitors of all generations. From May to October, in front of the Church of St. John of Nepomuk, **summer open-air concerts** are planned. **Easter and Advent** are also important events, associated with themed markets, regional products, and a rich accompanying program. Children will be thrilled by the Easter Bunny or Grinch, the "Christmas Green Man."

Visitors can also enjoy an Easter or Christmas ride.

During Easter and Christmas events, the town of Hřensko cooperates with the Ústí Region – Labská plavební společnost, thanks to which a steamboat sails from Ústí nad Labem to Hřensko. A steamboat cruise is an unforgettable adventure in itself.

Fairs and flea markets also complete the range of events throughout the year.

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Hřensko is a place where unique nature, iconic monuments, modern services, and lively culture meet. Whether you go to Pravčická Gate, gorges, or the atmosphere of local culture, Hřensko will present memorable experiences.

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The resort provides year-round accommodation in several types of rooms and apartments in three buildings. The **resort's restaurant** is also open all year round, serving traditional Czech cuisine and regional specialties, as well as an outdoor children's playground.

A **private wellness** area is a benefit, ideal for couples and everyone seeking relaxation after a day in nature. For guests looking for maximum privacy, a separate house with its own sauna and terrace for up to 9 people is also available.

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VILLAGE RŮŽOVÁ

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In the Děčín region, the village of Růžová is famous for its stunning nature, access to well-known and lesser-known tourist destinations in Bohemian Switzerland, and the communal life of residents who organize successful events for their neighbors and visitors. Whenever you visit Růžová, you can become one of them. The year in the village begins with a New Year's climb to the Růžák hill or to the popular **Růženka lookout tower**. In Růžová, the Three Wise Men's tradition is kept. The Růžová residents donate gladly and abundantly to the collection. Carnival follows. Neighbors gather in traditional costumes for the carnival parade, marking the end of the festive season. On Easter Monday, you will meet a lot of carolers, both big and small. The next events follow in quick succession. Maypole raising, Walpurgis Night, Night of Churches with a tour of the village's landmark, St. Peter and Paul Church, Open Gardens Weekend at the Arosa Garden, Růžová – dveře umění dokořán art exhibition, Rockfest, Arosatur, workshops at the Rubens Soap Factory, Fair, and more. In the village of Růžová you will definitely not be bored.

Other events take place in the village center, where you will find a new and beautiful playground, a multifunctional sports ground, a pétanque court, and a pleasant refreshment bar, Osvěžovna. Other businesses, providing

excellent cuisine and snacks to locals and tourists, are not far. Restaurant U Kostela, Hospůdka 21, Plážový bar, or Kafičko v lese, where you can rest on the way to the boats in Kamenice Gorges and to the Pravčická Gate. Reach Růžová on foot from the Bohemian Switzerland Ridge Trail or by bike on cycle route no. 3076 and others that connect Růžová with surrounding villages. Tourists, cyclists, and cyclotourists will come into their own here. The village and its surroundings are interwoven with well-marked nature trails taking you to the most beautiful places in Bohemian Switzerland.

If you arrive by car, use the new parking lot under the Růženka lookout. It is from here that everyone makes the climb to Růžová Hill and trips to Dolský mlýn. Another large parking lot is at the Růžová-Nový Svět bathing biotope.

One day is not enough to visit all these pretty spots. Accommodation in Růžová can be found in beautiful guesthouses and stylish cottages; kind people will be happy to advise you and take care of your comfort. It is no coincidence that Růžová receives various awards in competitions for the most beautiful lookout tower, **the Village of the Year**, and more.

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Don't forget to visit the **Arosa Garden**. This herb garden with a small lake is a relaxing spot that inspires and calms everyone who comes. Facilities for hikers and cyclists as well as information self-service for everyone.

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DĚČÍN REGION

Děčín marks the gateway to the Elbe Sandstone Canyon, where the river leaves a wider and deeper valley between the volcanic cones of the Bohemian Uplands. Located in the heart of the city, the Shepherd's Wall and the opposite rock with Děčín Castle are unique landmarks that rise above the Elbe like the mythical Scylla and Charybdis.

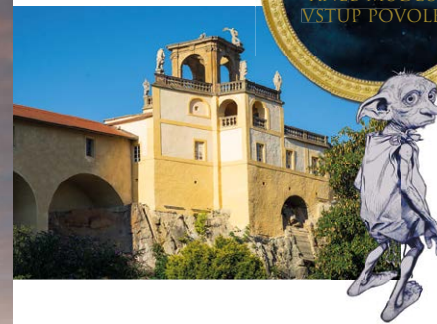
Impressive views of the city and surrounding countryside open from both cliffs. Děčín is a city nestled in hills, dropping almost as low

as the river and introducing ever-present greenery to the urban space. From numerous restaurants and cafés, it takes only a moment to reach the castle, Shepherd's Wall, or Kvádrberk. Spa trails here climb in gentle serpentine to viewpoints similar to those in Karlovy Vary or Mariánské Lázně.

The long-distance Ridge Trail also passes through the city. Děčín is the lowest-lying city in Bohemia, yet it retains a distinctly mountainous character.



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Nebíčko is a place where exceptional setting, dining, and memorable experiences come together.

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DĚČÍN IN MOTION

Cyclists are welcome

The city of Děčín and its surroundings are full of beauty that can be discovered in many ways. On foot, on water, by bike... Cycling is one of the most popular ways to enjoy this region. Why would it not? Three long-distance cycling routes meet here: the Elbe Trail, the Ploučnice Cycle Trail, and the Ore Mountains Magistrála. Come for a ride with us.

We are well prepared for cyclists in Děčín, and we strive to make their ride on the above-mentioned cycle routes, and beyond, as pleasant as possible. Both of our tourist information centers have the official "Cyclists Welcome" certification, including various services for cyclists. For example, we offer bike storage in special bike boxes, basic bike repair tools, e-bike charging, lots of bike maps, cycling brochures, and other benefits.

In addition to these anchor points, the city is working to make it comfortable for tourists to ride their bikes on the nearby bike trails and paths. Several new rest stops, benches, or bike racks were added to the Elbe Trail in the second half of 2025. Our „magic huts“ garner the most

attention and praise—wooden, ecological toilets, 5 in total along the cycling routes. Four are located on the Elbe Trail—three in the direction of Germany and one in the direction of Ústí nad Labem. Another one can be found on the Ploučnice Cycle Trail.

Another novel feature is the new footbridge for pedestrians and cyclists across the Elbe, which will open in spring 2026 and enable safe and easy access between both sides of the city. It is one of the most important transport structures in Děčín in recent years. It is being built along the railway bridge across the Elbe and Ploučnice rivers, significantly improving conditions for pedestrian and cycle traffic.



A trip along the Ploučnice Cycle Path

At the end of 2025, the **Elbe Trail and Ploučnice Cycle Trail** were connected. It is located between Ploučnická and Oblouková Streets along the Ploučnice River. By connecting these two major bike routes, cyclists can travel more comfortably. Take a trip through here.

A bike trip from Děčín upstream along the Ploučnice River combines a leisurely ride, beautiful nature, and interesting spots. The route is approximately 45 km long, and even intermediate cyclists can conquer it. Set off from the information center below the library along the Elbe Cycle Route, and, after crossing the Old Town Bridge, take Cycle Route No. 15, the Ploučnice Cycle Route, which will lead you past the winter stadium and further along the peaceful river valley.



More tips for trips and other information on where to stay or eat can be found at www.idecin.cz



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The first nice stop is Březiny and the Caffè08 roaster's café. The official route continues along a more frequented road, but you can opt for an unofficial natural route along the river. From the Soutěský village, cycle route No. 15 takes you through picturesque countryside via Malá Veleň to Benešov nad Ploučnicí. Visit the extensive castle complex there, a unique example of architecture from the transition period between Vladislav Gothic and Renaissance styles, known as Saxon Renaissance.

Then continue via Františkov nad Ploučnicí and Starý Šachov to Dolní Police. Here, turn to the cycle route No. 3098, guiding you to Horní Police, to a baroque pilgrimage Church of the Visitation of the Virgin Mary, one of the most significant pilgrimage sites in the region.

You can return to Děčín the same way or hop on the train. The trip can be prolonged by following cycle route No. 15 towards Žandov, Volfartice, and the Varhany Cycle Path to Česká Lípa.

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The **Děčín Aquapark** with thermal water is one of the largest and most complex recreational and sports areas in Czechia. It is a unique combination of a modern indoor water park and an extensive outdoor swimming pool, right next to the Elbe Cycling Trail. While children enjoy water slides, wild rivers, water attractions, and wading pools, adults will appreciate swimming pools, hot tubs, and relaxation zones.

The indoor area also includes wellness with saunas, massages, and the Relax Club with a private sauna and hot tub; time stops there, and the body and mind get the opportunity to truly relax. There are several types of swimming pools in the outdoor area, including a year-round outdoor swimming pool with thermal water, with a pleasant winter temperature of about 27°C. Even in colder months, swimming in the open air is sensational.

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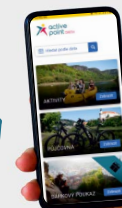
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DISCOVER BENEŠOV NAD PLOUČNICÍ

A picturesque town in the Ploučnice River valley captivates visitors with rich history and diverse range of interesting places to visit. Stop by at the **Information Center** for tips on what to see and what not to miss; located in the Town Hall. In addition to valuable advice, you can buy souvenirs from regional manufacturers or enjoy quality coffee.

Your first steps should undoubtedly lead to the **Benešov nad Ploučnicí Castle Complex**, with its Upper and Lower Castle in Saxon Renaissance style. Visitors can explore the historical interiors and learn about the aristocratic history of the region. Just nearby stands the **Church of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary**, an important religious monument that enhances the unique atmosphere of the castle grounds.

A walk through the town's historical center, renowned for its urban conservation zone, will show you Renaissance houses, the **Marian Column**, and the cultural monument of the **Calvary sculpture**. Today, it takes up a new place on the square in front of the town hall instead of the castle, where it has found a dignified and beautiful setting. Besides learning about history, the town is a great place to actively relax, even with kids. The popular **Ploučnice Cycle Path** crosses the town, a picturesque route through the river valley suitable for recreational cyclists and families. You can spice up your route with the Benešov – Františkov nad Ploučnicí **Fairy Tale Trail**, which goes alongside the cycle path and will captivate children with painted signs and fun tasks.



A popular destination is the **Ploučnice viewpoint** with a beautiful view of the town and nature. Children can enjoy some fun at the **pump track** on Táborský vrch, a natural track in a forest designed for bikes and balance bikes.

On the outskirts of town, surrounded by greenery, you will find an oasis of peace and tranquility: a **thermal swimming pool complex** with pools and sports facilities. Thanks to natural thermal springs, colder weather won't stop you.

The town also comes alive with many cultural events. The most important of them is the **Benešov Solstice**, with a full-day program for visitors of all ages. It takes place every year in June.

Whether you are looking for history, active recreation, or family experiences, Benešov nad Ploučnicí will provide a memorable visit.

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TISÁ AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

In a rougher mountain location, Tisá and its rocks hide a very different atmosphere, even reminiscent of the nearby Ore Mountains. Summers are hot here, winters windy and snowy, yet visitors come all year.

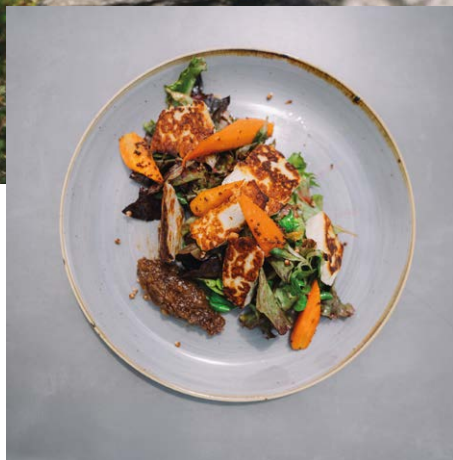
The rock town appeals with crevices, several rock gates and windows, as well as distant views of Bohemian Uplands. Families with smaller children will definitely appreciate relatively short loop trails.

The long-distance Ridge Trail passes through nearby Ostrov and continues towards the Ore Mountains. Ostrov is a small, cozy village with several cottages, hidden from the winds in a vast rock valley. From here, set off on longer hikes, for example, to the famous Hercules Columns in Saxon Switzerland or to the lookout tower at Děčínský Sněžník.

Enjoy the mountain climate of Tiské and Ostrovské Rocks!

 Adam Kubiček

HOTEL OSTROV



Are you looking for the nicest and quietest place in Bohemian Switzerland? Well, you've come to the right place. Amid the lushest nature you can imagine, you will find a family hotel surrounded by romantic lakes with breathtaking views of the rocks. Whether you decide to stop here while walking around for something to eat or lay your head down for a few days, you'll feel like you're in another dimension.

Not because you're just lounging around (although that's a pretty good plan), but because you can be active outside and relax at the same time. Without your vacation being eaten up by planning, crossings, and the eternal "where to now".

How many times during your vacation have you heard, "I'm just going to relax." "This time, we're not going to worry about anything." "I'll pack lightly." "We'll get up early and go." "I won't be on my phone all the time." "Let's go to wellness." And how many times have you kept it? Let's do it differently this time.



In Ostrov u Tisé, your vacation won't fall apart due to logistics. The day doesn't start in the car and doesn't end with you scrolling through reviews of where to dine tonight. You climb out, and you're in the nature that makes Bohemian Switzerland so beloved. Rocks, forests, views. And so many trips that you can't ask, "What are we going to do", but rather, "What do we have to skip". One day you can take a long hike to Hercules' Pillars in Saxony, the next day something shorter, such as the Tisá Walls, and on the third day you can just relax in nature and pick mushrooms in the forest. No stress about having too few adventures.

When you are physically active but don't want to exhaust yourself so much that you regret those extra kilometers the next day, here comes the best part. Reward. Sauna with starry skies and a slice of nature. Hot tub with a glass in your hand and gazing out at the rocks. And suddenly you feel that you have enjoyed the day twice. Once outdoors. And the second time inside.

And then there is a completely ordinary scene worth more than 10 motivational quotes. You are sitting on the terrace, with the peaks of Ostrov rocks spread out, a mug of coffee in your hand, and chocolate dumplings to go with it. Period. Yes, we admit it's corny, but we love it.



What's more, you don't have to pray in the evening that there will hopefully be some good food. Chef René Tichý performs magic with Czech cuisine in a modern way, classics with an idea. Whether you're a meat lover or vegetarian, you can't go wrong.

Do you like wine, rum, and spirits? Well, get ready. The wine list and alcohol menu are endless... the selection is so vast that "we'll just have one" sounds more like an optimistic plan than reality. You will fall in love with Hotel Ostrov. Whether you arrive with your partner, friends, or children, you will always get exactly what you want, and that's what it's all about.



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 Kateřina Hřňová

TISÁ A village among rocks and movement

Tisá is a gateway to the world of the Elbe Sandstone Mountains, on the Bohemian-Saxon Switzerland border, and is inherently connected with one of the most distinctive rock towns, **Tisá Walls**.

It is the labyrinths of rock towers, narrow passages, and bizarre sandstone shapes that visitors from all over the world come for. The entry to Tisá Walls is **regulated**, which helps to protect the fragile environment and also ensures a more pleasant visit without excessive tourism. **Purchase tickets online at www.turistikatisa.cz.**

With the **2026** season, a **new educational trail through Tisá Walls opens** to visitors. The rock town is accessible year-round. If it is peace and time to perceive details you are after, visit on weekdays and also in fall—a time of color, silence, and slower pace.

Those who prefer less frequented places should head to the Rájecké and Ostrovské Rocks or the area of Nebeské říše. If you like to get to know the landscape at your own pace and without haste, you will be satisfied.



The surrounding countryside can also be explored by bike. Locals have prepared a brochure with **12 bike trips** of varying difficulty, another way to actively get to know the region.

Tisá is a unique place where movement naturally meets silence and a landscape that invites you to slow down and perceive details.



Tickets can be purchased at www.turistikatisa.cz

📷 Filip Holíč

KERAMIK STUDIO TISÁ Make art in the sandstone rocks

Head to Keramik Studio Tisá and dive into the world of creation and pottery, all only a few steps away from breathtaking sandstone rocks. Clay runs in the owner's veins and clay making is a matter of her heart and perfect relaxation for her.

"I like the sensation of clay and wood. In that, I find myself. And when people touch my ceramics, they can experience the same silent encounter, with their own soul and joy," says Monika Glöcknerová, owner of the ceramic studio.

In the cozy studio, you can buy original ceramics or immerse yourself in the creative world of clay: have at the potter's wheel, participate in workshops, let yourself be led by your imagination or try the traditional Japanese raku firing. Perfect option for individuals, families and groups, offering an experience not to be forgotten, in a setting of Tisá Walls, that is Keramik Studio.



www.keramikstudio.eu

📷 Keramik Studio Tisá Archive



ČESKÁ KAMENICE REGION

A small medieval town center with a charming square, Gothic-Renaissance church, and Baroque pilgrimage area; this and a lot more adorn Česká Kamenice. Right above the town, volcanic hills rise, with lookout points to which old hiking trails from the late 19th and early 20th centuries lead.

Surprising views of Růžovský Hill and the table mountains in Saxon Switzerland open from Jehla, Zámecký Hill, and the nearby Větrný Hill. In the nearby Líška, observe the impressive basalt columns, even more massive than on the world-famous Panská Rock near Kamenický Šenov.

On the border of the Bohemian Upland, Lusatian Mountains, and Bohemian Switzerland lies one of the most beautiful corners of the Bohemian North. The National Park Railway gets you easily to Děčín, through the deep forests behind the cottages to Kytlice, or to the famous Jedlová station below the hill of the same name.

Enjoy Česká Kamenice: its monuments, surrounding nature, and rich culture.

📷 Radek Timoftej



ČESKÁ KAMENICE

Small town nestled in the countryside

A town with rich history in a picturesque landscape abounding in lively atmosphere—it deserves not only attention but also a visit by every tourist. Česká Kamenice is hidden in a valley between hills bordering Bohemian Switzerland, the Lusatian Mountains, and Bohemian Uplands.

The streets of the historic center, a protected monument, remember stories from centuries past, when the city thrived on spinning and brewing. Houses in the protected zone are gradually being carefully restored and coming back to life. A striking example is house No. 241 on Nerudova Street, which has featured a **glass astronomical clock** on its gable since 2023. The clock strikes, and the apostles walk every hour from 8:00 to 21:00. The striking of the astronomical clock is often accompanied by chimes sounding from the entrance tower of the **Pilgrimage Chapel of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary**. Located only a few steps from the astronomical clock, it is open the whole season.

Also worth the attention is the **gradually renovated castle** which was closed for several decades. Now, you can take a guided tour through 15 furnished rooms with historical furniture.

In addition to repairs in the town, the **forest park** behind the municipal swimming pool also draws attention. A village of wooden houses with mill wheels and interactive water elements, also called **Brand Mills**, was rebuilt here. Floodgates, pumps, and troughs will surely entertain visitors of all ages in any weather. On the way there, take a ferry on the lake, which you have to drag to the other shore yourself. Can you do it?

The **Vyhlídky–Brand rock loop** trail also boasts a magical atmosphere. The four-km trail takes you to a set of viewpoints overlooking the town and landscape of Bohemian Switzerland. From the highest lookout, Jehla, you can see the ruins of Kamenice Castle, popularly known as **Zámečák**, all on the other side of town.

Before heading up the hill, don't forget to get a sausage at the local butcher's shop, because not only are the beautiful views waiting, but also there is a fireplace. You can then let the whole city know your presence with the help of a bell tower, which also stands at the top.

Česká Kamenice also attracts lovers of bikes and adrenaline. If you need more than a dense network of cycle paths, there is a **newly built cycling trail connecting Česká Kamenice with Kamenický Šenov and a turn to Prysk**. It is approximately 4 km long; it runs off busy roads, mainly along the railway line around Zámecký Hill. It is suitable for cyclists, skaters, and pedestrians as it is a little elevated.

Adrenaline adventures await both indoors and outdoors. In the Rabštejn valley, a **paintball** shootout will be hard to forget in the 13,000 m² arena, including a three-story factory, a large outdoor space with a forest, an abandoned building, and a trench. Those courageous enough can dare to tackle the **via ferrata Uchem Jehly**.

In summer months, you will appreciate the local **swimming pool with a campsite**, just perfect to refresh yourself. When you've cooled off enough and want to explore the local wonders again, rent a scooter at the swimming pool and take off. Arrive at the train station, get on a historical railcar to Kamenický Šenov, and back to Česká Kamenice via Panská skála.

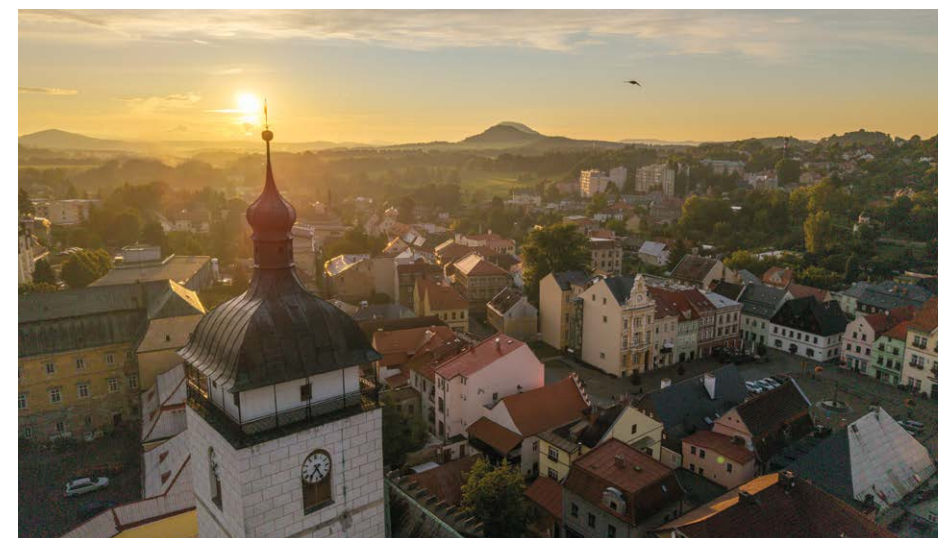


Česká Kamenice does not only live for tourism and trips. The town brims with **cultural events** throughout the year. Aside from regular travelling talks, you can catch the latest blockbusters at the cultural center, which moves to Franz Preidl Park for open-air screenings during the summer months. If you visit in spring, the possibility of a cheerful Easter market is high. At the beginning of summer, you cannot miss the unforgettable atmosphere of **the festival KAMENICE**. The end of summer is celebrated at the Marian Pilgrimage, and you can soak up the colorful fall with a mug of hot chocolate at the Pumpkin Festival. At Christmas, the town lights up and the mulled wine flows.

When do you want to discover Česká Kamenice?

www.ceska-kamenice.cz

 Radek Timoftej



ŠLUKNOV HOOK

On the edge of Upper Lusatia lies a hilly landscape splattered by Ways of Crosses and old half-timbered houses. Set off on well-marked trails to lookout towers on top of the hills not higher than 600 meters. But the vast meadows below, stretching out into the distance, also make for impressive views.

Compared to the narrow gorges of the lower Bohemian Switzerland, there is a sense of great freedom and space. The once-prosperous industrial region now only occasionally hints at its textile past, for example, an exhibition in nearby Sebnitz, Saxony, just across the border, showcases its famous artificial flower production.

Head to the northernmost point of Czechia near Severní, from where you can continue along the blue-marked ridge path directly along the state border to Šluknov and its castle. From here, it is not far to the pilgrimage basilica in Jiřkov or to Loreta in Rumburk.

Upper Lusatia is a stunning region, where besides serene countryside, you can also discover the resurgent tradition of nativity scene making.

 Raděk Tesar

RUMBURK

A town that surprises you



Rumburk is a perfect spot for anyone seeking adventure, beautiful views, and calm nooks with a once-in-a-lifetime atmosphere. This town bordering Bohemian Switzerland shows off its rich history, architectural treasures, and nature literally at your doorstep. Start your walk at Lužické Square and at the Town's Information Center, where you can get tips on the best of what Rumburk has to offer.

Dymník lookout tower is the standout. The **Augustus Brick Tower** celebrates 130 years in 2026 and is still one of the most popular sight-seeing spots in the region. The climb will reward you with magnificent views of the Lusatian Mountains, Bohemian and Saxon Switzerland. The Dymník hill itself is a great destination—not only for lovely trails but also for the “Tree of Life”, a modern symbol of connection between humans, nature, and time.

The real diamond of Rumburk is the **Baroque Loreta complex**. The pilgrimage site with a replica of the Holy House, the cloister, and the unique Holy Stairs richly decorated with wooden sculptures is one of the most important monuments of its kind in Northern Bohemia and mesmerizes with a strong aesthetic and spiritual experience.

The atmosphere of the town is completed by **Šmilovský Street with half-timbered houses**, the local museum, Strážný vrch with a chapel, and elegant architecture of the time when Rumburk was nicknamed the “Little Paris of the North”. Rumburk is a town worth getting to know and even more worth coming back to.



www.rumburk.cz

 Jiří Stejskal

BOHEMIAN COFFEE HOUSE

United by coffee

Be honest, when you hear Rumburk, specialty coffee will probably not be the first thing that comes to mind, unless you have visited **Bohemian Coffee House**, a local family café with a roastery, founded by Jiří Dužár in 2017. Once you taste the town's top-class coffee and delicious homemade cakes, Little Paris of the North, as the city was nicknamed during the First Czechoslovak Republic, will forever stay intertwined with this drink.

Always grinding real coffee gems, such as Caracolillo, coffee beans from Mexico travel to Bohemian Switzerland via a direct route Mexico-Rumburk. This applies to several of the varieties offered. Many of the green beans that coffee owners bring here fall into the category of **direct trade**, i.e., purchased directly from farmers without an intermediary. That's why you can discover coffees that you won't find anywhere else in the country but at Bohemian Coffee House. They are also carefully roasted here so their natural properties stand out, and you can enjoy a professionally prepared espresso or filter on site or buy beans to take home with you.

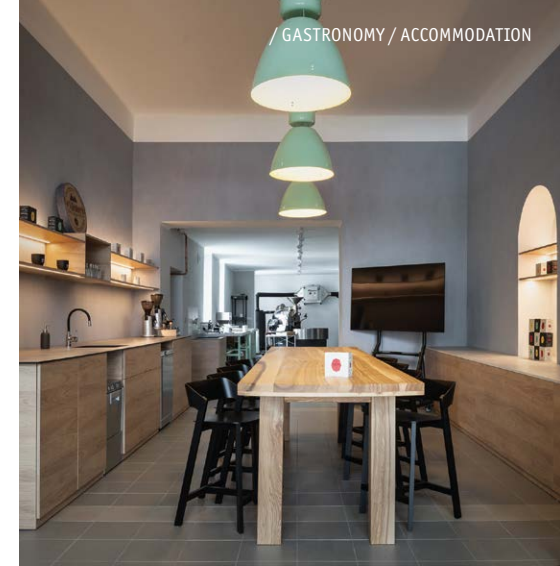


www.bohemiancoffeehouse.cz

Coffee Lab. From bean to cup

This alchemy happens under the careful guidance of David Dužár in the brand-new Coffee Lab, right next to the café. David roasts coffee from all corners of the coffee world himself, offering three roasting profiles: filter, modern, and traditional espresso. And visitors can buy it "still warm" and take it home in stylish boxes, unconventional packaging that matches the overall philosophy of Bohemian Coffee House. To do things your own way, sincerely and with love.

Coffee Lab is not just a roastery. But also a community space dominated by the historical roasting machine Probat. And you can rent it for private events such as teambuildings, seminars, or more. With catering directly from the café menu.



Here you can have breakfast all day

And trust, when you see the local tasty treats, you will not know what to go for first: homemade cakes by Mrs. Dužárová, scrambled eggs, sausages, baguettes, sandwiches (even open-faced ones), and other selected delicacies. The kitchen prides itself on choosing local ingredients, and you can tell.

With pleasant service and a friendly atmosphere, along with specialty coffee and exquisite food, you have many reasons to visit Bohemian Coffee House and then return. And we haven't even mentioned the fact that cyclists are truly welcome here. The bike rack inside the café says it all. Road cyclists, bikers, and gravel lovers can enjoy their caffeine boost without worries and constantly looking over to see if their bike has been knocked over by wind.

Whatever has you coming to Bohemian Switzerland, do not miss this café. Guests pour in here first thing in the morning. Both local and out-of-town. Teeming with life in the evening, when a common day is refreshed by regular events like Listování with Lukáš Hejlík.

When your journeys lead to Rumburk, plan a stop at the Bohemian Coffee House. Besides an exceptional dining experience, you'll feel very welcome.

 Bohemian Coffee House Archive

WELLNESS HOTEL LUŽAN

A place where you can relax from the hustle and bustle of tourism



In Šluknov Hook, in Rumburk on the square, rest in a 4-star hotel. Definitely an unforgettable experience. At one place, there are plenty of options for how to rest, relax, and switch off.

The **wellness center** offers massages, baths, paraffin wraps, and other procedures. Warm up in a Finnish sauna or in a vertical or horizontal solarium. If you are planning a romantic evening, we recommend a private hot tub.



If you need more movement when relaxing, a fitness center or a bowling alley is at your disposal, and the **restaurant** can serve you there as well. Would you like steak or pizza? Or any other Czech or foreign specialty? You cannot miss. During summer months, meals and drinks on the terrace are an excellent idea.

If you have a sweet tooth, you have to taste homemade dessert in the cozy **café Lužánek**. Your children will not only appreciate this but also a new **Dino Playroom**. Can you see the sparkles in their eyes?

But enough sweets, what about a nice trip? Rumburk is perfectly strategically placed to explore the wonders of the Šluknov Hook. Beautiful nature, lookout towers, small sacral monuments, and a great place for cyclists. Even the national parks Bohemian and Saxon Switzerland are right around the corner. Get ready to hit the road and discover...

www.hotelluzan.cz

Pavlína Vansteenkiste

SPORTLIFE RUMBURK

More than a hotel

Sportlife Rumburk lies on the outskirts of Rumburk in Šluknov Hook, bordering the Lusatian Mountains and Bohemian Switzerland. The family hotel is an ideal place for active relaxation, family holidays, corporate teambuilding, and sports camps. The extensive area set in beautiful nature provides everything you need for a visit full of adventure, movement, and relaxation.

The area boasts rich sports grounds, among the largest in the region. Guests can use the large sports hall, multi-use outdoor playground, beach volleyball, football darts, and other outdoor sports. There is also bowling, squash, snooker, and other activities for active recreation in any weather. In summer, natural swimming pools will also refresh you.



The hotel restaurant, pizzeria, barbecue, buffets, and tastings, as well as two terraces, are also part of the complex.

You can do sports, relax, and have a great meal in one area on 42500 m².

www.sportlifehotel.cz

Sportlife Rumburk Archive

MANDAVA CYCLE PATH

Chill trip through the Lusatian Mountains and Upper Lusatia

The Mandava Cycle Path is a pleasant, approximately 40-km route on the border of Bohemia and Germany. Running through the picturesque valley of the Mandava River, it flaunts the perfect blend of peaceful nature, interesting towns and tourist sites along the route. Families with children and casual cyclists alike can tackle the easy terrain.



The cycle path follows the flow of Mandava from its spring in Brtníky through Staré Křečany, Rumburk, Seiffhennersdorf, Varnsdorf, and Großschönau to Zittau. Recently, the entire route has been newly marked, so you don't need to worry about getting lost along the way.



Just hop on your bike and explore the landscape, where the Bohemian and Saxon ambiances seamlessly meet.

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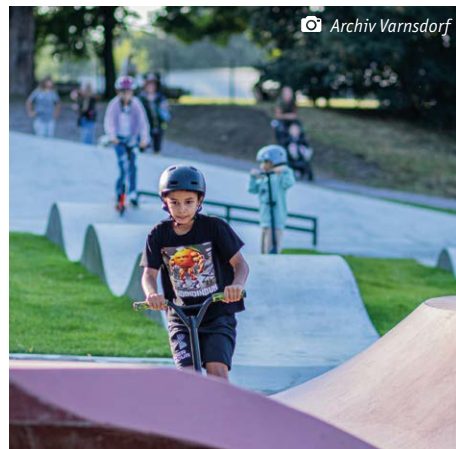
VARNSDORF


The awakening town

 Ilona Rosenkrancová


Varnsdorf lies in the Mandava Valley, once defined by textiles and the noise of factories. It was perceived throughout its industrial past for a long time, but now there is something more tempting about it: the bravery to look forward to and enjoy life as it is.

Hrádek is the pulling magnet. The observation tower from 1904 is no longer just a silent witness of old times. Since spring 2025, a new energy reigns; just sit on the terrace of the local restaurant, order coffee, and let your eyes wander along the ridges of the Lusatian and Zittau mountains. The north does not seem closed off but full of possibilities. If you're looking for total tranquility, you can find it at the **Kašpáberg** lookout point at the Old Catholic Church. No spectacles, just you, the wind, and the view that stops you in your tracks.



 Archiv Varnsdorf



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The movement of the city is dictated by the **Mandava bike path**. It will gently guide you through the city and connect you with Saxony. Right alongside it, you will find the **U Komína** complex—a concrete skatepark where the young soul of the town flutters. A bit further, the **Mašíňák Lake** is undergoing a transformation. A recreational area is beginning to take shape here, where water meets with respect for nature. And if the weather betrays? The town's swimming pool will not disappoint.

Varnsdorf also has its spiritual and technical side. **The Red Church** stands as the brick guardian of the north, while the **Panorama Cinema** serves as a fascinating time machine, a technical landmark that still projects and breathes. Round off your day in no other place but the **Kocour Brewery**. A train stop right at the gate, overnight in sleeper cars, and an authentic beer in hand.

Varnsdorf does not promise miracles on demand. Change happens step by step, openly and in its own way. It's a place for those who want to see a new chapter of the north being born. Come and check it out before everyone else finds out.

www.varnsdorf.cz



HOTEL VARNSDORF

Cozy hotel on the Czech-German border

Thanks to its location, it is an ideal starting point to discover the beauties of Bohemian-Saxon Switzerland, the Tolštejn estate, or the Lusatian and Zittau Mountains.

A nearby bus stop and train station are an undeniable advantage, especially when public transport can get you to all the attractive spots you plan on exploring. You might appreciate it when it comes to discovering the local microbreweries; the closest one is only a 10-minute walk away.

The hotel interior was designed with attention to detail, combining elegance and functionality, and it also hints at the beauty of the local forests. The main draw is the excellent buffet breakfast.

The rooms are designed in such a way as to satisfy the needs of modern travelers, using

premium materials and the latest technology. A wide range of room categories are available, from standard rooms to luxurious suites that will meet the expectations of even the most demanding guests. We recommend hopping into the outdoor hot tub to deepen your experience.

Are you planning a corporate event or a private celebration? Conference rooms with audiovisual equipment are a certainty.

You don't have to worry about parking here! You can park for free behind the hotel, at the secure car park with the possibility of charging an electric car.

www.hotelvarnsdorf.cz

 Hotel Varnsdorf Archive



MIKULÁŠOVICE

Town with a story

On the very border with Germany, right in the middle between the national parks Bohemian and Saxon Switzerland, the picturesque town of **Mikulášovice** lies. Originally a 7-km-long farming village, today it has transformed into a town that is a perfect base for hikes into the fascinating scenery and rock formations of both national parks.

For example, take a trip to the **northernmost lookout tower of Czechia, Tanečnice**. This stone-brick tower from 1904 presents faraway panoramic views. Tourists can continue to Germany to the **Weifberg** lookout tower, open all year round, which overlooks Saxon Switzerland and the nearby village of Hinterhermsdorf, also worth a visit.

Before the trip itself, visit the **information center** on the square and receive valuable information and tips for trips. The center also includes a unique **museum of knife-making traditions**, one of the few of its kind in Europe. The exhibit offers a cross-section of the history of knife production since 1794, and visitors will also find a well-stocked shop selling the legendary "Rybička" knives.

The town center is dominated by one of the largest churches in the region—the **Church of St. Nicholas**, hiding one of the greatest organs in Bohemia with more than 2,000 pipes. You can visit the church during the Easter holidays, for example. During this period, the **Easter Ride** takes place here, an epic procession of horse riders in period costumes



and top hats, accompanied by marching musicians. This event is one of the **certified experiences of Bohemian Switzerland**. You must see it.

Apart from natural treasures, historical monuments, and cultural traditions, the city also has plenty of **sports activities** to choose from. A new **multi-use athletic ministadium** has been built right next to the sports hall. The modern sports facility offers a running track, areas for long jump, high jump, and shot put. Not only does it serve locals, but it is also suitable for sports camps.

After a day full of movement, especially in the summer months, you can unwind at the **natural, carefully maintained swimming pool**, which is a great place to cool off and relax.

When leaving Mikulášovice, we recommend heading back via **Brtníky**, where you will find a **unique triangular Chapel of the Holy Trinity** near the main road, well worth a visit.

www.mikulasovice.cz

📷 Tomáš Fúsek

GLAMPING SEVER, MIKULÁŠOVICE

A place to slow down and get closer to nature.

Discover a place where nature becomes part of a comfortable visit. **Glamping Sever** in Mikulášovice provides unusual accommodation in the quiet of North Bohemian forests near the national parks Bohemian and Saxon Switzerland. Choose from two unique glamping cabins: **TREEHOUSE Lea** and **TINYHOUSE Vojta**.

The stylish **TREEHOUSE Lea**, located on the tree-tops, is perfect for couples and small families who long for peace, privacy, and a slower pace of life. The smell of the forest and view of the green paradise are how mornings begin; the evenings invite you to sit on the terrace, by the fire, or relax under the stars in a Finnish bathing barrel. Nature lovers will also appreciate the nearby fishing spots and total privacy.

TINYHOUSE Vojta stands right by the lake and provides cozy accommodation for up to four people. An ideal choice for those who want to be close to nature but still stay comfortable. A peaceful morning by the water, boat rides, bathing, and evening relaxation in a Finnish bathing barrel under the stars await you. The Tinyhouse has its own bathroom, kitchen, and spacious guest-only grounds.

You can rent an e-bike and explore the beauties around.

Glamping SEVER is a place where the peace of nature meets the comfort of modern glamping.

www.glamping-sever.cz

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HOTEL ZELENÝ DŮM

Peace, nature, and hospitality

Hotel Zelený Dům is located in the picturesque town of Horní Poustevna, right where Bohemian and Saxon Switzerland meet. The location makes it perfect to begin your bike trips and hikes to explore the best of nature and rock sceneries in both national parks.



The hotel provides comfortable accommodation in cozy rooms great for couples and families, as well as for active travelers or groups. The hotel's amenities include a **restaurant serving homely Czech cuisine** and pleasant facilities for relaxation after day trips.

Among the hotel's advantages is the still-expanding **wellness area**, including outdoor and indoor relaxation components, ideal for regeneration after physical activity but also for quiet time in nature. The hotel is dog-friendly and also entices cyclists with suitable services.

The nearby surroundings hide many tourist destinations, lookout points, cycling routes, and cross-border trails to Saxony. Hotel Zelený dům is a place where rural calmness, beautiful nature, and hospitality unite, an ideal base for unforgettable experiences in Bohemian-Saxon Switzerland.



www.hotel-zeleny-dum.cz

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INTEGRATED CENTER FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES HORNÍ POUSTEVNA – DÍLNA U MARKÉTKY

Beautiful things by beautiful people



We often feel that only exceptional people can create beautiful things. If we talk about the handicraft workshops at Markétka's, it's true. Those making beautiful woven rugs from recycled materials, decorative ceramics, amazing paper products, batik T-shirts, beeswax candles, crocheted and knitted things, bags, buttons... and the list goes on—everyone is unique, original, and their own. The therapeutic workshops are intended for clients of the Integrated Center for People with Disabilities in Horní Poustevna and Šluknov.

People with mental or combined disabilities might make others insecure and shy. But come and see, watch them at work, and try to talk to them. You will be surprised how vast their world is, how direct their emotions are, and how sincere they can be. You will also quickly find out that it is not an institution you came into,

but a community of people living in apartments; they go shopping, go on trips... Some even live in separate apartments, go to work, and establish relationships just like the rest of the population. With one exception, when a problem arises that they cannot solve on their own, they have somewhere to turn and can even return to the community.

Your visit will cheer the community, but it will give you much more, surely. And you can also buy beautiful things from beautiful people or make a wish and have something made to order.

www.ichp.cz

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Nature, history, and active relaxation

The village of Lipová combines movement, beautiful nature, and rich history. Sports lovers will appreciate the modern multipurpose playing and workout field, ideal for outdoor sports. Cyclists will find many interesting routes around the village.

Lipová is dominated by a 300-year-old half-timbered house with an information center; in summer you will be delighted by refreshing ice cream. The historical atmosphere is complemented by the church of St. Simon and Jude and other sacral monuments.

For relaxation and quiet moments in nature, the **Castle Lake with an educational trail** and the nearby **Sohland Lake** are a great option. Both locations are suitable for families, easy trips, and pleasant walks. After moments spent in nature, enjoy yourselves in local restaurants.

Something is happening in Lipová all year round, and it even organizes about 25 cultural and social events. The largest of them is the traditional **Lipovský dřevák**, a woodworking display. Other popular events include the **Mistři kotlíku** culinary competition, the **haunted trail** on Walpurgis Night, and Lipovské Hogwarts. Local associations that organize balls and other meetings also play a significant role in the cultural life of the municipality. Every year, the Fishing Association attracts visitors to the popular **trout smoking event and a homemade raft race**.

Lipová is a place where peace and tradition naturally intertwine with the active life of the village and the beauty of the local nature.



www.lipova.cz

Lipová Archive



TOLŠTEJN REGION

One of the most breathtaking views in Northern Bohemia can be found from the lookout tower and cottage located on top of Jedlová in the Lusatian Mountains, deep in the woods close to a train station of the same name. The rocks of Bohemian Switzerland seem to be deeply immersed in the lower-lying, wooded ravines, while Bezděz, Klíč, Ralsko, Luž, Růžák, the Jizera Mountains, and the Giant Mountains proudly rise on the southern and eastern horizons.

The Ridge Trail descends to the rocks where the ruins of Tolštejn Castle stand, with a restaurant and a viewpoint. A few kilometers later,

welcome to the hilly village of Jířetín pod Jedlovou, with old half-timbered houses, an impressive Way of Crosses, and a slanting square—a stone's throw away from Šluknov Hook. Alternatively, you can head down to Chřibská, a town full of half-timbered houses, and continue further west to Jetřichovice Rocks.

Jedlová and Tolštejn are surrounded by the rugged, beautiful Lusatian Mountains smoothly changing into the lower Lusatian and Elbe Sandstone areas. A pocket-sized but exceptionally charming mountain range clamped between Elbe and Ještěd.

TIP:

Go on a wolf adventure with the Discover Bohemian Switzerland mobile app and become the Knight of Tolštejn Estate!

The guide Lupínek Wolf will take you on a tour in the footsteps of ancient knights in the Tolštejn region. There are numerous fun tasks to complete and the allure of augmented reality on the approximately 8-km trail that connects the Jedlová train station to Tolštejn Castle and the Jedlová lookout tower. Collect rewards for challenges, and if you complete the trail, you can pick up the real reward at the House of Bohemian Switzerland in Krásná Lípa.



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EXPERIENCE THE LUSATIAN MOUNTAINS

Anyone can find their own style of travel here

Everyone has a different idea of the perfect holiday. Either simple tourist accommodation, the comfort of the apartment, the peace of the forest, or a night experience at the mountain-top. That is when the concept of **Experience your Lusatian Mountains** comes in: listings near Jiřetín pod Jedlovou that anyone can pick from.

It is the Strecker family, now in two generations, that grew up in the Lusatian Mountains and is gradually building a network of accommodation and excursion sites.

At **Tolštejn Castle**, you'll find simple rooms and a restaurant. The castle is fabled with stories of the ghostly White Lady and is popular thanks to brunches on the castle deck.



Jedlová offers accommodation on its peak under the stone lookout tower from 1891. In winter, it is only possible to walk here; many tourists enjoy this challenge and are rewarded with a sauna or blueberry dumplings.

Cottage Tollendorf in the village of Rozhled has apartments in a traditional half-timbered house with a self-service party room and a wine cellar. Lovers of nature and luxury will appreciate two glamping tents on the edge of the forest.

Rustic House in the center of Jiřetín provides two spacious apartments with a garden—private, yet in the town center.

It does not matter where you stay; Tolštejn and Jedlová are among the destinations to visit. Restaurants, views, and local flavors like Cvikov beer, coffee from Bohemian Coffee House, or GALLI DISTILLERY regional spirits are always a stone's throw away.

Soon you will find all our accommodations at www.luzimoments.cz



Come and create your own story in the Lusatian Mountains. We look forward to your visit!
Family Strecker

LUSATIAN MOUNTAINS AND PODJEŠTĚDÍ REGION

The still undiscovered jewel of the North

Lukáš Lorenc



The Lusatian Mountains are known for a high concentration of various rocks in a small area; climb to Klíč, walk through the sandstone town in Sloup v Čechách, or climb to the hill Hvozď/Hochwald and follow the natural, easier relief of Ještěd-Kozákov Ridge.

Glassmaking as living tradition

Geological wealth laid the foundation for one of the most distinctive crafts of the region, glassmaking. You can visit the AJETO glassworks in Lindava, the traditional Jřlek glassworks in Kamenický Šenov, and the Glass Museum in Nový Bor, the oldest of its kind in Central Europe. Historical forest glass comes to life in Svojkov at the Haidl & Son family glassworks, while Novotný Glass in Nový Bor combines metallurgical production with art and dining. In Pačinek Glass in Kunratice u Cvikova, you can wander through the fragile and fantastical botanical garden.

Jiří Čejka



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Half-timbered houses: cultural memory of the landscape

A distinctive feature of the Lusatian Mountains and Podještědí regions is folk architecture—half-timbered houses typical for the Czech-German border region. You can find them in Krompach, Jiřetín pod Jedlovou, but also in villages located under Ještěd, e.g., in Světlá pod Ještědem. These houses are not only aesthetic but also proof of long-term and elaborate settlement. On the last Saturday in May, there will be an **Open Day of Half-Timbered Houses**, when several buildings will be open to the public, offering a glimpse into their interiors and history.



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VIEWS IN NORTHERN BOHEMIA BY BIKE

📷 Jakub Kršňák

Northern Bohemia is one of the cycling paradises of Central Europe. The trails wind through rocky valleys, past castles and rivers, and never fail to offer something extra—unique views that you won't find anywhere else. Just get on your bike and explore the Liberec Region, where sport turns into adventure.

A popular choice is the Ploučnice Bicycle Trail, which takes you from Křižany to the neighboring Děčín in the Ústí Region. On the way, you will pass gorges, quiet meadows, and romantic landmarks, all at your own pace—it is a relaxing route perfect for a multi-day trip. River lovers will appreciate the Jizera Greenway. Along its course, stretching almost 170 km, picturesque valleys, castles, and the rock formations of Bohemian Paradise are scattered.



📷 AZfotky

If you are tempted by long expeditions, the Odra-Nisa Cycle Route, connecting three countries, might be for you. The Czech part will take you from the Jizera Mountains to the Lusatian Mountains and, on the border with Germany and Poland, reveal a landscape with its own unique atmosphere, where tradition meets modern cycling tourism. For a shorter, but no less charming trip, we recommend conquering the Cycle Path of St. Zdislava. It blends history and nature seamlessly and rewards you with tranquil panoramas of the Lusatian Mountains. The Varhany Cycle Trail, built on the former railway line, is also a unique experience. A ride among the basalt rocks, reminiscent of organ pipes, will forever be etched in your memory.

Whether you are looking for a challenge or a relaxing trip with your family, Northern Bohemia will thrill you. Each route is different, but one thing they have in common is views that will win you over.



More information and activities can be found at www.northernbohemia.com



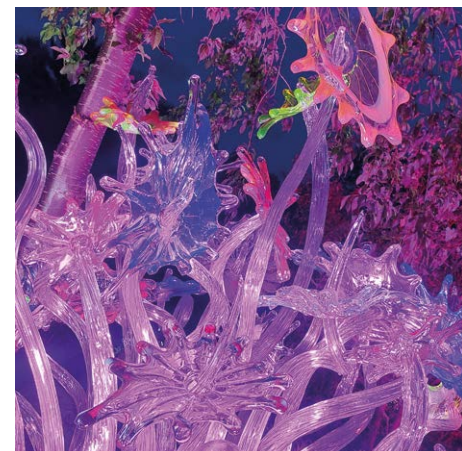
WELCOME TO CRYSTAL VALLEY

We invite you to visit the globally unique glass-making and jewelry region in the Liberec Region, the **Crystal Valley**. It stretches between Kamenický Šenov and Harrachov, and brings together more than 100 artists, companies, museums and schools. Handmade glass production is listed as part of UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage, with a more than 700-year-old tradition.



There are unique experiences waiting for you in the glassworks, workshops, and studios in the nearby Lusatian Mountains, all within easy reach of Bohemian-Saxon Switzerland.

For example, go to Kamenický Šenov to the **Jílek glassworks**, then to the Česká Lípa region. Watch glassmakers work with hot glass at **Florián's glassworks** in Častolovice. During the tour of the **Evpas** family glassworks in Jezvě, you will see glass cutting and painting. Visit the famous **Glass Museum** in Nový Bor or **Novotný Glass glassworks with a restaurant**.



In nearby Lindava, the large AJETO glassworks, which also has its own restaurant, is open to visitors for regularly scheduled tours. Do not miss the attractive crystal kingdom in Kunratice u Cvikova; the local Pačinek Glass Glassworks is famous for a glass flower garden.

Crystal Valley also hosts the **Crystal Valley Week** glass festival annually in the last week of August, lighting up Liberec, which can also be a destination for your sparkling trips.



You can find a long list of all the places, artists, and events you can check out in Crystal Valley at www.crystalvalley.cz.

📷 CRYSTAL VALLEY Archive



GLASSWORKS AND THE GLASSMAKER'S TAVERN AJETO

Where glass comes to life

Do you want to see how luxurious Czech glass comes to be? In Lindava near Nový Bor, the **Ajeto Glassworks** invites you to the fascinating world of glassmaking. The skilled hands of master craftsmen create items such as the Czech theater awards Thálie, trophies for the Tour de France race, and pieces designed by Lasvit, which can be seen in galleries around the world.

Visitors can opt for several experiences—from **individual tours** and **guided tours for larger groups** to the opportunity to **create their own original glass souvenir** under the supervision of seasoned glassmakers. You can even try your hand at blowing glass. That way, you can take home something you'll be proud of.



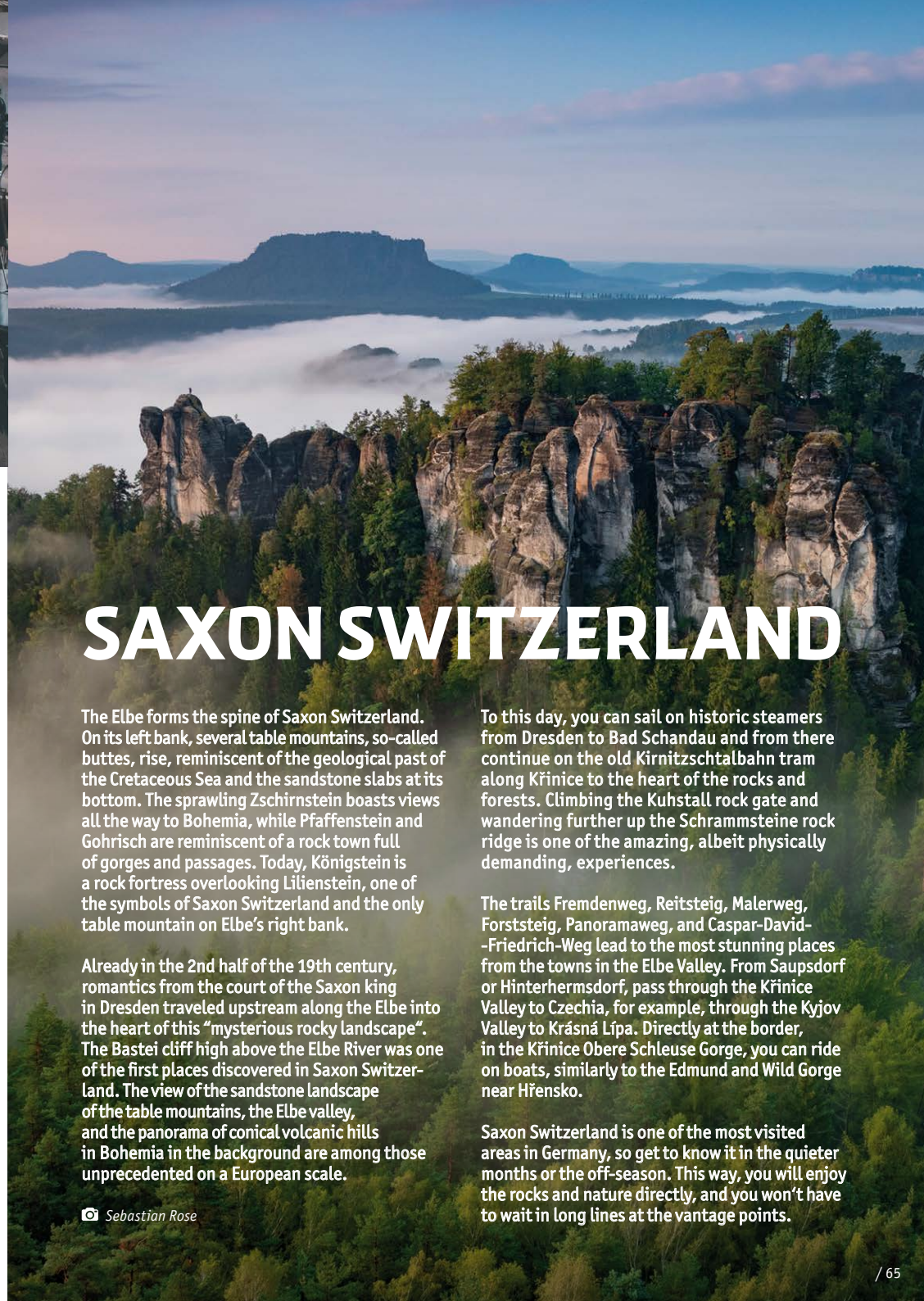
The nearby **Glass Tavern** is a period brick barn hiding a restaurant. This place is so unique, you'll watch a furnace and a glassmaker blowing glass right in front of you. Enjoy quality Czech cuisine, Born beer by Novobor, or a special "Ajeto 8", traditional beer of glassmakers. Why such a number? *"This beer is fated to protect the glassmakers. These guys work in 40-50 degrees Celsius, and this low-calorie drink replenishes their minerals,"* explains the Ajeto director, David Ševčík.

The pub also has a **shop with glassware** to buy, as well as ready-made designer pieces and small souvenirs.

Ajeto Glassworks is an ideal place for everyone who wants to not only observe but also experience for themselves how glass comes to life.

www.ajetoglass.com

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SAXON SWITZERLAND

The Elbe forms the spine of Saxon Switzerland. On its left bank, several table mountains, so-called buttes, rise, reminiscent of the geological past of the Cretaceous Sea and the sandstone slabs at its bottom. The sprawling Zschirnstein boasts views all the way to Bohemia, while Pfaffenstein and Gohrsch are reminiscent of a rock town full of gorges and passages. Today, Königstein is a rock fortress overlooking Lilienstein, one of the symbols of Saxon Switzerland and the only table mountain on Elbe's right bank.

Already in the 2nd half of the 19th century, romantics from the court of the Saxon king in Dresden traveled upstream along the Elbe into the heart of this "mysterious rocky landscape". The Bastei cliff high above the Elbe River was one of the first places discovered in Saxon Switzerland. The view of the sandstone landscape of the table mountains, the Elbe valley, and the panorama of conical volcanic hills in Bohemia in the background are among those unprecedented on a European scale.

📷 Sebastian Rose

To this day, you can sail on historic steamers from Dresden to Bad Schandau and from there continue on the old Kitzschaltalbahn tram along Křínice to the heart of the rocks and forests. Climbing the Kuhstall rock gate and wandering further up the Schrammsteine rock ridge is one of the amazing, albeit physically demanding, experiences.

The trails Fremdenweg, Reitsteig, Malerweg, Forststeig, Panoramaweg, and Caspar-David-Friedrich-Weg lead to the most stunning places from the towns in the Elbe Valley. From Saupsdorf or Hinterhermsdorf, pass through the Křínice Valley to Czechia, for example, through the Kyjov Valley to Krásná Lípa. Directly at the border, in the Křínice Obere Schleuse Gorge, you can ride on boats, similarly to the Edmund and Wild Gorge near Hřensko.

Saxon Switzerland is one of the most visited areas in Germany, so get to know it in the quieter months or the off-season. This way, you will enjoy the rocks and nature directly, and you won't have to wait in long lines at the vantage points.



TRANSFER. PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

Regional transport Saxon Switzerland–
Eastern Ore Mountains s.r.o. (RVSÖE)

Explore Saxon Switzerland with eco-friendly transport. Especially in nice weather, you will not have to search for a parking space, of which there are not many.

Immediately at the Czech border, the Saxon Switzerland–Eastern Ore Mountains district begins downstream of the Elbe River. The national park station in Bad Schandau is Saxon Switzerland's transport hub. All day, EuroCity trains on the Prague–Dresden–Berlin–Hamburg route pass there. The U 28 national park railway runs every two hours, and the S 1 city railway runs every half hour. From here, thanks to a dense network of bus connections and ferries, you can continue to travel completely ecologically. A tram ride through Křinice Valley and a cruise boat promise a special experience. In summer, most attractive bus lines become tourist and cycling bus lines heading to the most beautiful parts of Bohemian–Saxon Switzerland and the national park, and their names already suggest the destination, such as the two following bus lines: Tisá 216/+219/217 and Bielatal 242/245/246. These buses run all weekends and holidays in summer

with a bicycle trailer that can transport up to 16 bicycles/e-bikes to the heights of Bohemian–Saxon Switzerland. They allow you to get on beautiful cycling routes between the Bielatal and Gottliebatal valleys, and it is also worth going to Sněžník for the panoramic views.

The thrilling conclusion of each trip consists of descents to the Elbe Valley to Pirna, Königstein, Bad Schandau, and Děčín. Bus line +219 also offers bicycle transport on selected rides from Monday to Friday.

The bright yellow Kirnitzschtalbahn tram has been carrying passengers since 1898 to the romantic Křinice Valley near Bad Schandau. It screeches through the winding roads from the spa park in Bad Schandau to the Lichtenhain waterfall in Saxon Switzerland. Conductors sell tear-off tickets as they used to and give change from coin dispensers. Nine stops can serve as starting points to trips to grandiose views, such as Carol's Viewpoint, or to romantic ravines, such as Wilde Hölle. On selected days, the daily operation of the line is enriched by museum cars

from 1926, 1928, and 1938. Dates of traditional rides can be found at www.rvsoe.de.

Traveling on the Elbe is serene. From eight docking stations, the ferry will transport you at a VVO (Upper Elbe Transport Association) price tariff: Schönau–Hřensko, Schmilka, Krippen/Postelwitz, Bad Schandau, Königstein, Wehlen, Pirna, and Heidenau. The ferry in Rathen carries passengers at the local fare. A cruise boat offers a special experience on the Elbe River, quietly sailing along towering sandstone rocks, former sandstone quarries, and idyllic Elbe floodplains. Up to four times a day, a cruise ship sails across the border and connects Hřensko, Schmilka, Postelwitz, Krippen, and the Elbe riverbank in Bad Schandau. From these docks, you can enjoy smaller and larger trips to the national park on the right and left banks of the Elbe.

RVSÖE

www.rvsoe.de

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HOTEL ELBRESIDENZ

Royal comfort in the spa town of Bad Schandau

Right on the banks of the Elbe, surrounded by the breathtaking scenery of the Elbe Sandstone Mountains of Saxon Switzerland, stands the impressive **Hotel Elbresidenz an der Therme Bad Schandau**. It provides an ideal base for a visit combining relaxation in nature, first-class dining, and looking after your health.

The hotel provides comfortable rooms and suites with luxurious interiors and attention to detail, as well as its own generous wellness area located in the roof areas. From here, guests can enjoy beautiful views of the Elbe and relax on the sun terrace, in the Finnish or herbal sauna, or in the steam room.



The popular **Toskana Therme** thermal spa is located in the nearby vicinity, where care for the body and senses is perfected. Massages, wraps, and baths, as well as unique sensory experiences await—from sound and aromatic baths to wellness ceremonies. Indulge in royal care for body and soul as part of your accommodation.

The hotel is also an ideal starting point to discover Saxon Switzerland, one of Germany's most visited tourist regions. The Königstein fortress or the iconic Bastei rock bridge can be reached on foot as well as by the historic steamboat, whose dock is located right in front of the hotel. Rent bikes in the neighboring visitor information center and embark on the Elbe Trail along the river. The views that open up along the way are some of the most memorable ones.

The hotel combines comfort, relaxation, and movement in the heart of one of the most beautiful corners of Saxon Switzerland.



www.elbresidenz-bad-schandau.net

📷 Hotel Elbresidenz Archive



BERGHOTEL BASTEI

Imagine opening your eyes and seeing a miracle of nature: deep below you, the Elbe River winds through the valley as the bizarre sandstone rocks bathe in the first golden sunrays. Right here, **on the Bastei rock plateau**, high above the romantic Elbe canyon, the family-run **Mountain Hotel & Panoramic Restaurant Bastei** has its door open.

The magical place has welcomed guests for more than 200 years; today, with modern comforts, personal and cordial hospitality, and dining you won't forget. Enjoy regional and international cuisine in the legendary panoramic restaurant with unforgettable semicircular views of

the Elbe Sandstone Mountains, whether it's a romantic dinner for two, a rich breakfast above the morning fog, or a glass of Saxon wine while the sun sets behind the table mountains.

After a day full of adventure and hiking the Saxon Switzerland National Park (just a few steps from your door, the most beautiful hikes begin!), you are welcomed to relax in our wellness center, including a sauna, massages, and treatments to restore peace of mind and body.

Whether you want to enjoy the silence of the sunrise alone, plan an unforgettable wedding, meet friends, or simply want to escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life—we have the perfect place for you. Only a 30-minute drive from Dresden, yet it feels like another world.

Come to us. Take a deep breath. And let yourself be charmed.



www.berghotel-bastei.de

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LICHTENHAINER WASSERFALL

Where the waterfall murmurs...




The valley of the Křinice River is serene and comforting. If you drive upstream from the mouth in Bad Schandau, it is as if you are moving against the tide of time and watching the history of tourism in Bohemian-Saxon Switzerland run by. If you are not on it, it will surely pass by you—the Old Dame, the yellow tourist tram, has operated since 1898; after 8 km, you will reach an enchanting place where tourist history breathes. **Lichtenhainer Wasserfall.**

The waterfall was modified in 1830 so that the volume of water was larger and, most importantly, controllable. Since then, in summers and twice an hour, a mighty stream of water rushes out of the gorge over mossy rocks, and clusters of tourists are in awe.

Very close to the falling water, a **guesthouse and restaurant in the Swiss style**, a half-timbered building that has been in the family estate for almost 125 years (Lehmann, Fuchs, and König families) has adorned the Křinice Valley since 1853. A deeper tradition would be hard to find. The 10-room guesthouse on the banks of Křinice is a wonderful starting point for hikes, e.g., to the massive Kuhstall rock gate. It's a wonderful place to sleep; perhaps the food is even better. In the hunting-style interiors of the 1920s, you will be charmed by typical Saxon cuisine. Try the local specialty, rainbow trout smoked in a homemade smokehouse, or delicious venison goulash. However, vegetarian and vegan options are also available.

www.lichtenhainer-wasserfall.de

 Lichtenhainer Wasserfall Archive



KÖNIGSTEIN FORTRESS

Panoramic living history

In the 13th century, a medieval castle towered over the Elbe River on a prominent table mountain in the Kingdom of Bohemia. Since 1459, Königstein has belonged to Saxony and has become one of the **most impressive fortresses in Europe**. This engineering masterpiece was created in the middle of the 16th century, with a well 152.5 meters deep, excavated with immense effort into the rock. It provided enough water to survive on the mountain.

Visitors today can arrive at the expansive summit comfortably by a lift or on foot through a dark passage that used to be protected by defensive elements such as a trebuchet and bretèche. Discover more than 50 historical buildings, a romantic forest, and 13 diverse exhibits all on 9.5 hectares. During summer, you can see the original 1911 water pumping technology in the well building, and at Georgenburg Castle, virtual reality brings the long-forgotten

Renaissance castle back to life. Behind prison bars, you will feel the atmosphere of the “Saxon Bastille”, once the most feared prison in the country.

The tour includes an audio guide completing the multimedia installations in the exhibition areas and underground casemates. Stop by restaurants and beer gardens to unwind. The panoramic 1.7-km trail looping the walls boasts wonderful views of Bohemian-Saxon Switzerland and Elbe Valley—all the way to Dresden.

 Thomas Eichberg / Major Tom Aerial Photographs


**FESTUNG
KÖNIGSTEIN**





THE ORE MOUNTAINS EAST RIDGE TRAIL

© Martin Špoula

The longest part of the Ridge Trail goes through the Ústí nad Labem Region, more than all other regions it crosses. The Ridge Trail has two parts in the region: Bohemian Switzerland and Ore Mountains, and a significant part of it follows the European long-distance route E3. On the Saxon side of the Ore Mountains, there's a parallel Kammweg route with several connections to Czechia.

The **Ore Mountains part** enters the territory of the Ústí nad Labem Region at the Traverz shelter just 1 km below Klínovec, and at the other end in Petrovice, the Ore Mountains part of the Ridge Trail ends. Both border points are marked with a symbolic wooden comb. The Ore Mountains section of Ridge Trail has 7 stages, and the entire section is 143 km long. All stage stops are fitted with information panels showing the trail profile, points of interest along the route with images and descriptions in Czech, German, and English.

1. Boží Dar – Klínovec – Měděnec
21 km

2. Měděnec – Hora Sv. Šebestiána
19 km

3. Hora Sv. Šebestiána – Lesná
20 km

4. Lesná – Český Jiřetín
29 km

5. Český Jiřetín – Nové Město
17 km

6. Nové Město – Komáří hůrka
17 km

7. Komáří hůrka – Petrovice
20 km

The whole Ridge Trail has so much to show tourists. First and foremost, it is the nature of Ore Mountains with its typical forests, highland plains, and several natural sights related to the protection of the Ore Mountains' peat bogs. Mountain streams and lakes with a typical peat color are unique. Tourists unfamiliar with the Ore Mountains find this unusual, and together with the breathtaking views, they are thrilled by the nature.

Along the route, there are sacral monuments, chapels, and churches. Worth a mention is the all-wooden church of St. John the Baptist from the flooded village of Fláje, which was transported to Český Jiřetín in 1969. There are also UNESCO World Heritage Sites in the Ore Mountains/Erzgebirge mining region, such as the tunnels at Mědník and traces of ore mining in the Ore Mountains landscape.



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The technical highlights of the trail include the longest chairlift without a middle station in Czechia to Komáří hůrka, but the greatest technical feat on the route is the Flájská Dam, a unique structure in a mountainous environment at an altitude of 730 m above sea level. We must not forget the abandoned villages of the Ore Mountains, where miners and farmers used to live in the past. We encounter several of them along the Ridge Trail: Přední Cínovec, Vilejšov, Větrov, Habartice, and even Fláje, which ceased to exist due to construction of the dam.

Therefore, the route of the Ore Mountains Ridge Trail has great tourist potential. Passing tourists will also come across numerous tourist shelters, rest areas, and well-maintained springs, all contributed to by the state-owned company Lesy České republiky, which does not overlook tourists in its forests.

www.krusnehory.cz/cs/hrebnovka-krusne-hory.html



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LANDSCAPE OF HALF-TIMBERED HOUSES

Landscape where houses tell stories

Traditional Upper Lusatian half-timbered houses are one of the most significant symbols of our region. A combination of folk architecture, craftsmanship, and a sense of the landscape in which they have been created for centuries. These give the Lusatian Mountains, Bohemian Switzerland, and neighboring Saxony their unmistakable character.

The **Interreg Czechia-Saxony: Enabling Tourism in the Land of Half-Timbered houses** project opens the houses and their stories to anyone itching to experience the region unconventionally—slowly, deeply, and respectfully. Each side of the border unites house owners, towns, experts, and local enthusiasts and finds new ways to experience the unique architecture for yourself.

Guided tours, thematic walks, meetings with residents of half-timbered houses, and ideas of traditional construction's place in today's world are waiting for you. At the same time, the project helps to protect what is typical of the region and to pass on knowledge to future generations. Become part of the region's story of half-timbered houses.



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Visit Open Day of half-timbered houses May 30, 2026, and May 29, 2027, and peek into where history meets today.



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