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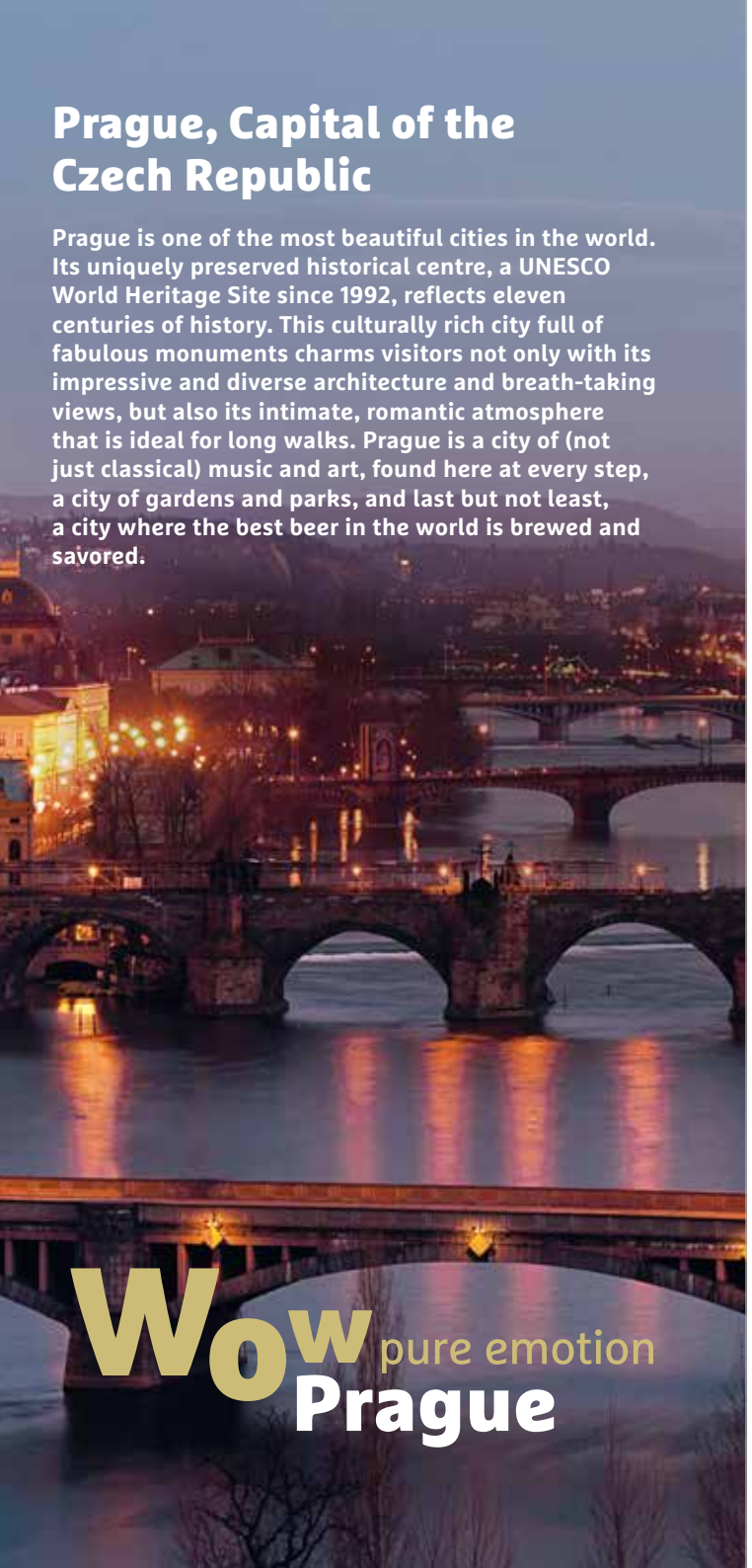
Prague, Capital of the Czech Republic

Prague is one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Its uniquely preserved historical centre, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1992, reflects eleven centuries of history. This culturally rich city full of fabulous monuments charms visitors not only with its impressive and diverse architecture and breath-taking views, but also its intimate, romantic atmosphere that is ideal for long walks. Prague is a city of (not just classical) music and art, found here at every step, a city of gardens and parks, and last but not least, a city where the best beer in the world is brewed and savored.



Basic Information About Prague

Capital of the Czech Republic (EU member since 2004):
1,243,000 residents
Currency: Czech koruna (CZK)
Airport: Václav Havel Airport Prague, 30 minutes to downtown, www.prague.aero
Distances: Berlin 350 km, Vienna 330 km, Budapest 530 km, Krakow 540 km
Time: Central European Time (GMT +1); Central European Summer Time +1 (GMT +2)
Climate: temperate, average annual temperature 9.0 °C; summer average 19.0 °C; winter average -0.9 °C
The Vltava River flows through the city for 31 km; maximum width 330 m
Historical centre: Castle District (Hradčany), Lesser Town (Malá Strana), Old Town (Staré Město), New Town (Nové Město), and Vyšehrad

What You Need to Know

— The best source of information about Prague is www.prague.eu and Prague City Tourism information centres (see page 42).

— Prague is a city made for sightseeing by foot, but its beautiful historical cobblestones can be challenging for feet. Be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes.

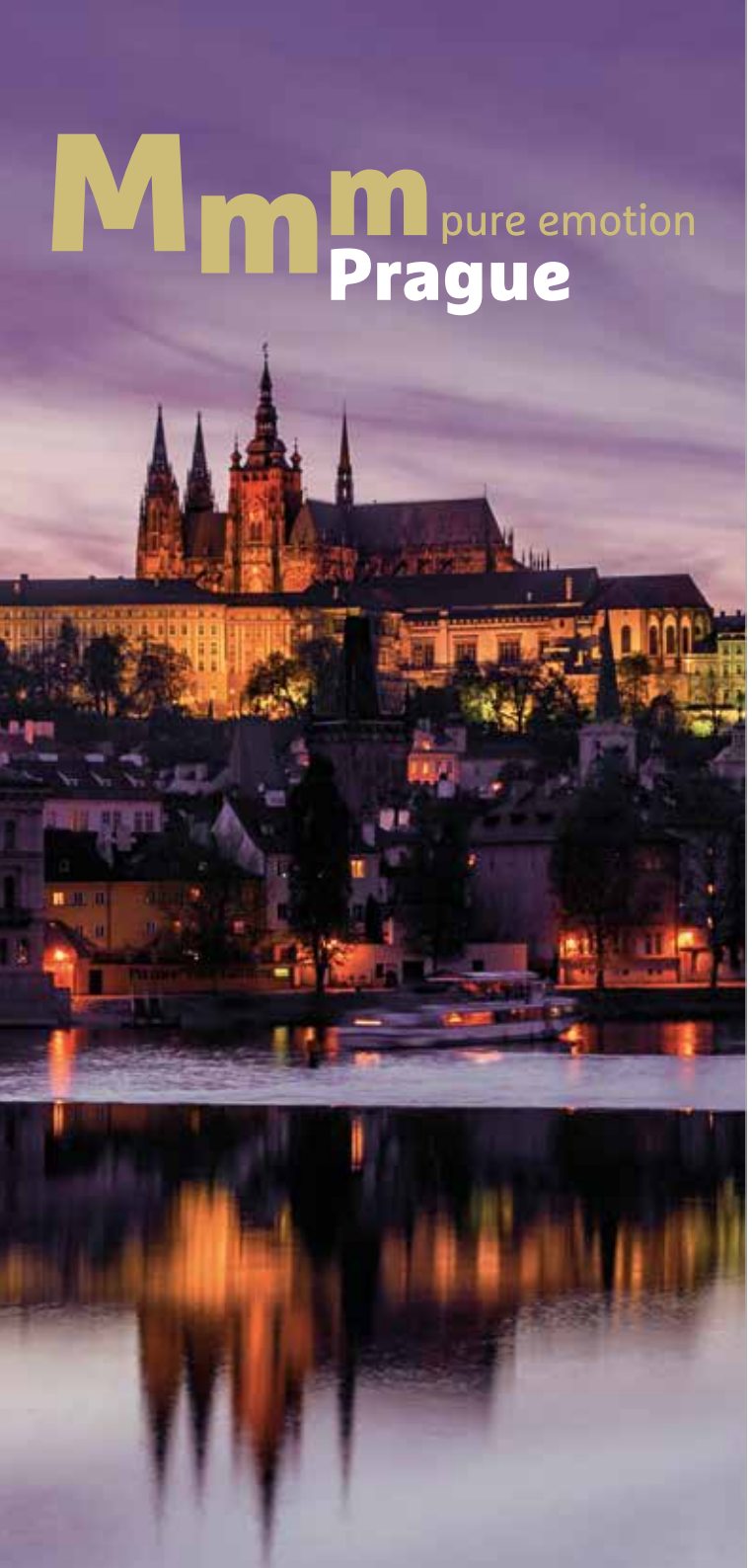
— Does walking tire you out or are you traveling with small children? Use the Ecotrain, take a ride in a vintage car/convertible, take the historical tram or carriage, or take a boat trip on the Vltava River. There are also guided tours of Prague on Segway or bicycle.

— Prague city transport includes trams and the metro, as well as buses in the outskirts. If you plan to get around other than by foot, it pays to buy a travel pass for 1 or 3 days. Note that before your first trip, you must stamp the ticket in the ticket machine, otherwise you risk a fine.

— The Prague Card (2, 3 or 4 days) includes free access to 50 major tourist sites, as well as free use of public transport. You can buy it at any of our tourist information centres.

— It's easy to get by in Prague speaking English or German, but you can't go wrong with a sincere "Dobrý den" [doh-bree den] ("Hello!"). To say "thanks", say "děkuji" [dyeh-koo-yi].

— For more useful information, see page 39.



Prague Highlights

Visitors from around the world are drawn to Prague by its unique symbiosis of carefully preserved monuments of all periods and styles, from Romanesque rotundas, Gothic cathedrals and Baroque churches, Renaissance palaces and gardens, to Art Nouveau, Cubist and purely modern buildings. The skyline is dominated by Prague Castle towering above the Vltava River, which in turn reflects the city's landmarks, towers, church domes, palaces and houses, garden greenery and islands.

Castle District (Hradčany) and Surrounding Areas

Prague Castle (Pražský hrad) – Prague 1, www.hrad.cz
Prague Castle has been an important symbol of the Czech state for more than a thousand years. It was founded in the 9th century and became the seat of Czech rulers and later presidents. The castle, one of the largest complexes in the world, is made up of historical palaces, offices, church and fortification buildings, gardens, and picturesque spots, such as the famous Golden Lane.

With the exception of the towers (Daliborka Tower, White Tower, Powder Tower, and the Great South Tower of the cathedral) and the castle ramparts in the Golden Lane, the visitor and exhibition areas are wheelchair accessible.

Main Historical Buildings of Prague Castle

Cathedral of St. Vitus, St. Wenceslas and St. Adalbert (Katedrála sv. Víta, Václava a Vojtěcha)
This Gothic cathedral, the spiritual symbol of the Czech state, was established in 1344 on the site of the original Romanesque rotunda. The construction took nearly 600 years and was finally completed in 1929. Its impressive interior is home to such wonders as the beautifully decorated St. Wenceslas Chapel with the tomb of St. Wenceslas, the crypt where Czech kings are buried, and the Crown Chamber, where the Crown Jewels are kept.

Old Royal Palace (Starý královský palác)
This palace was the seat of Bohemian princes and kings until the 16th century. It is built on the remains of the Romanesque Soběslav Palace. Most notable is the Gothic Vladislav Hall – the largest secular space of medieval Prague (1487–1500, Benedikt Rejt) with remarkable rib vaulting, today the venue for ceremonial state events.

St. George's Basilica (Bazilika sv. Jiří)
The oldest preserved church building at Prague Castle and the best-preserved example of Romanesque architecture in Bohemia. Built around the year 920 by Prince Vratislav I, rebuilt in the 12th century, it now has a Baroque façade from the 17th century. Of significance is the chapel of St. John of Nepomuk and the chapel of St. Ludmila, grandmother of St. Wenceslas, and the first Czech Christian martyr.

Chapel of the Holy Cross (Kaple sv. Kříže)
Built from 1758 to 1763 by architect Anselmo Lurago, the chapel was rebuilt in the mid-19th century in the Classicist style. It is often also called the Treasury – in the early 1960s, it was turned into an exhibition space displaying the rarest objects of the St. Vitus treasure, which contains 139 reliquaries and liturgical objects of high historic and artistic value.

Golden Lane (Zlatá ulička)
These small houses were built into the castle's Gothic fortifications. Castle marksmen and artisans lived here during the 16th century. Franz Kafka lived and worked in house no. 22 from 1916 to 1917. In 2010, the Golden Lane underwent a comprehensive renovation.

Prague Castle Picture Gallery (Obrazárna Pražského hradu)
Built in the 1960s on the site of the former stables. The collection consists of works from the remains of the "Rudolfian" collections and from later periods (old German and Dutch Renaissance masters, the Italian Renaissance and Mannerism, Baroque art).

Royal Summer Palace of Queen Anne (Letohrádek královny Anny)
The purest example of Renaissance architecture in Prague, dating from 1538 to 1560, designed by Paolo della Stella, completed by the

architect Bonifaz Wohlmut. In the garden, you can find the Singing Fountain, made from bell metal struck by falling drops of water, the work of Tomáš Jaroš (1564–1568). Exhibition hall.

Ball Games Room (Míčovna)
Renaissance building decorated with sgraffito located in the Royal Garden. Used for exhibitions and concerts.

Prague Castle Riding School (Jízdárna Pražského hradu)
Baroque building from the late 17th century. The Riding School is a venue for significant exhibitions.

Prague Castle Gardens
See the section "Prague Gardens and Scenic Views"

Changing of the Guard
The changing of the guard at the Castle takes place every hour.
7:00–20:00 (summer) and 7:00–18:00 (winter)
12:00 – with fanfare and exchange of standards in the first castle courtyard

OPENING TIMES

The grounds of Prague Castle are open to the public daily
5:00 to 24:00 (April to October) and 6:00 to 23:00 (November to March)

The sights at Prague Castle are open daily
9:00–17:00 (April to October) and 9:00–16:00 (November to March), closed on December 24.

Cathedral of St. Vitus, St. Wenceslas and St. Adalbert (Katedrála sv. Víta, Václava a Vojtěcha)
Mon–Sat 9:00–17:00, Sun 12:00–17:00 (April to October) and Mon–Sat 9:00–16:00, Sun 12:00–16:00 (November to March)
The Great South Tower of the cathedral is not part of guided tours. It is accessible in good weather daily 10:00–17:00; 10:00–18:00 in the summer.

Tickets can be purchased at Prague Castle information centres
in the second and third courtyards or at cash desks at some sights.
Route A (Old Royal Palace, "The Story of Prague Castle" exhibition, St. George's Basilica, Rosenberg Palace/Institute of Noblewomen, Golden Lane and the Daliborka Tower, the Mihulka Powder Tower, Cathedral of St. Vitus, St. Wenceslas and St. Adalbert)
Route B (Old Royal Palace, St. George's Basilica, Golden Lane and the Daliborka Tower, Cathedral of St. Vitus, St. Wenceslas and St. Adalbert)
Route C (Exhibition The Treasure of St. Vitus Cathedral, Prague Castle Picture Gallery)
Entry tickets are valid for 2 days. In the Prague Castle information centre, you can book a tour guide, specialised tours, lectures, and support for people with disabilities. A Braille guide –"Prague Castle for the Blind" – is available upon request.

Lobkowicz Palace (Lobkowiczký palác) – Jiřská 3, Prague 1, www.lobkowicz.cz
The Lobkowicz Palace, the only privately owned building in the Prague Castle complex, houses a museum with the Lobkowicz family art collections. These are the largest and oldest family-owned art collections in the Czech Republic and contain paintings by world-famous painters, as well as music instruments and manuscripts of important composers of the 17th–19th centuries, including Beethoven and Mozart. Classical music concerts are held in the palace's beautiful concert hall; the complex includes a café and gallery shop.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–18:00

Loreto – Loretánské náměstí 7, Prague 1, www.loreta.cz
A Marian pilgrimage site with a replica of the Holy House and the Baroque Church of the Nativity, surrounded by cloisters and chapels. In the tower there is a 27-bell carillon that plays the Loretan Marian song "A Thousand Times We Greet Thee" (every hour from 9:00 to 18:00). The Loreto Treasury houses a rare collection of liturgical objects from the 16th–18th centuries, the most famous of which is the "Prague Sun", a monstrance encrusted with 6,222 diamonds.
Opening hours: daily 9:00–12:15 and 13:00–17:00 (April to October) and daily 9:30–12:15 and 13:00–16:00 (November to March)

Strahov Monastery (Strahovský klášter) – Strahovské nádvoří 1, Prague 1, www.strahovskyklaster.cz
This Premonstratensian monastery was founded in 1140. The complex includes the Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (1743–1752); the unique Strahov Library with a number of rare medieval manuscripts, maps and globes; the Baroque Theological Hall (1671–1679); the Classical Philosophy Hall (1785–1794) decorated with frescoes; and the Strahov Gallery, one of the most important collections of Gothic painting, Rudolfian arts, and Baroque and Rococo painting.
Opening hours: daily 9:00–12:00 and 13:00–17:00 (Library) and daily 9:00–12:00 and 12:30–17:00 (Picture Gallery)

Petřín Lookout Tower (Petřínská rozhledna) – Petřín Park, Prague 1, www.muzeumprahy.cz
The Petřín Lookout Tower, one of the most prominent landmarks of Prague, was built as part of the Jubilee Exhibition in 1891 as a free copy of the Eiffel Tower (at a ratio of 1:5). It is 63.5 metres high and 299 steps lead to its top, which is at the same altitude as the real Eiffel Tower. The view from it overlooks not only the whole city, but on a clear day you can see nearly all of Bohemia.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–22:00 (April to September), daily 10:00–20:00 (March and October) and daily 10:00–18:00 (November to February)

Mirror Maze (Bludiště) – Petřín Park, Prague 1, www.muzeumprahy.cz
This historical curiosity from 1891, resembling an old Gothic gate, hides a seemingly endless labyrinth of intricately interconnected mirrors. At the end of the maze is a unique diorama depicting scenes from the end of the Thirty Years' War when the Swedes conquered Prague. The last room, the "Hall of Laughter", was outfitted in 1911 with convex and concave mirrors that make visitors completely unrecognizable.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–22:00 (April to September), daily 10:00–20:00 (March and October) and daily 10:00–18:00 (November to February)

Lesser Town (Malá Strana)

Charles Bridge (Karlův most) – Malá Strana, Staré Město, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
Prague's oldest bridge was built to replace the Judith Bridge that had been badly damaged by floods in 1342. The Stone, or Prague, Bridge, called Charles Bridge since 1870, was begun in 1357 by Charles IV and was completed in 1402. The bridge is built of sandstone blocks, flanked at each end by fortified towers (Lesser Town Bridge Towers, Old Town Bridge Tower). From 1683 to 1928, thirty statues of saints were carved to decorate the bridge, the most famous of which is the statue of St. John of Nepomuk.

Lesser Town Bridge Towers (Malostranské mostecké věže) – Malá Strana, Prague 1, www.muzeumprahy.cz
The smaller tower is Romanesque, dating from the 12th century; its current Renaissance appearance dates to 1591. The late Gothic taller tower, from 1464, is based on the architecture of Parléř's Old Town Bridge Tower. The central gate was built in the early 15th century.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–22:00 (April to September), daily 10:00–20:00 (March and October) and daily 10:00–18:00 (November to February)

St. Nicholas Church (Kostel sv. Mikuláše) – Malostranské náměstí, Prague 1, www.stnicholas.cz
One of the most important buildings of Baroque Prague with its dominant dome and belfry. The interior decoration of the church is an outstanding example of Baroque architecture. The dome has an impressive diameter of 20 m and an interior height of over 49 m – the highest interior in Prague – and its monumentality is enhanced by the ingenious play of light. During Mozart's stay in Prague, he played the organ here.
Opening hours: daily 9:00–16:00 (November–February) and daily 9:00–17:00 (March to October)

Church of Our Lady Victorious – Infant Jesus of Prague (Kostel Panny Marie Vítězné – Pražské Jezulátko) – Karmelitská 9, Prague 1, www.pragjesu.info
This early Baroque building, dating from 1611 and rebuilt between 1634 and 1669 by the Carmelite order, is famous for its statue of the Infant Jesus of Prague, originally from Spain and donated to the Carmelites by Polyxena of Lobkowicz in 1628. The Infant Jesus has two crowns and 46 outfits, which, according to an old custom, are changed 10 times a year depending on the time of year. A small museum was built to display his clothing and other religious objects.
Opening hours: Mon–Sat 8:30 to 19:00, Sun 8:30 to 20:00

Wallenstein Palace (Valdštejnský palác) – Valdštejnské náměstí 4, Prague 1, www.senat.cz
The vast palace complex, the first monumental early Baroque secular building in Prague, was built between 1624 and 1630 on the site of 26 houses, 6 gardens, 2 brickworks and 1 plot of land for one of the most powerful and wealthiest Czech noblemen of the post-White Mountain

period, Albrecht von Wallenstein (1583–1634). Today it houses the Senate of the Czech Republic.
Opening hours: Sat, Sun 10:00–17:00 (April, May, October); Sat, Sun 10:00–18:00 (June to September) and every first weekend of the month 10:00–16:00 (November to March)

Old Town (Staré Město)

Old Town Bridge Tower (Staroměstská mostecká věž) – Staré Město, Prague 1, www.muzeumprahy.cz
The entrance gate to Charles Bridge from the Old Town, the most beautiful Gothic gateway in Europe, was completed before 1380. Its rich sculptural decoration includes the symbols of the Czech Crown Lands at the time of the reign of Charles IV, statues of St. Vitus, Charles IV, Wenceslas IV, St. Adalbert and St. Sigismund.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–22:00 (April to September), daily 10:00–20:00 (March and October) and daily 10:00–18:00 (November to February)

Old Town Square (Staroměstské náměstí) – Staré Město, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
The most significant square of historical Prague. It was founded in the 12th century and has witnessed many historic events. In addition to the Old Town Hall and the Church of Our Lady before Týn, the square is dominated by the Baroque church of St. Nicholas; the Rococo Kinský Palace (now National Gallery offices and exhibition spaces); the House at the Stone Bell (a Gothic palace from the 14th century, today a concert and exhibition space of the City Gallery Prague); and the Jan Hus Memorial by Ladislav Šaloun (1915). In the pavement of the square there are memorial stones marking the execution of 27 Czech lords (June 21, 1621) and the Prague meridian.

Old Town Hall and the Astronomical Clock (Staroměstská radnice s orlojem) – Staroměstské náměstí 1, Prague 1, www.staromestskaradnicepraha.cz
The Town Hall was established in 1338 as the seat of the Old Town administration. The oldest part of the complex, consisting of Gothic towers, a bay chapel and rich symbolic décor, dates from the 2nd half

of the 14th century. Every hour between 9:00 and 23:00, twelve apostles appear on the famous 15th century Astronomical Clock; below the clock is a calendar featuring the signs of the zodiac painted by Josef Mánes (1865). The eastern wing of the Town Hall was destroyed on May 8, 1945, and has not been rebuilt. Disabled access is available up to the gallery hall tower; the halls are not wheelchair accessible.
Opening hours: (if the building is not reserved for ceremonial events of the Lord Mayor of Prague) Mon 11:00–18:00, Tue–Sun 9:00–18:00 (halls); and Mon 11:00–22:00, Sat–Sun 9:00–22:00 (tower)

Cathedral of Our Lady before Týn (Chrám Matky Boží před Týnem) – Staroměstské náměstí 604/14, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
The most impressive Gothic religious building in Prague, built from the mid-14th century to the early 16th century. At the end of the 17th century the interior was rebuilt in Baroque style. The cathedral is an extensive gallery of Gothic, Renaissance and early Baroque works, the most interesting of which are, among others, a giant altar by Karel Škréta and the tomb of astronomer Tycho Brahe. The organ, dating from 1673, is the oldest in Prague.
Opening hours: Tue–Sat 10:00–13:00 and 15:00–17:00, Sun 10:30–12:00

St. Nicholas Church (Chrám sv. Mikuláše) – Staroměstské náměstí 27a, Prague 1, www.svmikulas.cz
A monumental Baroque structure, built from 1732 to 1737 according to plans by Dientzenhofer. Its façade, facing Pařížská Street, was updated in modern times. A niche is fitted with a larger than life-sized, pseudo-Baroque sandstone statue of St. Nicholas. The interior, with its interesting light effects, is a Dientzenhofer masterpiece. A crystal crown chandelier with glass ornaments from the Harrachov glassworks hangs in the nave.
Opening hours: Mon–Sat 10:00–16:00, Sun 11:30 to 16:00 (except during religious services or cultural events)

Týn Yard (Týnský dvůr) – Ungelt – between Týnská, Štupartská and Malá Štupartská streets, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
One of the most important historical sites in Prague. This block of buildings, probably built in the 11th century, was originally a fortified

merchant yard, where customs duties – ungelt – were collected, hence the name of the whole area. The most important building here is the Granovský Palace with its arcaded loggia, one of the best preserved Renaissance treasures of Prague, with beautiful sgraffito and murals that depict scenes from the Bible and Greek mythology; of particular note is the painting of the Judgement of Paris.

Powder Tower (Prašná brána) – Na Příkopě, Prague 1, www.muzeumprahy.cz
Completed in 1475, this monumental entrance gate, through which coronation processions of Czech kings entered the Old Town, is one of the most significant monuments of late Gothic architecture in Prague. The Powder Tower, which formerly served as a gunpowder store, is still the starting point for the Coronation, or Royal, Route to Prague Castle.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–22:00 (April to September), daily 10:00–20:00 (March and October) and daily 10:00–18:00 (November to February)

Municipal House (Obecní dům) – náměstí Republiky 5, Prague 1, www.obecnidum.cz
This Art Nouveau building, built from 1905 to 1911, is an example of unprecedented artistic and craft skills and quality. Its rich exterior and interior decorations are the work of Alfons Mucha, Max Švabinský, J. V. Myslbek, and others. The monumental Smetana Hall dominates the stunning interior, which features a plethora of charming lounges and halls; its unique Art Nouveau decorations are ubiquitous – in the café, the French and Pilsener restaurants, and the American bar, the second oldest bar in Europe.
Guided tours several times a day – see www.obecnidum.cz for the current schedule.

House of the Black Madonna (Dům U Černé Matky Boží) – Ovocný trh 19, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
This magnum opus of Czech Cubist architecture was built from 1911 to 1912 by Czech architect Josef Gočár. It is exceptional not only for its façade, but also for its Cubist floor plan and in particular the penetration of Cubism into the interior of the house, where you'll find the only Cubist café in the world.

Café opening times: Mon–Fri 9:00–22:00, Sat–Sun 10:00–22:00
Bethlehem Chapel (Betlémská kaple) – Betlémské náměstí 255/4, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
The chapel was founded in 1391 for Czech sermons, and between 1402 to 1413, when Jan Hus preached here, it gained considerable popularity. In 1661 the Jesuits converted it into a Catholic church and subsequently demolished it in 1786. From 1950 to 1952, a replica of the original building (by architect J. Fragner) was built here. An exhibition entitled "The Bethlehem Chapel in Czech History and the Tradition of Non–Catholic Thought – the Life and Work of Jan Hus" is currently on display.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–18:30 (April to October) and daily 10:00–17:30 (November to March)

Clementinum (Klementinum) – Mariánské náměstí 5, Prague 1, www.klementinum.com
The extensive grounds of the Clementinum, one of the largest building complexes in Europe, were built as a Jesuit college from the mid-16th to the mid-18th century. Of greatest interest here are the Astronomical Tower, where meteorological measurements have been recorded since 1775; the Mirror Chapel with its richly designed interior and mirrors, which have no equal in the Czech lands; and the Baroque library hall with beautiful frescoes and historically valuable globes.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–17:00 (April to October) and daily 10:00–16:00 (November to March)

Rudolfinum – Alšovo nábřeží 12, Prague 1, www.ceskafilharmonie.cz
This world-famous concert hall is home of the Czech Philharmonic, which performed here for the first time in 1896 under the baton of Antonín Dvořák. The neo-Renaissance building was constructed from 1876 to 1884. The main hall – Dvořák Hall – is the venue for exceptional concerts of classical music, especially the Prague Spring music festival.

Josefov – Prague Jewish Town (Židovské Město) – Prague 1, www.prague.eu
Founded in the 13th century, its present appearance is largely the result of an extensive reconstruction from 1893 to 1913 that managed to save only a few of the most important monuments from the centuries-long history of Prague Jews. Nevertheless, it is the

best-preserved complex of Jewish monuments in Europe. With the exception of the Old-New Synagogue, the area is administered by the Jewish Museum.

Old-New Synagogue (Staronová synagoga) – Červená 2, Prague 1, www.synagogue.cz
One of the oldest and most valuable European and world Jewish monuments, and the oldest synagogue in Central Europe. The early Gothic building dates from the end of the 13th century with rich stonework and antique furnishings (wrought iron Gothic grille and chandeliers). Today it is the main synagogue of the Jewish community in Prague.
Opening hours: Sun–Thu 9:00–18:00 (April to October) and Sun–Thu 9:00–17:00 (November to March); closed Saturdays and Jewish holidays. Friday closing time varies with the beginning of the Sabbath.

The Jewish Museum – booking centre – U Starého hřbitova 3a, Prague 1, www.jewishmuseum.cz

Old Jewish Cemetery (Starý židovský hřbitov) – Široká 3, Prague 1
Built in the first half of the 15th century, it served as a burial ground until 1787. Among the 12,000 Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque tombstones are the tombs of Rabbi Judah Loew (1609) and Mordechai Maisel (1601).

Synagogues maintained by the Jewish Museum: Spanish (Španělská, Vězeňská 1), Klausen (Klausová, U Starého hřbitova 3a), Maisel (Maiselova, Maiselova 10), Pinkas (Pinkasova, Široká 3), and the Ceremonial Hall (Obřadní síň, U Starého hřbitova 3a).
Exhibitions in these buildings offer insight into Jewish history and tradition.

Opening times of Jewish Museum properties: daily except Saturdays and Jewish holidays 9:00–16:30 (November to March), and daily except Saturdays and Jewish holidays 9:00–18:00 (April to October)

Jerusalem (Jubilee) Synagogue (Jeruzalémská (Jubilejní) synagoga) – Jeruzalémská 1310/7, Prague 1, www.synagogue.cz

The newest and largest synagogue of the Jewish community in Prague is an interesting example of Art Nouveau melded with Moorish style. Its interior is richly painted in Art Nouveau style, and is unlike any other synagogue in the world.
Opening hours: daily except Saturdays and Jewish holidays 11:00–17:00 (April to October)

New Town (Nové Město)

Wenceslas Square (Václavské náměstí) – Prague 1, www.prague.eu
The commercial and administrative centre of the city and the site of important social and historic events. It was created during the founding of New Town by Charles IV in 1348. Today the square is dominated by the National Museum (1885–1891) and the statue of St. Wenceslas from 1912, the work of J. V. Myslbek.

New Town Hall (Novoměstská radnice) – Karlovo náměstí 23, Prague 2, www.novomestskaradnice.cz
A complex of Gothic buildings from the turn of the 15th century, rebuilt in Renaissance style in the 16th century. It includes a tower with a chapel of the Virgin Mary, two Gothic halls with ribbed vaults, and a Renaissance hall. Seat of the New Town administration from 1377 to 1784. Site of the defenestration of Prague Hussites by Catholic aldermen on July 30, 1419, which started the Hussite Revolution.
Opening hours: Tower: Tue–Sun 10:00–18:00 (April to October) and halls: during exhibitions Tue–Sun 10:00–18:00

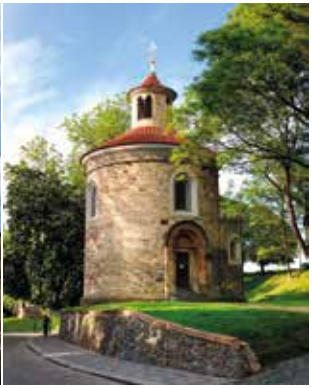
Jindřišská Tower (Jindřišská věž) – Jindřišská St., Prague 1, www.jindrisskavez.cz
This tower from the Gothic period (1472–1476) was built as a separate bell tower modelled after an Italian campanile. The tallest freestanding bell tower in Prague, it is 66 m high and has a total of ten floors. In addition to the views of the city from the small corner towers, the tower itself features a café, a restaurant, and the Museum of Prague Towers.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–18:00

New Stage (Nová scéna) – Národní 4, Prague 1, www.novascena.cz
The modern theatre building from 1983 is still one of the most talked-about buildings in Prague. Its characteristic form, designed by Stanislav Libenský and constructed from more than 4,000 blown glass blocks, drastically changed the neo-Renaissance appearance of the street. It is part of the National Theatre and the home of the Laterna Magika and other original projects.

Emmaus Monastery – Na Slovanech (Klášter Na Slovanech – Emauzy) – Vyšehradská 49, Prague 2, www.emauzy.cz
The Abbey Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Jerome and Slavic Saints was founded by Charles IV in 1347 and became a centre of learning, art and Slavic literature. Murals depicting scenes from both parts of the Bible are a rarity in Europe and rank among the rarest relics of the Czech Gothic. During the bombing of Prague in 1945, the church was badly damaged and its roof was later replaced by a modern structure with concrete towers with white and gold spires.
Opening hours: Mon–Sat 11:00–17:00 (May to September), Mon–Fri 11:00–17:00 (April, October) Mon–Fri 11:00–14:00 (November to March)

Outside the Historical Centre

Vyšehrad – V Pevnosti 159/5b, Prague 2, www.praha-vysehrad.cz
According to ancient legends, Vyšehrad is the oldest seat of Bohemian princes, but in fact, the local settlement was established later than Prague Castle – about the mid-10th century. Situated on a rocky promontory above the Vltava River, it offers unique views of the city, and the park area is home to hidden architectural treasures including the rare Romanesque rotunda of St. Martin from the 11th century, the neo-Gothic Church of Sts. Peter and Paul, built on medieval foundations; the national cemetery, where Antonín Dvořák and other notable personalities were laid to rest; and underground casemates housing the originals of some Baroque statues from the Charles Bridge.
The grounds of Vyšehrad are open throughout the day.
Opening times of buildings: daily 9:30–18:00 (April to October) and daily 9:30–17:00 (November to March)



Vyšehrad Cemetery and Slavín: daily 8:00–19:00 (May to September), daily 8:00–18:00 (March, April, October) and daily 8:00–17:00 (November to February)

The Dancing Building (Tančící dům) – Jiráskovo náměstí 6 / Rašínovo nábřeží 80, Prague 2, www.tancici-dum.cz
This pillar of modern architecture in Prague "danced" onto the Rašínovo Embankment in 1996. The project comes from the drawing board of world-renowned architects Vlado Milunić and Frank O. Gehry. Its concept was inspired by the dance skills of the famous film couple – the stone tower symbolizes Fred Astaire and the glass tower, his partner Ginger Rogers.

New Jewish Cemetery (Nový židovský hřbitov) – Izraelská 1, Prague 3, www.synagogue.cz
This cemetery, with countless artistically valuable tombstones, was founded in 1890. Of greatest interest is the 1985 Memorial of Czechoslovak Jews who perished in the Shoah and the Resistance. Another popular sight is the tomb of writer Franz Kafka and his parents (tombstone number 21 – 14 – 21).
Opening hours: Sun–Thu 9:00–17:00, Fri 9:00–14:00 (April to October) and Sun–Thu 9:00–16:00, Fri 9:00–14:00 (November to March), except Saturdays and Jewish holidays.

Church of the Most Sacred Heart of Our Lord (Kostel Nejsvětějšího Srdce Páně) – náměstí Jiřího z Poděbrad, Prague 3, www.srdcepane.cz
The church is the most significant Czech sacral building of the 20th century. This distinctive modern building inspired by old Christian designs is the work of the famous Slovenian architect Josip Plečnik and was built from 1928 to 1932. The original design by Plečnik features a particularly wide, 42 m high bell tower in southern European style, which is topped with a 3 m copper sphere with a 4 m high cross, and a church interior evocative of Noah's ark.
Opening hours: The church is open about 40 minutes before and after Mass.
Mass: Mon–Sat 8:00, Sun 9:00 and 18:00, 11:00, 18:00

Žižkov Television Tower (Žižkovská televizní věž) – Mahlerovy sady 1, Prague 3, www.towerpark.cz
Unquestionably the main landmark of the Žižkov district – at 216 m in height, it's the tallest building in the city. With a 360° view, Prague is laid out before your eyes. The tower was designed by architects Václav Aulický and Jiří Kozák during the 1980s. Ten giant sculptures of babies by leading Czech artist David Černý crawl all over the outside of the tower.
Opening hours: daily 8:00–24:00

Břevnov Monastery (Břevnovský klášter) – Markétská 1/28, Prague 6, www.brevnov.cz
The monastery, the oldest in the Czech lands, was founded in 993 by Prince Boleslav II and Bishop Vojtěch. The monastery as it appears today dates from the years 1708–1745 (architect Dientzenhofer) and is a magnum opus of the Baroque. Open for viewing are the magnificent Baroque Basilica of St. Margaret, the 11th century Romanesque crypt, and the Baroque prelature with its Teresian Hall. Closely connected with the history of Břevnov Monastery is a brewery, mentioned as early as the 13th century, whose production can still be tasted today.
Tours: Sat, Sun 10:00, 14:00, 16:00 (April to October) and Sat, Sun 10:00, 14:00 (November to March)

Müller (Loos) Villa (Müllerova (Loosova) vila) – Nad Hradním vodojemem 14/642, Prague 6, www.muzeumprahy.cz
The Müller family villa in Prague (1928–1930) is a masterpiece of world architectural avant-garde. It is a rare example of agreement between an enlightened client and a genius architect. Outwardly, the building appears strictly functionalist; of primary interest is its internal layout, the so-called Raumplan, in which the rooms "flow" from one to the next.
Tours on request: Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun at 9:00, 11:00, 13:00, 15:00 and 17:00 (April to October) and Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun 10:00, 12:00, 14:00 and 16:00 (November to March)

Mainpoint Karlín – Pobřežní 21, Prague 8, www.mainpointkarlin.cz
Voted the Best Office Building in the World in 2011 by the prestigious real estate MIPIM Awards competition – truly a summation of this unique building "with personality". From the outset, the architects DaM placed an emphasis on environmentally friendly construction – one resourceful idea is a cooling system using water from a Vltava River flush canal under the building.

Admission to Prague's historical monuments, museums and galleries generally ranges from about 70 to 150 CZK; some private museums are more expensive. The highest admission fees are charged by the largest and most important conservation areas (Prague Castle and the Jewish Museum (350 CZK, 300 CZK)), but the tickets are valid for 2 days and provide access to a large number of buildings and sights, making them a good value overall.

Prague Gardens and Scenic Views

Right in the centre of busy Prague, you can find peaceful oases of greenery – beautifully cultivated, architecturally interesting gardens that not only offer beautiful views of the city, but also quiet places to relax and unwind. The Botanical Gardens and the zoo are also popular places for walks in unique natural settings.

Prague Castle Gardens (Zahrady Pražského hradu) – Prague Castle, Prague 1, www.hrad.cz
The Royal Gardens are historically the most valuable of all the castle gardens. Founded in 1534 by Ferdinand I Habsburg, they were inspired by Italian designs; the gardens' current appearance is the result of their adaptation in the English style in the 19th century. One of the most beautiful fountains in Renaissance Europe, the Singing Fountain, can be found here. The southern gardens (Rajská, Na Valech and Hartigovská) spreading along the southern façade of Prague Castle offer striking views of the Lesser Town, Old Town and nearby Petřín.
Free admission
Opening hours: daily 10:00–18:00 (April, October), daily 10:00–19:00 (May–September), daily 10:00–21:00 (June, July) and daily 10:00–20:00 (August)

Palatial Gardens below Prague Castle (Palácové zahrady pod Pražským hradem) – Valdštejnská 12–14, Prague 1, www.palacove-zahrady.cz
This complex of interconnected historical gardens (Ledeburská, Malá and Velká Pálffyovská, Kolovratská and Malá Fürstenberská) is situated on the southern slopes below Prague Castle. You can admire balustraded terraces adorned with sculptures, secret staircases and passages, numerous fountains, and impressive Baroque flowerbeds.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–18:00 (April, October), daily 10:00–19:00 (May–September), daily 10:00–21:00 (June, July) and daily 10:00–20:00 (August)

Wallenstein Garden (Valdštejnská zahrada) – Letenská St., Prague 1, www.senat.cz
This strictly geometrically designed early Baroque garden was created in parallel with the construction of the Wallenstein Palace from 1623 to 1629. Upon entering, your gaze will immediately be drawn to the colossal sala terrena, which at the time of its construction was unmatched, and an artificial cave with stalactites. During the summer, the garden is the venue for concerts and theatrical performances.
Free admission
Opening hours: Mon–Fri 7:30 to 18:00, Sat, Sun 10:00–18:00 (April to October) to 19:00 (June to September)

Franciscan Garden (Františkánská zahrada) – between Jungmannovo náměstí and Václavské náměstí, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
This unique natural oasis in the city centre is furnished with a number of benches, spanned by arches laden with roses in the summer. Lawn areas are separated by low yew hedges, and the garden is completed with several interesting sculptures, fountains, a gazebo, a playground, fruit trees and herb beds, which harken back to the former owners, the Carmelites and the Franciscans, who once grew herbs and spices here.
Free admission
Opening hours: daily 7:00–22:00 (mid April–mid September), 7:00–20:00 (mid September–mid October), daily 8:00–19:00 (mid October–mid April)

Vrtba Garden (Vrtbovská zahrada) – Karmelitská 25, Prague 1, www.vrtbovska.cz
One of the most important and most beautiful Baroque gardens thanks to a clever solution by František Maximilián Kaňka around 1720. It's one of the city's smaller gardens, but its unique architectural design on an irregular slope as well as the artistic and historical value of its decoration ranks it high in importance in Europe.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–18:00 (April–October)

Petřín Gardens (Petřínské sady) – Malá Strana, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
Petřín Hill is one of the largest urban green areas and its slopes are an oasis of calm in the centre of Prague. The Rose Garden, or rosarium, at the top of Petřín Hill, the Kinský Garden and the Seminary Garden with more than 2,100 fruit trees are particularly magical. The Carpathian wooden Church of the Archangel Michael is a local architectural rarity.
Free admission

City Views
Prague towers and other points of interest offer unforgettable views of the city: Smetanovo Embankment – Novotného lávka • Old Town Hall Tower • Powder Tower • Clementinum Tower • Old Town Bridge Tower • Prague Castle ramp at Hradčanské Square • Petřín Lookout Tower • Letná Parks • Belfry of St. Nicholas Church • Žižkov TV Tower • Vyšehrad • South Gardens of Prague Castle

Zoo and Botanical Gardens

Prague Zoo (Zoologická zahrada hl. m. Prahy) – U Trojského zámku 120/3, Prague 7, www.zoopraha.cz
Thanks to its unique position, Prague Zoo is considered one of the most beautiful in the world. The rugged terrain offers over 10 km of walking trails through such exotic exhibitions as the Africa House, the Indonesian Jungle, and the Valley of the Elephants. This beautiful piece of nature is a popular destination for families with children.
Opening hours: daily 9:00–17:00 (March), daily 9:00–18:00 (April, May, September, October), daily 9:00–19:00 (June to August) and daily 9:00–16:00 (November to February)

City of Prague Botanical Gardens (Botanická zahrada hl. m. Prahy) – Nádvorní 134, Prague 7, www.botanicka.cz
The garden is laid out over almost 30 hectares, with exhibition areas including the historical St. Claire´s Vineyard, a Japanese meditation garden and the unique Fata Morgana tropical greenhouse. The 130 m long greenhouse, divided into three separate areas with different temperatures and humidity levels, offers a trip through tropical nature at any time of the year.
Opening hours:
Outdoor exhibitions and St. Claire´s Vineyard: daily 9:00–16:00 (November to February) daily 9:00–17:00 (March and October), daily 9:00–18:00 (April) and daily 9:00–19:00 (May to September)
Fata Morgana greenhouse: Tue–Sun 9:00–18:00 (April), Tue–Sun 9:00–19:00 (May to September), Tue–Sun 9:00–17:00 (March and October) and Tue–Sun 9:00–16:00 (November to February)

Botanical Gardens of Charles University (Botanická zahrada Univerzity Karlovy) – Na Slupi 16, Prague 2, www.bz-uk.cz
The garden opened in 1898 and gradually expanded to include an arboretum, greenhouses, ponds and a large alpine garden. These areas, along with other outdoor exhibitions, form a cosy green area in the centre of Prague providing a breath of yesteryear.
Opening hours:
Exteriors: daily 10:00–17:00 (February–March), daily 10:00–19:30 (April to August), daily 10:00–18:00 (September, October) and daily 10:00–16:00 (November–January)
Greenhouses: daily 10:00–16:00 (February–March), daily 10:00–17:00 (April to October) and daily 10:00–15:30 (November–January)

Culture in Prague

The inspirational contemporary atmosphere of Prague has undoubtedly imprinted itself onto its cultural life. You can enjoy world-famous as well as completely new artwork in a multitude of galleries, rare museum exhibits, ear-pleasing operatic arias and the spontaneous mood of jazz evenings … or simply dance the night away in one of Prague's clubs.
We have concocted a blend of cultural tips that will reliably satisfy even the most refined artistic expectations. Take a look …

Galleries

National Gallery (Národní galerie) – www.ngprague.cz
The second oldest gallery in Europe after the Louvre – a sanctuary for lovers of Czech and international fine art.

PERMANENT EXHIBITIONS

Sternberg Palace (Šternberský palác) – Hradčanské náměstí 15, Prague 1
This significant Baroque monument will especially delight fans of European art from antiquity to the late Baroque. You can admire, among other things, ancient classical art, as well as major works by Italian, Flemish, Dutch, German and Austrian painters.

Schwarzenberg Palace (Schwarzenberský palác) – Hradčanské náměstí 2, Prague 1
This prominent feature of Hradčanské Square is also one of the most beautiful buildings in Prague. The current exhibition displays the best of Baroque art in Bohemia (works by Braun, Brokoff, von Aachen, Škréta, and more).

Salm Palace (Salmovský palác) – Hradčanské náměstí 2, Prague 1
This three-winged palace was built between 1800 and 1811 as a Neoclassical building with distinct Empire influences. The upcoming exhibition "The 19th-Century Art from neo-Classicism to Romanticism" will present important paintings and sculptures from the first two-thirds of the 19th century. Its opening is planned for October 16, 2014.

Convent of St. Agnes of Bohemia (Klášter sv. Anežky České) – U Milosrdných 17, Prague 1
This former convent of the Poor Clares and the Franciscans is considered to be the first Gothic building in the Czech lands. Inside, you can visit the permanent exhibition dedicated to medieval art in Bohemia and Central Europe. Exhibited items are among the treasures of the Czech national cultural heritage.

Kinský Palace (Palác Kinských) – Staroměstské náměstí 12, Prague 1
Rare artefacts of Egyptian, Mesopotamian, Greek, Roman and Asian art await you in the heart of Prague.

Map of the City Centre

HRADČANY
MALÁ STRANA
STARÉ MĚSTO
JOSEFOV
NOVÉ MĚSTO
Hradčanská
Malostranská
Staroměstská
Můstek
Náměstí Míru
Hlavní nádraží
Náměstí Republiky
Karlovo náměstí
Národní třída
Letenské sady
Petřínské sady
Kinského zahrada
Strahovská zahrada
Seminářská zahrada
Lobkovická zahrada
Vrtbovská zahrada
Palácové zahrady pod Pražským hradem
Královská zahrada
Chotkovy sady
Vojanovy sady
Valdštejnská zahrada
Ostrov Kampa
Střelecký ostrov
Dětský ostrov
Slovanský ostrov
Letenské sady
Park Sacré Coeur
Park Folimanka
Botanická zahrada
Albertov
Karlov
Vltava
Pražský hrad
Katedrála sv. Víta, Václava a Vojtěcha
Karlův most
Staroměstské mostecké věže
Malostranské mostecké věže
Orloj
Chrám Matky Boží před Týnem
Obecní dům
Prašná brána
Klementinum
Betlémská kaple
Tančící dům
Nová scéna
Národní divadlo
Nová budova Národního muzea
Národní muzeum
Státní opera Praha
Divadlo Na Vinohradech
Stavovské divadlo
Loreta
Strahovský klášter
Kostel sv. Mikuláše
Kostel Panny Marie Vítězné
Petřínská rozhledna
Hladová zeď
Nebozízek
Ohrada
Letohrádek Kinských
Ringhofferka
Bertramka
Mozartova
Nikolajka
Provaznice
Zlatý Anděl
Andělská
Ztracená
Ztracená
Ztracená

Veletržní Palace (Veletržní palác) – Dukelských hrdinů 47, Prague 7
At first sight, the first functionalist building in Prague impresses with its generous dimensions. In an area of over 13,500 m² you'll find a unique collection of Czech and international modern art, including such well-known names as Renoir, Picasso, Klimt, Rodin and Munch.
Opening hours of National Gallery properties: Tue–Sun 10:00–18:00

City Gallery Prague (Galerie hlavního města Prahy) – www.ghmp.cz
The second most important gallery in the Czech Republic after the National Gallery, specializing in Czech art of the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries.

PERMANENT EXHIBITIONS AND EXHIBITION HALLS

Bílek Villa (Bílkova vila) – Mickiewiczova 1, Prague 6
This unique and very atypical villa was designed by Czech sculptor, mystic and symbolist František Bílek, whose works are exhibited here today. The building's concept is based on a wheat field – its plan symbolizes the track of a scythe in a wheat field; the stone columns are styled like stalks and cobs.
Opening hours: Tue–Sun 10:00–18:00

Colloredo-Mansfeld Palace (Colloredo-Mansfeldský palác) – Karlova 2, Prague 1
The exhibition space on the 3rd floor of this Baroque building near Charles Bridge focuses on contemporary art. The palace's atmosphere can be absorbed over a cup of coffee at the Art Café (daily 10:00–23:00).
Opening hours: Tue–Sun 10:00–18:00

House at the Stone Bell (Dům U Kamenného zvonu) – Staroměstské náměstí 13, Prague 1
This rare, well-preserved house is an extraordinary example of tower-style Gothic palace architecture. Temporary exhibitions in the old stone galleries focus on modern and contemporary art.
Opening hours: Tue–Sun 10:00–20:00

Troja Chateau (Trojský zámek) – U Trojského zámku 4/1, Prague 7
The picturesque chateau is one of the most important examples of Baroque architecture of 17th century Bohemia. In addition to extensive French gardens you can visit the exhibitions "Architecture and Decoration of Troja Chateau" and "Chinese Rooms at Troja Chateau".
Opening hours: Tue–Sun 10:00–18:00, Fri 13:00–18:00, gardens to 19:00 (April to October) and Sat, Sun 10:00–17:00 (November–December)

Information about other City Gallery Prague exhibition spaces can be found at www.ghmp.cz.

DOX – Poupětova 1, Prague 7, www.dox.cz
The Centre for Contemporary Art is one of the most progressive art institutions in Prague. DOX is a guarantee of high–quality, original exhibition projects. In addition to the galleries, DOX has an outstanding bookstore with an extensive selection of art and design books, as well as a pleasant café.

Opening hours: Mon 10:00–18:00, Wed and Fri 11:00–19:00, Thu 11:00–21:00, Sat and Sun 10:00–18:00

Galerie Rudolfinum – Alšovo nábřeží 12, Prague 1, www.galerierudolfinum.cz
The gallery is located in one of the most important Czech neo-Renaissance buildings. A careful dramaturgical concept and the curators' distinctive personalities bring a fresh perspective on contemporary art.
Opening hours: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat, Sun 10:00–18:00, Sat 10:00–20:00

Museums

National Museum (Národní muzeum) – www.nm.cz
Since its founding in 1818, the largest museum in the country has gathered thousands of objects of often incalculable value. It's the venue for important exhibitions aimed at a wide range of visitors.

NATIONAL MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS

National Museum – Main Building (Národní muzeum – hlavní budova) – Václavské náměstí 68, Prague 1
The impressive neo-Renaissance building dominates the upper part of Wenceslas Square. It is currently closed for an extensive renovation – its reopening is planned for 2018.

National Museum New Building (Nová budova Národního muzea) – Vinohradská 1, Prague 1
Formerly the Federal Assembly Building and the home of the offices of Radio Free Europe, the premises are now used as the venue for major exhibitions.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–18:00, Wed 9:00–18:00, first Wednesday of the month 10:00–20:00

Náprstek Museum of Asian, African and American Cultures (Náprstkovo muzeum asijských, afrických a amerických kultur) – Betlémské náměstí 1, Prague 1
Vojtěch Náprstek, Czech patriot and patron of the arts, amassed an extensive ethnographic and art collection during his travels around the world. The permanent exhibitions offer insight into the cultures of Australia and Oceania, and the Indonesian island of Nias.
Opening hours: Tue–Sun 10:00–18:00, Wed 9:00–18:00

Czech Museum of Music (České muzeum hudby) – Karmelitská 2/4, Prague 1
The exhibition "Man – Machine – Music" displays more than 400 musical instruments of extraordinary value – one of the most significant is the fortepiano played by Mozart during his first visit to Prague.
Opening hours: Wed–Mon 10:00–18:00

Lapidary (Lapidárium) – Výstaviště 422, Prague 7
The largest specialized collection of Czech stone carving from the 11th to the 19th century.
Opening hours: Mon–Sun 12:00–18:00, Wed 10:00–16:00 (closed in winter)

Antonín Dvořák Museum (Muzeum Antonína Dvořáka) – Ke Karlovu 20, Prague 2
The exhibition explores the life journey of one of the most prominent Czech composers.
Opening hours: Tue–Sun 10:00–13:30 and 14:00–17:00

Bedřich Smetana Museum (Muzeum Bedřicha Smetany) – Novotného lávka 1, Prague 1
On the banks of the Vltava River near the Charles Bridge, one's gaze is drawn to the distinctive neo-Renaissance building, which is dedicated to the work of the famous Czech composer.
Opening hours: Wed–Mon 10:00–17:00

Information about other National Museum exhibition spaces can be found on their website at www.nm.cz.

City Museum Prague (Muzeum hlavního města Prahy) – Na Poříčí 52, Prague 8, www.muzeumprahy.cz
Want to learn more about the history of our city? The museum features an extensive exhibition detailing the history of Prague from prehistoric times. The most interesting exhibit is the Langweil model of Prague from 1826 to 1837.
Opening hours: Tue–Sun 9:00–18:00, last Wednesday of the month to 20:00

Museum Kampa – U Sovových mlýnů 2, Prague 1, www.museumkampa.cz
The imaginative modern rooms of the museum are the backdrop for the most comprehensive collection of works by František Kupka in the world. In addition to early expressive drawings, there is also one of Kupka's most impressive abstract paintings – Cathedral.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–18:00

Museum of Decorative Arts (Uměleckoprůmyslové museum) – 17. listopadu 2, Prague 1, www.upm.cz
Collections include glass, porcelain and ceramics, applied graphic art and photography, furniture, woodwork, jewellery, clocks and watches, textiles, fashion and toys. Don't put off visiting the museum – it will close for general reconstruction at the end of 2014.
Opening hours: Wed–Sun 10:00–18:00, Tue 10:00–19:00

National Technical Museum (Národní technické muzeum) – Kostelní 42, Prague 7, www.ntm.cz
This museum embodies the dreams of all fans of technical achievements. Historical automobiles, airplanes, locomotives and hundreds of other exhibits await you at the newly renovated museum premises.
Opening hours: Tue–Fri 9:00–17:30, Sat and Sun 10:00–18:00

Mucha Museum – Panská 7, Prague 1, www.mucha.cz
The splendid Baroque Kaunický Palace is home to the first museum in the world dedicated to the life and work of Alphonse Mucha. As a souvenir, you can choose from a wide variety of gifts featuring Mucha motifs.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–18:00

Toy Museum (Muzeum hraček) – Jiřská 6, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
Little ones can't sit still? Take them to a toy museum! In addition to historical toys from around the world, the exhibitions include a large collection of Barbie dolls and Star Wars figures.
Opening hours: daily 9:30–17:30

Theatres

National Theatre (Národní divadlo) – Národní 2, Prague 1, www.narodni-divadlo.cz
The National Theatre is the Czech Republic's representative stage, built with funds from a nationwide collection and first opened in 1881, and for the second time in 1883 after a devastating fire. Top opera, drama and ballet performances together with magnificent theatre spaces guarantee an unforgettable experience.

Estates Theatre (Stavovské divadlo) – Ovocný trh 1, Prague 1, www.narodni-divadlo.cz
One of the most beautiful theatres in Europe, world renowned thanks primarily to the premiere of Mozart's opera Don Giovanni, which is still included in the repertoire.

State Opera (Státní opera) – Wilsonova 4, Prague 1, www.narodni-divadlo.cz
One of Europe's leading opera houses, located in a magical neo-Renaissance building with a richly decorated interior near Wenceslas Square.

Laterna Magika – Národní 4, Prague 1, www.laterna.cz
Unique multimedia theatre that relies on a combination of stage performances with sound and film images.

Archa Theatre (Divadlo Archa) – Na Poříčí 26, Prague 1, www.archatheatre.cz
Alternative theatre with a progressive repertoire.

National Marionette Theatre (Národní divadlo marionet) – Žatecká 1, Prague 1, www.mozart.cz
Traditional puppet theatre featuring the world famous play Don Giovanni staged in the original Italian language with period costumes and large puppets.

Křižík Fountain (Křižíkova fontána) – U Výstaviště 1/20, Prague 7, www.krizikovafontana.cz
Unique in the world, the fountain combines water dance, music and colours set to classical and pop melodies accompanied by projecting images on a curtain of water and laser effects.

Black Light Theatres

The original theatrical concept using lighting effects and non-verbal elements of modern dance.

Black Light Theatre Srnec – Na Příkopě 10, Prague 1, www.srnectheatre.com
The first black light theatre in the world. Its performances have already been seen by more than 5 million viewers from around the world.
Repertoire: Anthology – a selection of its most successful scenes

Ta Fantastika Theatre (Divadlo Ta Fantastika) – Karlova 8, Prague 1, www.tafantastika.cz
Repertoire: Alice in Wonderland – a performance that has amazed audiences in over thirty countries around the world.

Image Theatre (Divadlo Image) – Pařížská 4, Prague 1, www.imagetheatre.cz
Repertoire: Galaxia, Afrikania, The Best of Image, Kaleidoscope Live (for children) and others

Clubs

Jazz Dock – Janáčkovo nábřeží 2, Prague 5, www.jazzdock.cz
This modern jazz club planted directly into the bank of the Vltava River in the Smíchov district enchants not only with its unique atmosphere and jazz concerts into the wee hours, but also the breath-taking nighttime scenery of Prague.

Reduta Jazz Club – Národní 20, Prague 1, www.redutajazzclub.cz
One of the oldest jazz clubs in Central Europe located right in the heart of Prague. The novel dramaturgy ensures a varied musical program.

Lucerna Music Bar – Vodičkova 36, Prague 1, www.musicbar.cz
One of the biggest and most popular clubs in Prague, it's famous mainly for concerts by international bands and artists of all genres – from rock, indie, world music and hip hop, to EBM. Every Friday and Saturday they throw a memorable 80s & 90s music party!

Cross Club – Plynární 23, Prague 7, www.crossclub.cz
From its origins as an underground club, it became a phenomenon in just a few years. Immerse yourself in the intricate labyrinth of corridors and fascinating futuristic design.

Palác Akropolis – Kubelíkova 27, Prague 3, www.palacakropolis.cz
Centre for independent culture and essential club in Prague's charismatic Žižkov district.

Roxy – Dlouhá 33, Prague 1, www.roxy.cz
A mecca for all lovers of top electronic music. First-class Czech and foreign DJs guarantee many hours of dancing.

Alternative sites

MeetFactory – Ke Sklárně 15, Prague 5, www.meetfactory.cz
The incubator for Prague's alternative culture and original art ideas! MeetFactory is a club, a theatre and a gallery in one. A place for the performing arts where the artists are present.

Krymská Street – Prague 10 – Vršovice
Paris has Montmartre, Berlin has Kreuzberg and Prague has Krymská Street. Night after night, this picturesque street in the Vršovice district is filled with liberal-minded Prague citizens. A number of novel venues (such as the iconic café V lese) are worth exploring.

Experimental Space NoD (Experimentální prostor NoD) – Dlouhá 33, Prague 1, www.nod.roxy.cz
Alternative art space that pushes the boundaries of Prague's cultural life a bit further. Come have a look at young artists in the NoD Gallery, check out experimental theatre in Teatro NoD, or go for something good to eat at Café NoD. NoD is exactly the type of place you'll want to return to again and again.

Náplavka – Rašínovo nábřeží, Prague 2
Náplavka is a living cultural organism mainly in the summer months, when it offers a plethora of events of all kinds. Traditional dances on the Vltava riverbank, concerts, theatres, cafés, but also bike rentals – all in the open air under the magical panorama of Prague.

Pop-Up Clubs & Galleries – various places in Prague
Like mushrooms after the rain, original club and exhibition projects pop up in unusual places in Prague. Lasting for just a few days or weeks, they transform normally unused locations into epicentres of contemporary alternative events. For a list of current pop-up clubs, check our website.

Periodic Cultural & Social Events

Spring:
Prague Spring – www.festival.cz
The most important festival of classical music in the Czech Republic featuring a wide range of international and domestic stars. (May 12 – June 6)

Prague Food Festival – www.praguefoodfestival.cz
Festival of Czech gastronomy – great food, top chefs and a wonderful atmosphere. (May)

Easter Markets – www.velikonocevpraze.cz
Wide range of Easter products and demonstrations of traditional customs and handicrafts in many locations around Prague. (March–April)

Volkswagen Marathon Weekend – www.runczech.com
One of the most beautiful marathons in the world. The start and finish lines are on the famous Old Town Square; the route leads through the heart of the city, along the river and through various districts of Prague. (May)

Czech Beer Festival – www.ceskypivnifestival.cz
The largest beer event in the Czech Republic mainly attracts lovers of quality Czech beer and food. Come quench your thirst! (May–June)

Dance Prague – www.tanecpraha.cz
Annual international festival of contemporary dance and movement theatre presents masterpieces of dance-theatre disciplines. (May–June)

Khamoro – www.khamoro.cz
Traditional festival of Roma culture, one of the largest festivals of its kind in the world. (May–June)

Microbrewery Festival at Prague Castle – www.pivonahrad.cz
Exceptional tasting event for all who want to peek into the wide world of beer and brewers' imaginations. (June)

Summer:

United Islands – www.unitedislands.cz
Stylistically diverse music festival showcases domestic and international musical artists – from rock, indie, and electro to new musical trends and experimental music, all under the open sky in the heart of Prague. (June)

Prague Proms – www.pragueproms.cz
Music festival inspired by the famous London BBC Proms is one of the cultural highlights of the summer season. (June–July)

Bohemia Jazz Fest – www.bohemiajazzfest.cz
One of Europe's largest open-air jazz festivals. (July)

Summer Festivities of Early Music, www.letnislavnosti.cz
Festival showcase of Baroque music in charming spaces of Prague sights. (July–August)

Prague Pride – www.praguepride.com
The biggest meeting of the LGBT community in central Europe, culminating in the brightly coloured "pride parade" in the city centre. (August)

Letní Letná – www.letniletna.cz
Masters of aerial acrobatics and other circus performers meet year after year at this traditional festival of new circus and theatre. (August–September)

Opera Barocca – www.operabarocca.cz
Festival of music and dance performances from famous Baroque operas and ballets of the 17th and 18th centuries. (August–September)

Autumn:

Dvořák Prague – www.dvorakovapraha.cz
This festival celebrates the musical genius of Antonín Dvořák – you'll be enchanted by the artistic performances presented by international artists. (September)

Foodparade – www.foodparade.cz
This festival of food and drink in the gardens of Troja Chateau showcases the best of the city's leading chefs. (September)

Strings of Autumn – www.strunypodzimu.cz
An international music festival at the crossroads between genres – presenting a selection of jazz, classical music, sophisticated crossover and world music performed by the most prominent figures of the contemporary music scene. (September–November)

Designblok – www.designblok.cz
The annual showcase of the latest from the worlds of design, fashion and lifestyle takes place in selected showrooms, galleries and shops. A great opportunity to purchase designer gifts! (October)

Signal | Prague Light Festival – www.signalfestival.com
Light installations in the historical centre of the capital from leading Czech and foreign artists are an audiovisual experience never to be forgotten! The Prague Light Festival is the epicentre of captivating ideas and unbridled creativity. (October)

Contempuls – www.contempuls.cz
This Prague festival of contemporary music for the discerning listener reveals even the most remote musical universes. (November)

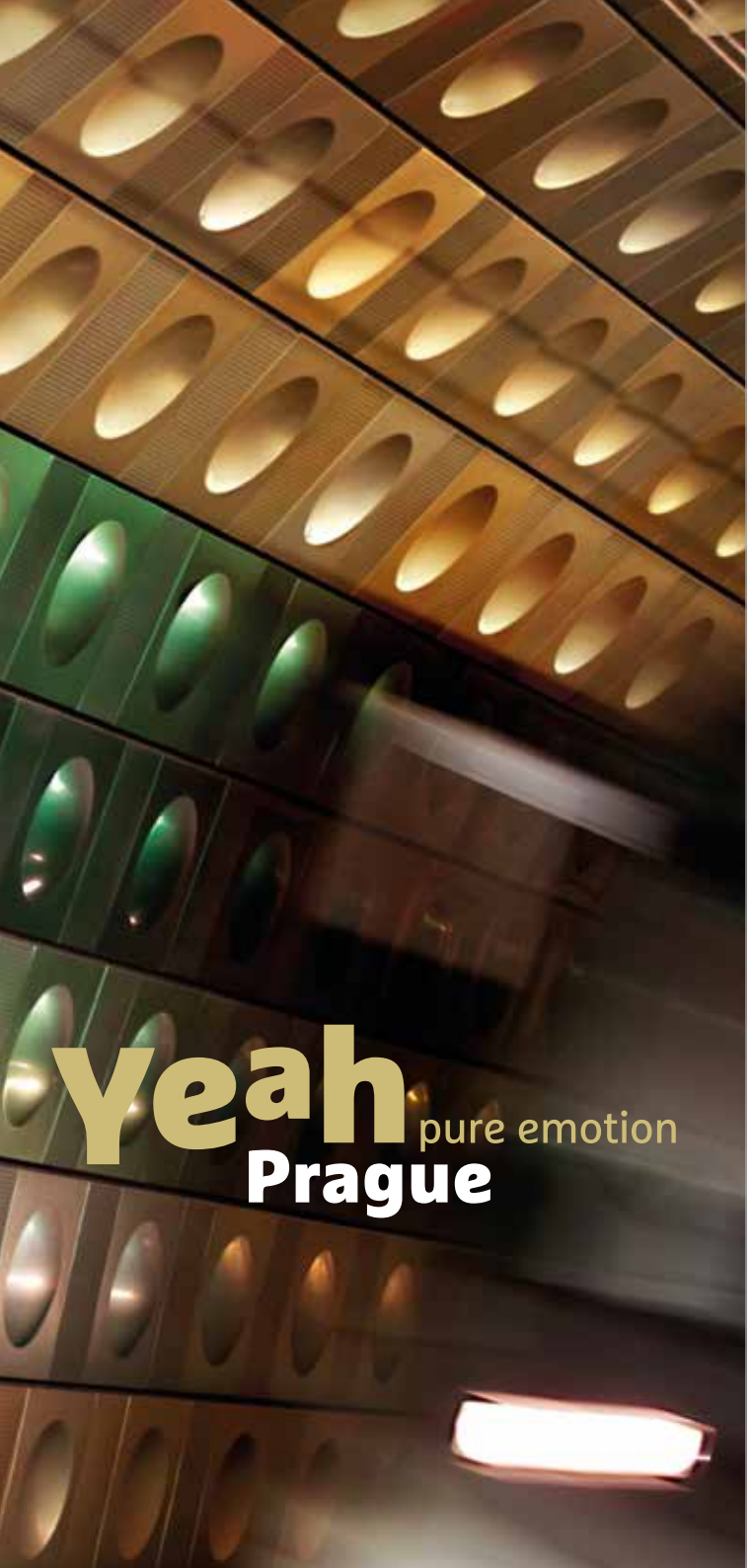
Winter:

Christmas Markets – www.vanocevpraze.cz
The charming atmosphere of Christmas and winter in Prague is best enjoyed at one of the many Christmas markets in the city centre. Fragrant pastries, mulled wine and Christmas melodies are a reliable magnet for both adults and children. (December)

Czech Touches of Music – www.ceskedotekyhudby.cz
The largest winter festival dedicated to classical music features top orchestral, chamber and recital works. (December–January)

New Year's Fireworks – www.prague.eu
This breath-taking choreography of light over the historical centre of Prague is an ideal start to the year. (December–January)

Carnevale Prague – www.carnevale.cz
This carnival festival is a colourful showcase of parades, refined tastes and dazzling creativity. Don't forget your mask! (February–March)



Important Contacts and Information

Prague is not a dangerous city, but it's better to be safe than sorry. The security situation in Prague is at the standard level of other European cities. Nevertheless, please take heed of the following:

- store valuables and larger amounts of cash in your hotel safe
- change money in banks, never on the street
- to get cash, use bank machines with a bank logo or the Travelex logo
- in tourist hotspots and on public transport, pay close attention to your documents, credit cards, handbags, cameras, etc.
- park your car in secure parking lots and never leave valuables in your car
- note: in public places it is forbidden to consume alcoholic beverages

Emergency calls in the Czech Republic
150 – Fire Department
155 – Ambulance
156 – Metropolitan Police
158 – Czech Police
112 – Universal European emergency number
Access to these telephone numbers is free.

Transportation

Public transport
Prague has an extensive, well-functioning public transportation network; its central axis is formed of three underground lines (color-coded and labelled A, B and C), plus trams, buses, ferries and the Petřín funicular. The metro operates daily from 5:00 to 24:00. Night service is provided by trams and buses.

Prague Public Transport Fares
Travelling by public transport is only possible with **a valid ticket.** Passengers must obtain a ticket prior to boarding the vehicle or before entering the paid area of the metro station.

FARES

Single tickets

ticket for 90 minutes (basic) – 32 CZK, children (6–15 years) 16 CZK
ticket for 30 minutes (short–term) – 24 CZK, children (6–15 years) 12 CZK

Travel passes

ticket for 24 hours – 110 CZK, children (6–15 years) 55 CZK
ticket for 72 hours – 310 CZK, children not discounted fares

Luggage transport

Baggage, dog without a crate, or pram without a child: 16 CZK.
No ticket required for: small luggage, animals in a carrier, child in a stroller and bicycles (bicycles only in the metro, on ferries, on the funicular to Petřín Hill and at specified time periods on selected sections of the tram).

Transport free of charge

Children under 6 years of age and persons older than 70 years (for more information about the conditions for free transport, see www.dpp.cz)

For more information on fares, schedules, etc., contact tel. 296 19 18 17 (daily 7:00–21:00), www.dpp.cz or Transport Information Centres (Muzeum, Hlavní nádraží, Anděl, Hradčanská, Prague City Hall, Václav Havel Airport Prague Terminals 1 and 2).

Airport Shuttle

Airport Express Line – Special bus service provides a direct connection to air, rail and public transport daily from 5:30 to 22:30.
Route: Main Train Station (Hlavní nádraží) (metro line C, trains) – Dejvická (metro line A, only boarding) – Terminal 1 – Terminal 2
Interval: every 30 minutes; duration: 33 minutes

Fare: single ticket, only valid on this line – 60 CZK (from the Main Train Station – Hlavní nádraží), 40 CZK (from Dejvická), children 6–15 years half fare, children under 6 years of age and luggage – free

Other airport links

Dejvická (metro A) – bus 119
Zličín (metro B) – bus 100
Nové Butovice (metro B) – bus 179
Night bus 510

Smoking – In the Czech Republic, there is a law restricting smoking. Smoking is prohibited in public areas (covered transportation platforms/stops – bus/tram stops, train stations, inside vehicles, cultural facilities, health care facilities). In restaurants, smoking is restricted, but not strictly prohibited. Smoking and non-smoking areas are marked and separated.

Pharmacies and emergency medical services

Prague 1 – Palackého 5, tel. 224 946 982
Prague 2 – Belgická 37, tel. 222 513 396, www.lekarnabelgicka.cz
Prague 4 – Vídeňská 800 (Thomayerova Hospital), tel. 261 084 019
Prague 5 – V Úvalu 84 (Motol Hospital), tel. 224 435 736
Prague 7 – Františka Křížka 22, tel. 731 638 010
Prague 8 – Budínova 2 (Bulovka Hospital), tel. 266 082 017

Currency – legal tender – Czech koruna (CZK)
Coins: 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 CZK
Banknotes: 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000, 5000 CZK
(One euro equals approx. 27 CZK)

Post Office – Main Post Office (Hlavní pošta) – Jindřišská 14, Prague 1, tel. 221 131 111, www.ceskaposta.cz, open daily 2:00–24:00

Tipping – If you are satisfied with the service in a restaurant, feel free to leave a tip. If you decide to tip, the amount is usually 10% of the bill.

Taxi Fair Place – taxi stands are marked with a yellow sign with the word TAXI and an orange hand with a raised thumb with the word FAIR PLACE. Administrators of these stands guarantee a fair price; safe, professional drivers; and high quality of service.

International Calling Code to the Czech Republic – +420

Embassies – a complete list of embassies based in the Czech Republic can be found on www.mzv.cz.

Health Services

University Hospital Motol – Foreigner Care Centre – V Úvalu 84, Prague 5, www.fnmotol.cz
Medical care for foreigners.
Opening hours: Mon–Fri 7:00–21:00, Sat, Sun and public holidays 8:00–21:00

Na Homolce – Foreigners´ Department – Roentgenova 2, Prague 5, www.homolka.cz
Inpatient and outpatient medical care for foreigners.

City Health Centre Prague (Městská poliklinika Praha) – First aid service – Spálená 12, Prague 1, www.prahamp.cz
Medical assistance for adults (especially for foreigners)
Opening hours: Mon–Thu 19:00–6:00, Fri 16:00–6:00, Sat, Sun and holidays nonstop

Lost and found – Karoliny Světlé 5, Prague 1, tel. 224 235 085, open Mon and Wed 8:00–17:30, Tue and Thurs 8:00–16:00, Fri 8:00–14:00 (lunch break 12:00–12:30)

Tourist Information

Tourist Information Centres Prague City Tourism
Need to find your way around Prague? Need to book tours and tickets for cultural events? Stop by one of our information centres. We can provide you with all kinds of tourist information and arrange various, high-quality tourist services. Or just come tell us how much you like it in Prague...

Among other things, we:
- provide information about Prague (getting around the city, transport, culture, monuments, important contacts ...)
- book accommodation
- arrange tickets for cultural events
- arrange sightseeing tours, excursions, cruises, Segway tours, etc.
- provide free basic information brochures on Prague
- sell Prague Cards
- sell maps and public transportation travel passes (24 and 72 hrs)

Where to find us:
TIC Old Town Hall (Staroměstská radnice) –
Staroměstské náměstí 1, Prague 1, open daily 9:00–19:00

TIC Rytířská – Rytířská 31, Prague 1, open Mon–Sat 10:00–18:00
TIC Lesser Town Bridge Tower (Malostranská mostecká věž) – Mostecká St., Prague 1, open only in summer (April–October) daily 10:00–18:00
TIC Václav Havel Airport Prague – arrivals hall, Terminal 2, Prague 6, open daily 8:00–20:00
TIC Václav Havel Airport Prague – arrivals hall, Terminal 1, Prague 6, open daily 10:00–20:00
Contact us: tourinfo@prague.eu, tel. +420 221 714 714

Tour guide services
Our qualified guides introduce you to the Czech metropolis with walking tours or sightseeing bus excursions. We offer basic and specialized routes. You can rely on our guides' expertise, foreign language skills, and professionalism. E–mail: guides@prague.eu or phone +420 775 855 037.

www.prague.eu
www.facebook.com/prague.eu
www.twitter.com/pragueEU

Prague Card
This great value tourist card offers free entry to 50 major tourist attractions in Prague and complimentary use of Prague public transport. The card also includes a city sightseeing tour, a boat trip, airport connections via Airport Express buses, and discounts on other entrance fees, excursions and cultural performances.
If you want to see the best of Prague, the Prague Card is for you. Two-, three- or four-day cards can be purchased online at www.praguecard.com or at our tourist information centres.

Sightseeing Tours

Best Tour – www.besttour.cz
Departs from: Wenceslas Square 27

Gray Line Prague – Bohemia Travel Service – www.citytours.cz
Departs from: Národní 38

Martin Tour – www.martintour.cz
Departs from: Old Town Square (corner of Pařížská St.); náměstí Republiky across from the Municipal House (Obecní dům); corner of Melantrichova 2 and Rytířská Streets; Na Příkopě 24

Prague Sightseeing Tours – www.pstours.cz
Departs from: náměstí Republiky

Premiant City Tour – www.premiant.cz
Departs from: Na Příkopě 23

Special Sightseeing Tours

Accessible Prague – www.accessibleprague.com
specialized tours of Prague for the disabled

Aero Prague – www.aeroprague.com
sightseeing by plane or helicopter

Balon Centrum Praha – www.baloncentrum.cz
balloon flights, tethered balloon at Kampa

City Bike – www.citybike-prague.com
guided cycling tours

City Sightseeing Prague – Hop On Hop Off – www.city-sightseeing.com
tours every 45 minutes, departs from: Old Town Square

Ebike Prague Tours – www.ebikeprague.com
guided electric bike tours

Ecotours – www.ecotours.cz
guided tours on electric bikes, bicycles and Segways

Ekoexpres – www.ekoexpres.cz
Ecotrain, departs from: Old Town Square (March to November)

Historical tram No. 91 – www.dpp.cz
city centre route runs every Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 12:00 to 17:35 (April to November)

Hop On – Hop Off – www.hopon-hopoff.cz
departs every 15 minutes

Pony Travel – www.ponytravelsro.cz
sightseeing tours by horse-drawn carriage, departs from: Old Town Square

History Trip – www.historytrip.cz
sightseeing tours in historical vehicles, departs from: Mostecká Street, Karlova Street, corner of Rytířská and Melantrichova Streets

Praha Bike – www.prahabike.cz
guided cycling tours

Precious Legacy Tours – www.legacytours.net
tours dedicated to Jewish monuments

Segway Experience – www.segwayfun.eu
guided Segway tours

3veterani – www.3veterani.cz
sightseeing tours in historical vehicles, departs from: Pařížská 2, Mostecká 5–7

Wittmann Tours – www.wittmann-tours.com
sightseeing tours specializing in Jewish monuments

Life in the City

Prague is a city full of greenery and unexpectedly charming places made for taking walks, sitting in the shade of mature trees or taking a refreshing cruise on the Vltava River, from which the city unfolds in a different, but no less fascinating form. You can also spend pleasant hours looking for treasures and trying local specialities at flea or farmers' markets. Nor is it possible to visit Prague and miss out on the luxury stores, shopping centres and quirky shops featuring original Czech designs, which are gaining popularity not only in our own country but also around the world.

Natural Areas and Parks

Kampa – Prague 1 – Malá Strana, www.prague.eu
This island, sandwiched between the Vltava River and one of its branches (Čertovka), is one of the most romantic and picturesque places in the city. Not surprisingly, the prestigious travel server Virtual-Tourist declared it the second most beautiful urban island in the world.

Slovanský Island (Slovanský ostrov) – Žofín – Prague 1 – Nové Město, www.prague.eu
The only fully landscaped island on the Vltava River is dominated by a spectacular neo-Renaissance palace – a traditional venue for balls and concerts. There are several places to rent rowboats and pedal boats, a toy train for children, and a playground.

Střelecký Island (Střelecký ostrov) – Prague 1 – Staré Město, www.prague.eu
A romantic place hidden in the shade of mature trees in the heart of the city under the Legií Bridge. It enchants visitors with its old-time atmosphere and exceptional views of the city from river level.

Havlíčkovy Parks (Havlíčkovy sady) (Grébovka Park) – Prague 2 – Vinohrady, www.prague.eu
This park, inspired by the Italian Renaissance, has fountains and water cascades, lakes, pavilions, statues and a charming grotto, as well as a unique view of the city. The charming Viniční altán, surrounded by large vineyards, and the Grébovka Pavilion garden café offer pleasant places to sit.

Riegrovy Parks (Riegrovy sady) – Prague 2 – Vinohrady, www.prague.eu
This park, over a century old, shelters intimate nooks and places with trees, open grassy areas, unusual vistas of the city and a large garden restaurant with comfortable seating in the shade of old chestnut trees.

Royal Game Reserve (Královská obora) – Stromovka – Prague 7 – Bubeneč, www.prague.eu
A large green oasis in the middle of town with mature trees, water and grassy areas – a perfect place for picnics, walks and relaxation for all ages.

Letná Parks (Letenské sady) – Letná – Prague 7 – Holešovice, www.prague.eu
This extensive park with grassy areas, mature trees, colourful bushes planted on the hillsides, and a long plane tree-lined avenue provides not only a pleasant place to sit and relax, but also unparalleled views of the city, especially from the Hanavský Pavilion.

Ladronka – Tomanova 1/1028, Prague 6, www.ladronka.com
This large grassy park is a popular place for people of all ages. It's criss-crossed with bike trails and the longest illuminated in-line skating track in Prague.

Žluté lázně – Podolské nábřeží 3/1184, Prague 4, www.zlutelazne.cz
Natural area on the banks of the Vltava River, covering an area of three and a half hectares – with multifunctional sports, entertainment and relaxation facilities.
Opening hours: daily 9:00–2:00

Shopping

Pařížská Street (Pařížská ulice) – Prague 1
Prague's most prestigious shopping street is a symbol of luxury, exclusive merchandise and famous brands (Louis Vuitton, Prada, Christian Dior, Escada, Jimmy Choo, Cartier, Rolex, etc.).

Palladium – náměstí Republiky 1, Prague 1, www.palladiumpraha.cz
This temple of shopaholics is located near Wenceslas Square and Old Town Square. A modern shopping centre on five floors offering nearly 200 stores.
Opening hours: Sun–Wed 9:00–21:00, Thu–Sat 9:00–22:00 (Shopping)

DUSNI3 Concept – Dušní 3, Prague 1, www.dusni3.cz
This multi-brand boutique in the city centre offers trendy collections from more than thirty creative designers.
Opening hours: Mon–Sat 10:00–19:00

Moser – Staroměstské náměstí 15, Prague 1, www.moser-glass.com
Original traditional Czech Moser crystal reflects outstanding craftsmanship, aesthetics and practical value.
Opening hours: Mon–Sun 10:00–21:00 (April to October) and Mon–Fri 10:00–20:00, Sat–Sun 10:00–19:00 (November to March)

Harddecore Gallery – Senovážné náměstí 10, Prague 1, www.harddecore.cz
Original fashion, home decor, original jewellery, glass and furniture.
Opening hours: Mon–Fri 11:00–19:00, Sat 11:00–17:00

DOX by Qubus – Poupětova 1, Prague 7, www.dox.cz
Sales gallery reflecting the absolute peak of Czech design and conceptual work.
Opening hours: Mon 10:00–18:00, Wed and Fri 11:00–19:00, Thu 11:00–21:00, Sat and Sun 10:00–18:00

Artěl – Celetná 29, Prague 1, www.artelglass.com
Artěl offers luxury glass products combining modern design and quality craftsmanship. In addition to glass, you can also purchase unique design curiosities.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–19:00

Kubista – Ovocný trh 19, Prague 1, www.kubista.cz
Located in the remarkable Cubist House of the Black Madonna, this gallery sells replica furniture and ceramics, porcelain and metal objects by Cubist artists and contemporary designers.
Opening hours: Tue–Sat 10:00–19:00, Sun 12:00–19:00

Erpet Bohemia Crystal – Staroměstské náměstí 27, Prague 1, www.erpet.cz
One of the largest glass shops in the Czech Republic offering a wide selection of first-class Czech glass, crystal and garnet jewellery.
Opening hours: daily 10:00–23:00

Fashion Shop Parazit – Karlova 25, Prague 1, www.parazit.cz
Cheeky styles and extravagant, exciting fashion in limited editions from young Czech designers can be found a short walk from the Old Town Square. If you're not afraid to experiment, you've come to the right place.
Opening hours: Mon–Sat 11:00–20:00

OTHER TIPS

Lazy Eye – Ibsenova 3, Prague 2, www.lazyeye.cz – creative retro boutique

Český porcelán – Perlová 1, Prague 1, www.cesky.porcelan.cz – wide selection of porcelain

Klára Nademlýnská (Boutique) – Dlouhá 3, Prague 1, www.klaranademlynska.cz – exclusive haute couture models from the leading Czech designer

Futurista Universum – Betlémské náměstí 5, Prague 1, www.futurista.cz – selection of the best of Czech design, jewellery design and architecture

Pavilon – Vinohradská 50, Prague 2, www.pavilon.cz – exhibition and sales centre for interior design and art

Open Air Markets and Marketplaces

Havelský Market (Havelský trh) – Havelská 13, Prague 1, www.prague.eu
The only surviving marketplace in the middle of old Prague dates back to the year 1232. Today it offers a wide selection of fresh fruits and vegetables; at weekends, traditional Czech souvenirs form a major part of the goods on offer.
Opening hours: daily 8:00–18:00

Eat It – shopping arcade at Jindřišská 5, Prague 1, www.eat-it.cz
Covered farmers´ market in the city centre featuring international specialities.
Opening hours: Mon–Fri 8:00–18:00, Sat 8:00–13:00

Dlouhá Gourmet Passage – Dlouhá 39, Prague 1, www.gurmetpasazdlouha.eu
Wide selection of fresh international and local food that will please demanding customers and gourmets.

Flea markets
Flea markets modelled on those in Paris, Vienna and Brussels offer everything from unwanted junk to collectibles to antiques.

Flea markets in the city centre
Náplavka – Rašínovo Embankment at Palackého Square, Prague 2, www.prazsketrhy.cz
Opening hours: usually every second Saturday of the month 9:00–16:00 (spring–autumn)

Tylovo Square (Tylovo náměstí) – Prague 2, www.prazsketrhy.cz
Opening hours: usually every last Saturday of the month 9:00–16:00 (spring–autumn)

Farmers' Markets
Farmers' markets offer fresh produce directly from farmers: Czech seasonal fruits and vegetables, herbs, milk, smoked meat, and baked goods, honey, fresh fish, wine, delicacies, handicrafts and much more. In winter, only some marketplaces are open, with a limited range.

Farmers' markets in the city
Republiky Square (náměstí Republiky) – Prague 1, www.farmarsketrhyprahy1.cz
Opening hours: Tue–Fri 9:00–18:00

Náplavka – Rašínovo Embankment at Palackého Square, Prague 2, www.farmarsketrziste.cz
Opening hours: Sat 8:00–14:00

Tylovo Square (Tylovo náměstí) – Prague 2, www.trhytylak.cz
Opening hours: Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri 9:00–16:00

Palackého Square (Palackého náměstí) – Prague 2, www.farmarsketrhy-praha.cz
Opening hours: Thu 8:00–18:00

Jiřího z Poděbrad Square (náměstí Jiřího z Poděbrad) – Prague 3, www.farmarsketrziste.cz
Opening hours: Wed, Fri 8:00–18:00, Sat 8:00–14:00

Vltava River Cruises

Prague Steamboat Company (Pražská paroplavební společnost) – www.paroplavba.cz
sightseeing cruises, departs from: Rašínovo Embankment between Palackého and Jiráskův Bridges

Prague Boats (Evropská vodní doprava) – www.evd.cz
sightseeing cruises, departs from: pier at Čechův Bridge, Dvořákovo Embankment

Prague Venice (Pražské Benátky) – www.prague-venice.cz
sightseeing boat cruise in the historical city centre

Rowboats and Pedal Boats

Slovanka – Slovanský ostrov, Prague 1, www.slovanka.net
rowboat and pedal boat rental, Vltava River cruises

Boat rental – Staré Město – Smetanovo nábřeží, Prague 1, www.pujcovna-lodicek.cz
rowboat and pedal boat rental, Vltava River cruises

We look forward to seeing you in Prague!