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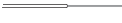









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INTRODUCTION

Dear cyclists,

The brochure you are holding in your hands intends to introduce you to the Vysočina region in the same way as you can experience it from a bike seat. To guide you through this region of charming corners, tree-lined alleys, hills with a wide range of lookout towers and towns with rich history.

The Vysočina region lies in the very heart of Europe. Its unique location offers excellent road and rail connections between the two largest cities in the Czech Republic. However, it is not only from there that you can get to the Vysočina region.

Whether you are passionate or occasional cyclist, one of the ways to reach us is the long-distance route EuroVelo 13, which stretches along the former Iron Curtain that divided Europe for almost forty years.

In the border villages of Slavonice and Hluboká, two regional routes connect to this cycle route – tracks leading to the Vysočina region marked with the two-digit numbers 16 and 26. They lead to the town of Jihlava and connect the regional metropolis with the Austrian Waldviertel region. These two backbone routes and Eurovelo 13 can be used to create a circuit of more than 200 kilometres. Both routes run along quiet roads as much as possible and offer views of the surrounding countryside.

The two connected regional routes give you the chance to discover the Vysočina region even more. We have laid out these cycling tours into five districts for you. We hope that you enjoy our region and extend your trip to Vysočina for a whole weekend or week. For this purpose, you may use our tips for whole-day trips.

For all trips, there is a list of road or rail connection options to the given locality so that you can get back to the long-distance EuroVelo 13 route and continue your wandering around Europe along the Iron Curtain.

Whether you plan to travel further south to the Black Sea or in the opposite direction to the Russian-Norwegian border and the Barents Sea, be certain that it is worth stopping here and discovering this region of pure nature in the heart of Europe.

The Vysočina region is looking forward to seeing you.



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Through three monasteries, 1st day: Geras – Jemnice

Your three-day trip will start in the northernmost Austrian monastery in **Geras**, founded in 1153. The monastery is the seat of the Premonstratensian order. The local herb garden, based on original plans, harbours over 100 medicinal plants, spices, fruit and ornamental trees.

From Geras take the cycle route Kloster Radweg via Wolfsbach to Drosendorf, the lowest point of your route, where the EuroVelo 13 route connects in Altstadt. Before you turn right, head to the town centre. **Drosendorf** is completely preserved by town walls. The town is surrounded by a variety of natural corners and picturesque spots along the Dyje river. From the centre of Drosendorf, go through the Horner Tor gate back to Altstadt and EuroVelo 13, take a steep climb over Oberthürnau, over the border crossing, Vratětín, where you turn right to **Uherčice**. Here you can visit a castle from the mid-16th century, which was created by reconstructing a late Gothic fortress.

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Tourist attractions and further information:

- monastery Geras: www.stiftgeras.at
- town Drosendorf: www.drosendorf.at
- tourist portal of Waldviertel region: www.waldviertel.at
- state castle Uherčice: www.zamek-uhercice.cz
- tourist information centre Jemnice: www.tic.jemnice.cz

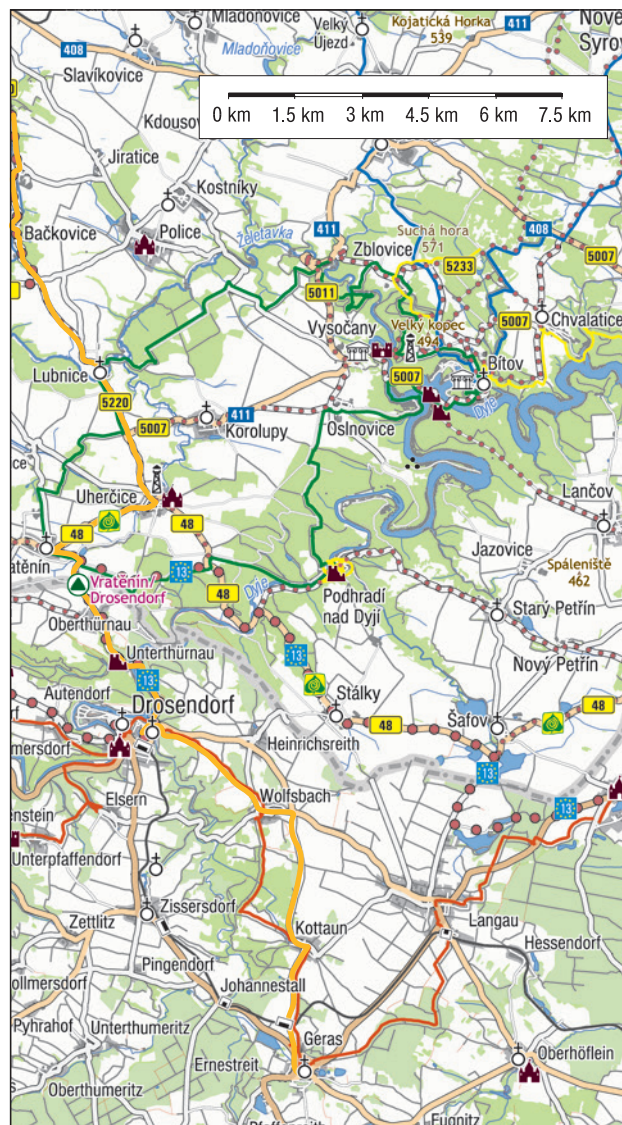
1 – Monastery in Geras; 2 – City walls in Drosendorf

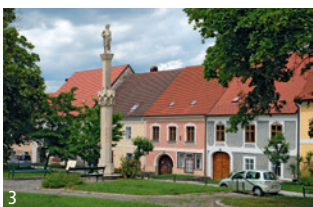
Starting point: Geras • **Final destination:** Jemnice
Length of the route: 32.6 km

Distances:

Geras (0 km) – Kottaun (3.3 km) – Wolfsbach (7.3 km) – Drosendorf (13.1 km) – Vratětín (16.4 km) – Uherčice (19 km) – Lubnice (21.6 km) – Bačkovice (25.2 km) – Radotice (27.1 km) – Jemnice (32.6 km)

Access from EV13: EuroVelo 13 runs between Austrian village Drosendorf and Bohemian Uherčice.





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3 – Drosendorf; 4 – Castle in Jemnice; 5 – Castle in Uherčice;
6 – Historic festival Barchan in Jemnice; 7 – Jewish cemetery in Jemnice;
8 – Jemnice aerial photography; 9 – Jemnice

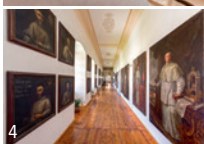
Turn left and continue onto cycle track 5220 leading through Lubnice, Bačkovice and Radotice to **Jemnice**. This royal town owes its prosperity to gold and silver mining. Every year, a medieval festival called Barchan takes place in Jemnice. According to legend, young Elizabeth of Bohemia was entrusted to Jemnice when her consort, John of Bohemia, fought against robber knights in Moravia. In Jemnice you finish the first part of your journey.



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Through three monasteries, 2nd day: Jemnice – Telč

Go from Svoboda square in **Jemnice** down to Na Podolí Street towards the river. Along cycle path 26, go along Černomlýnská Street north out of town. After 3.5 km turn right and go through a forest to Horní pond, where you turn left into the town of Lomy and leave cycle path 26. Follow the green tourist signs. After less than 3 km, the green signs will lead you downhill to Radkovic u Budče, where you turn left onto cycle track 5124. Go up for less than 7 km above the village Bohusoudov and turn right at the crossroads onto cycle track 5220. Along this cycle track you come to the Magdalena crossroads. At this place you can see a former chapel, which was deconsecrated in 1786 and serves as a gamekeeper's lodge. Continue on cycle track 5220, and after 2 km you will reach **Nová Říše**.

The monastery there, like the monastery in Geras, belongs to the Premonstratensian order. In addition to the unique Baroque decorations of the church, you have the chance to see one of the largest monastic libraries in Moravia. From the monastery you return to the square, where you join the 5125 cycle track leading to Telč. At the beginning of the town, you will pass **Oslednice hill** on the right side, where you can climb to the lookout tower. Through the Upper Gate you will come to Zachariášův z Hradce square.

The picturesque square in **Telč**, together with its Renaissance chateau, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You should also not forget to visit Panský dvůr, the University Centre of Masaryk University, the newly reconstructed Telč underground and the interactive exhibition in the tower of the Church of St. Spirit.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Jemnice: www.tic.jemnice.cz
- monastery of Virgin Mary and church of St. Peter and Paul: www.klasternovarise.cz
- tourist information centre Telč: www.telc.eu
- tourist information centre Panský dvůr Telč: www.panskydvurtelc.cz
- University Centre of Masaryk University Telč: www.uct.muni.cz

1 – Square in Telč; 2 – Monastery in Nová Říše; 3 – Monastery Library in Nová Říše; 4 – Monastery in Nová Říše; 5 – Outlook tower Oslednice near Telč; 6 – View of Telč from Oslednice; 7 – Church of St. Jacob the Greater in Telč

Starting point: Jemnice • **Final destination:** Telč
Length of the route: 32.3 km

Distances:

Jemnice (0 km) – Lomy (7.7 km) – Radkovic u Budče (10.7 km) – Kninice (12.9 km) – Bohusoudov (17.1 km) – Magdalena (19.9 km) – Nová Říše (22.2 km) – Oslednice (31.2 km) – Telč (32.3 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car:
- II/410 Dešná – Jemnice
 - II/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč
 - II/406 Slavonice – Dačice, II/407 Dačice – Nová Říše
- by train: • line 227 Slavonice – Telč





1 – Courtyard of the castle Roštejn

Starting point: Telč • **Final destination:** Želiv
Length of the route: 59.3 km

Through three monasteries, 3rd day: Telč – Želiv

From the square of Zachariáš z Hradce go through the Lower Gate along the Štěpnický pond dam. Follow cycle track 16, cross the crossroads to Jihlavská Street, after 0.5 km you will arrive at a crossroads, where you turn left. Go up slightly and through the villages of Vanůvek and Doupě you will get to the **Roštejn** hunting lodge. The castle offers a new interactive route that deals with the landscape around the castle, hunting and gamekeeping. From the septagonal castle tower you will see even the Alps if the sky is clear.

From Roštejn going slightly down continue to Růžená, where you leave cycle track 16 and turn left onto the Greenway ŘV cycle track (of craft and confession in Czech) through Lovětín to **Batelov**, where you can see an old castle (fortress from the 15th century), a new chateau, the Baroque church of Peter and Paul, a Jewish

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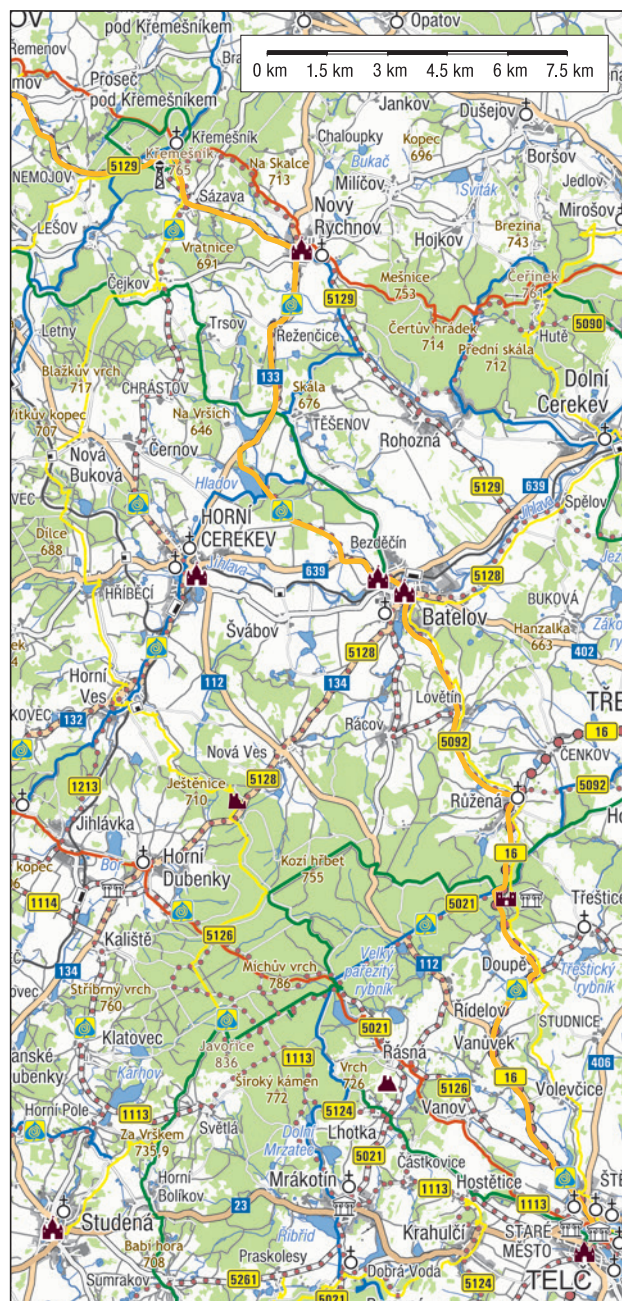
Telč (0 km) – Vanůvek (5.2 km) – Doupě (7.1 km) – hrad Roštejn (9.5 km) – Růžená (11.8 km) – Batelov (17.7 km) – Nový Rychnov (28.8 km) – Křemešník (33.2 km) – crossroads Korce (34.6 km) – Putimov (39 km) – Pelhřimov (43.2 km) – Kojčice (50.6 km) – Svěpravice (53.9 km) – crossroads Popelištná (55.6 km) – Želiv (59.3 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car:
- II/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč
 - II/409 Slavonice – Český Rudolec – Studená – Počátky, II/132 Počátky – Horní Cerekev, II/112 Horní Cerekev – Pelhřimov – Červená Řečice
- by train:
- line 227 Slavonice – Telč
 - line 227 Slavonice – Kostelec do Jihlavy, line 225 Kostelec u Jihlavy – Horní Cerekev, line 224 Horní Cerekev – Pelhřimov

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Telč: www.telc.eu
- tourist information centre Panský dvůr Telč: www.panskydvurtelc.cz
- castle Roštejn: www.hrad-rostejn.cz
- town Batelov: www.batelov.eu
- Vysočina Museum Pelhřimov: www.muzeumpe.cz
- tourist portal of town Pelhřimov: www.pelhrimovsko.cz
- Dobry den agency: www.dobryden.cz
- monastery in Želiv: www.zeliv.eu





2 – Courtyard of the castle Roštejn; 3 – Pilgrimage Church of the Holy Trinity on Křemešník; 4 – Pelhřimov; 5 – Outlook tower Pipalka on Křemešník; 6 – Church of the Nativity of Virgin Mary; 7 a 8 – Premonstratensian Monastery in Želiv

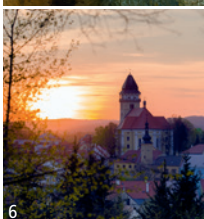
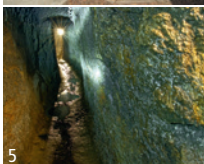
synagogue and a cemetery. Using the same cycle track leave Batelov in the direction to Bezdčejín and Nový Rychnov, from where you will reach **Křemešník** via a long ascent. The Pipalka lookout tower offers a beautiful view of the surroundings. Besides the lookout tower, you can also visit a pilgrimage church or Větrný zámek (Wind Castle).

From Křemešník, follow the yellow and blue tourist signs a kilometre down to the Korce crossroads, where you will reach cycle track 5129, and for the following less than 10 km go down to **Pelhřimov**. In the town of records and curiosities, you can visit the museum of the same name or walk down a trail introducing individual architectural styles.

From Masaryk square go through Palackého Street towards the river to cycle track 1223 to Kojčice. After 6.5 km, in the square in Kojčice turn left onto cycle track 1224 via Svěpravice.

Before the village of Popelištná turn right onto road III/12927. After 3.5 km you will get to **Želiv** through the town of Brtná. Želiv is the top point of your three-day route. Besides visiting the Premonstratensian monastery, it is possible to taste local beer or find accommodation. The rebuilding of the Church of the Nativity of Virgin Mary is linked to the legendary architect Jan Blažej Santini.





Great route through Vysočina region, 1st day: Dešná – Telč

The beginning of your route is directly on the long-distance EuroVelo track in the border village of **Dešná**, from where you will go through Županovice to **Písečné**, where you can visit the local chateau.

In Písečné, the EuroVelo 13 route heads to the left. Go straight on along cycle track 48 towards Slavětín and **Slavonice**. At this part of the track you will go up for about 7 km. Only about 2 km before Slavonice, you will get a nice view of the region. The town of Slavonice, situated in the Moravian part of the South Bohemian region, features a unique collection of Gothic-Renaissance monuments. In addition to the two squares you can admire a view of the town from the tower of the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary. More courageous ones can visit the local underground corridors, original cellars called "lochy", connected in the 15th century. Leave the historical centre through Horní Square and the Jemnická Gate. For the rest of the day's trip, follow cycle track No. 16. At the intersection turn left into Svatopluka Čecha Street. After approximately 100 meters, turn right and continue to Staré Hobzí.

In the square turn left and through Vnorovice and Hradištko you will go slowly down to **Dačice**. At the Church of St. Vavřinec turn right. In front of the church you can see a monument to the world's first manufactured sugar cube, which was produced here and patented in 1843. In the town you can visit the castle or the town's museum and gallery. Continue to **Kostelní Vydří**. On the hill there is a Carmelite monastery, from which there is a nice view of the surrounding countryside. On the other side of the road an alley begins that leads to a tomb of the Dalberg family, the last owners of the Dačice estate.

Approximately 3 km past Kostelní Vydří, you will reach a forest where you turn left at the crossroads to Zadní Vydří, the first village in the Vysočina region. You will still follow cycle track 16, continue through Kostelní Myslová to Telč, where the first part of your route ends.

- 1 – Kostelní Vydří – areal of the monastery; 2 – Town Dešná (aerial view);
3 – Castle Písečné; 4 – Townsmen houses in Slavonice; 5 – Slavonice underground; 6 – Town Dačice; 7 – Memorial of a sugar cube in Dačice;
8 – Castle Dačice

Starting point: Dešná • **Final destination:** Telč
Length of the route: 47.5 km

Distances:

Dešná (0 km) – Písečné (6.6 km) – Slavonice (16.4 km) – Staré Hobzí (24.8 km) – Vnorovice (27.7 km) – Hradištko (31 km) – Dačice (33.4 km) – Kostelní Vydří (37.6 km) – Zadní Vydří (41 km) – Kostelní Myslová (43 km) – Telč (47.5 km)

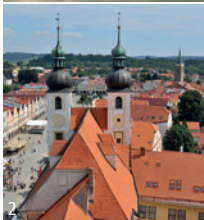
Access from EV13:

EuroVelo 13 runs between towns Dešná and Písečné.



Tourist attractions and further information:

- Museum of Iron Curtain: www.desna.cz
- castle Písečné: www.pisecne.cz
- tourist and information centre Slavonice: www.i.slavonice-mesto.cz
- tourist and information centre Dačice: <https://turistika.dacice.cz/>
- carmelite monastery Kostelní Vydří: www.karmel.cz/klaster
- tourist information centre Telč: www.telc.eu
- tourist information centre Panský dvůr Telč: www.panskydvurtelc.cz



Great route through Vysočina region, 2nd day: Telč – Jihlava

Telč was listed as the first UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1992. You can admire there the Renaissance and Baroque gables of the houses and the unique Renaissance castle right at the end of the square. Thanks to the fact that Telč is surrounded by a set of ponds, it is called Moravian Venice. The town is also a frequent destination for filmmakers. On this day you will follow cycle track 16 throughout the whole journey. Leave the Telč square through Dolní (Lower) Gate, go across the dam of Štěpánický pond and at the end of the street go straight at the crossroads. After 500 meters, the road splits in two, towards Pelhřimov and Jihlava. Take the left turn, go up through the villages of Vanůvek and Doupě and come to Roštejn castle. Past the castle there is a descent through Růžena and **Čenkov** to Třešť. At Čenkov you can have a swim in a flooded quarry. Town of **Třešť** is famous for its Bethlehem path and nativity scene tradition. You can also visit the local synagogue or a Jewish cemetery, a museum of radio technology, admire the sun clocks that show the summer and winter time, and a wooden statue of native Otto Šimánek who is the actor representing the character Pan Tau located on the square. From Třešť continue along road II/406 to Salavice. There is a steep climb to the crossroads at Popice. From Popice continue along cycle track 16 via Pístov to the beginning of Jihlava. At the beginning of **Jihlava**, at the garages, turn right and through the valley of the Koželužský creek you will arrive at the crossing of cycle path 26. Turn left and go through Brněnská Street past the town police headquarters and Children and Youth Centre and arrive at Masaryk square, where you will finish your trip.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Telč: www.telc.eu
- tourist information centre Panský dvůr Telč: www.panskdyvurtelc.cz
- castle Roštejn: www.hrad-rostejn.cz
- tourist information centre Třešť: www.trest.cz
- tourist information centre Jihlava: www.visitjihlava.eu
- ZOO Jihlava: www.zoojihlava.cz

1 – Telč; 2 – Church of St. Jacob the Greater in Telč; 3 – Quarry Čenkov; 4 – Traditional nativity scene in Třešť; 5 – Jihlava, Gustav Mahler park

Starting point: Telč • **Final destination:** Jihlava
Length of the route: 33.5 km

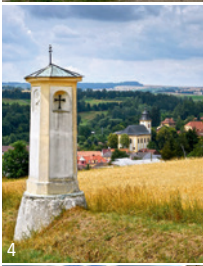
Distances:

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Access from EV13:

- by car: • II/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč
• I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Jihlava
- by train: • line 227 Slavonice – Telč – Třešť – Kostelec u Jihlavy,
line 225 Kostelec u Jihlavy – Jihlava
• line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Jihlava





Great route through Vysočina region, 3rd day: Jihlava – Třebíč

This regional capital **Jihlava** has a famous mining past. In the 13th century, silver was discovered here. The initial market village at the ford over the Jihlava river grew into the first royal mining town in the Czech lands. In addition to visiting the mining trail at the northern outskirts of the town, you can also learn more about silver mining at the Vysočina Museum in Jihlava. The town centre is surrounded by walls with the Matky Boží Gate (Gate of the Mother of Jesus). From the tower of St James' Church you can see the historic centre. What is worth visiting is also the ZOO, where you can see more than 200 species of exotic animals.

From Masaryk square go through Brněnská Street to the crossing of tracks 16, 26 and 162. On this day you will follow cycle path 26 Jihlava – Třebíč – Raabs. Go uphill through a park around the ZOO and ride through the summer amphitheatre to the sports facilities. You cross the Jihlava river and, going slightly up past the sports hall, you will come to Okružní Street, go along the cycle track up to the roundabout near the cemetery and take the third turn. You will come to the valley of the river Jihlava. Continue through Malý Beranov the valley of the Jihlava river to **Luka nad Jihlavou**, Bitovčice and further to Přímělkov. Before the bridge, turn right, cross the railway and go up the steep hill. Approximately in the middle of the village turn left and then descend to the ruins of Rokštejn castle. Then a climb to Panská Lhota follows and from there you will descend again to Dolní Smrčné. Under the railway crossing turn left and continue to Bransouze, Červená Lhota and back to the valley of the river Jihlava. You then go through Přibyslavice, Petrovice and reach Sokolí. From Sokolí there is the last steep ascent and then you will have **Třebíč** in sight in front of you. There is a steep descent into the local part of Třebíč, Poušov. From there you continue along the river to Charles' square, where you finish that day's trip.

1 – Třebíč, Basilic of St.Prokop; 2 – Gate of Holy Mother, Jihlava; 3 – Gustav Mahler park Jihlava; 4 – Luka nad Jihlavou; 5 – Jewish quarter Třebíč

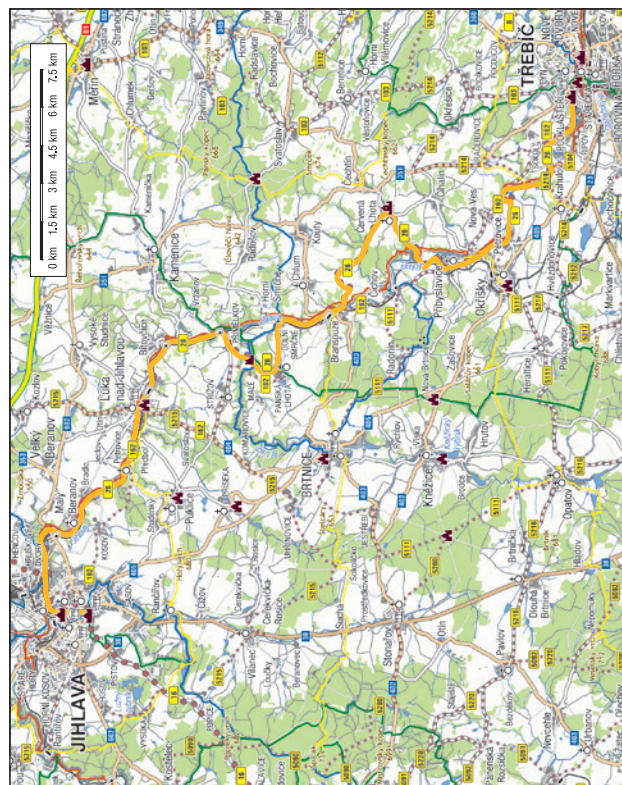
Starting point: Jihlava • **Final destination:** Třebíč
Length of the route: 47.7 km

Distances:

Jihlava (0 km) – Helenín (4 km) – Malý Beranov (6 km) – Luka nad Jihlavou (12 km) – Bitovčice (16 km) – Přímělkov (18.3 km) – castle ruins Rokštejn (20.5 km) – Panská Lhota (21.8 km) – Dolní Smrčné (23.8 km) – Bransouze (26.1 km) – Červená Lhota (32 km) – Přibyslavice (37 km) – Petrovice (40 km) – Sokolí (44.3 km) – Třebíč (47.7 km)

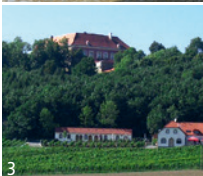
Access from EV13:

- by car: • II/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč – Jihlava
• I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Jihlava
- by train: • line 227 Slavonice – Telč – Třešť – Kostelec u Jihlavy, line 225 Kostelec u Jihlavy – Jihlava
• line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Jihlava



Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Jihlava: www.visitjihlava.eu
- Vysočina Museum Jihlava <https://muzeum.ji.cz/>
- The House of Gustav Mahler www.mahler.cz
- regional gallery of Vysočina: www.ogv.cz
- ZOO Jihlava: www.zoojihlava.cz
- town Luka nad Jihlavou: www.lukanadjihlavou.cz
- tourist portal of town Třebíč: www.visittrebic.eu
- Castle and Vysočina Museum Třebíč: www.muzeumtr.cz



Great route through Vysočina region, 4th day: Třebíč – Moravské Budějovice

Třebíč is the youngest town with UNESCO World Heritage Sites in the Vysočina region. The Basilica of St. Prokop and the unique Jewish quarter with a Jewish cemetery, and Třebíč castle are on the UNESCO list. In addition to Jewish sights, you can visit exhibitions at the castle, the eco-technical centre Alternátor, Masaryk lookout or the U Kostelíčku observation tower, which is a former water tower. At St. Martin's Church you can climb to the tower where one of the largest clocks in Europe is located.

Even on this day you will be cycling on cycle path 26. Leave Třebíč through the Libušino valley and slowly go up to the gardening allotments. You will arrive in Slavice and continue to the crossroads below Pekelný hill. Take the turn to the nearby **lookout tower**, from which you will have a nice view of Třebíč and its surroundings. After approximately a kilometre turn right and continue along cycle path 26 to Mastník. Then go through Kojetice, from where you can see **Sádek** castle. On its southern slope are the only vineyards in the Vysočina region. Then continue to Šebkovice, where you turn left and slowly descend to **Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou**. In Jaroměřice you can find a large Baroque chateau with the church of St. Markéta, a chateau park, the church with chapel of St. Catherine or the museum of Otakar Březina.

Go past the chateau park to the carpark, from where you turn left into Stromořadí Street and go to Blatnice. In the town turn right and left at the chapel, continue to Lažínky and past the airport and cemetery you will come to **Moravské Budějovice**.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist portal of town Třebíč: www.visittrebic.eu
- Castle and Vysočina Museum Třebíč: www.muzeumtr.cz
- Alternátor: <https://alternator.cz>
- tourist information centre Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou: www.jaromericentr.cz
- state castle Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou: www.zamek-jaromeric.cz
- tourist information centre Moravské Budějovice: www.infomb.cz

1 – Outlook tower Na Pekelném kopci near Třebíč; 2 – Castle Třebíč; 3 – Castle Sádek; 4 – 3. Schloss Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou; 5 – Castle in Moravské Budějovice

Starting point: Třebíč • **Final destination:** Moravské Budějovice
Length of the route: 38.8 km

Distances:

Třebíč (0 km) – Libušino údolí (2 km) – Slavice (7 km) – crossroads Pod Pekelným vrchem (9 km) – Mastník (11 km) – Kojetice (14 km) – Šebkovice (20 km) – Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou (27.7 km) – Blatnice (31.7 km) – Moravské Budějovice (38.8 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car: • II/411 Uherčice – Moravské Budějovice, II/152 Moravské Budějovice – Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou, II/360 Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou – Třebíč
• I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Želetava – Kasárna, I/23 Kasárna – Předín – Třebíč
- by train: • line 248 Retz – Znojmo, 241 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Třebíč





Great route through Vysočina region, 5th day: Moravské Budějovice – Dešná

From náměstí Míru square in **Moravské Budějovice**, follow the blue tourist signs towards the chateau and Church of St. Jiljí. After a kilometre, the blue signs will lead you to Husova Street, where you join cycle path 26. Cross the railway and at the nearby roundabout take the second exit along Husova Street. Go under the second railway crossing and continue past the Jewish cemetery straight on for another 2.5 kilometres. Then turn left and go to the U Kosové crossroads and past the Nový Hrachovec pond. You keep on following cycle path 26. Through forests you continue and go up for 4.5 km to Budkov. From there you will go further on to the beginning of the town of Lomy and going steeply down, you will approach Jemnice on road II/410. On the left, you will pass a **tomb of the Pallavicini family** and get to **Jemnice**. In the town you can find many architectural gems representing all architectural styles. Queen Elizabeth of Bohemia allegedly stayed at the local castle. An annual town festival called Barchan is connected to her stay. It has been held in Jemnice since the mid-14th century.

From the square in Jemnice, head down to the Želetavka river to cycle path 26 that leads through Údolní Street. Through Radotice you arrive in Bačkovice, where you can expect a steep ascent. At the crossing past Bačkovice turn right and continue going steeply downhill, and afterwards go up to Dešná. EuroVelo 13 connects to the track in **Dešná** and that is also where you will finish your five-day route around the Vysočina region.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Moravské Budějovice: www.infomb.cz
- tourist information centre Jemnice: www.tic.jemnice.cz
- Museum of Iron Curtain: www.desna.cz

1 – Tomb of the Pallavicini family; 2 – Church of St. Jiljí, Moravské Budějovice; 3 – Church of St. Stanislav in Jemnice; 4 – Historic festival Barchan in Jemnice; 5 – Dešná (aerial view)

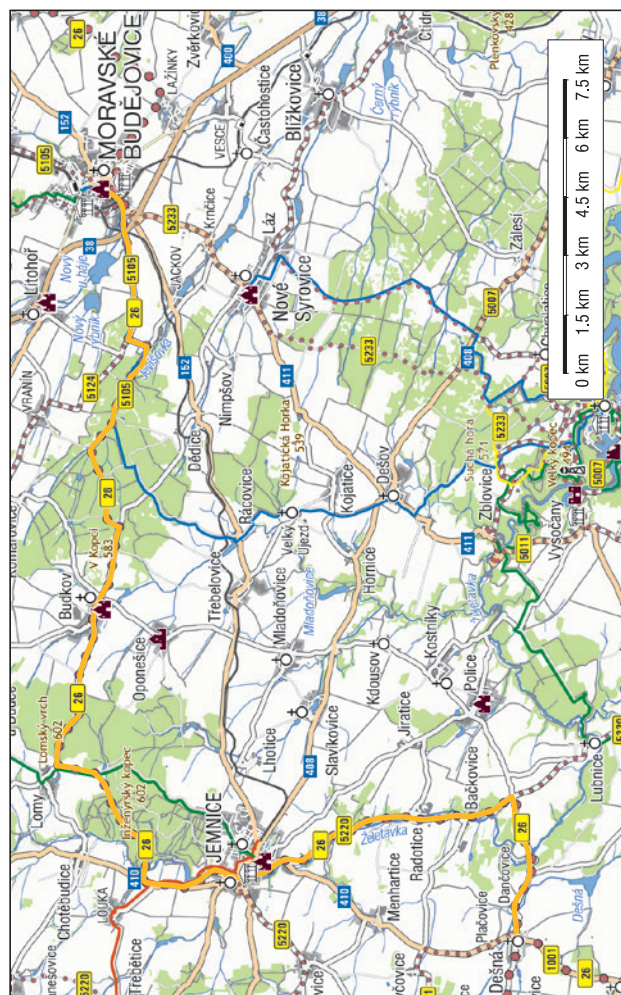
Starting point: Moravské Budějovice • **Final destination:** Dešná
Length of the route: 37.3 km

Distances:

Moravské Budějovice (0 km) – crossroads U Kosové (5 km) – Budkov (13.2 km) – Lomy (17.6 km) – Jemnice (24.9 km) – Radotice (30 km) – Bačkovice (31.8 km) – Dešná (37.3 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car: • II/410 Dešná – Jemnice, II/152 Jemnice – Moravské Budějovice, • I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice
- by train: • line 248 Retz – Znojmo, line 241 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice, • line 243 Moravské Budějovice – Jemnice





▲ Stvořidla rapids on the Sázava river

HAVLÍČKŮV BROD REGION

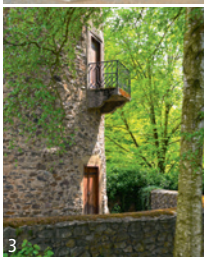
The Havlíčkův Brod region includes Železné Hory in the north, where you can find not only wooded hills but also rocky and romantic valleys that witnessed the rattling of Hussite weapons.

The highest point of the Havlíčkův Brod region is Melechov near Trpišovice, 709 meters above sea level. The Sázava river, which is 75 km long, flows through the landscape. It is popular with paddlers. The most visited places are the Stvořidla nature reserve on the Sázava river with the famous Foglar Sluneční zátoka (Sun Bay) and the Doubrava river valley near Chotěboř. Among the important sights is the castle in Lipnice nad Sázavou, which is associated with the writer Jaroslav Hašek – the father of the Good Soldier Švejk – and very popular with filmmakers. As well as Lipnice, film crews also like the castle in Leděč nad Sázavou, where the fairy tales *Anděl páně 2*, *Čertí brko* and the famous film *Les Misérables* with Gerard Depardieu were made. What is worth visiting is definitely the castle in Světlá nad Sázavou with a unique exhibition of historical European glass from the Baroque era to the end of the 19th century.

The town of Havlíčkův Brod is closely linked to the significant journalist and writer Karel Havlíček Borovský. He lived here in the so-called Havlíčkův dům (Havlíček's House). In the centre of the town you can admire the Baroque and Classicist gables of houses, the two historic town halls and, in addition to the museum, visit the Art Gallery (of graphics and illustrations of the 20th century), Štáfl's bastion (an exhibition devoted to the painter Otakar Štáfl), the monastery church of St. Family or climb to the observation tower of the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary.

▼ Doubrava river





From Havlíčkův Brod to Žižka's monument

Havlíčkův, formerly Německý or Smilův **Brod**, was originally founded as a market village on the river Sázava. As in Jihlava, silver was mined here. Visitors may be attracted by its picturesque square with Baroque houses and the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary located at the top of the square. You can also visit the Vysočina Museum in Havlíčkův Brod, which is located in Havlíčkův dům (Havlíček's House) on the square or Štafl's bastion.

From Havlíček square head to the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary and the Budoucnost (Future) park, from where you take cycle track 4157 and go to the banks of the river Sázava. At the bank at the culture house turn left, cycle track 19 connects here which will lead you out of the town through Herlífy, Bartoušov, Dlouhá Ves and Hesov to **Přibyslav**. At the intersection with Tyršova Street turn right and enter the square. In the local castle you can see a firemen's museum, or a Gothic tower from 1497, which is also a symbol of the town. In the chateau park you can find a cavalry statue of Jan Žižka, who died in 1424 near Přibyslav.

Originally, this poor hetman of a South Bohemian stronghold became a commander, and even when he was blind he threatened his adversaries.

From the square head back down to Tyršova Street, but go straight along cycle track 4122 out of town. Above Přibyslav, a steep ascent awaits you, the highest point of that day's route. As legends say, the Hussite commander died just near Přibyslav.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- Vysočina Museum Havlíčkův Brod: www.muzeumhb.cz
- city information centre Havlíčkův Brod: <https://mic.muhb.cz/>
- Art gallery Havlíčkův Brod: www.galeriehb.cz
- cultural Centre of Přibyslav: www.kzmpribyslav.cz

1 – Castle Přibyslav; 2 – Havlíček Square in Havlíčkův Brod; 3 – Štafl's bastion, remains of city walls Havlíčkův Brod; 4 – Fireman museum Přibyslav; 5 – Žižka's monument

Starting point: Havlíčkův Brod • **Final destination:** Žižkova mohyla
Length of the route: 18.1 km

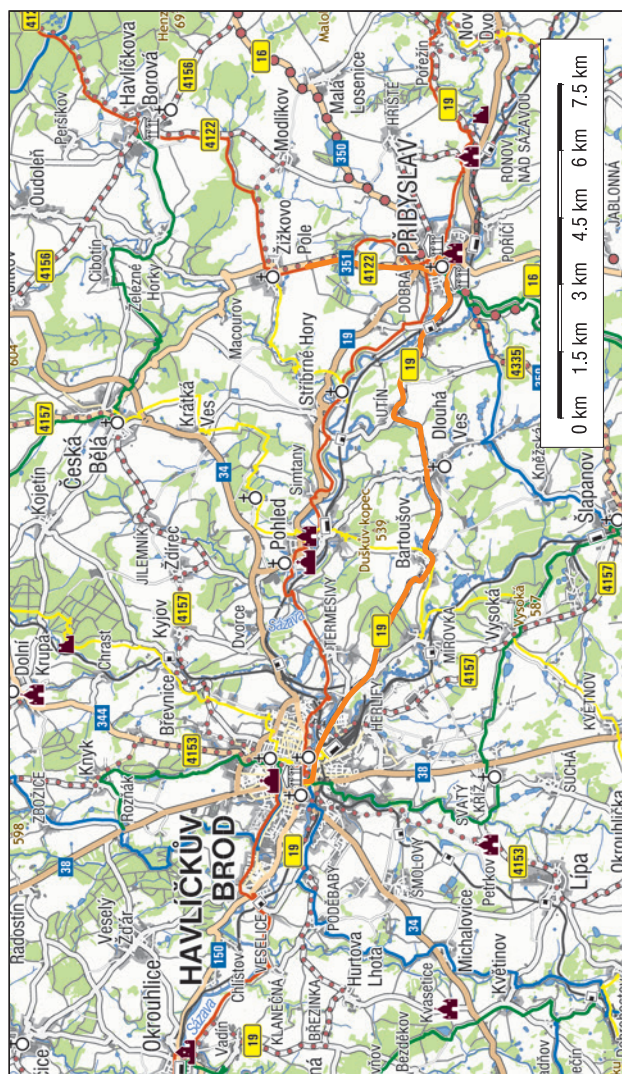
Distances:

Havlíčkův Brod (0 km) – Herlífy (3.6 km) – Bartoušov (6.1 km) – Dlouhá Ves (8.6 km) – Hesov (12.2 km) – Přibyslav (14.6 km) – Žižka's monument (18.1 km)

Access from EV13:

by car: • I/38 Znojmo – Havlíčkův Brod

by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Havlíčkův Brod





Route from Ledec nad Sázavou through the centre of the Czech Republic

The starting point of your trip is the historic town of **Ledec nad Sázavou**, which is situated on both banks of the river Sázava. On the left bank there is a historical centre with a Gothic church of St. Peter and Paul. On a high rock on the right bank there is a remarkable dominant feature – a castle, which is the seat of the town museum.

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Distances:

Ledec nad Sázavou (0 km) – Koňkovice (7.7 km) – Smrčná (9.6 km) – crossroads Smrčná – railway station (10,1 km) – crossroads Mrzkovice – railway station (12.2 km) – Františkodol (13 km) – Lipnička (13.9 km) – Světlá nad Sázavou (15.9 km) – Přiseka (18 km) – Malčín (22.1 km) – Zboží (26.3 km) – Sázavka (30.1 km) – Leština (33.7 km) – Dobrnice (35.7 km) – Hroznětín (38.3 km) – Čihošť (39.7 km) – Vlkánov (43.2 km) – Opatovice (45.3 km) – Pavlov (47.3 km) – Ledec nad Sázavou (51 km)

Access from EV13:

by car: • I/38 Znojmo – Havlíčkův Brod, II/150 Havlíčkův Brod – Světlá nad Sázavou – Ledec nad Sázavou

by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Havlíčkův Brod, line 230 Havlíčkův Brod – Světlá nad Sázavou

Tourist attractions and further information:

- city museum Ledec nad Sázavou: www.hrad-ledec.cz
- tourist and information centre of Ledec region: www.ledecsko.cz
- cultural Centre Světlá nad Sázavou: www.kyticesvetla.cz
- geographical midpoint of the Czech Republic: www.cihost.cz
- rescue station Pavlov: www.stanicepavlov.eu

1 – Castle in Ledec nad Sázavou

Starting point: Ledec nad Sázavou • **Final destination:** Ledec nad Sázavou
Length of the route: 51 km





2 – Ledec nad Sázavou (aerial view); 3 – Ledec nad Sázavou; 4 – Castle in Světlá nad Sázavou; 5 – Exposition of glass in Světlá nad Sázavou; 6 – Castle in Světlá nad Sázavou; 7 – Church of the Assumption of Virgin Mary in Číhošť; 8 – Midpoint of the Czech Republic in Číhošť; 9 – Signpost at the midpoint of the Czech Republic in Číhošť

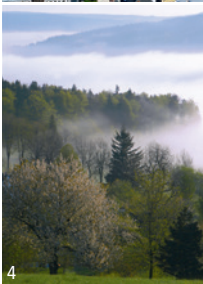
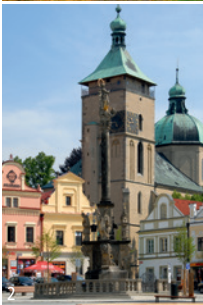


From the town cycle follow track 19 towards Dobrovítova Lhota. Right past the square, you will start to ascend, and continue to go up. Except for short breaks, to the village of Koňkovice. There turn left and go down steeply to the Sázava valley. Past the recreation village of Smrčná cross the river Sázava and from the Smrčná – railway station crossroads continue following the red marks along the river. At the Mrzkovice – railway station crossroads, turn onto the yellow route and cross the footbridge to the other bank of the river Sázava to get to Františkodol. From there, go along the road through Lipnice to Světlá nad Sázavou.

Světlá is another interesting town built on both banks of the Sázava. The most interesting attractions include a castle, which is surrounded by an impressive castle park with several ponds. Here you can see a unique collection of more than 1000 items of historical glass. Another interesting sight is the late Gothic church of St. Wenceslas, and certainly also the local underground.

From Světlá you go through Příšek to Malčín. In Malčín turn left and get to the village of Zboží where you turn left, go to Sázavka and continue along the same road to Leština, Dobrnice, Hroznětín and Číhošť. That is the place where Father Jan Toufar preached, who was later tortured to death by the Communist regime. The town of Číhošť is considered to be the **geographical centre of the Czech Republic**. From Číhošť you go to Vlkanov, from where you will get through Opatovice and Pavlov back to Ledec nad Sázavou.





Route from Havlíčkův Brod through Chotěboř

The rich history of **Havlíčkův Brod** is reminded to visitors by the medieval walls with bastions, the historical centre with a Baroque square, the folk Štáfl's House, ornate churches and a fountain with Triton. At the local grammar school in the Augustinian monastery, J. Dobrovský, B. Smetana and K. Havlíček Borovský studied. At the top of the square you will see the tower of the Gothic Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary, which offers a beautiful view of the town.

From the square take the green track past the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary. You join cycle track 4157 and pass the church of St. Trinity, a winter stadium and Rantejch pond. Cycle track 4157 will lead you past several buildings in Občiny, then you go through a forest, go to Břevnice and through Kyjov, Ždírec and Jilemník to get to České Bělé, where you turn and follow the road towards the village of Cibotín, which you go through. You arrive at a junction and turn left towards Jitkov. Go along track 4156 through Jitkov, Strážov, Mariaves to reach Chotěboř. There you will find a nice square and an early Baroque chateau with an arcade courtyard, the chapel of the Holy Trinity and a museum.

From Chotěboř you go for about 7 km along the road using cycle track 4156 through Nový Dvůr, Klouzový and Nejeplin. From Nejeplin continue on track 4156 to the Květinov – hájovna (gamekeeper's lodge) Crossroads. From there gradually descend along a forest path following the blue signs to Jilemský pond, cross the river Sázkava, ascend to the treeless Klenek hill with a transmitter and then go to the village of Jilem. Track 4153 will further lead you through Lysá, **Horní Krupá**, Knyk and Český Dvůr back to the centre of Havlíčkův Brod.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- Vysočina Museum Havlíčkův Brod: www.muzeumhb.cz
- city information centre Havlíčkův Brod: <https://mic.muhb.cz/>
- Art gallery Havlíčkův Brod: www.galeriehb.cz
- Centre of Culture and Services Chotěboř: www.cekus.eu

1 – Horní Krupá, tolerance prayer hall; 2 – The Dean's Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary in Havlíčkův Brod; 3 – Havlíčkův Brod (aerial view); 4 – Landscape around Havlíčkův Brod

Starting point: Havlíčkův Brod • **Final destination:** Havlíčkův Brod
Length of the route: 53 km

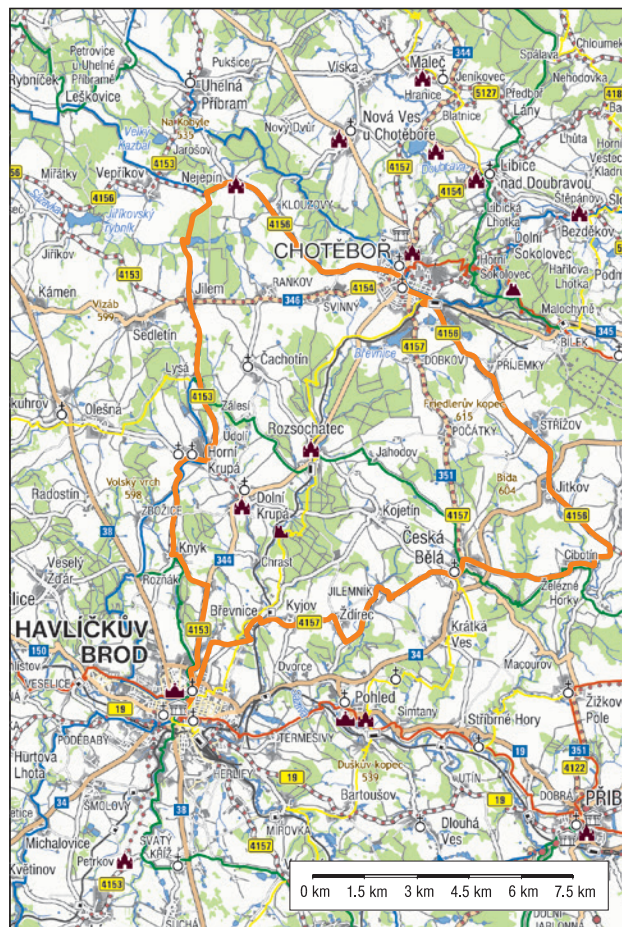
Distances:

Havlíčkův Brod (0 km) – Břevnice (4.6 km) – Kyjov (5.6 km) – Ždírec (7.1 km) – Jilemník (9.4 km) – Česká Bělá (12.3 km) – Cibotín (16 km) – Jitkov (20 km) – Strážov (21.7 km) – Mariaves (23.9 km) – Chotěboř (29.3 km) – Nový Dvůr (33.2 km) – Klouzový (34.3 km) – Nejeplin (35.7 km) – crossroads Květinov – gamekeeper's lodge (36.5 km) – Jilem (40 km) – Lysá (42.1 km) – Horní Krupá (45 km) – Knyk (48.5 km) – Český Dvůr (50 km) – Havlíčkův Brod (53 km)

Access from EV13:

by car: • I/38 Znojmo – Havlíčkův Brod, II/150 Havlíčkův Brod – Světlá nad Sázavou – Ledec nad Sázavou

by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Havlíčkův Brod, line 230 Havlíčkův Brod – Světlá nad Sázavou





▲ Church of st. Michael over Vítochov

▼ Landscape around the village of Javorek

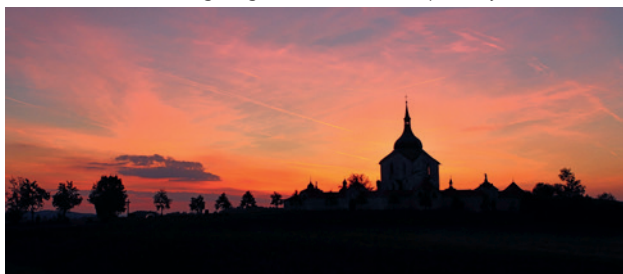
ŽDĀR NAD SÁZAVOU REGION

The Žďár region is situated on the top of the Bohemian-Moravian Highlands and boasts picturesque villages and forests with the protruding peaks of the mountains of PLA Žďárské Vrchy. What is more, there is a European watershed line separating the waters of the North and the Black Sea, the so-called Roof of Europe.

Not only fans of walks and cycling tours, but also anglers, will enjoy their time here. The largest pond is Velké Dářko at 206 hectares and the highest peak, Devět skal, is 836 metres high. The Žďár region is not only a treasure trove of natural attractions, but also home to many cultural and historical monuments.

Žďár nad Sázavou is decorated with a UNESCO monument – the Pilgrimage Church of St. Jan Nepomucký on Zelená Hora by architect Jan Blažej Santini Aichl. In Žďár nad Sázavou, the signature of the prominent architect is also carried by the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary, the Lower (Plague) Cemetery, the Lyra economic court and, for example, the churches in Zvole and Obyčtov and an inn in Ostrov nad Oslavou. Right below the church there is the Žďár nad Sázavou castle, which houses a modern, interactive museum. The Bystřice region features the ruins of Zubštejn and Dalečín castles. The Nové Město region is famous for sport, Zlatá lyže, biathlon and mountain bike races in the Vysočina Arena. The surroundings of Jímramov are called the region of Jan Karafiát and his Broučci. The Žďár region as a tourist area is a part of the Koruna Vysočiny (Crown of Vysočina) area.

▼ The Pilgrimage Church of St. Jan Nepomucký on Zelená Hora





Around Žďár nad Sázavou

Your journey will start at **Žďár nad Sázavou** castle, where you can visit the museum or take a guided tour called In the Footsteps of Santini. From the castle, turn right along the yellow tourist signs and then turn left into Dvorská Street. You go past the Lyra economic court, the creator of which is the famous architect Santini. Continue to the crossroads near Jordánek, then follow the blue tourist signs for less than a kilometre to get to the Mamlas lookout.

From the lookout, descend straight down to the Hamerský circuit, which is marked in yellow, and further to Hamry nad Sázavou. On the road, turn right and join cycle track 19. Past the bridge across the Sázava turn right, at the Pod Štěnicí crossroads go along the Hamerský circuit to **Šlakhامر**. This is a technical sight commemorating the former hammer mill. The newly built exhibition maps the rich iron tradition of the local region.

You then return to cycle track 19 and continue through the **Sázava** valley to the village of the same name. In Sázava turn right onto cycle track 4156, ascending to Velké Losenice. In the village you can visit an ossuary near the Church of St. James. You then continue further to Vepřová. Turning left you leave cycle track 4156 and continue to Radostín along cycle track 5061.

A blue tourist route and the European EuroVelo 4 long-distance cycle route leading from France to Ukraine lead through the village. You will follow it and finish your final 10-kilometre route over the dam of **Velké Dářko**, the so-called Vysočina Sea, and back to Žďár nad Sázavou.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- pilgrimage church of St. Jan Nepomucký on Zelená Hora: www.zelena-hora.cz
- Castle Žďár nad Sázavou: www.zamekzdar.cz
- regional museum of Žďár nad Sázavou: <https://muzeum.zdarns.cz/>
- tourist information centre Žďár nad Sázavou: www.zdarns.cz
- destination company Koruna Vysočiny: www.korunavysociny.cz

1 – Castle Žďár nad Sázavou; 2 – Museum Nové generace (New Generation); 3 – Šlakhامر, Exposition of hammer mill and lumbering tradition; 4 – Evangelical Church in Sázava; 5 – Cycle track at Velké Dářko

Starting point: Žďár nad Sázavou • **Final destination:** Žďár nad Sázavou
Length of the route: 35.3 km

Distances:

Castle Žďár nad Sázavou (0 km) – crossroads at Jordánek (0.5 km) – Mamlas (1.7 km) – Hamry nad Sázavou (3.5 km) – crossroads Pod Štěnicí (5.9 km) – Šlakhامر (6.5 km) – Sázava (10 km) – Velká Losenice (13.5 km) – Vepřová (17.3 km) – Radostín (24.7 km) – Žďár nad Sázavou (35.3 km)

Access from EV13:

by car: • I/38 Znojmo – Havlíčkův Brod, I/19 Havlíčkův Brod – Žďár nad Sázavou

by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Havlíčkův Brod, line 250 Havlíčkův Brod – Žďár nad Sázavou





Experience sport in Nové Město na Moravě

The trip starts in **Nové Město na Moravě**. You follow track 19, which runs a short distance along road 360 to Jimramov and after the railway turns right on the road to Zubří. From Zubří continue along track 19. You will go through the village of Vojtěchov and at Hotel Skalský dvůr turn left to Lísek.

Above the village of Lísek you ascend steeply straight along track 1 in the direction to **Kadov**. After about 1.5 km you will gradually descend and in the local forest you must not miss the turning to the left into the protected landscape area **Žďárské vrchy**. The beautiful 1 km downhill way is followed by an ascent to the summit of Kamenice. You can see from there the Orlické Mountains, Králický Sněžník and in good weather also the peak of Sněžka. Past the forest, take road II/360, which will lead you to the Pod Pohledeckou skálou crossing, where you turn right following route 1. You will pass the Pod Studnicemi crossroads, after 2.6 km at the Kadov bus stop you will come across another crossroads where you turn left onto road II/354. After less than two kilometres, you will reach the crossroads to Medlovský pond and turn right. You will then get to **Medlov**. Continue over the dam of Medlovský pond, turning left along track 4342 through the Černý forest to **Sykovský pond**. There you turn left onto cycle track 103 via Vlachovice back to Nové Město na Moravě. In the final section of your journey you will pass the **Vysočina Arena** – the largest biathlon and ski resort in the Czech Republic and a venue of World Cup competitions in biathlon and mountain biking.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- Horácké Museum Nové Město na Moravě www.hm.nmm.cz
- Horácká Gallery in Nové Město na Moravě: www.horackagalerie.cz
- information centre Nové Město na Moravě: www.ic.nmm.cz
- Vysočina Arena: www.vysocina-arena.cz
- destination company Koruna Vysočiny: www.korunavysocinny.cz

1 – Vysočina Arena; 2 – Horácké museum in Nové Město na Moravě;
3 – PLA Žďárské vrchy; 4 – Kadov; 5 – Medlov's pond; 6 – Sykovec pond

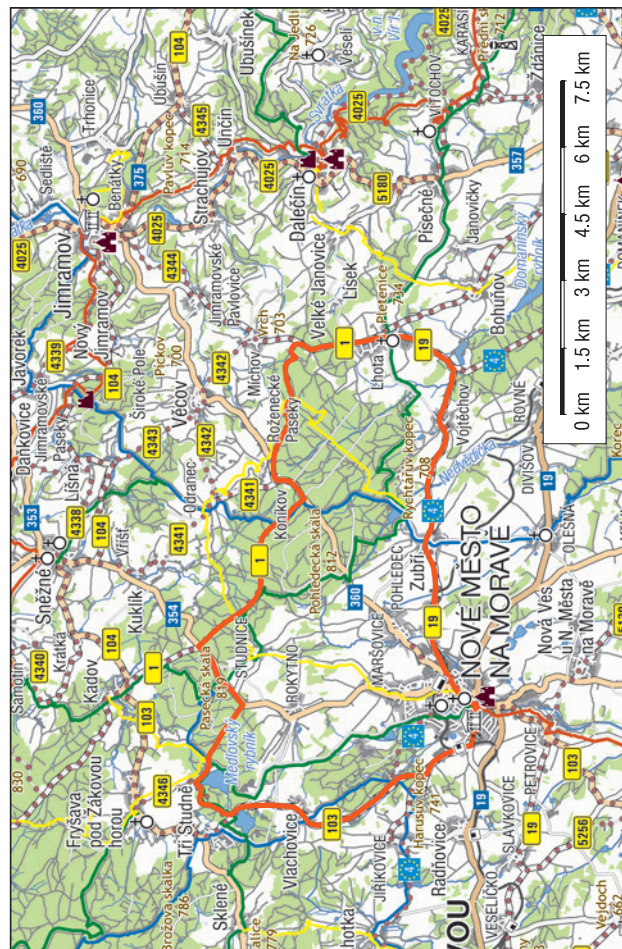
Starting point: Nové Město na Moravě • **Final destination:** Nové Město na Moravě • **Length of the route:** 33.5 km

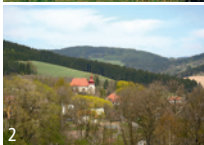
Distances:

Nové Město na Moravě (0 km) – Zubří (4.3 km) – Vojtěchov (7.3 km) – Lísek (10.4 km) – Kamenice crossroads (14 km) crossroads Pod Pohledeckou skálou (16.7 km) – crossroads Pod Studnicí (20 km) U Hájenky (22.6 km) – Medlov (24.6 km) – Sykovský pond (26.2 km) – Vlachovice (28 km) – Nové Město na Moravě (33.5 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car: • I/38 Znojmo – Havlíčkův Brod, I/19 Havlíčkův Brod – Žďár nad Sázavou – Nové Město na Moravě
- by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Havlíčkův Brod, line 250 Havlíčkův Brod – Žďár nad Sázavou, line 251 Žďár nad Sázavou – Nové Město na Moravě





Around Vir Reservoir

Vir Reservoir is not intended for swimming, but its surroundings offer clean countryside and numerous views. The flooded valley of the Svratka river invites you to stop and rest. Your trip will begin in **Dalečín** near a castle, which was rebuilt in the Tyrolean style at the end of the 19th century and now serves as a municipal office. From the castle go right along cycle track 4025, cross the bridge over the river and at the following intersection turn left onto cycle track 5180. You will ascend to Písečná, where you turn left and come to **Vítochov**. Above Vítochov, you will find a Romanesque church, from which there are beautiful views of the landscape. You will also see a lookout tower at Karasín. Go down to the village where track 5218 joins, along which you will head to **Karasín** to the lookout tower of the same name. Head back to Vítochov and continue, turning right along cycle track 5218. You will then descend to the **Vir reservoir**. You will come to places where the village of Chudobín was located.

Turn right and along the dam you will reach the Kobyli skála lookout and from there go further to the dam of the reservoir. The dam is 71 metres high and 390 metres long. Below the dam there is the town of Vir. Continue further and after the dam, go straight on along cycle track 4025 to Korouhvice. Past Korouhvice a steep ascent to **Veselí** begins, where you can see an evangelical tolerance prayer hall. From Veselí descend back to the starting point of your trip in Dalečín. You will still follow cycle track 4025. In Dalečín you can visit the castle ruins or see from outside the unique functionalist Jarošek villa.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- town Vir: www.virvudolisvratky.cz
- town Dalečín: www.dalecin.cz
- lookout tower and ski slope Karasín: www.karasin.cz
- microregion Bystrice: www.bystricko.cz
- destination company Koruna Vysociny: www.korunavysociny.cz

1 – Veselí u Viru; 2 – Dalečín; 3 – Castle ruins Dalečín; 4 – Church of st. Michael over Vitochov; 5 – Lookout tower Karasín; 6 – Vir reservoir

Starting point: Dalečín • **Final destination:** Dalečín

Length of the route: 26.5 km

Distances:

Dalečín (0 km) – Písečná (4.5 km) – Vítochov (6 km) – Karasín (8.3 km) – former town of Chudobín (11 km) – rock Kobyli skála (14 km) – dam of Vir Reservoir (15.6 km) – Korouhvice (19.4 km) – Veselí (22.3 km) – Dalečín (26.5 km)

Access from EV13:

by car: • I/38 Znojmo – Havlíčkův Brod, I/19 Havlíčkův Brod – Žďár nad Sázavou – Nové Město na Moravě – Bystrice nad Pernštejnem, II/357 Bystrice nad Pernštejnem – Dalečín

by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Havlíčkův Brod, line 250 Havlíčkův Brod – Žďár nad Sázavou, line 251 Žďár nad Sázavou – Nové Město na Moravě – Bystrice nad Pernštejnem





Gain knowledge in Bystřice

As a starting point we will choose **Bystřice nad Pernštejnem**, which is an important starting point for hiking trails in Svratecká hornatina. In the lower part of the square there is the dominant early Gothic church of St. Vavřinec which was rebuilt in the Baroque style in 1699 and turned into a massive twin tower. In the old town hall there is a museum with local historical and mining exhibitions.

From the square head down towards the river Bystřice, and join the long-distance cycle track EuroVelo 4. At the Children and Youth Centre turn right onto Cibulkova Street. After about a kilometre, turn left onto the track with red tourist signs, on the way up the steep hill you go past a **fairy-tale alley**, ten wooden fairy-tale creatures nestled among trees, and a miniature park – about 30 models of castles, monasteries and other monuments from the prosperous times of the 14th and 15th centuries. Go past the **Eden centre**, where you can visit an open-air museum of Highland village and an eco-pavilion. The centre offers an interactive and fun way to get acquainted with folk crafts and ecology.

At the railway station leave the red tourist signs and cycle along the railway and past the airport to the road past the village of Domaníněk, where you turn left onto the cycle track EuroVelo 4. It will take you up to the carpark at **Domanínský pond**. Here you cross the I/19 road and go to the pond where you can get refreshments and go for a swim in the summer.

You continue along the yellow tourist route to Bohuňov and the Pletenice crossroads. Turn right onto the route with green tourist signs, go through Písečné town and reach Vitochov. Above the town there is an early Gothic rock church with Romanesque features which offers a beautiful view of the valley of the Svratka river. In Vitochov you join the 5180 cycle track leading back to Bystřice nad Pernštejnem. At the beginning of the route, after less than a kilometre, turn toward the Karasín lookout tower, which also features a ski lift 450 m long.

1 – Domanínský pond; 2 – Church of St. Vavřinec in Bystřice nad Pernštejnem; 3 – Church of the Holy Trinity in Bystřice nad Pernštejnem; 4 – Fairy-tale alley Bystřice nad Pernštejnem; 5 a 6 – Open-air museum of Highland village, Eden centre

Distances:

Bystřice nad Pernštejnem (0 km) – Bystřice nad Pernštejnem – žst. (1.6 km) – carpark at Domanínský pond (7 km) – Domanínský pond (7.8 km) – Bohuňov (10,2 km) – Pletenice crossroads (11.9 km) – Písečné (14.6 km) – Church of St. Michal, Vitochov (16 km) – Ždánice (19 km) – Bystřice nad Pernštejnem (22.4 km)

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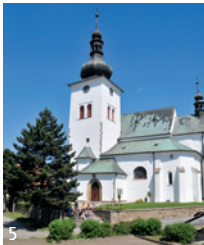
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by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Havlíčkův Brod, line 250 Havlíčkův Brod – Žďár nad Sázavou, line 251 Žďár nad Sázavou – Nové Město na Moravě – Bystřice nad Pernštejnem



Tourist attractions and further information:

- micro region Bystřice: www.bystricko.cz
- city museum in Bystřice nad Pernštejnem www.muzeumbystricko.cz
- Centre Eden: www.centrumeden.cz
- destination company Koruna Vysočiny: www.korunavysocin.cz

Starting point: Bystřice nad Pernštejnem • **Final destination:** Bystřice nad Pernštejnem • **Length of the route:** 22.4 km



From Velká Bíteš to Křižanov

The starting point is the square in **Velká Bíteš**. Every year, feasts are held here in September, some of the largest ones in the Vysočina region. You will start your journey at the Gothic Church of St. John the Baptist and along cycle track 5235 continue to Vlkov and Osová. You can see a local castle, which is undergoing a gradual reconstruction. Past the village, the cycle track splits off from the main road to the left and a steep ascent follows through Ondrušky to the ruined Rohy castle. You will ride from Osová along a former imperial path that connected the north of Bohemia with Moravia and Lower Austria.

At the former castle turn right and via cycle track 5235 you will arrive in **Heřmanov**. From Heřmanov continue to descend to Dolní Libochová, Meziboří, Krčma and you will get to Podmitrov, where we can visit the ruins of **Mitrov** castle. This part of the route features alternating steep ascents and descents.

At Mitrov turn left and cycle track 5235 will take you to Strážek. In the village square turn left and join cycle track 5246. The track continues with a steep ascent below Strážnice hill, from which there is a nice view of the surroundings.

Past the village of Radkov turn left onto cycle track 5243 to Horní Libochová. You leave the cycle track at Sadecký pond and go right onto road III/36044 to **Křižanov**. At Podhradský pond you will come to road II/360 and by turning left you will get to the town centre.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Velká Bíteš: www.bitessko.com
- town Heřmanov: www.hermanov.info/turistika/
- town Křižanov: www.krizanov.cz/zajimavosti-pamatky
- destination company Koruna Vysočiny: www.korunavysociny.cz

1 – Bíteš feasts; 2 – Church of St. Jan Křtitel Velká Bíteš; 3 – Nature Trail Heřmanov; 4 – Castle ruins Mitrov; 5 – Church of St. Václav in Křižanov

Starting point: Velká Bíteš • **Final destination:** Křižanov
Length of the route: 37.5 km

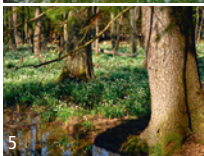
Distances:

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Access from EV13:

- by car: • D2 Břeclav – Brno, D1 Brno – Velké Meziříčí, exit 162 Velká Bíteš, exit 146 Velké Meziříčí, II/360 Velké Meziříčí – Křižanov
- by train: • line 250 Břeclav – Brno – Křižanov
• line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Studenec, line 252 Studenec – Křižanov





From Velké Dářko to Nature Reserve Ransko

From the **Žďár nad Sázavou** castle turn left onto Dvorská Street, where after a few meters you reach the long-distance cycle track EuroVelo 4. Go past drinking water reservoirs Pílská and Velké Dářko, which due to their size are called the Vysočina sea. In **Polnička** turn left onto cycle track 5061, continue through Vepřová to the Pod Kopcem crossroads. From there, follow the yellow signs to Hluboká. Past it, signs of the same colour will lead you past Řeka pond, through Staré Ransko to the Pobočenský pond crossroads. At the crossroads you go left to the woods along the **Ranské polesí** nature trail to the Na Javorce crossroads, where blue tourist signs join the track. You will ascend slightly and after three kilometres through Sajfertův buk, after turning right, you will get to the Podhorská louka crossroads. Continue along the blue path. Follow the same straight path from the Synkův hill crossroads, the only change will be the colour of the signs – you will follow the green ones in the direction to Vapenice – crossroads.

For most of the journey you will descend slightly. You cross road I/350 past the Vepřovské ponds and still follow the green signs. Ascending and descending, you will cycle along forest paths and footpaths to the dam of the Pílská water reservoir and the Tálský Mlýn crossroads, from where you will continue along the familiar track back to Žďár nad Sázavou. An official beach at the dam in Dářko can be used for swimming. There are also refreshments and sanitary facilities.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- pilgrimage church of St. Jan Nepomucký on Zelená Hora: www.zelena-hora.cz
- castle Žďár nad Sázavou: www.zamekzdar.cz
- regional museum of Žďár nad Sázavou: www.muzeumzdar.cz
- tourist information centre Žďár nad Sázavou: www.zdarns.cz

1 a 2 – Castle in Žďár nad Sázavou; 3 – Cycle track at Velké Dářko; 4 – Cycle track at Polnička; 5 – Nature reserve Ransko

Starting point: Žďár nad Sázavou • **Final destination:** Žďár nad Sázavou
Length of the route: 46.2 km

Distances:

Žďár nad Sázavou (0 km) – Polnička (3.7 km) – Vepřová (11.4 km) – crossroads Pod Kopcem (17.5 km) – Hluboká (19.1 km) – Staré Ransko (22.8 km) – crossroads Pobočenský pond (24.1 km) – crossroads Na Javorce (26.2 km) – meadow Podhorská louka – crossroads (29.6 km) – hill Synkův kopec – crossroads (31.7 km) – Nový pond (35.4 km) – crossroads Račinský les (36.7 km) – crossroads Tálský Mlýn (45. km) – Žďár nad Sázavou (46.2 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car: • I/38 Znojmo – Havlíčkův Brod, I/19 Havlíčkův Brod – Žďár nad Sázavou
by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Havlíčkův Brod, line 250 Havlíčkův Brod – Žďár nad Sázavou





Around Velké Meziříčí

You will start your journey on the square in **Velké Meziříčí**. You can visit the local church tower or the castle, which is the seat of the museum. At the town hall turn left and go along Radnická Street and Třebičská Street to the **Balinka** river, before the bridge turn right onto cycle track 5234. The track follows the valley of the Balinka river upstream. You will reach the Balinské valley, then go past the Memorial of the Fallen, where the last tragic days of the Second World War took place.

The track will lead you to Balín, where you continue along the same cycle track down the valley to Uhřínov. There is a steep ascent to Šeborov, where you will leave the valley. Following route will lead you to Stránecká Zhoř. Here you can admire a Renaissance building – the chateau. From Stránecká Zhoř continue along cycle track 5234 straight on to Kochánov. Before the village, the cycle track turns left, follow it to Blížkov. Here you will turn right and join cycle track 103 to **Netín**. Every year, there is a pilgrimage from Velké Meziříčí to Netín as a thanksgiving for averting a plague epidemic. Besides the church you can also see a Stations of the Cross. From Netín go along cycle track 5242 to Olší nad Oslavou. From Olší descend into the valley of the **Oslava** river, through Mostišťe back to Velké Meziříčí.

Before Motorpal turn onto the bridge over the Oslava river and head towards the other side of the river. Cycle track 5242 turns left after 200 meters past a chapel, along V Potokách Street. What follows is the steepest ascent of the day's trip. You will go under the railway viaduct and then we leave cycle track 5242. Continue along the field road by a creek to the water reservoir below the ski slope. After the reservoir, turn left and ascend to **Fajtův hill**. At the top there is a lookout tower in the form of human DNA. The reward for the steep ascent will be a view of the town, the Vysočina highway bridge and the surrounding area.

Along the connecting road, continue down past small houses to the highway, go under railway bridge and get to the grammar school. At the bridge over the highway there is a track with red tourist signs, which will lead you to the square. On the way you can see both synagogues of Velké Meziříčí, remnants of the walls and the Jewish cemetery.



Tourist attractions and further information:

- Castle and Museum Velké Meziříčí: www.muzeumvm.cz
- tourist information centre Velké Meziříčí: www.turistikavm.cz
- town Netín: www.obecnetin.cz

- 1 – New synagogue, Velké Meziříčí;
- 2 – Outlook tower on Fajtův hill;
- 3 – Valley of the river Balinka

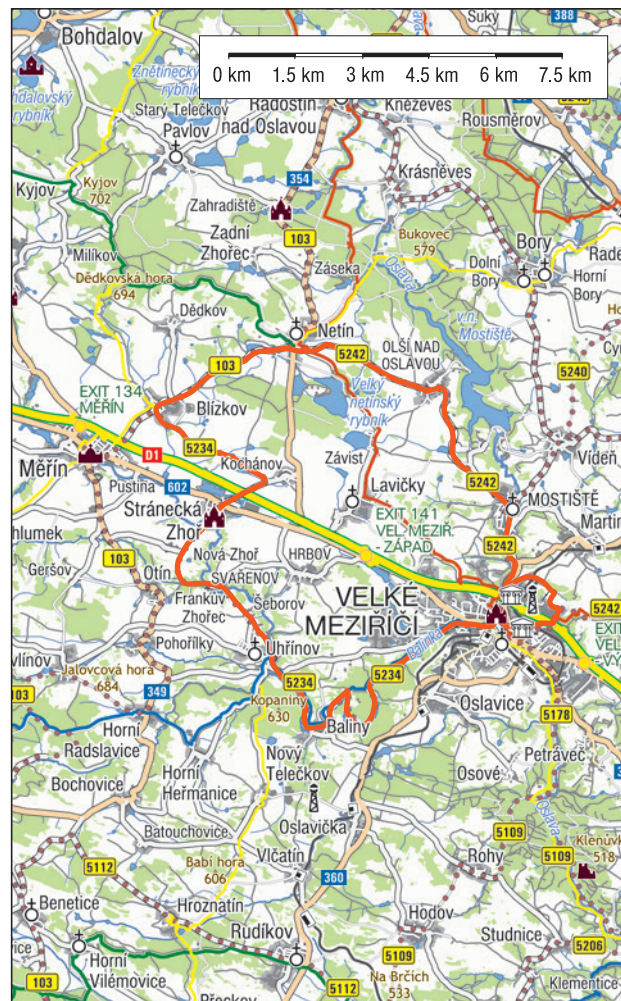
Starting point: Velké Meziříčí • **Final destination:** Velké Meziříčí
Length of the route: 37 km

Distances:

Distances: Velké Meziříčí (0 km) – Balín (7 km) – Uhřínov (9.5 km) – Šeborov (10.7 km) – Stránecká Zhoř (15 km) – Blížkov (19.5 km) – Netín (23 km) – Olší nad Oslavou (26.8 km) – Mostišťe (30.5 km) – Fajtův hill (34 km) – Velké Meziříčí (37 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car: • D2 Břeclav – Brno, D1 Brno – Velké Meziříčí, exit 146 Velké Meziříčí
 by train: • line 250 Břeclav – Brno – Křižanov, line 252 Křižanov – Velké Meziříčí
 • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Studenec, line 252 Studenec – Velké Meziříčí





JIHLAVA REGION

The Jihlava region is located in the central part of the Bohemian-Moravian Highlands, where the two main cycling routes through the Vysočina region head – No. 16 and 26 (also called cycle path). Interestingly, the regional capital Jihlava lies on both sides of the former border between Bohemia and Moravia. The topography is very broken because the area mainly falls into Jihlavské vrchy with the highest peak Javořice (837 meters). It will appeal to you in every season: there is the possibility of travelling by car, by bike, on foot or by cross-country skiing. The most popular tourist spot is the area of Čeřínek and the whole area of Jihlavské vrchy, but there is also a broad range of architectural monuments, museum exhibitions as well as art collections.

The centre of Jihlava itself is an urban conservation area where you can find over two hundred protected buildings and one of the largest historical squares in the Czech Republic and Central Europe. A panoramic view of the town and the surrounding area is provided by the observation tower of the Church of St. Jacob or the Gateway of the Mother of Jesus (the only preserved gateway of the medi-

▲ *Castle ruins Rokštejn*

eval town fortifications). The Jihlava region also features a UNESCO monument – the historical centre of Telč with its castle. The biggest attraction is undoubtedly Jihlava ZOO, visited by more than 300,000 people a year. In summer, you can visit a wide range of cultural events such as the Holiday in Telč festival, historic festivities or a retro race of historic cars called Mezi dvěma branami (Between Two Gateways). Between Telč and Třešť Roštejn castle is located in a forest. It has a modern new exhibition on nature, hunting and gamekeeping, while Třešť itself is famous for its nativity scenes and an incredible two-hundred-year tradition of nativity scene making.

Northwest of Telč Vysočina Geoparc is worth seeing – the area with the highest peak of the Bohemian-Moravian Highlands, Javořice (837 m above sea level) and featuring many natural attractions. Characteristic elements of the Vysočina Geoparc are the age-old stone traditions (predominantly granite mining), the beautiful untouched Vysočina landscape, the cleanest air in the Czech Republic, the presence of unique habitats, rock sceneries and peat bogs.



From Opatov through Aleje to Brtnice

From the starting point in **Opatov**, take track 5111 past the Neo-Baroque Church of St. Bartholomew. After 2 km of cycling in the hilly countryside, you will arrive at the lone Karfín farm, which you pass by, and then you mostly ascend through Opatovská alley to the **Aleje** Empire hunting lodge, located in the centre of radial alleys. When you go around the castle from the right, take the third turn back to cycle track 5111, which will lead you through Jestřebí village to **Brtnice**.

You will reach Svobody square, cross the river Brtnice over the Baroque bridge and right after it turn left towards Jihlava. After several dozen meters, in front of another bridge, turn right onto road III/403 to Bransouze (Pod Kaplou Street). While ascending then turn left onto road III/40344 in the direction to Malá / Panská Lhota.

At the beginning of Malá village turn right and continue to Panská Lhota. Here you can take a left turn along cycle path 26 and go for about 2 km to the ruins of **Rokštejn** castle. Then return to Panská Lhota and continue on cycle path 26 Jihlava – Třebíč – Raabs. What you can expect is a descent to Dolní Smrčné, from where you will go along the Jihlava river on cycle path 26 to Bransouze.

In Bransouze near the Bransouze – swimming pool crossroads you leave cycle path 26 and cross to the other bank of the river Jihlava. At the roundabout take the second exit onto cycle track 162, along which you will continue to Čichov and Přibyslavice. In **Přibyslavice** go again down cycle track 5111, along which you will return through the town of Okříšky and Heraltice village to Opatov.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- town Brtnice, castle Brtnice: www.brtnice.cz
- castle ruins Rokštejn: www.brtnice.cz
- town Opatov: www.opatov.cz

1 – Church of st. Bartholomew in Opatov; 2 – Hunting lodge Aleje;
3 a 4 – Brtnice castle; 5 – Church of St. Anna, Přibyslavice

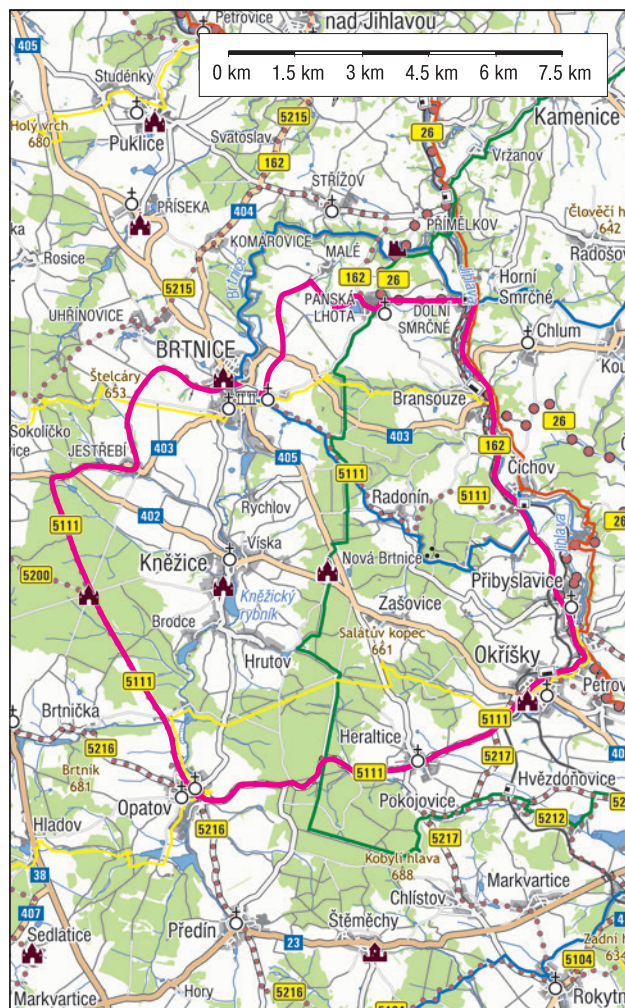
Starting point: Opatov • **Final destination:** Opatov
Length of the route: 43.7 km

Distances:

Opatov (0 km) – hunting lodge Aleje (5.3 km) – Jestřebí (9.9 km) – Brtnice (15.2 km) – Malé (19.3 km) – Panská Lhota (21.3 km) – Dolní Smrčné (23.3 km) – Bransouze (25.6 km) – Čichov (28.1 km) – Přibyslavice (31.9 km) – Okříšky (37.8 km) – Heraltice (37.8 km) – Opatov (43.7 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car: • III/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč – Jihlava
• I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Stonařov, II/402, 403 Stonařov – Brtnice
- by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky





Through Geoparc Vysočina to Javořice

The starting point is the village of Mrákotín in the south-western part of the Vysočina region, a town connected with the extraction of granite. What is worth visiting is the museum of stonework and the centre of Geoparc Vysočina. It is one of eight national geoparks in the Czech Republic. It covers an area of 204.86 km², which extends northwest of Telč, in the area of the Bohemian-Moravian Highlands with its highest peak, Javořičí (837 m a.s.l.)

From Mrákotín follow cycle track 5021 along the dam and with a slight ascent continue to Olší and then descend to Mysletice. Past Mysletice cycle track 5021 continues straight on, but you will turn left onto cycle track 5124, along which you will reach the lowest point of that day's trip, to Horní Myslová. Along the same cycle track ascend slightly through Krahulčí, Hostětice, Částkovic to Lhotka. After the village it is possible to turn and follow the blue tourist signs to the **Štamberk** castle ruins.

A palace wall torso is preserved from the castle. The ruins are linked to legends of the Templars, their treasures hidden in the rocks and secret corridors, which allegedly led to Telč or to Roštejn castle. In the surroundings of the ruins a nature reserve was established, with original beeches and a boulder slope changing into a rock sea.

There starts the ascent to the highest point of the Vysočina region, **Javořice**. Less than a kilometre before the peak you will arrive at an intersection with the cycle track Greenway ŘV. On the left you will reach the peak of Javořice, on the right the track leads to **Velký Pařejitý pond**. It is definitely worth seeing **Michova rock**, a granite structure from which you can see the peaks of Javořičí vrchovina.

At the crossroads at Velký Pařejitý pond, cycle down cycle track 5126 to Řásná. From there turn right onto cycle track 5021, which will take you back to the starting point.



Tourist attractions and further information:

- Geoparc Vysočina: www.geoparkvysocina.cz
- castle Roštejn: www.hrad-rostejn.cz
- tourist information centre Telč: www.telc.eu
- tourist information centre Panský dvůr Telč: www.panskydvurtelc.cz

1 – Velký pařejitý pond; 2 – Mountain Javořice (aerial view); 3 – Micha's rock; 4 – Castle ruins Štamberk

Starting point: Mrákotín • **Final destination:** Mrákotín
Length of the route: 30.6 km

Distances:

Mrákotín (0 km) – Olší (4.4 km) – Mysletice (6.5 km) – Horní Myslová (10.4 km) – Krahulčí (12.8 km) – Částkovic (16 km) – Lhotka (17.7 km) – crossroads of cycle tracks 5124 and Greenway ŘV (22.2 km) – Velký pařejitý pond (24.4 km) – Řásná (26.7 km) – Mrákotín (30.6 km)

Access from EV13:

by car: • II/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč, I/23 Telč – Mrákotín
 • I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Želetava – Kasárna, I/23 Kasárna – Stará Říše – Telč – Mrákotín

by train: • line 227 Slavonice – Telč





From the confluence to the source

From the town, whose Rakous castle gave its name to the Czech name for our southern neighbours, you will set off against the flow of the Moravská Dyje river to its source in Vysočina.

In **Raabs**, besides the castle, you can visit the Regional Museum of History and Grenzlandmuseum. After the town you go along cycle track Gerselweg Thayaland Runde 1. What follows is a steep ascent to the town of Modsiedl. In Großau you leave the cycle track and for another 2.5 km follow road L8078 to Schaditz, where you enter EuroVelo 13. You cross the state border and reach the village of **Dešná**, where you turn right onto cycle path 26. At the intersection at Bačkovice, you will have the opportunity to continue on the III/40810 for about 3 km to **Police**. In the village you can visit the castle, where there is a castle exhibition as well as an RAF Museum and a Jewish cemetery past the town. From Bačkovice go through Jemnice, continue along cycle path 26 through a long ascent to a forest where green tourist signs join your route. You turn left to Lomy. Follow the green signs to Radkovice u Budče.

From Radkovice you will continue, turning left onto cycle track 5124. However, follow this cycle track for only 2.5 kilometres to Knínice. There you turn right onto cycle track 5092, which will lead you through Krasonice, Zdeňkov, Stará Říše to Panenská Rozsčicka. In Panenská Rozsčicka turn right onto cycle track 5091, ascend for 2 km above the village, turn right once again onto the track with green tourist signs and after a few meters you will reach **the source of the Moravská Dyje river**, where your trip ends.



Distances: Raabs an der Thaya (0 km) – Modseidl (1.6 km) – Grossau (5.8 km) – Schaditz (8.3 km) – Dešná (15 km) – Bačkovice (20.6 km) – Lomy (34.4 km) – Radkovice u Budče (37.6 km) – Knínice (40.1 km) – Krasonice (43.1 km) – Stará Říše (50.8 km) – Pavlov (62.1 km) – spring of Moravská Dyje (68.2 km)

Access from EV13:

EuroVelo 13 runs between Austrian town Schaditz and Czech Dešná.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- town Raabs an der Thaya: www.raabs-thaya.gv.at/Tourismus_Freizeit
- tourist portal of Waldviertel region: www.waldviertel.at
- town Panenská Rozsčicka: www.panenskarozsicka.cz
- tourist information centre Jemnice: www.tic.jemnice.cz

1 – Spring of the Moravská Dyje river; 2 – Castle in Raabs an der Thaya; 3 – Castle Police; 4 – Museum RAF, castle Police





Route around Jihlava through Polná

The starting point is the regional capital, **Jihlava**. From the square head down and turn onto Brněnská Street in the lower left corner of the square. You go past the Children and Youth Centre and by turning right you will go under Brněnský bridge, where you will find a sign for cycle track 16. Continue along the Jihlava river, on whose other side there is the most visited tourist destination in the whole Vysočina region – Jihlava ZOO. On Polenská Street you can see one of four memorable border stones, under which the land border dividing Bohemia and Moravia led. Cycle track 16 will take you out of the town through Hruškové Dvory. You will come to Věžnička, where you can see ancient cellars, called "lochy". After 4 km you will reach **Polná**.

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Distances:

Jihlava (0 km) – Měšín (8.5 km) – Věžnička (13.6 km) – Polná (17.1 km) – Rytířsko (20.7 km) – Věžnice (21.6 km) – stone bridge U Lutriána (23.4 km) – Polná (30,3 km) – Věžnice (35 km) – crossroads U Lutriána (36.8 km) – Kamenná (26.2 km) – Štoky (33.4 km) – crossroads Pod Serpentinou (37 km) – crossroads U Lyžaře (44.3 km) – Jihlava (48.7 km)

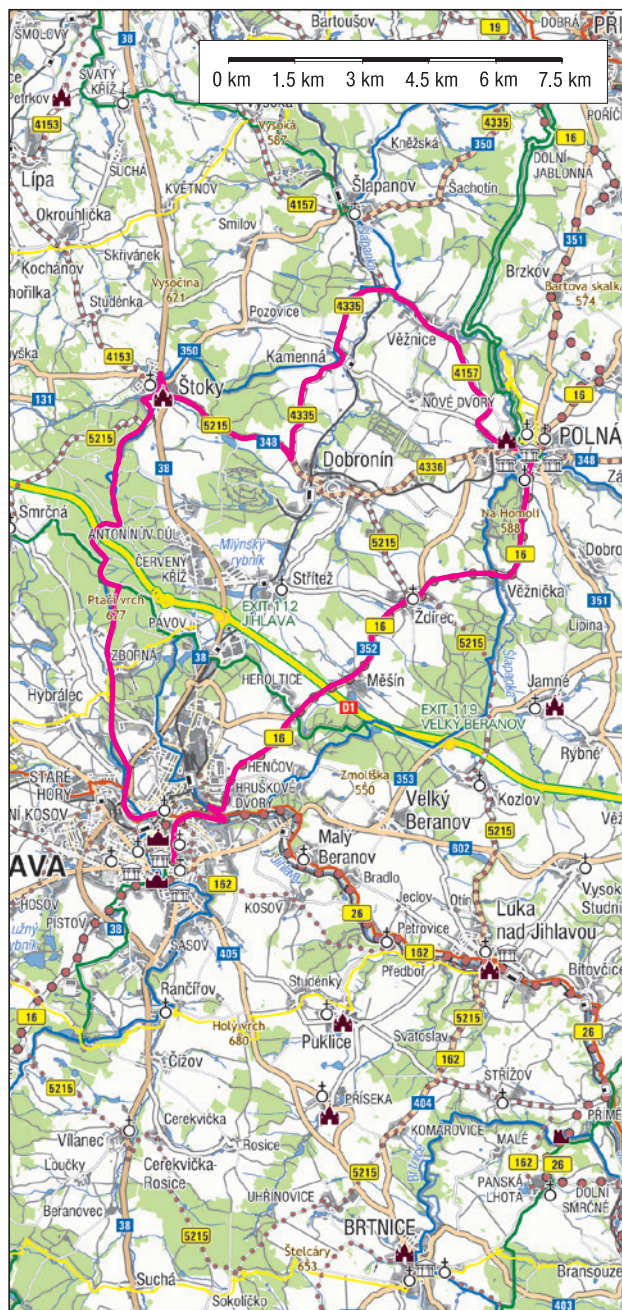
Access from EV13:

- by car:
- II/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč – Jihlava
 - I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Jihlava – Štoky, II/348 Štoky – Dobronín – Polná
- by train:
- line 227 Slavonice – Telč – Třešť – Kostelec u Jihlavy, line 225 Kostelec u Jihlavy – Jihlava, line 240 Jihlava – Žďárec u Jihlavy – Kamenná
 - line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Jihlava – Žďárec u Jihlavy – Kamenná

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Jihlava: www.visitjihlava.eu
- Vysočina Museum Jihlava <https://muzeum.ji.cz/>
- The House of Gustav Mahler: www.jihlava.cz/dgm/
- regional gallery of Vysočina: www.ovg.cz
- ZOO Jihlava: www.zoojihlava.cz
- city museum Polná www.muzeum-polna.cz
- tourist information centre Polná: www.infocentrumpolna.cz

Starting point: Jihlava • **Final destination:** Jihlava
Length of the route: 48.7 km





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The historic town from the mid-12th century became a strategic location in the Middle Ages, being close to main trading routes and the seat of important noble families. The dominant feature of Polná is Dean's Baroque Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary. Buildings of various architectural styles have been preserved in the vast castle complex – a Gothic three-floor tower and a castle palace, a Renaissance castle wing, and Baroque agricultural buildings. You can see exhibitions of old crafts and historical clocks. What is unique is the historic pharmacy. A complex of Jewish monuments is also preserved in Polná.

You continue along cycle track 4157 in the direction to Věžnice. Past Věžnice you will reach the U Lutriána stone bridge, near the bridge there is a confluence of the Zlatý (Golden) creek and Šlapanka. From Kamenná you will ride for less than 9 km along the blue tourist signs through Štoky to the Pod Serpentinou crossroads. Just a little above the crossroads there rises a blue narrow footpath, however, you will go around this part along the road and soon you will join the blue track again. Along the blue signs you will continue through Zborná, and the U Lyžaře crossroads – public transport.

Along the blue signs you will go down through a forest and a field to Jihlava. At Borovinka, the blue sign track connects to cycle track R04, along which you will return to the centre of Jihlava.



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2 – Jihlava, Gustav Mahler park; 3 – sculptural group of the Holy Trinity, Polná; 4 – Church of St. Ignac, Jihlava; 5 – Historic pharmacy, Polná; 6 – Stone bridge U Lutriána



Through Čeřínek natural park to Čertův Hrádek

The route starts in Kostelec, from where you will follow cycle track 5090 up, along the old fortifications of Kostelec castle to the village of Cejle, through Hutě you ascend to the summit of **Čeřínek** (761 m a.s.l.). It is a dominant feature of the natural park of the same name, consisting mainly of granite subsoil. From there you return to the crossroads from which you headed towards the summit and continue along the same cycle track to Dolní Hutě. Immediately after the village, you split off from cycle track 5090 and use the red tourist signs that will lead you to Čertův Hrádek (Devil's Castle). Čertův Hrádek are remnants of a granite rock wall, about 50 meters long. The rocks are interwoven with a number of cracks, clefts and chimneys, and in the surroundings, there are rock seas. After visiting this remarkable place, you return to the Čertův Hrádek crossroads and go back along cycle track 5090. You go for about 1.5 km along Dolnohutský creek. After less than two kilometres you arrive in the village of Rohožná. Here you turn left and join cycle track 5129 and go through the village of Spělov to Jezdovice. At the crossroads in Jezdovice you turn right and follow cycle track 5129 further on. After less than 4 km, you will end your trip in the town of **Třešť**. It is famous for its nativity scene making, which has a tradition of over two hundred years there. The Jewish settlement is commemorated by an Empire synagogue, which has arcades and facades. A permanent exhibition called "Zaváté stopy" (Over-blown traces) depicts the history of the local Jewish community. There is also an exhibition documenting the life of Franz Kafka.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Jihlava: www.visitjihlava.eu
- tourist information centre Třešť: www.trest.cz

1 – Natural park Čeřínek; 2 – Educational boards on Čeřínek;
3 – synagogue in Třešť; 4 – Castle in Třešť; 5 – Jewish cemetery in Třešť;
6 – Nativity scene in Třešť

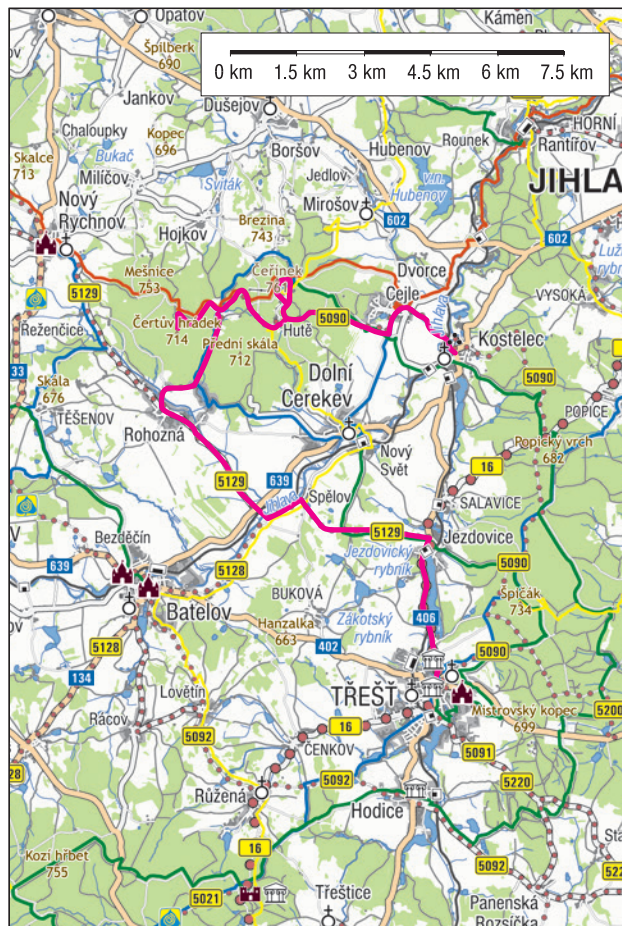
Starting point: Kostelec • **Final destination:** Třešť
Length of the route: 27.5 km

Distances:

Kostelec (0 km) – Cejle (2.1 km) – Hutě (5.3 km) – Čeřínek – tourist lodge (6.3 km) – Dolní Hutě (9 km) – Čertův Hrádek (11 km) – Rohožná (16 km) – Spělov (20.3 km) – Jezdovice (23.5 km) – Třešť (27.5 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car:
- I/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč – Jihlava
 - I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Jihlava – Štoky, II/348 Štoky – Dobronín – Polná
- by train:
- line 227 Slavonice – Telč – Třešť – Kostelec u Jihlavy, line 225 Kostelec u Jihlavy – Jihlava, line 240 Jihlava – Ždírec u Jihlavy – Kamenná
 - line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Jihlava – Ždírec u Jihlavy – Kamenná





▲ Landscape around the village of Báčovice

PELHŘIMOV REGION

The Pelhřimov region has a significant mountainous character and its highest point is Křemešník, 765 meters above sea level, where you can use the ski slope in winter and in summer enjoy the view from the Pípalka observation tower. You can test your physical abilities in the rope park, discover the secrets of the local well and experience the sense of architectonic art in the Church of the Holy Trinity.

In the Pelhřimov region there is the source of the Želivka river, which supplies a considerable part of Prague and Pelhřimov with drinking water through the Švihov reservoir. The area of Malá and Velká přehrada (Small and Large Reservoir) at Želivka and the surroundings of Trnávka are some of the most visited places in the region. A popular sightseeing destination is also the monastery in Želiv, which attracts visitors not only due to its splendid Baroque architecture by Jan Blažej Santini, but also the excellent beer, which was probably already brewed here back in the 13th century.

There are many cultural monuments in the region, such as the towns of Kamenice nad Lipou, Humpolec, Pacov and Červená Řečice.

The 13th century is commemorated by Kámen castle, which was originally Gothic. Men may appreciate the exhibition of motorcycles with original items and women can admire the beautiful castle park. Children can have fun right in Pelhřimov – the town of records, where you can find a museum of the same name with all of the top things, an urban dungeon and an interactive museum called Pelhřimovské peklo (Pelhřimov Hell).

▼ Castle Kámen





Cycling through the Pacov region

The starting point is in **Nová Cerekev**. You will start on cycle track 1219 in the direction to Moraveč. From Moraveč you will not follow the cycle track, but continue onto road III/12819 to Lidmaň.

In Lidmaň turn right onto cycle track 321 and through Dobrá Voda near Pacov you will reach the town of Kámen. On your way you will discover views of **Kámen** castle, which houses, among other things, a motorcycle museum.

Near the castle there is a crossroads called Kámen. From there you head towards Pacov following the red route. You will have to pay attention to the signs, because the red track leaves the field road after a while and for 200 m goes along a narrow path by the edge of a forest. Then it will take you back to the forest path around Borkov. You continue along the red track, the steepest part of which can be bypassed from the left along a forest path. The red signs will take you to **Pacov's** centre.

After a visit to the town, at the crossroads called Pacov square you will follow the blue signs in the direction to Nová Ves and Nová Cerekev. After Nová Ves you will go under an old railway viaduct, past which you will follow the blue signs leading to the town of Důl. Then, following field paths, continue on the blue tracks through the villages of Nová Lhota and Nový Dvůr. Then you can expect an ascent up a detritus carriage road. You follow the blue signs until the railway tracks. After that you turn right and join cycle track 1219 to Leskovice. On the way, the blue signs will join your track again and take you through Leskovice. Then you head back to Nová Cerekev, where your trip ends.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- castle Kámen: www.hradkamen.cz
- city museum of Antonín Sova Pacov: www.zamekpacov.cz
- tourist portal of town Pelhřimov: www.pelhrimovsko.cz
- town Pacov: www.mestopacov.cz
- castle Pacov: www.zamekpacov.cz
- town Nová Cerekev: www.novacerekev.cz

1 – Synagogue in Nová Cerekev; 2 – Nová Cerekev, view of the synagogue over the old cemetery; 3 – Castle Kámen; 4 – Church of st. Václav in Pacov

Starting point: Nová Cerekev • **Final destination:** Nová Cerekev
Length of the route: 34.1 km

Distances:

Nová Cerekev (0 km) – Moraveč (3 km) – Lidmaň (7.6 km) – Dobrá Voda u Pacova (10.5 km) – Kámen (13 km) – Borkov (15.2 km) – Pacov (19.7 km) – Nová Ves (22.3 km) – Důl (23.8 km) – Nizká Lhota (25.4 km) – Nový Dvůr (26.6 km) – Proseč (27.9 km) – Leskovice (30.8 km) – Nová Cerekev (34.1 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car:
- II/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč, II/112 Telč – Horní Cerekev – Dobrá Voda – Rynárec
 - II/128 Nová Bystrice – Jindřichův Hradec, I/23 Jindřichův Hradec – Jarošov nad Nežárkou, I/34 Jarošov nad Nežárkou – Pelhřimov
- by train:
- line 227 Slavonice – Telč – Třešť – Kostelec u Jihlavy, line 225 Kostelec u Jihlavy – Horní Cerekev, line 224 Horní Cerekev – Pelhřimov





1 – Church of St. Václav in Pacov; 2 – Interior of the Church of the Birth of Virgin Mary, Želiv; 3 – Church of the Nativity of Virgin Mary, Želiv; 4 – Landscape of Pelhřimov region

Starting point: Želiv • **Final destination:** Pacov
Length of the route: 27.2 km

Distances:

Želiv (0 km) – Křelovice (3.9 km) – Košetice (8.1 km) – Chapel of St. Anna (14.2 km) – Staré Vykantice (15.8 km) – Útěchovice pod Stražištěm (17.7 km) – Velká Chýška (21 km) – former fort Hrádek (24.1 km) – Pacov (27.2 km)

Access from EV13:

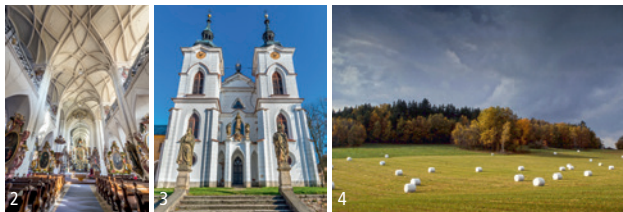
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• II/128 Nová Bystrice – Jindřichův Hradec, I/23 Jindřichův Hradec – Jarošov nad Nežárkou, I/34 Jarošov nad Nežárkou – Pelhřimov, I/19 Pelhřimov – Kámen, II/128 Kámen – Pacov
by train: • line 227 Slavonice – Telč – Třešť – Kostelec u Jihlavy, line 225 Kostelec u Jihlavy – Horní Cerekev, line 224 Horní Cerekev – Pelhřimov

Through the Želiv landscape to Pacov

You set off from the area before the Premonstratensian monastery in the town of **Želiv**. From the courtyard you go through the gateway between the monastery buildings. You join road II/129 in the direction to Křelovice and Košetice, which at the same time is cycle track 161. You go along the Želivka river and ascend to Křelovice. The cycle track turns right, but you will go through the town and take the most frequented road of that day – road II/112 to Košetice.

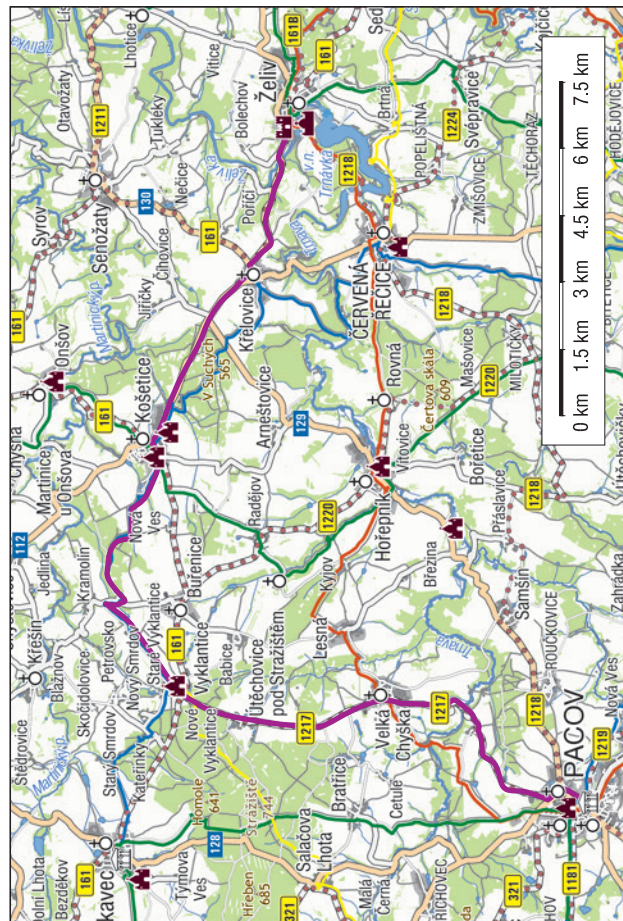
In Košetice leave the busy roads and continue to cycle along abandoned roads. Your next goal is the cemetery with the Baroque Chapel of St. Anna, surrounded by vast trees. It is a distinctive landscape feature on the hill top protruding above the surrounding landscape. You can get there from Košetice along the blue tourist signs, before the village Kramolín you will turn left. The blue signs will lead you along a narrow road to the cemetery and Baroque **Chapel of St. Anna**.

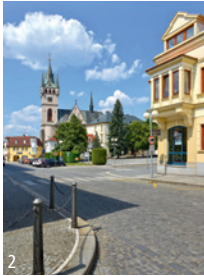
From there you go down to Staré Vykantice, past the castle. At the bus stop in Vykantice, go straight on to Pacov, along cycle track 1217. Immediately after the town you will exchange fields and meadows for a thick forest for 1 km through which you descend to Útěchovice pod Stražištěm, and the route mainly descends even further in the direction to Velká Chýška. Go down through the town past a large farmhouse. After it you will descend into the valley of the Trnava river, then go up the former Hrádek fortress to Pacov, where your trip ends.



Tourist attractions and further information:

- Premonstratensian monastery Želiv: www.zeliv.eu
- town Pacov: www.mestopacov.cz
- town Pacov: www.zamekpacov.cz
- tourist information centre Humpolec: www.infohumpolec.cz





Follow Švejek to Lipnice

In **Humpolec** you will start on Horní náměstí square and go along Hradská Street straight on to the forest park below Orlik. There is a long ascent past the Jewish cemetery along a green nature trail called Březina. You continue to **Orlik castle**, which has stood above the town since the 14th century. From the car park below Orlik continue along the nature trail to Tri Jezírka. You follow the trail to the left and after less than 400 meters join the blue tourist sign track. After less than a kilometre you turn right onto an unmarked road, which is better accessible for bikes. After one kilometre, however, you will once again join the blue sign track and arrive at the crossroads with cycle track 4155, where you turn right. You go through Orlovské lesy, which is linked to the beginnings of the Czechoslovak Scout Movement. Through the Nové Dvory crossroads, you continue along the cycle track through Loskoty, where the yellow tourist signs connect to your track. After less than one kilometre, cycle track 4155 turns right, however, you will stay on the yellow route from where you will ascend slightly to a Gothic castle founded by the Lords of Lichtenburk. One of the most massive noble castles, **Lipnice**, is the target of many Czech and foreign filmmakers. The place is linked to the writer Jaroslav Hašek, who gave life to his Švejek at the U České Koruny inn. The popular writer is buried in the local cemetery. In Lipnice you can also find the **National Eavesdropping Memorial**. You can see two rock monuments here, Mouth and Ear. Zlatý Voči is less than 2 kilometres from Lipnice. Not far from Lipnice there is also the **Monument to Jaroslav Hašek**, called Hlava XXII.

From Lipnice you follow cycle tracks 19 and 1211, then you can expect a long downhill ride full of turns to the Kamenná Trouba pond. You turn left and leave both cycle tracks before you come to Kejžlice. From there goes cycle track 1214, which will lead you back through the villages of Budíkov and Světlice to Humpolec, where your trip began.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Humpolec: www.infohumpolec.cz
- castle Orlik: www.castrum.cz
- state castle Lipnice: www.hrad-lipnice.cz
- city information centre Havlíčkův Brod: <https://mic.muhb.cz/>

1 – Castle in Lipnice nad Sázavou; 2 – Humpolec; 3 – Castle ruins Orlik; 4 – National Eavesdropping Memorial "Zlatý voči"; 5 – Monument of the writer Jaroslav Hašek "Hlava 22"

Starting point: Humpolec • **Final destination:** Humpolec

Length of the route: 27.8 km

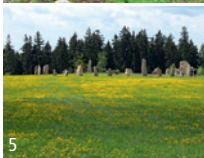
Distances:

Humpolec (0 km) – castle ruins Orlik (2.4 km) – crossroads of blue signs and cycle track 4155 (5.9 km) – Nové Dvory (11 km) – Loskoty (12.5 km) – castle Lipnice (14.8 km) – pond Kamenná trouba (17.7 km) – Kejžlice (20 km) – Budíkov (22.9 km) – Světlice (24.4 km) – Humpolec (27.8 km)

Access from EV13:

by car: • I/38 Znojmo – Havlíčkův Brod, II/34 Havlíčkův Brod – Humpolec
by train: • line 241 Znojmo – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Havlíčkův Brod, line 237 Havlíčkův Brod – Humpolec





Surroundings of Žirovnice and Počátky

You start the trip in **Počátky**. You go along cycle track 1114 towards Metánov. The next point on this route is the picturesque settlement of Lhota. Here you leave track 1114, which leads up to Kamenice nad Lipou, and ascend to the left along the road to Rodinov. You will find red signs in the town that will lead you to a crossroads. From there you continue to Žirovnice. Following the signs, you arrive in Štítné without any significant elevation, along field and forest paths in beautiful countryside.

From Štítné to **Žirovnice**, the journey goes along a road with minimal traffic. The dominant feature of this town, which is famous for making buttons, is a large castle built on the site of an original stone fortress. From Žirovnice you continue along the red sign track to Počátky. Past the town, you will go past a swimming centre next to the Budín pond. Then you ascend the hill above Počátky and after the final descent along a field road you return to Počátky.

You can supplement this route with a shorter route that will take you to Svatá Kateřina and to the source of the river Jihlava. From Počátky you go along the road with red signs that leads to **Svatá Kateřina**. After a visit to the former spa, the church of St. Catherine and the spring of St. Catherine, you can either return to Počátky along the same way, or you can continue along the red signed track in the direction to Jihlávka, where you join cycle track 1213. This track will take you back to Počátky. On the way you can visit the **source of the Jihlava river**, which is located about 1.5 km from Jihlávka.

Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Počátky: www.pocatky.cz
- tourist information centre of castle Žirovnice: www.zirovnice.cz
- castle Kamenice nad Lipou: www.kameniccn.cz

1 – Castle Žirovnice; 2 a 3 – Town Počátky; 4 – Spring of the Jihlava river; 5 – Svatá Kateřina, Rock circle of Druids; 6 – Interior of Žirovnice Castle

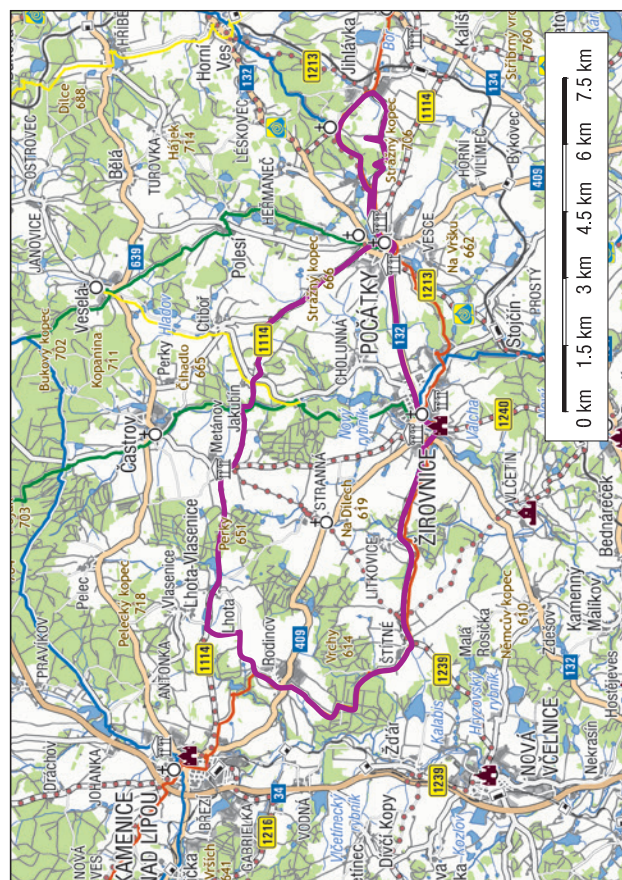
Starting point: Počátky • **Final destination:** Počátky
Length of the route: 38.7 km

Distances:

Počátky (0 km) – Jakubín (5 km) – Metánov (7.7 km) – Lhota (10.6 km) – Rodinov (13.8 km) – Štítné (18.3 km) – Žirovnice (24 km) – Počátky (28.5 km) – Svatá Kateřina (31.9 km) – Jihlávka (33.2 km) – spring of the Jihlava river (34.8 km) – Počátky (38.7 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car:
- II/406 Slavonice – Dačice – Telč, I/23 Telč – Studená, II/409 Studená – Panské Dubenky – Počátky, II/132 Počátky – Žirovnice
 - II/128 Nová Bystrice – Jindřichův Hradec, I/23 Jindřichův Hradec – Jarošov nad Nežárkou, II/132 Jarošov nad Nežárkou – Žirovnice – Počátky
- by train:
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▲ Mohelenská serpentinite steppe

TŘEBÍČ REGION

The Třebíč region lies in the Moravian part of the Bohemian-Moravian Highlands and is the closest one to the Iron Curtain Trail (EuroVelo 13) of all five Vysočina districts.

The picturesque and untouched character of the countryside creates ideal conditions for relaxation and active recreation in the form of hiking and cycling. A frequently visited destination for both tourists and holidaymakers is Dalešice Dam. Mohelenská hadcová step (Mohelno serpentinite steppe) with its unique flora and fauna is also worth seeing. Thanks to serpentinite – the rock that becomes overheated – the temperature of the serpentinite rocks in summer is several degrees higher than the ambient temperature.

This area is also studded with a variety of historical monuments. In Třebíč you can find the only completely preserved Jewish quarter in Europe and the only Jewish monument listed in UNESCO outside Israel. The history of the local Jewish population is documented in the Rear Synagogue, in a picturesque quarter of narrow streets and preserved houses, and in the Jewish cemetery with eleven thousand graves and the oldest tombstone from 1631. The list of World Heritage Sites also includes the Basilica of St. Prokop, which is a part of the former Benedictine monastery, and newly also Třebíč Castle, where the Vysočina Museum of Třebíč is located. Other gems are the castles in Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou and in Náměšť nad Oslavou. Very attractive is the area around Dalešice dam, where it is possible to take a cruise on boats allowing the transport of bikes. The Dukovany Nuclear Power Station is also worth visiting.

From the point of view of tourism, the region is labelled as the Třebíč region – Moravian Vysočina tourist destination.



▲ Water reservoir Dalešice

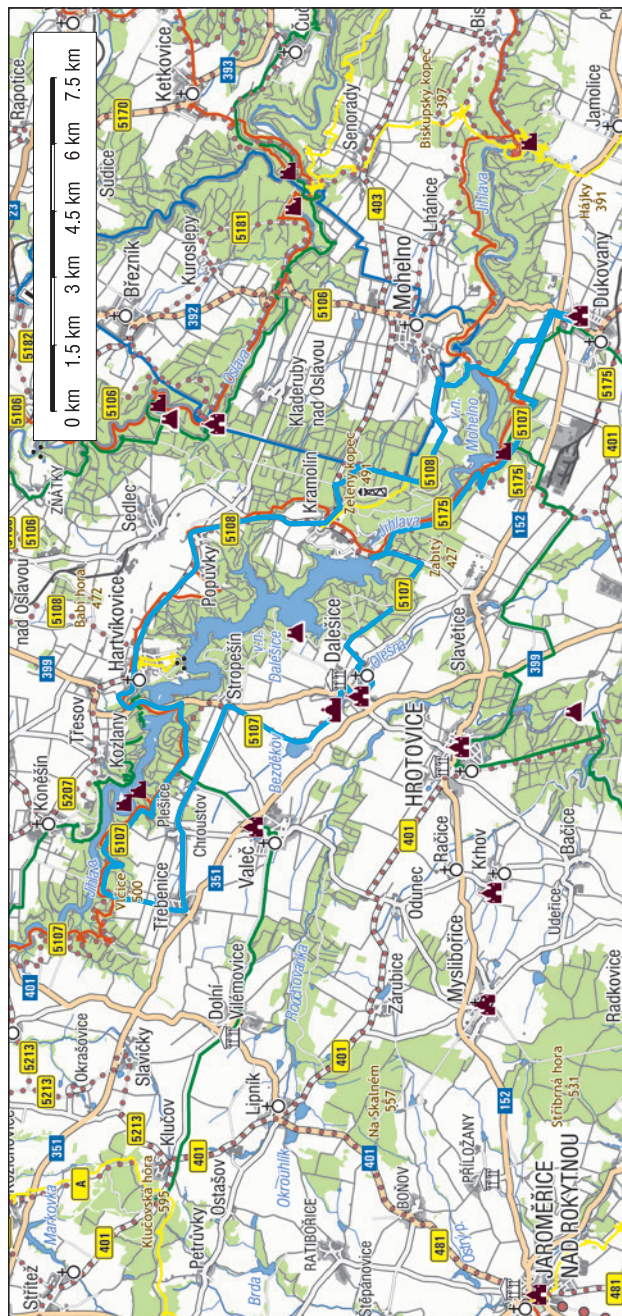
▼ Water reservoir Dalešice from viewpoint Haliřka





1 – Wilson's Rock with a view of the Dalešice reservoir

Starting point: Dukovany • **Final destination:** Dukovany
Length of the route: 50.8 km



Surroundings of the Dalešice water reservoir

You start your trip in **Dukovany** and go along the Mlynářská and Energetická cycle tracks (yellow + white signs) to the dam of the Mohelno water reservoir. You ride up above the dam, from the **Nad Mohelenskou stepí** crossroads you follow the blue signs to the **Babylon – lookout** tower crossroads and turn left to the Babylon lookout tower. You continue along cycle track 403, Energetická and Pivovarská, to the town of Kramolín, and at the municipal office you turn right onto cycle track 5108 to Popůvky and Hartvíkovice.

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Distances:

Dukovany (0 km) – crossroads Nad Mohelenskou stepí (4.5 km) – lookout tower Babylon (8.9 km) – Kramolín (10.5 km) – Popůvky (13.6 km) – Hartvíkovice (17.1 km) – Bařina, crossroads (19.3 km) – crossroads Žleb (26 km) – Třebenice (27.5 km) – Plešice (29.2 km) – Chroustov (30.5 km) – Stropošín (32.4 km) – Dalešice (36.4 km) – crossroads Dalešice Reservoir – dam (42 km) – crossroads Pod Rabštejnem (46.7 km) – crossroads Vinohrádky (48.4 km) – Dukovany (50.8 km)

Access from EV13:

- by car: • II/411 Uherčice – Moravské Budějovice, II/152 Moravské Budějovice – Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou, II/152 Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou – Dukovany
 by train: • line 248 Retz – Znojmo, 241 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Třebíč – Studenec

Tourist attractions and further information:

- town Dukovany: www.obecdukovany.cz
- town Dalešice: www.obecdalesice.cz
- state castle Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou: www.zamek-jaromerice.cz
- lookout tower Babylon Kramolín: www.obeckramolin.cz
- information centre of Nuclear Power Plant Dukovany: www.cez.cz/dukovany
- information centre of Hydro Power Plant Dalešice: www.cez.cz/dalesice
- ship transport on Dalešice Reservoir (ship Horáčko): www.dalesickaprehrada.cz
- museum of region Hrotovice: www.hrotovice.cz
- destination office of region Třebíč – Moravská Vyšocha: www.trebicko-moravskavysočina.cz

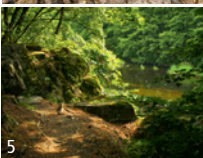


In Hartvíkovice you can visit **Wilson Rock** and view the **Dalešice reservoir** from above. You continue along the red tourist signs to the bridge over the Dalešice reservoir. Then you ascend along the road up the opposite slope, and turn right onto a forest path. After 500 meters, route 5107 joins the track with red signs. You will reach the Žleb crossroads, from where you turn left onto an unmarked road to Třeбенice.

In Třeбенice you turn left at the bus stop, go past the municipal office out of the village and further on along road III/35122 through the towns of Plešice and Chroustov to **Stropešín**. It is recommended to go further on for about 500 metres to the Dalešice reservoir and the Stropešín lookout tower. After Stropešín you will again use track 5107, which will take you to Dalešice. You go past a local brewery, the Church of St. Peter and Paul and a castle. Then you continue along the same cycle track through meadows, fields and a forest until you get to road III/39218. You turn left and after about one kilometre of downhill riding you will come to the Dalešická přehrada – hráz (Dalešice Reservoir – dam) Crossroads. You then return and after less than 300 metres turn left onto the track with red tourist signs and come to the Pod Rabštejnem crossroads. Going towards Rabštejn along the red route you will turn left, but you must carry your bikes on your shoulders. The track leads over a creek to a short (100 m) but steep hill up to the next crossroads, Rabštejn – zřícenina (ruins). On the right you will continue along a forest path to the Vinohrady crossroads. Before you reach Dukovany 2.5 km away, you follow the Pívovarská cycle track.



2 – Mohelenská serpentinite steppe; 3 – Water reservoir Dalešice;
4 – Castle Dukovany; 5 – Outlook tower Babylon



Around Náměšť nad Oslavou

The starting point is **Náměšť nad Oslavou**, whose main dominant feature is the Renaissance castle above the town. It is associated with the noble family of Haugwitz. Here you can choose from several guided tours. In addition to the castle, you can see the town museum or the butcher's museum. From the square you go over the Baroque bridge to the other side of the Oslava river. You turn left onto cycle tracks Mlynářská and 5109. From Jedovský mlýn turn right onto the track with red tourist signs and go up a steep ascent for 4 km to Jinošov. From the village square of Jinošov you continue left on cycle track 5181 to the Bělizna pond.

You turn right onto cycle track 5184 and then you descend through Krokočín and Hluboká to Lesní Jakubov. At the beginning of the village you turn right and go to Kralice nad Oslavou. In Kralice you can visit the **Kralice Bible Monument**, which is located in a purpose-built building next to the remains of a former fortress in which there was a secret Czech Brethren printing house. It printed books of a religious as well as secular character, such as textbooks. Its most important issue is the six-part Kralice Bible, which contributed to preserving and developing the Czech language at the time of the counter-reformation and in exile. The permanent exhibition presents the emergence and development of the Kralice printing house.

From Kralice you continue along cycle track 5181 through Březník to Kuroslepy, then ascend to the Kalimeta lookout platform. Then there is a steep downhill ride to the **Oslava** valley. At the crossroads in Skřípina ride straight on along cycle track 5106 upstream, and you will reach the Pod Pastýřkou lookout spot overlooking the valley of the Oslava river. You continue along cycle track 5106 past Velkopolský dvůr back to Náměšť nad Oslavou.

Access from EV13:

- by car: • I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Želetava – Kasárna, I/23 Kasárna – Předín – Třebíč – Náměšť nad Oslavou – Kralice nad Oslavou
- by train: • line 248 Retz – Znojmo, line 241 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Třebíč – Studenec – Náměšť nad Oslavou

1 a 2 – Kralice Bible memorial; 3 – Náměšť nad Oslavou; 4 – Oslava river valley; 5 – Oslava river

Starting point: Náměšť nad Oslavou • **Final destination:** Náměšť nad Oslavou • **Length of the route:** 43.4 km

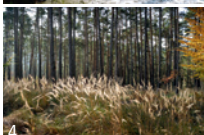
Distances:

Náměšť nad Oslavou (0 km) – Jedovský mlýn (2 km) – Jinošov (6 km) – pond Bělizna, crossroads (8.5 km) – Krokočín (11.5 km) – Lesní Jakubov (16.8 km) – Kralice nad Oslavou (20.7 km) – Kuroslepy (26.7 km) – lookout tower Kalimeta (27.2 km) – Skřípina (31.7 km) – Pod Pastýřkou (35.5 km) – Velkopolský dvůr (41.5 km) – Náměšť nad Oslavou (43.4 km)



Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist information centre Náměšť nad Oslavou: www.mks-namest.cz
- state castle Náměšť nad Oslavou: www.zamek-namest.cz
- Memorial of Kralice Bible: www.mzm.cz/pamatnik-bible-kralice/
- museum of region Hrotovice: www.hrotovice.cz
- destination office of region Třebíč – Moravská Vysočina: www.trebicko-moravskavysocina.cz



From Hrotovice through the Rokytná valley

From the square in **Hrotovice** you head towards Rouchovany along the green tourist signs, past the castle, which serves as the town office. After less than five kilometres the signs will lead you to the crossroads in the direction to the devastated village of **Mstěnice**. The village was destroyed by the armies of Matthias Corvinus. A site survey revealed 17 farms in the locality. The excavation area is freely accessible to the public – individual objects have been fitted with information boards with reconstructions of the original appearance of the settlement, and you can also see a virtual 3D archeoparc.

At the crossroads, you continue to the right to Biskupice, where you can first expect a walk up followed by a downhill ride to the **Rokytná** valley. There is a track with yellow tourist signs that you will accompany until the end of your trip.

In Biskupice you cross the Rokytná river and turn left past the bridge. In the valley of the Rokytná river you will arrive at Pulkovský mlyn and the Pulkov fortification. The valley of the meandering Rokytná river is unique for its preserved landscape. It is formed by turns of the river, old shore bushes and numerous rocks. One of them is called Justýnka. A girl of the same name, according to legend, was killed in the Thirty Years' War at that place. The disaster supposedly occurred at the time when the area was besieged by Swedish troops in 1645. The Swedish troops went to plunder the surroundings. One of them discovered Justýnka. She escaped from him and while being chased she tragically fell from the rock.

Through the village of Příštpo you continue along the track with yellow tourist signs or on road II/361 to **Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou**, where your trip ends.

Access from EV13:

- by car: • II/411 Uherčice – Moravské Budějovice, II/152 Moravské Budějovice – Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou – Hrotovice
by train: • line 248 Retz – Znojmo, line 241 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou

- 1 – Castle in Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou; 2 – Courtyard of Hrotovice castle; 3 – Rokytná river; 4 – Natural park Rokytná; 5 a 6 – Extinct village Mstěnice

Starting point: Hrotovice • **Final destination:** Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou
Length of the route: 26.8 km

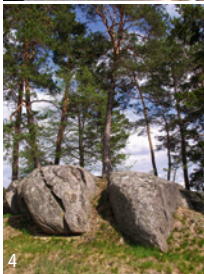
Distances:

Hrotovice (0 km) – Mstěnice (3.5 km) – Biskupice (11.9 km) – Pulkovský mlyn (15.7 km) – settlement Pulkov (16.4 km) – Příštpo (22 km) – Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou (26.8 km)



Tourist attractions and further information:

- town Hrotovice: www.hrotovice.cz
- virtual 3D archeoparc Mstěnice: <https://www.facebook.com/virtual3DparkyVysocina/>
- tourist information centre Náměšť nad Oslavou: www.mks-namest.cz
- state castle Náměšť nad Oslavou: www.zamek-namest.cz
- tourist information centre Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou: www.jaromerice.cz
- state castle Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou: www.zamek-jaromerice.cz
- destination office of region Třebíč – Moravská Vysočina: www.trebicko-moravskavysocina.cz



Through the Třebíč region natural park

You start the trip in **Třebíč** on Charles Square, from where you go along cycle track 5106 on Smilova Osovský Street. Cycle track 5106 will take you out of the town.

You go past the Lubí reservoir, through the village of Ptáčov and the town of Trnava towards Nárámeč, which you will not enter. You go along the dam of Gbel pond to the left onto cycle track 5109. You then ascend past a farmhouse and after it you will come to a crossroads. You then change your route and take track cycle 5112. This will lead you along the Hodovský pond to Rudíkov, Hroznatín and Benetice. After Benetice you leave track 5112 and go onto cycle track 103. During the following ascent turn right onto the green route leading to the Pod Jelení hlavou crossroads. You turn right onto the yellow track and ride to the Velký Javor crossroads. A little above it there is a 650-year-old maple.

From the Velký Javor crossroads you continue along the yellow route to Čechtín, where you turn onto the 2nd class road in the direction to Račerovice. After 2.6 km, you turn left towards Okřešice, where cycle track 5214 also leads. About one kilometre past Okřešice, you will arrive at the crossroads at Budíkovice, where you leave track 5214, and you then turn right again onto cycle track 103, which will take you back to Třebíč through its suburb, Týn. When leaving U Kuchyňky Street, you do not have to cycle down the main road to the river, but you can go straight on to U Obůrků Street. It will lead you through the castle park directly to the castle, which is at the same time the seat of the Vysočina Museum in Třebíč, and then to the Basilica of St. Prokop, where you will end that day's trip, so that you have time to visit, for example, the exhibition called Cesty časem (Travel through time) or the Jewish quarter with a number of sights including the Rear Synagogue and Seligmann Bauer's House.

1 – Natural park Třebíč region; 2 – Seligman Bauer's House; 3 – Museum of Vysočina Třebíč; 4 – Natural park Třebíč region; 5 – Třebíč

Starting point: Třebíč • **Final destination:** Třebíč
Length of the route: 42.2 km

Distances: Třebíč (0 km) – water reservoir Lubí (3.2 km) – Ptáčov (4.5 km) – Trnava (7.5 km) – Nárámeč, pond Gbel (11.6 km) – crossroads of cycle tracks 5109 and 5112 (12.2 km) – Rudíkov (15.5 km) – Hroznatín (18.4 km) – Benetice (24.2 km) – Pod Jelení hlavou (26.8 km) – Velký Javor, crossroads (27.2 km) – Čechtín (30.6 km) – Okřešice (35.9) Třebíč, Týn (40.5 km) – Třebíč, castle (42.2 km)



Tourist attractions and further information:

- tourist portal of town Třebíč: www.visittrebic.eu (Basilic of St. Prokop, Jewish Town, Rear Synagogue)
- Castle and Vysočina Museum Třebíč: www.muzeumtr.cz
- destination office of region Třebíč – Moravská Vysočina: www.trebicko-moravskavysocina.cz

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 - I/38 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Želetava – Kasárna, I/23 Kasárna – Předín – Třebíč
- by train:
- line 248 Retz – Znojmo, 241 Znojmo – Moravské Budějovice – Okříšky, line 240 Okříšky – Třebíč