



Český Krumlov Day Trips & Bike Tours

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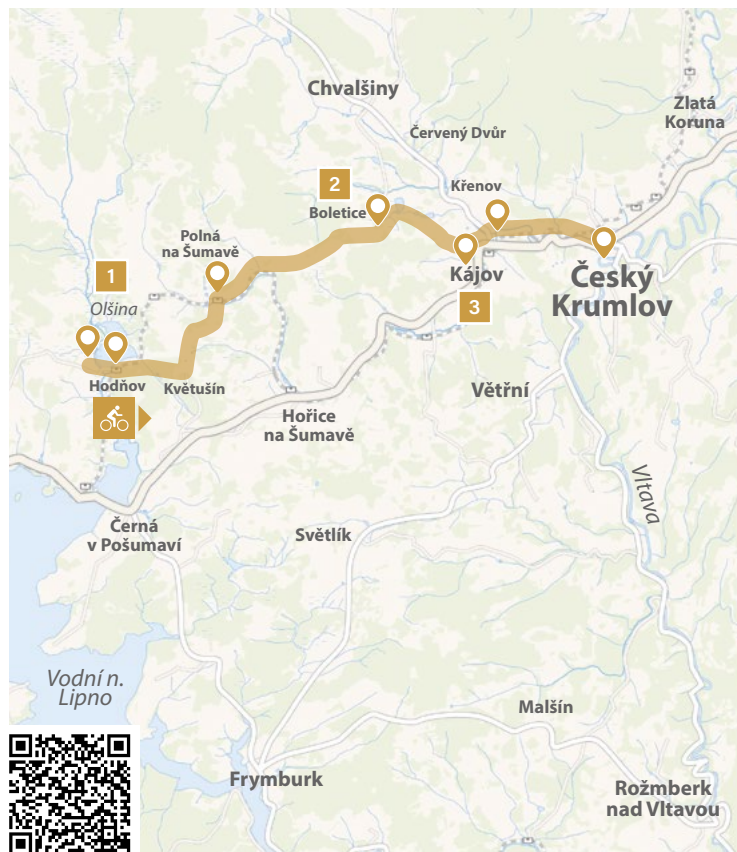
Through virgin nature to the Olšina Pond






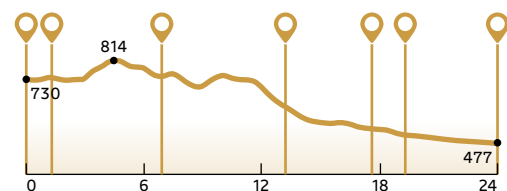
Český Krumlov → Olšina (by train) → Polná →
Boletice → Kájov → Český Krumlov

 Take the train from Krumlov to Hodňov, where you can leave your bike at the Visitor Centre and enjoy the nature trail around the Olšina Pond. Bicycle back to Krumlov via Polná and then alongside the Boletice military area towards Kájov. On the way, you can stop at the Church of St. Nicholas in Boletice and the Marian pilgrimage church in Kájov. The whole route is on roads, but it's not busy except for a short section near Kájov. The trip can be extended by about 8 km if you take the train to Horní Planá, then from there bike to Olšina and Krumlov.

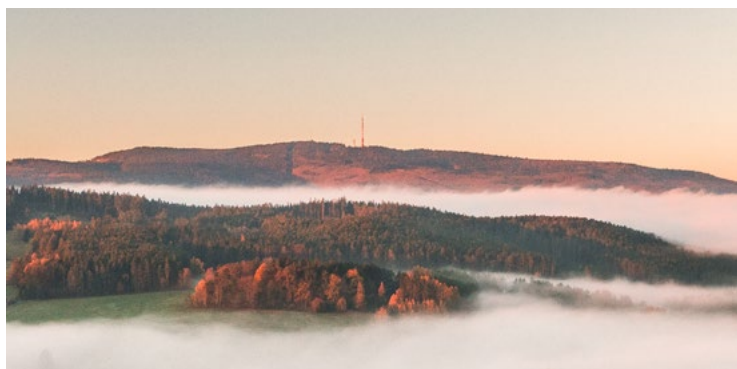
 Non-cyclists can take the route there and back by train or car. The Olšina nature trail is accessible all year round and in winter, when there's snow, you can pack cross-country skis. Near the visitor center there's a starting point for a ski trail.




 24 km
 mild to moderate
 asphalt




From mountaintop to chateau park



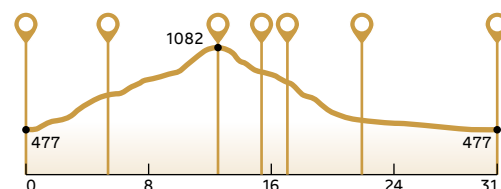
Český Krumlov → Granátník → Kleť → Červený Dvůr → Český Krumlov

 This trip is intended for more experienced cyclists, especially because of the first approx. 12-kilometer ride up Kleť Mountain via the Granátník Hill. The elevation from the start to the peak is 617 m; the first kilometers are slightly uphill with sections of greater gradient, the last 3 km are very challenging. Once on the top, you'll be rewarded with amazing views of the wide surroundings and refreshments in the mountain hut. The relaxing return trip takes you to the chateau park in Červený Dvůr, where you can walk the local nature trail or just relax amidst the greenery.

 Kleť Mountain is accessible at any time of the year and, of course, in other ways than cycling. You can combine car or train with a hiking tour, or you can take the chair lift to the top from the car park in Krasetín.




 31 km
 challenging
 asphalt




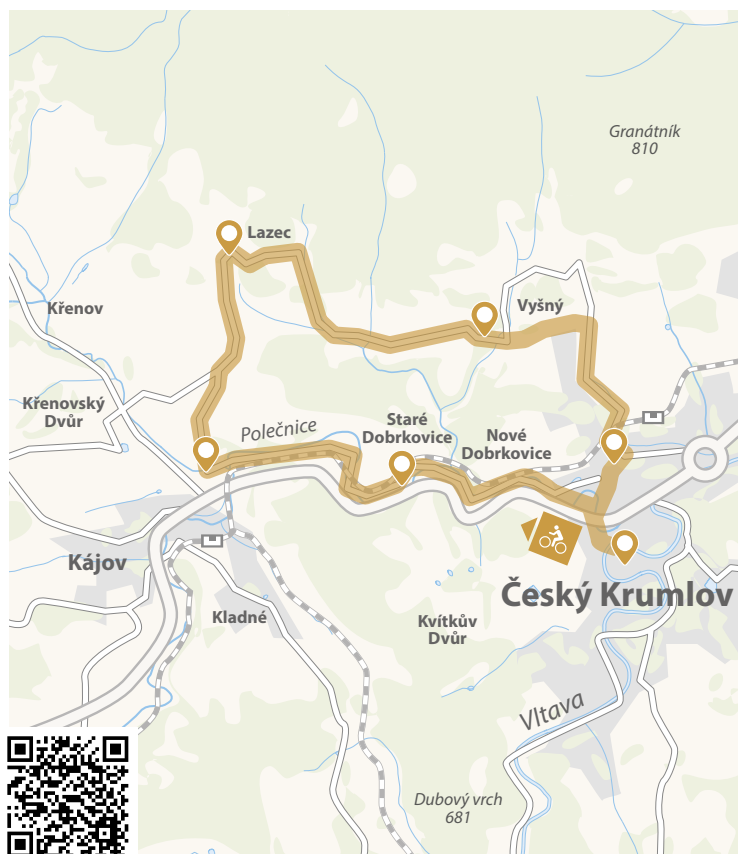
A round trip with the kids






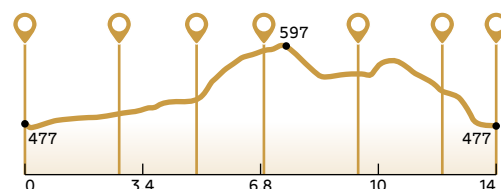
Český Krumlov → Petráškův dvůr → Lazec → Vyšný → Český Krumlov

 A short cycle trip suitable for kids and those less fit. From Krumlov, ride along the Polečnice Brook to the Graphite Mine and along a comfortable asphalt road to Petráškův dvůr. From there you continue through Lazec to Vyšný, where your children can enjoy a generous outdoor playground. The return trip from Vyšný is downhill – from Nádražní Předměstí neighbourhood, take the winding cycle path down to the sports complex and continue through the Jelenka car park to the center.

 You can also hike to the Vyšenské Hills Nature Reserve, which includes a 2.2 km long nature trail. A total of 15 stops feature the area's natural wealth and the history of human activity here. There is also a geological exposition and a botanical rock garden with examples of plants that are abundant here.




 14 km
 mild
 asphalt, field road




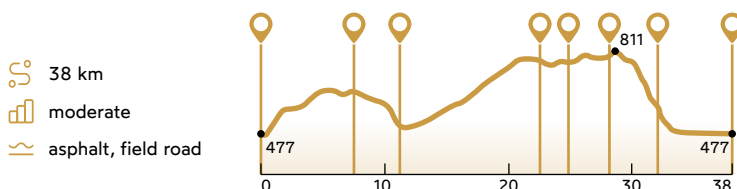
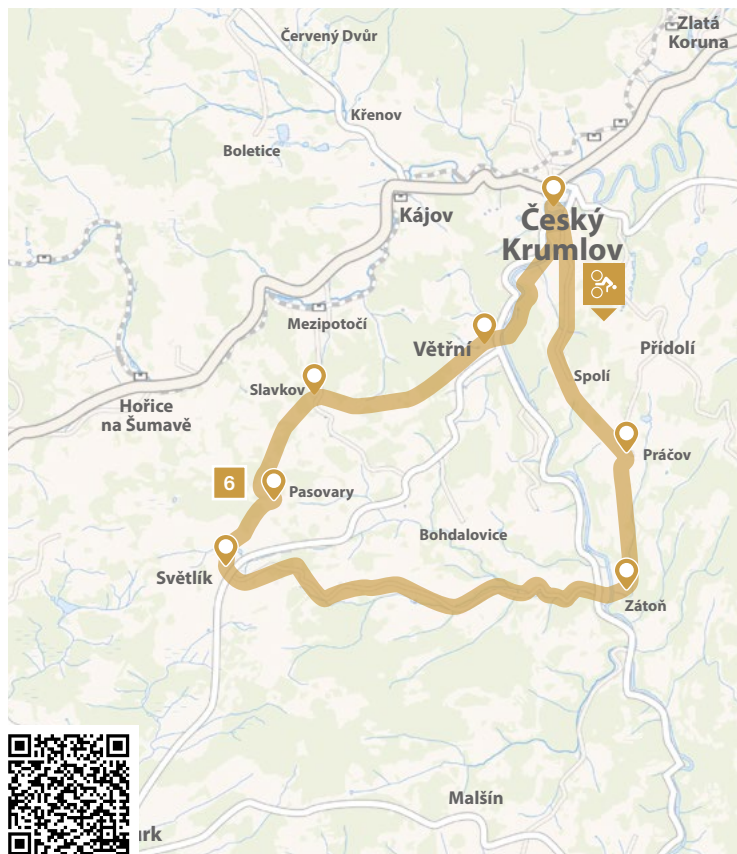
Lesser-known places around Český Krumlov



Český Krumlov → Zátoň → Světlík → Pasovary → Slavkov → Větrní → Český Krumlov

 Explore the area's picturesque but less-frequented places. From Krumlov, you'll climb through Slupenec to Práčov, then follow the horizon with beautiful views towards Zátoň. Be careful when descending to Zátoň, the descent is steep in places, and in Zátoň you'll have to cycle about 300 m along the main road. Then you'll ascend the cycle path to Světlík, with an optional 1.5 km detour to the church in Svěraz. From Světlík, follow the blue trail to Slavkov with a stop at the ruins of the Pasovary fortress, then through Kaliště to Větrní. After Větrní, turn right over the bridge and continue along the river to Český Krumlov.


 If you prefer hiking to cycling, we recommend driving to Světlík and taking a walk to the Pasovary fortress, which is about 3 km long (one way).




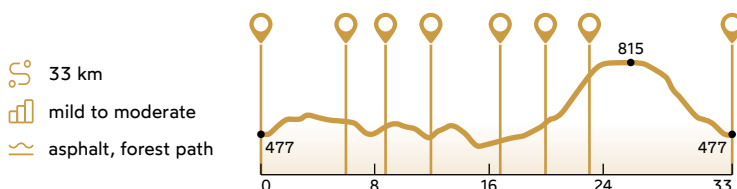
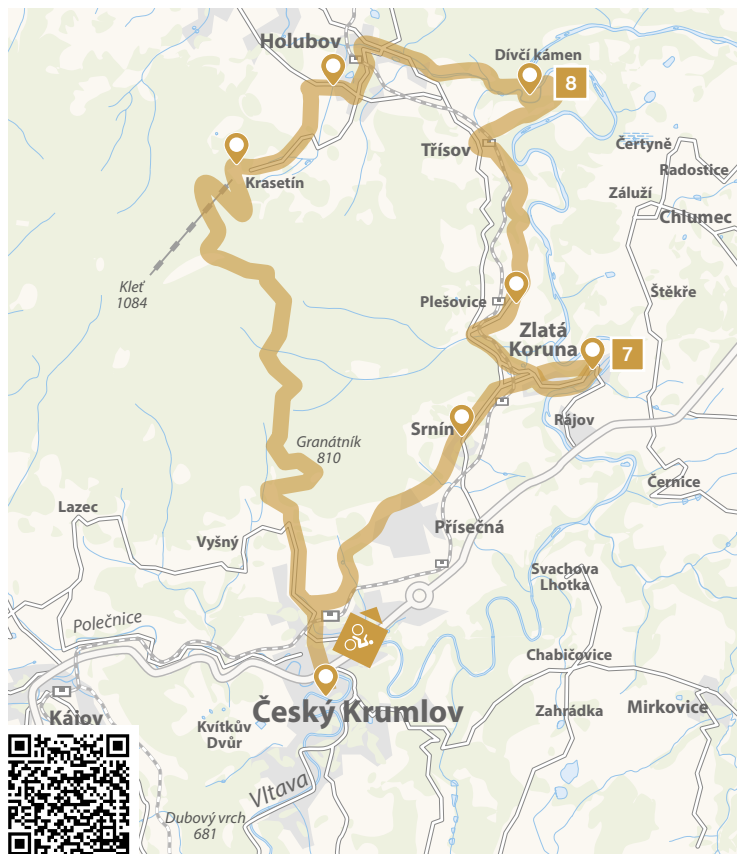
A monastery and castle ruin in one day



Český Krumlov → Zlatá Koruna → Dívčí Kámen → Krasetín → Český Krumlov

 A trip to the most important monuments around Český Krumlov. From Krumlov, pass through Srnín to Zlatá Koruna, where you can visit the local monastery, one of the jewels of Gothic architecture in Central Europe. Then continue along the undulating cycle path or the red trail (more difficult terrain) through Plešovice to the romantic ruins of Dívčí Kámen Castle and then to Holubov. Here you can take the train to Krumlov, or cycle further to Krasetín and continue along the Kleť hillside to Krumlov. You'll be rewarded with a final descent to the town center.

 In addition to convenient transport by car, the monastery in Zlatá Koruna and the Dívčí Kámen Castle can also be reached by train: the monastery is 1.8 km from the Zlatá Koruna stop, Dívčí Kámen is 1.5 km from the Třísov stop.





NATURE AT ITS PUREST

Olšina Nature Trail

The unique environment surrounding the Olšina Pond, the highest fish-breeding pond in the country (731 m above sea level), can be explored from a 7 km long nature trail. This area was inaccessible for decades, so now we still can see typical Šumava nature in its pure form.

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LANDSCAPE PARK

Červený Dvůr Chateau Park

The landscape and architectural values of this 105-hectar park make it a nationally important cultural monument. Open all year round, it features a nature-historical nature trail. The chateau itself houses a psychiatric hospital and is closed to the public.

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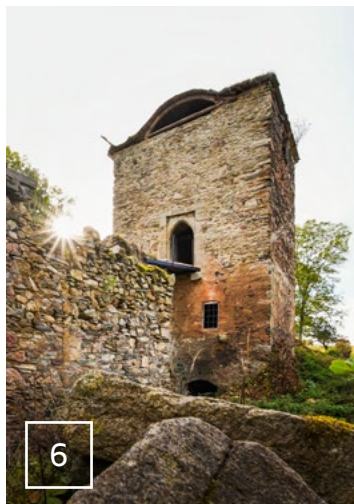


UNIQUE ROMANESQUE CHURCH

Church of St. Nicholas in Boletice

This originally Romanesque church from the late 12th century is one of the oldest sacral monuments in South Bohemia. It's located on the outskirts of the Boletice Military Training Area, which is now one of the largest MTAs in Czechia.

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SAVED FROM DESTRUCTION

Pasovary Fortress

The ruins of this 14th century Gothic fortress are about 15 km southwest of Český Krumlov in the extinct village of Pasovary. Its square tower still bears several preserved stone elements (window and door jambs, supports) and the cellars under the former palace.

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ONE OF THE OLDEST

Marian Pilgrimage Site in Kájov

One of the oldest Marian pilgrimage sites in the country, first mentioned in 1263. The late Gothic church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary is enclosed by a uniquely preserved complex of buildings, which includes a rectory, the Chapel of the Death of the Virgin Mary, and the Chapel of St. John of Nepomuk.

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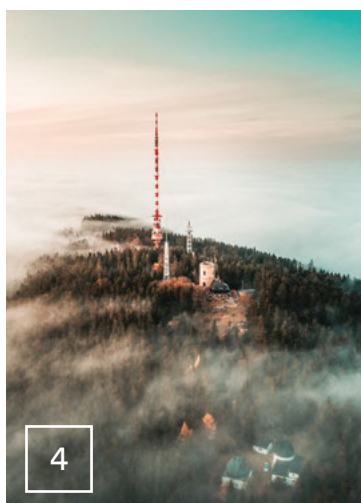


CISTERCIAN HISTORY

Zlatá Koruna Monastery

The Cistercian "Golden Crown" monastery is one of Central Europe's most valuable Gothic architecture complexes. It still retains much of its original medieval atmosphere even after the order ended in 1785. Today it is administered by the National Heritage Institute.

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PANORAMIC VIEWS

Kleť Lookout Tower

The oldest stone lookout tower in the Czech Republic stands on the top of Kleť, the highest mountain of the Blanský Forest (1083 m). In 1825 it was built by Prince Josef Schwarzenberg for the private use of his family and has served the public since the late 19th century.

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ROMANTIC RUINS

Dívčí Kámen Castle

Ruins of a medieval castle stand on a rocky promontory above the confluence of the Vltava River and the Křemežský Brook. Built in 1350–60 by the Rožmberk nobility, it was used by them for only 150 years and then abandoned. Today, history and nature intertwine here in perfect harmony.

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