

RENAISSANCE BOHEMIA

FEATURES

- Breathtaking, perfectly preserved Renaissance towns
- Fine castles and monasteries
- Splendid architectural contrasts of Cesky Krumlov
- Woods, meadows and rivers of southern Bohemia
- The best of Prague
- Authentic, traditional cuisine, which complements some of the most outstanding beers (almost every town has its own brewery!)

ITINERARY

Day 1 Drive from Prague airport to Telc, a UNESCO World Heritage site (2 hrs). We walk around the town and visit the Telc Castle (2 miles).

Day 2 After a short drive to Dacice (20 mins) we follow a riverside path to Slavonice (8 miles). After lunch we visit this splendid Renaissance town with its *sgraffiti*, before driving to Cesky Krumlov (2 hrs).

Day 3 A short drive takes us to Holubov (20 mins) from where we walk along an old trade route to visit a 13th century Cistercian monastery (6.5 miles). Return to Cesky Krumlov by road for a free afternoon.

Day 4 After a short drive (30 mins) to the village of Vyssi Brod, we walk through forest and open pastures to Rozmberk, where we visit the castle (7 miles). Return to Cesky Krumlov by road.

Day 5 We drive to Prague (2 hrs 45 mins) and lunch in a private brewery. We walk through Prague castle and its gardens to our hotel. Time to explore the Old Town.

Day 6 Optional short walk (time-permitting) to Letna Park with stunning views over Prague and its bridges. Transfer to the airport (30 mins).


Combine this trip with 'Southern Moravia' to explore more of the Czech Republic!

For those wishing to extend their exploration of the Czech Republic, this trip runs consecutively with Southern Moravia (pages 34–35). Visit the magnificent Liechtenstein châteaux, outstanding follies and vineyards...

6 DAY TRIP

- Destination airport: Prague
- Fitness: 20+ (see pages 14–15)
- Days of walking: 3 + sightseeing / short walks
- Shortest / Longest day's walk: 2 / 4 hrs

ACCOMMODATION

<p>NIGHT 1 Telc</p>  <p><i>Celerin</i> ★★★</p>	<p>NIGHTS 2-4 Cesky Krumlov</p>  <p><i>Hotel Gold</i> ★★★★</p>
<p>NIGHT 5 Prague</p>  <p><i>Alchemist Hotel Luxury Boutique Hotel</i></p>	

For extension hotel in Prague see page 161

RENAISSANCE WONDERLAND

Perfectly preserved Renaissance towns, so picturesque that they have the almost surreal quality of film sets. Telc, with its huge central square lined with harmoniously decorated façades and castle mirrored in one of the area's countless lakes; Slavonice, its houses decorated with 'sgraffiti'; Cesky Krumlov ('Prague in the country'), Renaissance and Medieval; and of course Prague itself.



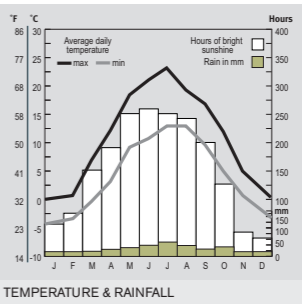
PRAGUE, WITH ITS CATHEDRAL SPIRES



TELC CASTLE & LAKE



CESKY KRUMLOV - 'PRAGUE IN THE COUNTRY'



TERRAIN

Mostly gentle, with good-quality paths.

DATE

2012 TRIP DATES
27th Jun to 2nd Jul

PRICES

(excluding flights)
£1,695 / \$2,965

DFS supplement (per night)
£31 / \$54