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112 (24 hours a day)

Unique Rock Cities

Programme - July 10 - 13, 2014

Day 1, Thursday 10th

Prague

Individual arrivals at the Václav Havel International Airport or Prague Main Train Station

Transfers to the hotel arranged by CzechTourism

15:30 Meeting in hotel lobby with CzechTourism representative Jana Soukalová and the guide

Sightseeing tour of historical Prague, www.praguewelcome.cz

18:00 River cruise on the Vltava River
www.prague-boats.cz/prague-dinner-cruise

Day 2, Friday 11th

České Švýcarsko (Bohemian Switzerland)

--:-- Breakfast; check out

8:45 Meeting in hotel lobby; transfer to Hřensko (120 km)

Fairyland village Hřensko - gateway to the National Park of Czech Switzerland. Village of Hřensko is the starting point for trips to Pravčická brána (Pravčická gate) - the largest natural rock bridge in the whole Europe, www.hrensko.cz/inpage/en-lang

Half day hiking trip, on the trail:

The Wild Gorge - cruise through the rocky valley. An impressive natural part of the narrow Kamenice River Canyon which is partially accessible only by ferry boat.

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The gorge was made available for boat trips and hiking in 1898 based on the initiatives of the Mountaineering Association for Bohemian Switzerland and prince Edmund Clary-Aldringen, www.skalnimesta.cz/en/rock-towns.html

Break at Restaurant Na Vyhlídce, www.penzionnavyhlicce.eu

Mezní Louka – the village is located in the heart of the National Park of Czech Switzerland, where they intersect various hiking and biking trails. The most famous trail is called Gabrielle trail along the rocks to the Pravčice Gate, www.ceskesvycarsko.cz/en/node.

Lunch

The Pravcice Gate - one of the most popular rock formations in Czech rock cities, located 3 km from Hřensko near the border with Germany. It has become the symbol of the Bohemian Switzerland National Park. Its dimensions (arch height of 16 m, total width of almost 27 m, and arch width of 7-8m) make it the largest standstone rock arch in Europe. The accessible rocks over Falcon's Nest Restaurant (built in 1881) offer magnificent views, www.skalnimesta.cz/en/rock-towns.html

Transfer to Hotel Kristin Hrádek; accommodation
www.kristinhradek.cz/en/

Dinner in **Pastýřská stěna** - restaurant with beautiful views of the river Elbe, www.pastyrskastena.eu

Visit of **Děčín Via Ferrata** - a mountain route which is equipped with security ropes and iron footrests

Day 3, Saturday 12th

Český Ráj (Bohemian Paradise)

Breakfast + check out

8:45 Meeting in hotel lobby; transfer to Arnoltice (20 km)

Rubens soap factory – the company manufactures soaps with own family's original recipes which were invented over a hundred years ago. Rubens soap factory is located in the picturesque village Růžová, www.mydlarnarubens.cz/de

Transfer to Český Ráj (110 km)

Geopark Český ráj (Bohemian Paradise) - geologically unique objects such as Bozkovské dolomitové jeskyně (caves), paleontological, mineralogical and archaeological locations and numerous plant and animal species deserve both our attention and our protection. Bohemian Paradise is the oldest protected landscape area in the Czech Republic and in 2005 it became the core of a new UNESCO Geopark

Hiking trip

The Hruboskalsko is one of the best-known rock formations. It is characterised by impressive towers reaching up to 55 m and also by steep canyons, www.cesky-raj.info/en/tourist-region

Hrubá Skála Chateau - the Renaissance chateau was built on sandstone at the point where a medieval castle built in the 14th century used to be. In 1804, a park in the English style was added; in 1859 the chateau was regothicized, www.cesky-raj.info/en/tourist-region

Lunch

Ruin of Valečov Castle - is one of the dominant elements of Český ráj (Bohemian Paradise). www.cesky-raj.info/en/tourist-region

Rock apartments – rock flats originally served as a sophisticated hideaway for soldiers (Hussite Wars), later normal people lived there until the 20th century, www.cesky-raj.info/en/tourist-region.

Transfer to the hotel, accommodation, dinner

Day 4, Sunday 11th

Prague

--:-- Breakfast; check - out

Transfer to Prague

Free time and individual departures



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