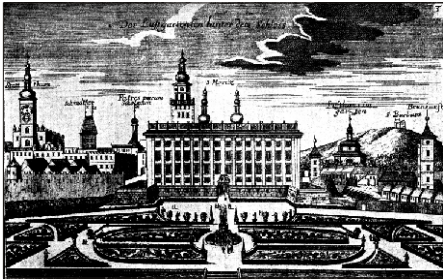


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BAROQUE ARCHITECTURE



Day 1: Arrival to Prague airport. Meeting with Atypus guide and departure to visit Unesco heritage sites. KUTNA HORA. After lunch drive to ZDAR nad SAZAVOU and visit Church of St. John of Nepomuk. Night in Brno.

Day 2: Visit a pilgrimage church in KRTINY. We will drive to SLAVKOV (known also as Austerlitz) where is a scene of famous Napoleon fight in 1805 and beautiful chateau. After lunch visit of RAJHRAD. Night in Brno with possibility to arrange a cultural program - concert, theatre performance, etc.

Day 3: Visit a works of master-builder of Vienna's court - J.B. Fischer from Erlach. LEDNICE and VALTICE. The parks of consist a baroque gardens and largest English park in Czech Republic. The area is also on the list of Unesco world heritage.

Day 4: We are going to LITOMYSL. Dominants of the town are renaissance castle built in 1568 -81 and baroque church built in 1726. After lunch drive to KUKS - the biggest baroque complex in the country. Later drive to CHLUMEC nad CIDLINOU, where exhibition "Baroque in Czech" is located. Drive in Prague.

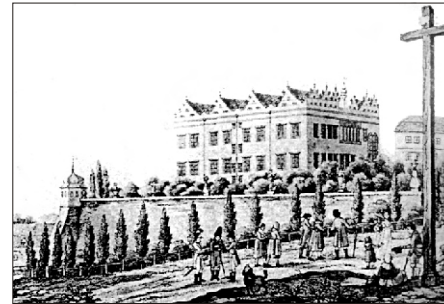
Day 5: Centre of PRAGUE. Walk around famous monuments of baroque architecture, across Charles's bridge to the Old town Square.

Day 6: Second day in PRAGUE we walk towards the PRAGUE CASTLE. Concert or theatre performance in the evening depending on clients' wishes.

New spiritual atmosphere of the end of 17th century created a new art style - baroque. Czech countries experienced giant boom of engineering works for several following decades. Architecture already stopped to be only functional residence of a nobleman and had to express his power and social status. Under leading of prominent architects Johan Bernhard Fisher from Erlach, Jacob von Hildebrandt, Octavio Broggio, Giovanni Battista Alliprandi and Maxmilian Kanka arose jewels of baroque architecture. The top of the baroque creation represent works of Krystof Dienzenhofer, Jan Blazej Santini and Kilian Ignac Dienzenhofer, which didn't have any analogy in whole European art of that



UNESCO PROTECTED SITES



Czech Republic - country in the heart of Europe, where all historical epoques left their marks in towns, villages and shapes of the landscape. All around you will find picturesque connections of different art styles from Romanesque and Gothic through Renaissance, Baroque and Romantic up to Art Deco and present times. Cultural heritage of the Czech Republic is not possible to overlook and some of historical sites were designated as heritage of extraordinary universal value which should be preserved for the future generations on this planet and approved for the World Heritage List of UNESCO.



Day 1: arrival in PRAGUE airport

Day 2: departure to CESKY KRUMLOV with stop in the village of HOLASOVICE. Small place with late 18th century farm houses.

Day 3: Visiting the castle in CESKY KRUMLOV. The second biggest castle in the country is dominating most beautiful medieval town. Transport to renaissance town TELC. Excursions to towns Trebon or Slavonice

Day 4: Visiting castle in TELC and its beautiful garden. Then excursion to the jewish quarter in TREBIC, one of the latest pieces puted on the list of Unesco sites.

Day 5: Transport to BRNO. Excursion to the church of St. John on ZELENA HORA, Later to VILLA TUGENDHAT in Brno. Nights 5-7 in Brno.

Day 6: The day we spent walking around lakes, through alleys in LEDNICE-VALTICE area and visit several romantic bulidings in hidden in the park.

Day 7: Excursoin to towns OLOMOUC and KROMERIZ, where is famous baroque FLOWER GARDEN.

Day 8: Morning transport to PRAGUE. Visit Renaissance castle in town of LITOMYSL, also birthplace of Bedrich Smetana. Nights 8-10 in Prague.

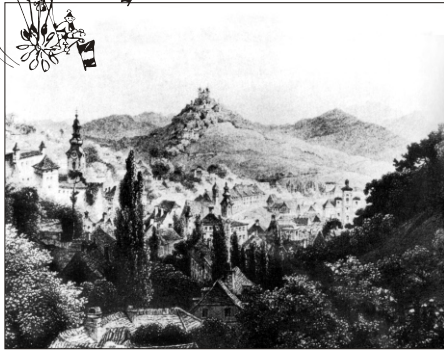
Day 9: Visit town of KUTNA HORA with cathedral of St. Barbara and Sedlec and its Church of Our Lady.

Day 10: All day in PRAGUE on sightseeing tour with all the famous sites on the programme.

Day 11: deparure to Prague airport and flight at home.



MEDIEVAL SLOVAKIA



Culture, traditions and art of Slovakia was strongly influenced by the different nationalities that lived on its territory. While the north-east is rich on wooden constructions built by Ruthens, region of Spis is rich on altarpieces with wooden statues and magnificent paintings inspired by German graphics and southern part, Gemer, is famous for rich frescoe decoration of the churches influenced by Italian art. This program will allow you to visit the ancient monuments of Slovakia.



Day 1: Arrival to Kosice airport and transfer to BARDEJOV. Night there.

Day 2: BARDEJOV was an important town in the Middle Ages. After the visit of the town and cathedral we will visit some wooden churches around the town (Hervartov, Krivé, Lukov). In the evening transfer to LEVOCA, night in Levoca.

Day 3: The SPIS region is all very rich on medieval monuments. Visit Castle of Spis, then church in Zehra with precious frescoes. Night in LEVOCA.

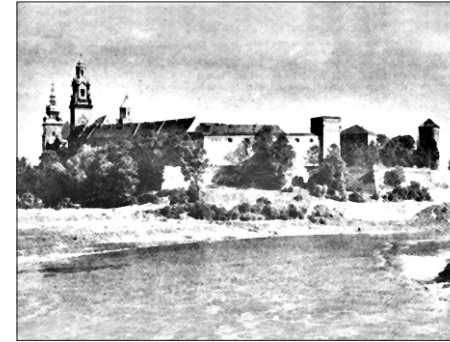
Day 4: In the small villages of the region are hidden some very nice and extraordinary art works. We have chosen SPISSKY STVRTOK, VELKA LOMNICA and BETLIAR. Night in ROZNAVA.

Day 5: The region called GEMER lay on Slovak-Hungarian border. Centuries ago, there were rich mines. Minors living in this region invited the artist to decorate their churches. We will visit STITNIK, OCHTINA, RAKOS, KRASKOVO. Night in ROZNAVA.

Day 6: KRASNA HORKA - fortress residence of powerful noble family Andrassy. After the visit of the two monuments we will continue to KOSICE, metropolis of eastern Slovakia, and visit its cathedral. Night in



HERITAGE OF CENTRAL EUROPE



Central Europe continues to attract a great deal of interest because of its wonderful old towns, very pleasant landscapes and hospitable people. Despite continuous political changes, dynastic and territorial disputes, historical towns and small settlements were preserved from serious damages. Castles of all shapes and sizes spread in the countryside of rolling hills and woodlands.



Day 1: Arrival to Prague airport. Sightseeing tour through PRAGUE's historical core.

Day 2: Visit the castle of HLUBOKA, town of CESKY KRUMLOV - the best preserved medieval town in the Czech Republic.

Day 3: Transfer to Brno with stop in town of TREBON and beautiful Renaissance town TELC.

Day 4: Excursion to small medieval town of MIKULOV. We visit the castle and the largest park in the Czech Republic in town of LEDNICE.

Day 5: Visit of park and chateau in BUCHLOVICE and castle BUCHLOV.

Day 6: Entering the Slovak Republic to the town TRENCIN and visit a castle.

Day 7: Visit ZVOLEN castle and Slovak art museum. Transfer to mountain spa SMOKOVEC.

Day 8: Drive to LEVOCA, excursion to SPISSKY CASTLE - largest castle ruins in Europe, KRASNA HORKA Castle and BETLIAR Castle.

Day 9: Depart north to Polish town TARNOW and visit its 16th century cathedral.

Day 10: Drive to KRACOW. Visit Royal Castle and Salt Mines - among the largest and oldest in Europe with 180-foot-long Chapel of St. Kinga, hewn out of the rock salt.

Day 11: Today transfer to WARSAW, stopping en route at AUSCHWITZ.

Day 12: Sightseeing tour in the centre of WARSAW (Includes Old City and Market Square, the birthplace of Madame Curie) and



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CZECH HIGHLIGHTS

The great baroque castles, which have disappeared in many other countries, still retain their original garden styles. Old Gothic structures, remodeled many times over the centuries, are surrounded by vast parklands. The tour will combine visits to some of the greatest and most beautiful places in the country. Special excursions such as tasting of delicious Moravian wines or private concerts of classical or folk music add our tours special taste.

10 days itinerary



WINE TOUR TO MORAVIA

Wine was and is a drink of top excellence and is a symbol of human's skill together with the gentle influences of nature. The first written sign of wine-growing in Bohemia is dated 937 AD, when wine-growing had already been fairly developed here. Many vintners then continued this long-lasting tradition of wine growing.



WALKING AND HIKING TOURS

SLOVAK HIGHLIGHTS

New itinerary of walking tours focused on best selection of nature and culture monuments in Slovakia. Great opportunity to come and see lost corners of central Europe. Surprisingly with high quality of services compared with other less known east European countries.

FROM BUDAPEST TO KRACOW

Variant of easy walking trip. Highlights of the trip include visits to historical cities of Budapest and Kracow, orthodox wooden churches of Slovakia and meadows filled with Carpathian flowers.

NATURE AND CULTURE HERITAGE OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Two variants of easy walking tours based on first class hotels and restaurants. Highlights include medieval castles, UNESCO cultural and biosphere reserves, baroque villages.

FAMILY SELF-GUIDED TRIPS

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A week walking tour based on first class accommodation (best in the area). Best walks in the Slovak Tatras are included. Option for climbing the highest peak of



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CYCLING AND WINES OF MORAVIA

A week cycling tours through beautiful moravian vine-yards. This programme is also arranged as a self-guided. Wine tasting and traditional local meals add another flavour.

BIKING TRIP PRAGUE-VIENNA

A classical week trip from Prague to southern Bohemia and Moravia with conclusion in Vienna. Gentle cycling through lovely countryside of rolling hills with views of many castles and mansions.

BIKING TRIP VIENNA-KRACOW

Nearly two week trip from Vienna to southern Slovakia. Here are blended sunny lowlands and limestone hills for all who are fit and like to go somewhere off popular routes. The tour will take you to the less visited areas, where people so far haven't changed their way of life too much.

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