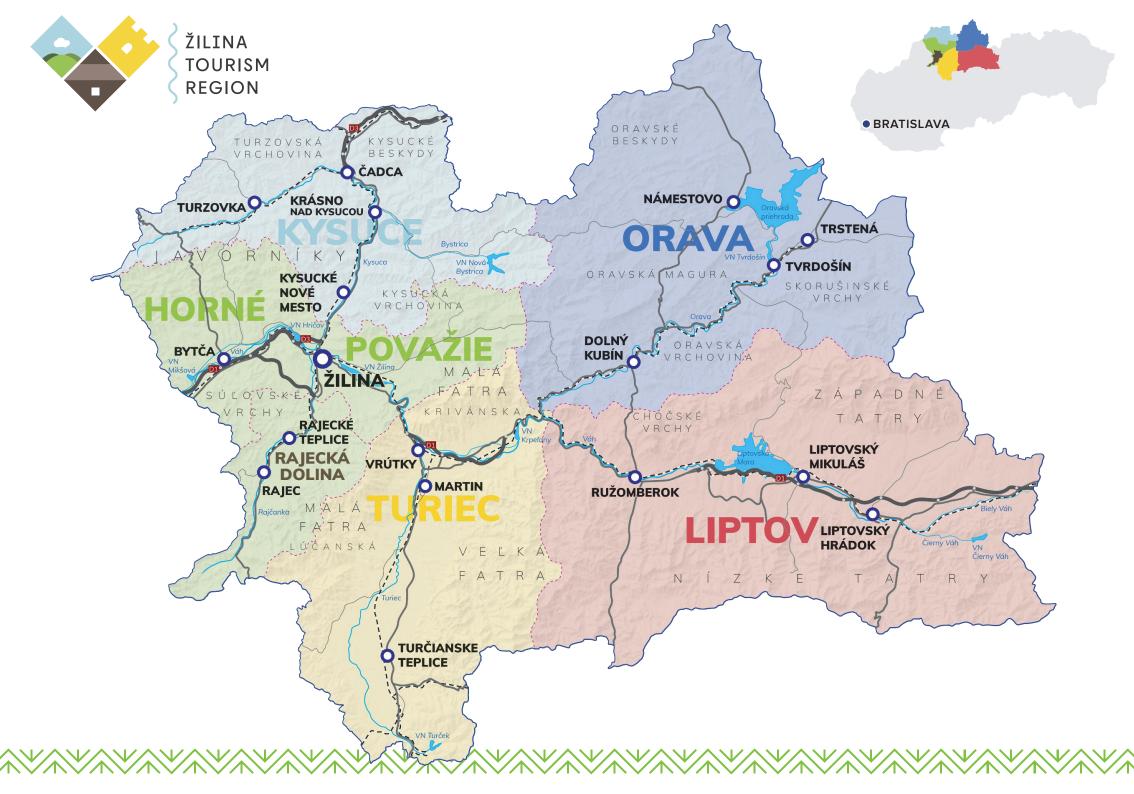
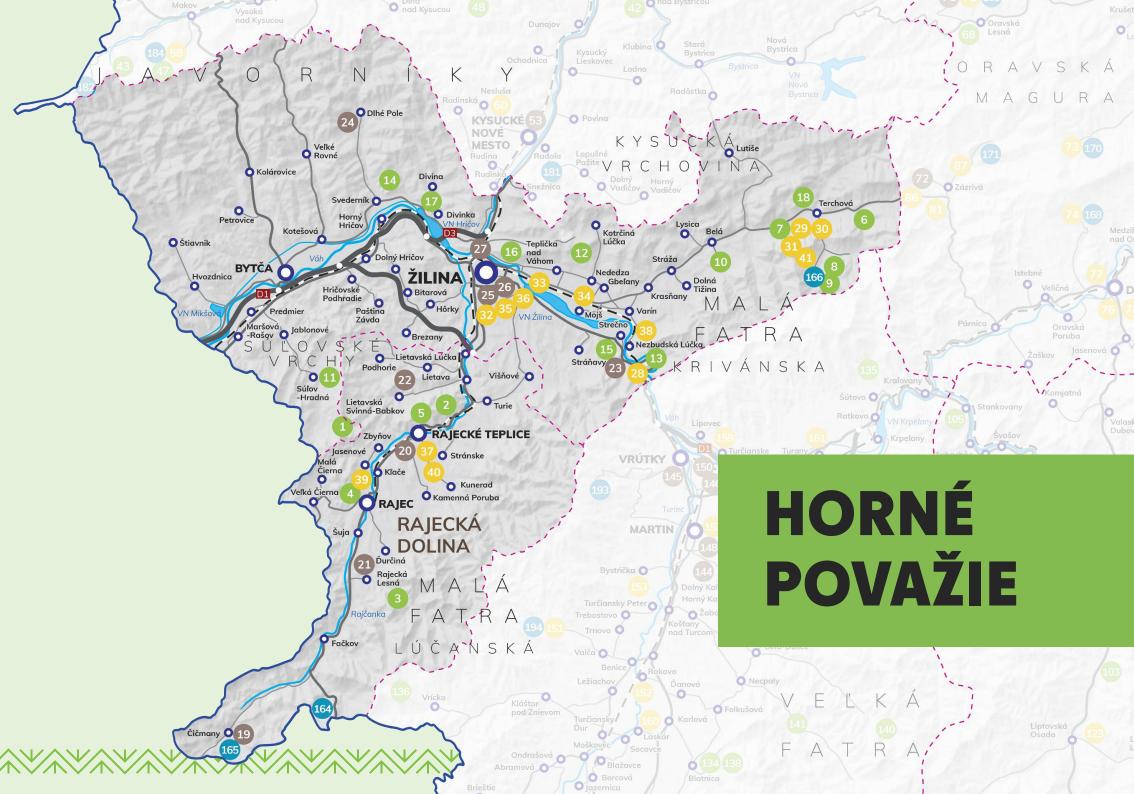






FAMILY FRIENDLY TRIP IDEAS IN ŽILINA REGION







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Stratený Budzogáň/ Rajecká Dolina Educational Trail

The Skalný Budzogáň rock formation (Rocky Mace) is an approximately 12 metres high rock formation shaped like a clenched fist. You can get to it along an educational trail with information on the local nature and discover an interesting legend on how the mace turned from a tree into a rock along the way. The green waymarked educational trail starts in Rajecké Teplice and is approximately 6 km long with a 450 metre elevation gain. You should reach your destination in about 2 hours. The trail starting in Zbyňov following the yellow waymarked trail is more suitable for small children. Stratený Budzogáň is located 3 km from the village and the walk will take about an hour.

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Rajecké Teplice – Porúbka 2 **Educational Trail**



The educational trail passes the Poluvsianska skalná ihla rock formation (Rocky Needle), crosses the Slnečné skaly rocks nature reserve all the way to the Turská skala rock. The trail starts in Rajecké Teplice at the Laura swimming pool. The educational trail follows the green waymark and it will take you 3 to 4 hours to get to your destination.

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Geyser in Rajecká Lesná



Take your children into nature on a hot summer day and cool down at the geyser in Rajecká Lesná. The geyser blasts a spout up to 10 metres high and creates a colourful rainbow in the process. In winter, it freezes into an icy cone with water blasting from the centre. When your children see it, they will think that they are in Arendelle. It is located approximately 4 km above Rajecká Lesná and is accessible via a tarmac road.

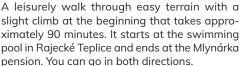
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Okolím Rajeckého Hradu (Around Rajec Castle) **Educational Trail**

The educational trail consists of 10 information boards that teach hikers about the local plants, animals, and the history of the town of Rajec and the Rajecká dolina valley. Three of the boards have rest zones nearby and one of them is located near a lookout tower which offers a breathtaking view of Rajecká dolina. The red waymarked educational trail starts at the Town Museum in Rajec and is approximately 7.9 km long with an elevation gain of 307 metres. The hike takes about 4 hours.

WWW.RAJECKADOLINA.SK

Forestry Educational Trail 5 in Rajecké Teplice



WWW.LESY.SK







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Diery (Dolné diery – Podžiar)/Terchová Educational Trail

A pleasurable leisurely walk along an educational trail that will lead you to the meadow under the Podžiar hill in just an hour. There you can rest and enjoy some refreshments in the local buffet. You can take the same route back or continue further following the educational trail all the way to the Štefanová settlement (approximately 20-30 minutes from Podžiar), where you can take the sight-seeing train back or to the stop on the main road near the Boboty hotel.

WWW.TERCHOVA.UTECZMESTA.EU



Jánošík's Birthplace – Terchová

Spend an enjoyable afternoon in Terchová and take a trip to the birthplace of the famous Slovak outlaw Juraj Jánošík. It takes approximately 45 minutes on foot on a tarmac road that starts in the Šípková settlement. It is an easy hiking trail and part of the Jánošíkovým chotárom (Through Jánošík's Bounds) Educational Trail. The walk will reveal breathtaking views, among others of the Veľký Rozsutec, which is a symbol of the Malá Fatra mountains.

WWW.TERCHOVA.UTECZMESTA.EU



Easy Hike to Chata na Grúni/Terchová – Vrátna

The trail starts at the Chata Vrátna mountain hut, where you can get by car or bus. Right outside the mountain hut you will find a yellow waymarked trail that will lead you along an easy path with a slight climb. After about an hour of walking, you will arrive at the Chata na Grúni mountain hut with a summer terrace, where you can sate your hunger and quench your thirst. Children can frolic around the grassy playground with a slide, monkey bars and swings. Marvel at the beautiful view of the Veľký Rozsutec mountain and the Malá Fatra ridge right from outside the hut. Return along the same route or take the steeper blue waymarked trail that leads to Štefanová (descent approximately 45 minutes). From here you can take the sightseeing train back to the centre of Terchová or ride a scooter.

WWW.UTECZMESTA.EU



Cable Car to Snilovské Sedlo Mountain Pass – Terchová

Gift your little ones a memorable experience and take a cable car to the Snilovské sedlo mountain pass nestled at 1,500 metres above sea level. The lower station is located at the end of the Vrátna dolina valley. It takes only 40 minutes along the red waymarked trail with an elevation difference of 200 metres to walk from the Snilovské sedlo mountain pass to the Veľký Kriváň mountain. Afterwards, you will be able to say that you conquered the highest peak of the Malá Fatra mountains. The green waymarked trail will take you from the mountain pass to the Chata pod Chlebom mountain hut in only 30 minutes, where you can get refreshments for yourself and the kids.

WWW.UTECZMESTA.EU



Belské Skaly near Terchová

The Belské skaly rocks are a popular destination for a shorter outing or hike. There are three lookouts that are perfect for sitting and enjoying spectacular views. Start at Belá and you will reach the highest lookout in approximately 40 minutes.

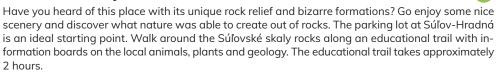


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Súľovské Skaly Rocks



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Walk to Straník

We highly recommend a short hike to the Straník hill near Žilina. The best trail leads from Zástranie following the yellow waymark and takes approximately 45 minutes. You can rest at the top in a wooden shelter and enjoy the panorama of the Malá Fatra mountains, Vodné dielo Žilina dam and Kysuce region. Straník hill is popular among paragliders, so you can be sure to meet some here if the weather permits.



Walk to Starhrad

Take a pleasant and easy walk to Starhrad and enjoy a spectacular view of Domašínsky meander. You will reach the castle ruin in about an hour along the red waymarked trail from Nezbudská Lúčka.

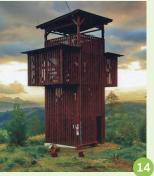


To the Lookout **Towers Around** Žilina

If you want to enjoy a pleasurable afternoon with your family and get a bird's-eye view of the world, take a trip to the lookout towers located around Žilina.



Žilina at your fingertips. Anybody marveling at the views from the impressive 27.4 m high lookout tower at the 7 km from Žilina. The hill-fort **Dubeň** hill must be thinking above the village reminds us this. You can get there from of the building acumen of our Budatín or Zádubnie. (Take the panel road located near the cational trail at this location Prípojná public transport stop, will reveal some interesting at the end of the road you will facts about hill-forts. reach a small water reservoir. Then walk through the meadow to the top of the Dubeň hill and across the forest.)



There is a wooden cross shaped lookout tower on the Svedernícky vrch hill above Svederník located 10 km from Žilina..



The 8 m high **Špicák** lookout tower above the Strečno castle is known for its unique views with 4 castles -Strečno. Starhrad. Budatín and Lietava.



The **Divinka** lookout tower is located on an educational trail above the Divinka village ancient ancestors. The edu-



You will get to the Terchovské srdce (Heart of Terchová) lookout tower in Jánošík's birthplace along an educational trail. The walk will take approximately an hour. There is a photopoint in the shape of a wooden heart right next to the lookout tower with a view of the Veľký Rozsutec mountain.



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Čičmany

Would you like to take your kids into a fairytale? Visit Čičmany, a village famous for its "gingerbread cottages" – wooden houses adorned with hand-painted ornaments that are one of a kind in Europe. You can enter two of the wooden houses and learn about what village life used to look like.

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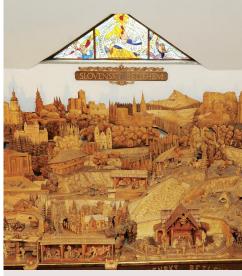


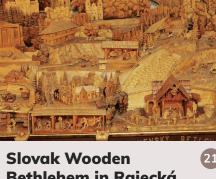
Museum of Transport in Rajecké Teplice



I want to be a train conductor when I grow up. If your children keep saying this, they will definitely enjoy the Museum of Transport. It is located on the premises of the train stop in Rajecké Teplice. The railway exhibition presents models of different trains and two train station offices furbished with signaling, traffic control and train detection technologies. The museum also displays historic motorcycles.

WWW.PMZA.SK





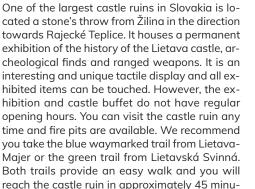
Bethlehem in Rajecká Lesná

Visit the Bethlehem that depicts the Nativity scene, lives of our ancestors and our beautiful country. It took Master Pekara over 15 years to build it and you can find it in the House of Our Lord's Nativity by the Basilica of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary.

WWW.RAJECKADOLINA.SK



Lietava Castle Ruin



WWW.HRADLIETAVA.SK

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Strečno Castle with the Paseka Medieval Village

If you like visiting castles and your children like pretending that they are in a fairytale, don't miss the medieval castle overlooking the road that connects Žilina and Vrútky. You can take a pleasant walk through the medieval wooden village of Paseka, which was modeled after medieval buildings. Plan your trip to the castle to see one of its interesting events and the whole family will find something to enjoy.

WWW.PMZA.SK

Tinker Craft Museum of Jozef Holánik Bakeľ in Dlhé Pole

The tinker craftsman Juraj Šerík will shed some light on crafts in a fixed wooden house which used to belong to his relatives. You can try your hand at tinker crafts yourself and even make your own memento. Prior to visiting, check the opening hours at +421 908 490 987.



Catacombs

Did you know that there are catacombs in Žilina?

They used to serve as burial sites, later as food storage facilities and they saved numerous Jewish children during World War II. You must sign up in advance for a guided tour at an available date.

WWW.TIKZILINA.EU



Burianova veža tower



The Burianova veža tower is located in the centre of Žilina with panoramic views of the city centre. The tower is accessible only during guided tours offered by the Žilina Tourist Information Office - TIK.

WWW.TIKZILINA.EU



Budatin Castle and Park



The Budatín castle park is the perfect place for a nice afternoon rest. It is located only a stone's throw from the centre of Žilina but provides a space full of green areas and beautiful trees with intricate tree tops. One of the London planes even won the Tree of the Year award in 2016. Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy your surroundings at a family picnic You can borrow a picnic basket free of charge in the local castle cafe where you can get some coffee and stock up your basket with tasty tidbits. Do you want to see more than just the exterior of the spectacular Budatín castle? Go see the castle and tinker craft exhibition. Sounds like a great idea, doesn't it?

WWW.PMZA.SK





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Rafts on the Váh/Strečno



Let your children enjoy an extraordinary experience and raft down the Váh river on traditional wooden rafts. Raftsmen will transport you through 7 km of the Strečnianska úžina strait on their wooden rafts while regaling you with many interesting facts. You can enjoy the views of the nature as well as the Starhrad castle ruin and Strečno castle. The raftsmen's headquarters is located at the Gazdovský dvor farmstead house in Strečno, where you can also buy some refreshments. Children must be over 3 years old to participate.

WWW.PLTE-STRECNO.SK



Dino Adventure High Rope Park in Terchová



Have a lot of fun at the Terchová high rope park that is nestled in a nice pine tree forest close to the amphitheatre. Children can enjoy a 40-minute-long adrenaline rush and conquer different high rope obstacles. Entrants must be at least 150 cm tall.

WWW.DINOADVENTURE.SK

Terchová Sightseeing Train 30



Take your family on a trip to Terchová and marvel at the spectacular nature from the Terchovský vláčik sightseeing train on wheels. You will see the landmarks of the heart of the Malá Fatra - the mountains of Veľký Rozsutec, Veľký Kriváň, Chleb Hill or Tiesňavy gorges. While you ride, the pleasant tour guides will provide interesting commentary.

WWW.TERCHOVSKYVLACIK.SK

Jánošík's Story Escape Room in Terchová



Is the weather bad and you long to escape the boredom? Come to Terchová and take part in the story of the famous Slovak outlaw. You will look for clues and solve puzzles which will reveal the story of Juraj Jánošík.

WWW.TERCHOVA.UTECZMESTA.EU

Hoplandia Žilina



A unique centre with inflatable attractions for big and small alike. Have a fun day in the unique Hoplandia inflatable park or the Jumpstreet trampoline centre.

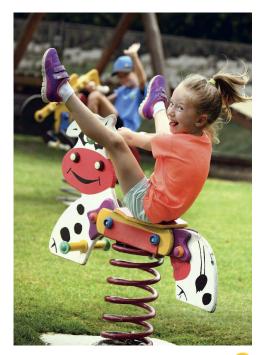
WWW.HOPLANDIAZILINA.SK

Žiling Water Dam



A popular holiday spot for both old and young. The tarmac road that leads around the dam is a section of the cycling route that connects Budatín with Strečno. You can find a skatepark, pump track and restaurants in close proximity, the sport facility provides beach volleyball courts, a restaurant, and a play area for kids. Don't hesitate to bring your roller skates, bikes or rent scooters and enjoy a nice family afternoon.

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Jungle Park in Mojš near Žilina



Monkey bars, slides, trampolines, flume slides, a climbing wall, Xbox and other activities for your kids in a jungle full of fun over an area of 1 500 m².

WWW.JUNGLEPARK.SK



Kongo Žilina



An indoor entertainment park that offers infinite fun and many adventures for kids spread over an area of 1 350 m². Kids will definitely have a field day on the monkey bars, flume slide, slides and other attractions.

WWW.KONGOZILINA.SK

Lesopark Chrast Forest Park in Žilina – WWW.TIKZILINA.EU Park of Ľudovít Štúr – Bôrický Park – WWW.TIKZILINA.EU

Puppets in the Attic



Is it raining? Is the weather foul? Are your children bored? We have a great recommendation. Take your children to the mysterious world of puppets. An exhibition in Rosenfeld Palace in Žilina will show you the history of the Žilina Puppet Theatre.

WWW.ROSENFELDOVPALAC.SK

Sport Activities in Activity 37 Park Hotel Skalka/Rajecké **Teplice**



You can spend a pleasurable afternoon at the gorgeous Skalka hotel park where you can try your hand at different sport activities like adventure golf or disc golf, play tennis or pétanque, or ride a bike or a scooter. In summertime, various events take place in the park.

WWW.SKALKAHOTEL.SK

Fairytale Forest in Nezbudská Lúčka near Žilina



Take your children into the world of fairytales and walk around a magical forest with Sleeping Beauty, the famous Slovak grandpa Večerníček, the Three Little Pigs, the Steadfast Tin Soldier, Little Red Riding Hood, and many other fairytale characters. The site is located 12 km from Žilina. It also houses a restaurant with panoramic views of the Malá Fatra mountains and Strečno castle, a play area for kids and free ranging animals. It is just perfect for a cycle tour for families with children because the fairytale forest is close to the Budatín -Žilina water dam cycle route.

WWW.PANORAMAPARK.SK

SHEEP FARMS, RANCHES, SHEPHERDS' HUTS, FARMS

Bardy Farm



The farm is located in the Kľače – Jasenové village in the Rajecká dolina valley. The farm restaurant offers meals made with the farm's own beef, fish, and dairy. While waiting for your food, you can explore the farm or sit by the river. You can book a pony or horse ride, fish in the pond or use the fire pit with your family, but don't forget to book in advance by phone.

WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/PG/FARMA.BARDY

Prístavky Farm



The farm is located only 1.5 km from Rajecké Teplice. Any nature lover and animal fan will enjoy a visit to the farm. It is a home to horses and goats, pigs and cows, rabbits and geese, hens and sheep and other animals. Would you like to take a horseback ride, ride a horse-drawn carriage, have a field day at the meadow, or play at the playground? You can do all that at Prístavky Farm. In summer, visitors can enjoy the cafe and you can stay in a mobile house directly on the

WWW.PRISTAVKY.WEEBLY.COM

Koliba Starý dvor Vrátna

WWW.KOLIBAVRATNA.SK

Jánošíkova koliba

WWW.JANOSIKOVAKOLIBA.COM

Penzión Iánošíkova valaška. Terchová

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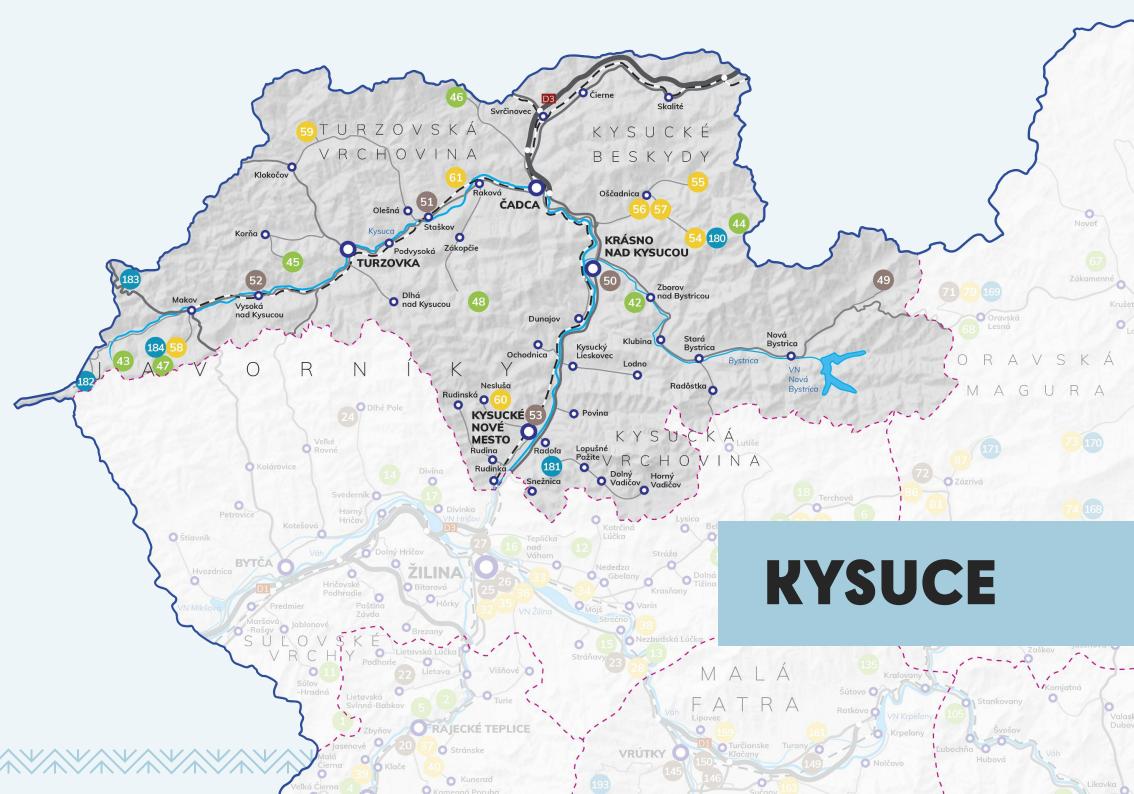
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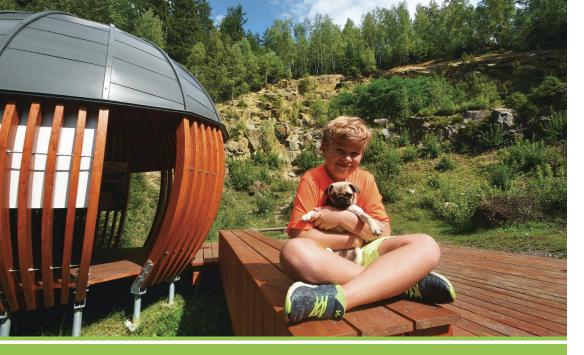
Starý Majer, Vrátna dolina



Families with kids will enjoy time spent here. There is a kids playground, a pond and a mini zoo with animals. In the summer it is possible to ride a pony.







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Bike Ride Through Bystrická Dolina Valley

This cycle route was converted from an unused switchback railway. It starts in Krásno nad Kysucou and passes under one of the biggest preserved bridges from the end of the 19th century in Central Europe. The cycle route is mostly level, leads by a forest, and will take you to the Slovak astronomical clock in Stará Bystrica which is the biggest wooden statue in Slovakia. From there you can continue along the educational trail to the Bobovec lookout tower. Advanced bikers can ride all the way to Nová Bystrica to the open-air Museum of the Kysuce Village in Vychylovka. The Bystrica main cycle route is sought-after both in summer and winter (it is converted into a cross country skiing track in winter). The route is lined with benches, gazebos, information boards and parking lots. It is also suitable for families with children.





Walk to the Kysuce River Spring

Kysuce has always been linked with the river that flows through the whole region – from Makov all the way to Žilina. You can get to the Kysuce river spring quite easily with smaller kids from Makov, Kopanice along the yellow waymarked trail to the Sedlo pod Lemešnou mountain pass (you can get here by car, park and start your hike), then take the red waymarked trail to the Sedlo pod Soliskom mountain pass or yellow to the spring. You can rest by the spring and fill your bottles with some clear mountain freshwater. When taking the blue waymarked trail from Makovo, Kopanice, you will get to the U Papaji settlement which boasts the oldest and most massive field elm in Central Europe, which is almost 500 years old. The trunk circumference is over 11 metres.



Hike to Veľká Rača Mountain

If you want to take your children on a hike in nature, make use of the popular tourist trail that leads to the peak of the Veľká Rača mountain. The trail starts at the parking lot in Dedovka by the lower station of the chair lift. It will take you about 2 hours and 30 minutes to reach the peak with children. If you want to make the hike easier, take the chair lift to the top station and walk the ridge to the peak of Veľká Rača. Have some refreshments in the buffets located in the Snowparadise Veľká Rača Resort or have some fun at the kids' attractions after spending the day out





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Walk to Živčák Hill

A Marian pilgrimage site associated with apparitions of the Virgin Mary that is visited by thousands of pilgrims every year. There is a chapel in the centre of the site with several springs around. The site is accessible via a tarmac road and provides several rest zones. You can climb up using several paths, however the path from Korňa is the most frequented. Stop in the first part of the village and have a look at the unique petroleum spring.







Kamenné Gule Rock Formation in Kysuce



A unique stone spheres rock formation, one of its kind in the world. Nobody knows exactly how they were created. Our Slovak stone spheres are some of the biggest and you will find them along a 15 km long section between Klokočovo and Milošová. The rock formations vary from perfect spheres to more egg like shapes. The biggest sphere found is 2.6 m in diameter and you can see it in the Milošová – Megonky quarry near Čadca.

A Walk to the U Gregušov Settlement from Melocík



The Javornícky chodník tourist trail will delight you with its spectacular views, lookout towers along the way, and an interesting Gallery in nature. The pleasurable and easy hiking trail is lined with works of art and is suitable for children. You will be rewarded with the Greguše settlement known for its original cottages and a bell tower.



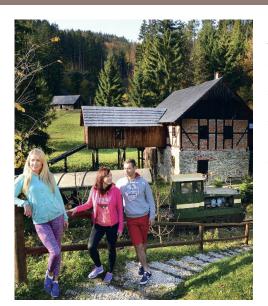
A Hike to the Martákov kopec Lookout Tower



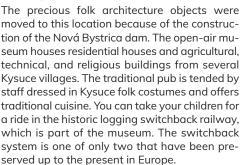
The lookout tower is located above the Petránky settlement in Zákopčie. The construction is made out of natural stone and wood and is reminiscent of a medieval watchtower. The lookout tower is 14 m high and offers a beautiful full-circle view of mountains near and far. The hike is easy, and the trail is a part of the Beskydsko-Javornícka magistrála main trail. It is a piece of cake for children as well as hikers with little experience. You can use the fire pit at the lookout tower. The easiest route is from Zákopčie village.



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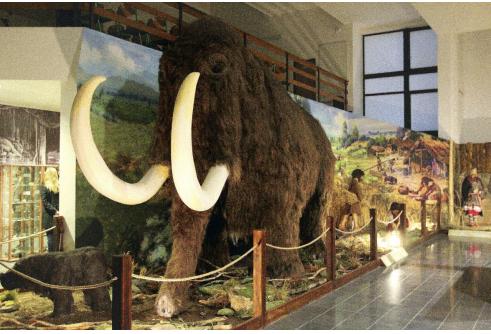


Museum of the Kysuce Village in Vychylovka



WWW.KYSUCKEMUZEUM.SK





Homeland Museum in Krásno nad Kysucou



If you don't know what to do on a rainy day, come and see the two permanent exhibitions that will interest children too. The To the Centre of the Earth geological exhibit showcases a mineralogic collection stylised like the Jules Verne adventure. Kysuce Odyssey: From prehistoric people to astronauts, the exhibition reveals the history of Kysuce from the eldest mammoth hunters, to the age of György Thurzó and to the space travel era. The life-size female mammoth replica is considered to be the main spectacle.

WWW.KYSUCKEMUZEUM.SK



The Trail of Jozef Kroner



As many of you know, the famous Slovak actor Jozef Kroner was born in Staškov. The trail starts and ends at his birth house in Staškov next to the railway station. The trail is 1.2 km long and passes through meadows. The trail is easy and suitable for smaller children too. It is lined with statues inspired by the stage plays and movies that the actor starred in.







E. A. Cernan Memorial Room in Vysoká nad Kysucou

Do you know who the Apollo of Kysuce is? The American astronaut of Slovak origins E. A. Cernan, whose grandparents left Vysoká nad Kysucou to seek work in America. He was on three space flights and was known as the last person to stand on the Moon. The memorial room is located in the Municipal Office directly in the centre of the village and it is adorned with period photographs of the Kysuce region and documents about the life of E. A. Cernan. You will also see some remnants of the Apollo 17 spacecraft. As the village is known for of its link with spaceflights and outer space, you can also admire the unique sun dial at the square. It is special and unique as it shows the time using the shadow of a person.



Kysuce Observatory in Kysucké Nové Mesto

You can enjoy the Journey of the Planets outdoor exhibition with models of the solar system and a small geopark named How the Karpaty (Carpathians) Were Created. There are public stargazing events held in the observatory dome.





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Snowparadise Veľká Rača <a>Summer Amusement Centre

You can enjoy a spectacular holiday at Veľká Rača both in winter (on skis) and summer. The 4-seater chair lift will take you 974 metres above sea level to the summer amusement centre, which provides attractions for all age groups. You can try the longest bobsleigh track in Slovakia, ride off-road scooters downhill, or jump on X-jump trampolines. The little ones will enjoy the trampolines for children, kids high rope park, and a historic merry-go-round. The Snowparadise resort has its own Bike Park with 5 marked trails for downhill mountain biking with a total length of 10.6 km and various difficulty levels. There is something for both families with kids and experienced riders. All visitors can enjoy the new lookout tower that is located at the top station of the Dedovka chairlift. It is 16 metres high and offers breathtaking views of the surrounding valleys and mountains.

WWW.SNOWPARADISE.SK

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Adventure Golf in Rodinka Resort, Oščadnica



Take your family to play adventure golf on a mini version of an 18-hole golf course with uneven surfaces, water hazards, hills, and sand. The course is suitable for all age groups.

WWW.KAMILKA.SK/ADVENTURE-GOLF

Športcentrum Oščadnica



The centre of entertainment in winter and summer. In winter, it operates as a ski resort and turns into a kids' entertainment centre in summer.

WWW.SPORTCENTRUM.GAJUZ.SK

Ride an IFV Armoured Personnel Carrier in Oščadnica



The first downhill disc golf course in Kysuce can be found in Makov. One of the first disc golf courses in Slovakia is open for visitors from spring to late autumn. Here you will find 9 holes and 5 baskets on a steep hill. A beautiful course that you simply must try. The course was built by Ski Apartments Makov. Register at the reception of

the apartment house and rent some discs.

Makov Disc Golf Course

Every little boy dreams of being a soldier. If you have a determined little one or you want to try driving a 14-ton armoured monster yourself, take a trip to Oščadnica. You will ride through forests, brooks, and of course mud with an experienced instructor.



Sudopark



This site with wooden houses and outdoor wooden hot tubs for bathing with a view of the Kysuce scenery or the night sky can be found in Klokočovo. Bathe in a cast-iron tank with hot water placed over a real fire and transport yourself into a fairytale about devils. Don't worry, you won't get cooked as the water is maintained at a nice temperature of 38-40°C. Children can frolic at the playground with a slide or in a witch's treehouse.

WWW.SUDOPARK.SK

Bike Rental

Bike Rental in **Alpinka Pension** in Oščadnica – www.alpinka.sk Mountain Bike Rental **Snowparadise Oščadnica** – www.snowparadise.sk E-bike Rental in **Husárik Hotel** – www.hotelhusarik.sk **KostraBike** Bike and E-bike Rental in Čadca – www.kostrabike.sk

Kinderco Kids Entertainment Centre – WWW.KINDERCO.SK

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Nesluša Horse Rides



Family-owned stables with three horses that offer horseback rides through the spectacular Kysuce mountains, hills, and meadows to young and old alike. It's OK if you are a beginner. Kids can ride a horse held by an instructor or play ball games in the vast meadow. Don't forget to bring something tasty to roast over the fire pit.

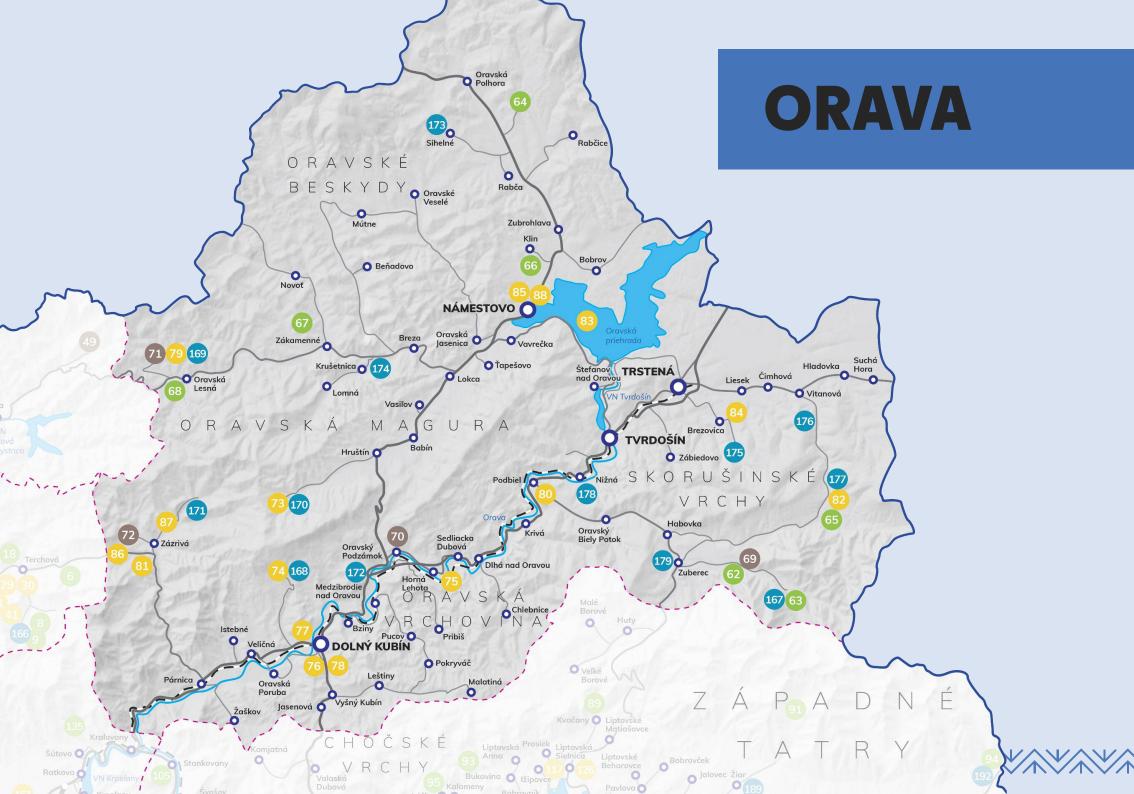
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Happy Horse Raková Stables



See the spectacular Kysuce nature from horseback. The Happy Horse stables offer riding lessons, horseback rides for children, and summer riding camps. Visitors will be welcomed by 7 noble horses, who would be overjoyed at the prospect of a carrot or an apple. Experienced instructors will keep an eye on you while you try horseback riding or take riding lessons. The lessons are suitable for little children and beginners as well as advanced riders. Contact: +421 919 132 392







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Brestovská Jaskyňa Cave

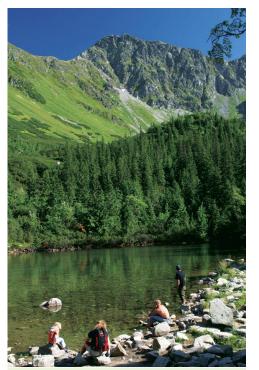


The first-ever cave made accessible in Orava is located in close proximity to the Museum of the Orava Village in Zuberec. It is the underground part of a vast hydrologic system. There is a riverbed on the bottom with an active watercourse with seven sumps.

The cave is unique for its lack of light, so you can only venture inside when equipped with a helmet with a headlamp – you will get one at the entrance to the cave. Entry is allowed only for people over 6 years old.

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To Ťatliakovo Jazero Tarn



If you feel like having an easy hike in Orava, take a family walk to the Ťatliakovo jazero tarn. The starting point is at the Šindľovec crossroads at the head of the Roháčska dolina valley (next to the Roháče-Spálená ski resort in Zuberec). The route follows a tarmac road along an educational trail, and you will reach the tarn in about 1 hour and 30 minutes. By the tarn, you will find the Ťatliakova chata mountain hut, where you can enjoy some refreshments. The educational trail continues all the way to the Roháčske plesá tarns (approximately 2 hours from the mountain hut).

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Towards Hviezdoslav's Forester's House



The northernmost Slovak village of Oravská Polhora nestles the Hviezdoslav's forester house surrounded by its gorgeous nature. This idyllic setting inspired the important Slovak writers P. O. Hviezdoslav and Milo Urban. Currently, it houses an exhibition of Hviezdoslav's Hájnikova žena (Forester's Wife) epic poem and an exhibition dedicated to Milo Urban. Get to the forester's house along a hiking trail though Hviezdoslavova aleja alley or take the educational trail which passes the forester's house and continues to the Babia hora mountain. Do not miss the first information board of the educational trail next to the Slaná voda peat moore. The peat moore is a wetland, but your feet will remain dry. You can walk it over a wooden footbridge and note the moss and other precious plants that thrive in this habitat.

WWW.ORAVSKEMUZEUM.SK

Juráňova Dolina Educational Trail



Na Orave dobre, na Orave zdravo! The lyrics of a well-loved folk song inform us that life in Orava is good and healthy. After a walk through the Juráňova dolina valley you will surely agree. It is an easy and spectacular trail with a few smaller waterfalls, chains, footbridges, and stairs along the way. The whole educational trail takes approximately 3 hours. The educational trail starts in Oravice at the thermal swimming pool, where you can relax after a family hike.

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Forest Transformations Educational Trail in Klin



This 9 km long educational trail passes through the breathtaking nature surrounding the Klin village. It will inform you of the transformations of the Orava forest and you can finish it in 3 hours. Does the name of the village sound familiar? Klin is also the home of the unique 9.5 m high statue of Christ that is a replica of the famous Brazilian statue in Rio De Janeiro. It overlooks the Orava priehrada dam, surrounding mountains, and even the Polish Tatras.

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Zákamenné Lookout **Tower**

and along the calvary will take under an hour.



An impressive wooden lookout tower that overlooks Zákamenné. The location was carefully chosen to provide the most spectacular views of the surrounding landscape. You can see the symbols of the Horná Orava region: the Babia hora mountain, Pilsko mountain, Oravská Magura mountains, and Západné Tatry mountains. A walk to the lookout tower through the village

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Oravská Lesná Forest **Educational Trail**

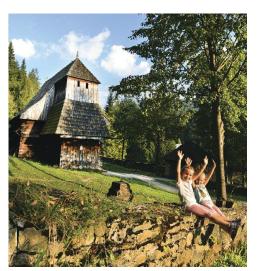


The trail is located in the Oravská Magura mountains and starts in Oravská Lesná. There are rest zones with benches, wooden statues, remnants of a logging railway, a forester's room, model ant hill, wild boar game reserve, and much more. A loop around the educational trail takes approximately 2 hours.

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DISCOVER



Museum of the Orava **Village in Zuberec**



The Museum of the Orava Village in Zuberec is one of the most spectacular open-air museums in Slovakia, where you can learn what life in Orava used to look like. Its houses document the life of farmers, artisans, and shepherds in Orava. The whole open-air museum is enveloped by the gorgeous Západné Tatry nature and the animals that inhabit the site make it look livelier. The museum regularly organises themed events, markets, and folk performances.

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DISCOVER



Orava Castle

One of the biggest tourist landmarks in the north of Slovakia. It is nicknamed "Eagle's Nest" because it was built high up on a rock overlooking the Orava river in Oravský Podzámok. Children love it for its scary night tours and various



theatre performances. It was featured as the backdrop in movies like Kráľ drozdia brada (King Thrushbeard), Princezná a žobrák (Princess and the Pauper), Láska na vlásku (Love Hung by a Thread), Sokoliar Tomáš (Thomas and the Falcon King), and even the first movie about Count Dracula, Nosferatu. In this vein, the castle opened the Media Library exhibition that showcases the movies and fairytales shot at the Orava castle. After a visit to the castle you can go explore the Museum of Noble Carriages and Sleighs or the medieval village of falconers in Oravský Podzámok.

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Orava Forest Railway



Take your children on a unique train ride. The railway used to be operated to transport logged wood from the surrounding forests and today it offers sightseeing rides. The train travels the 3 km long track in about 15-20 minutes. When it stops, you can climb up the lookout tower near the station and enjoy the spectacular panoramic view of the Orava nature. The whole ride including the stop over at the Sedlo Beskyd station takes approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes.

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Zázrivá Wildlife Rescue Centre, Educational Trail, and Ecological Garden



The wildlife rescue centre in Zázrivá serves to help injured, weak, or otherwise disabled animals, mainly birds, from all around Slovakia. Its primary function is animal rescue, but it doubles as an ecology centre, a place where visitors can learn about animal rescue and environmental protection in general. Book in advance to be able to visit.

There is also a 2 km long educational trail with informative boards on regional plants, animals, and the Národný park Malá Fatra national park. The ecological garden showcases different types of plants, woody plants, a wetland pond, birdhouses, drinking basins, and spaces for insects and reptiles.

WWW.ZACHRANAZVIERAT.SK





ENTERTAINMENT

SKI Zábava Hruštín

This mountain resort is located on the northern side of the Oravská Magura mountains located outside of the Hruštín village. You can go hiking and biking in the spectacular nature, sit by a fire pit and roast some bacon, or swim in a pool. A set of log cabins and the Koliba u Kuba main building collectively nicknamed "the wooden village" are the heart of the resort. Naturally, there is also an interesting playground. An educational trail leads from the main building to the top of the Vasiľovská hoľa unforested hill and offers a pleasant walk and information about the local animals, plants, and habitats. It is also the starting point of the popular trail that leads to the Puchmajerovej jazierko lake (2 hours) and the top of the Kubínska hoľa unforested hill (2 hours).

WWW.SKIZABAVA.SK

Kubínska Hoľa SKI Park

There is no chance of getting bored at the Kubínska hoľa unforested hill. In addition to offroad scooters and the Tarzánia high rope park, the longest and most modern ZIPLINE rope track in Central and Eastern Europe will take your breath away with its 1,234 metres. The ZIPLINE can be ridden in tandem, so a parent can take their child. The less daring can take the chairlift to the top of the Kubínska hoľa unforested hill and follow an educational trail to the valley station. En route you will see a mountain reservoir for artificial snow, where people enjoy rowing.

WWW.KUBINSKA.SK





Rafts on the Orava River

Let your children experience something new and take a ride in an unconventional vessel in a spectacular environment with views of the majestic Orava castle. The ride starts in Horná Lehota and it will take an hour to reach Oravský Podzámok. While rafting, you will also learn about the history of traditional rafting in Orava.

WWW.PLTE-ORAVA.SK

Fairytale Village in the Koliba Pension in Dolný Kubín

Can you still remember some fairytales? "Once upon a time..." Anybody who knows these words, and even those who grew up and don't read fairytales anymore, are welcome in the fairytale village. It offers accommodation in individual cottages inspired by fairytales. Let your children get lost in their favourite fairytale for at least a while.

WWW.PENZIONKOLIBA.SK

Rafting on the Orava River 77

Would you like to experience a family adventure with a boost of adrenaline? You should try rafting the Orava river. The raft ride is also suitable for families with children. You can raft with or without an instructor in the section of the river between Tvrdošín and the confluence of the Orava and Váh rivers in Kraľovany. Different starting points are available. You can pick up the boat and equipment at a boatyard in Dolný Kubín. The raft ride takes approximately 3-4 hours. There is a lot to look forward to.

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AquaRelax Dolný Kubín

If you want to mix fun with relaxation, visit the modern aguapark with pyramid-like architectural elements in Dolný Kubín. It is dominated by the water world that offers attractions of various kinds. In summer, visitors can enjoy the outdoor site that offers a kids' pool, sport courts and sports equipment rentals, inflatable attractions, a climbing wall, high rope park, playground, pedal go-karts, and a sunny terrace with reclining beach chairs and refreshments, all of which is surrounded by lawns. The site also has a sauna centre.

WWW.AQUAKUBIN.EU



Funny Park in Oravská Lesná

An entertainment park nestled in nature and surrounded by treetops in Oravská Lesná. Funny Park is full of extreme and sport obstacles that will test your kids' courage and strength, unite the family, make you smile, and turn an ordinary day into something extraordinary.

WWW.FUNNYPARK.SK

Tank Ride in Podbiel

There is no harm in boosting your kids' adrenaline. Enjoy a ride in an IFV (infantry fighting vehicle) through challenging and jagged terrain. It is something for lovers of military technology and those who dream of trying an unconventional ride in an unconventional vehicle. The station is located by Podbiel village in the direction to Zuberec, Kontakt: 0904 443 662



Adventure Golf. Jánošíkov dvor/Zázrivá

Family fun in the spectacular nature of Zázrivá WWW.JANOSIKOVDVOR.SK

Aquapark Meander Oravice

Enjoy some fun and relaxation for the whole family in the Oravice mountain settlement by Zuberec in an aquapark with a plethora of attractions. Pools with mushroom fountains, a pool with sea waves, a flume slide, and kids' zone. You can use the outdoor pool in winter too as the water temperature is 28 - 38 °C.

WWW.MEANDERORAVICE.SK

Boat Ride on Oravská Priehrada



An adventure boat ride for kids and adults. A boat ride on the Oravská priehrada dam with a tour of the Slanícky ostrov island, also known as the Island of Art. The boat ride on the Oravská priehrada dam offers spectacular views of the surrounding mountains and nature.

WWW.LODSLANICA.SK

Oravský Háj **Hotel Resort**

The resort is nestled in the untouched Orava nature and offers fun for all, including the little ones. There is a kids' zone, an interior playground, monkey bars, a trampoline, playground, and a bike and scooter rental. There is also a farm and a ranch with horses on site. On a hot day, you can cool down with the whole family in the outdoor pool and relax in the covered pool of the wellness centre in the evening.

WWW.ORAVSKYHAJ.SK

KINDERLAND in Námestovo

A kids' centre with 5 zones that offer different kinds of fun. There is a fun zone, jump zone, 3D zone, 5D cinema, game zone, and aqua zone. In addition to attractions for kids and adults, there is also a cafe and a cake shop.

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SHEEP FARMS, RANCHES, SHEPHERDS' HUTS, FARMS



Salaš Zázrivá SYREX



If you are in the neighborhood, make a stop at the Salaš Zázrivá shepherd's hut, order a traditional Slovak lunch, see how dairy is made in the local products shop, and take your kids to see the farm animals living next to the shepherd's hut.

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Farmhouse with Animals in Zázrivá

Penzión Agroturistika is located 3 km from the centre of the village. It is a home to some pigs, bunnies, doggies, kitties, and horses that you can ride. Advanced riders can take the horses for a walk in the surrounding nature.

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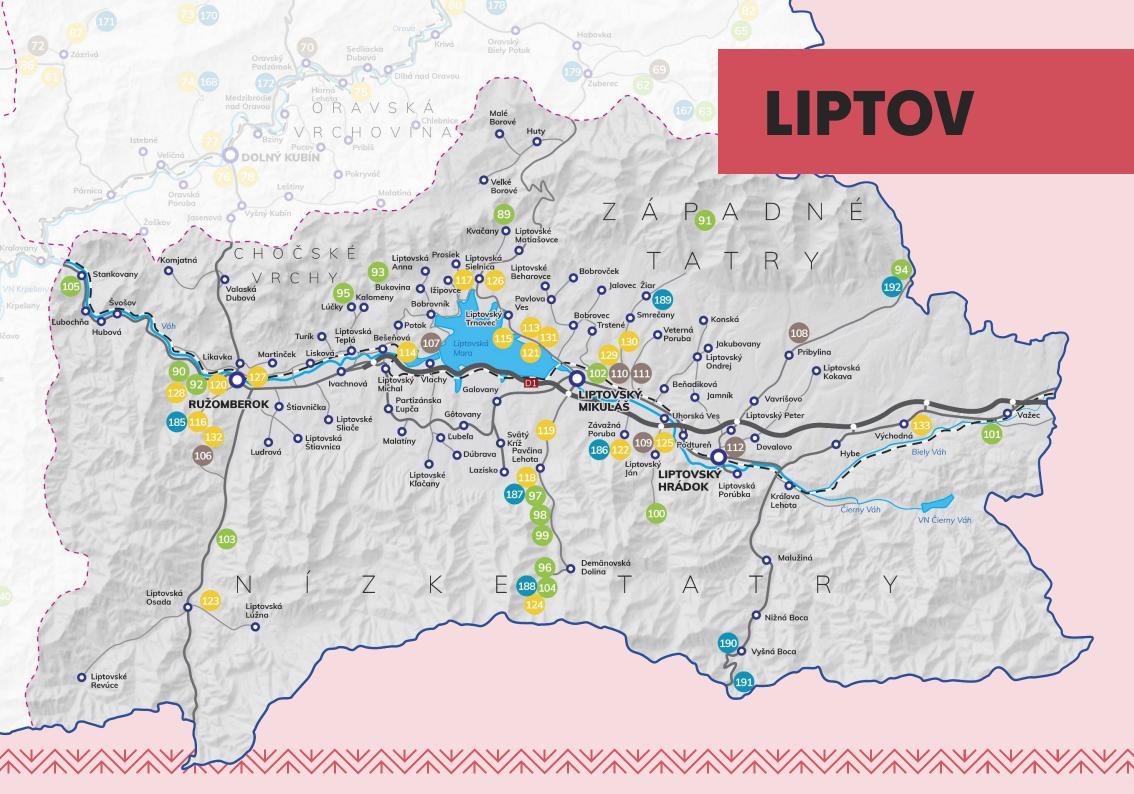
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NATURE





Oblazy Water Mills, Kvačianska Dolina Vallev

Kvačianska dolina and Prosiecka dolina are two of the most spectacular valleys in Slovakia. The upper section of Kvačianska dolina valley is called Oblazy and it is home to two water mills. They are some of the last preserved landmarks of its sort. The mills are included on the educational trail that leads through the Prosiecka dolina and Kvačianska dolina valleys. You can start the easy hike to the magical place at Kvačany. There is a parking lot with a buffet located by the head of the valley. You will reach the mills after about an hour of walking along the red waymarked trail. Take a break from walking through the gorgeous mountain scenery at the Jánošíkova hlava rock formation (Jánošík's Head) and lookout points, or take a detour to the Ráztocký vodopád waterfall. A shorter alternative route starts at Veľké Borové and takes approximately 30 minutes.



ZNÁMA-NEZNÁMA Čutkovská Dolina (KNOWN-UNKNOWN Čutkovská Dolina Valley) Educational Trail

The Čutkovská dolina valley by Ružomberok is a great place for resting and relaxation and is sought after mainly by families with kids, not least for the Obrovo (Land of Giants) kids entertainment park. You can walk the valley along the Známa-neznáma Čutkovská dolina (Known-Unknown Čutkovská dolina valley) educational trail, which is 6.6 km long. The 24 m high waterfall and the 64 m long gorge are the most sought-after landmarks. The first 4 km of the trail follow a tarmac road. You can rent bikes, e-bikes, or e-scooters at the Obrovo (Land of Giants) entertainment park.

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A Hike to Žiarska Chata

A hike to the Žiarska Chata mountain hut is also suitable for families with kids and less experienced hikers. It is the only mountain hut in the Západné Tatry mountains and it is nestled in the central part of the Žiarska dolina valley. The hiking trail starts at the head of the valley. The route follows a tarmac road and you will reach the mountain hut in about 2 hours. You can also take the old hiking trail and cross through the forest. Along the pleasant and even ascent through the valley you will see the Medvedia štôlňa mining tunnel, which will be of interest to many children. After resting and getting refreshed at the hut, you can ride a scooter all the way back to the head of the valley.

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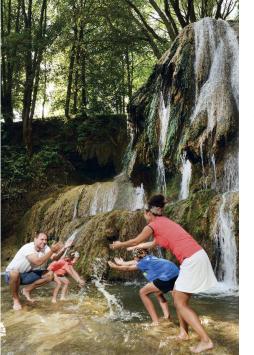
Hrabovská Dolina Valley

The Hrabovská dolina valley is a perfect place for resting or enjoying an active family holiday. It is full of activities and fun in nature, accessible for everyone. There is a small dam you can row in with the family or just walk around along an educational trail and enjoy the natural scenery. Medvedia cesta (Bear Trail) is another easy educational trail through a magical forest. It is suitable for families with little children with information boards and photo backdrops, a bear fort, and a bear bathroom. The 3.5 km long trail starts in Hrabovská dolina valley by the dam and ends under the Sidorovo hill by the MiniFARM. For children who long for an adrenaline boost, the valley offers a zipline, aquazorbing, aquaskipping, and the Tarzánia high rope park.



Liptov Castle Ruin

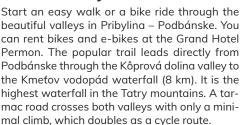
You can get to the Liptov castle ruin along an educational train from Kalameny. The village is known for its pond with warm thermal water. The educational trail is 3.5 km long and starts in the centre of the village and passes the pond along the way. It is a more advanced trail as there is a steeper climb at the end and an approximately 7 m long metal ladder. You will get to the highest situated castle in Slovakia in 1 hour and 30 minutes. The castle premises house an archeological exhibition in nature and the public can see the remnants of architecture uncovered in excavations. In summer, you can make a fire and roast some food in nature.



Lúčanský Vodopád Waterfall

The Liptov village of Lúčky, which is located 13 km from Ružomberok, harbours a real gem. A waterfall in the middle of the village. It is 12 metres high, cascading down with water falling from the ledge of a travertine terrace into a small pond. The neighboring village of Kalameny is worth a visit too, as it boasts a thermal spring with a small warm water pond.

Tichá Dolina and Kôprová 94 Dolina Valleys





Vrbické Pleso Tarn

If you are in the Demänovská dolina valley, don't miss the Vrbické pleso tarn. It is a glacial tarn and the largest natural lake in the Nízke Tatry mountains. It is nestled 1,113 metres above sea level in the upper west section of the Demänovská dolina valley. A trail circles the whole tarn, where you can rest on benches and enjoy the quiet of the forest. Let your children play at the playground and marvel at the views of the surrounding peaks of the Nizké Tatry mountains.

Príbeh Vody v Demänovskej doline (Story of Water in Demänovská Dolina Valley) Educational Trail

The trail was named after the local Demänovka brook. The starting point is at Hotel Bystrina (with a car camp), then the trail follows the river, passes the turn to the Demänovská ľadová jaskyňa cave and the spring under the Studená diera cave, and ends at the turn to the Demänovská jaskyňa slobody cave. The 4 km long trail takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes. The first third of the trail follows the main road and the rest is more of a hike. In addition to information boards about the river, there are also benches and works of art with natural elements inspired by a legend about a dragon which was rumored to live in the local caves.







Demänovská Ľadová Jaskyňa Cave

This cave known since the Middle Ages is the second largest of its kind in Slovakia. The entrance to the cave is accessible by a trail with hairpin turns that starts at the parking lot with an educational trail. It has four levels and is almost 2.5 km long. A guided tour covers 850 m of the cave's tunnels and lasts 45 minutes. The cave is also home to 10 types of bats. The ice dripstones and waterfalls make the bottom section especially enchanting.

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Stanišovská Jaskyňa Cave 🐽

The only Liptov cave that is accessible yearround is located in Liptovský Ján. It is one of the longest-known caves in Liptov and Slovakia. Explore the magical underground with speleologist quides and experience a perfect adventure.

WWW.STANISOVSKA.SK



Demänovská Jaskyňa Slobody Cave

Enter the underground and marvel at the spectacular multicoloured dripstones. The cave is part of a large underground karst system located under the Demänovská dolina valley in the Nízké Tatry mountains. It has unique dripstone decorations, which makes it one of the most beautiful caves in Europe and it is the most visited cave in Slovakia. It has a relatively steady temperature between 6.1 °C to 7.0 °C all year long. The tour will make you conquer approximately 900 stairs.

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Važecká Jaskyňa Cave

approximately 25 minutes.

The rich dripstone decoration, remarkable finds of cave bear bones, and the precious cave animals make it one of the best-known caves in Slovakia. It is located in Važec, 35 km from Liptovský Mikuláš. The temperature in the cave reaches 6.5 °C to 7.1 °C and you can tour it in

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Lesopark Háj-Nicovô Forest Park



The northern outskirts of Liptovský Mikuláš house a site sought after because of its beautiful nature and views, many sport opportunities, and its military history. It is known for the military memorial cemetery. The Lesopark Háj-Nicovô forest park has its own educational trail, which documents the battles for Liptovský Mikuláš during World War II, an educational trail with a playground emphasising environmental protection and the local nature, oxygen running trails, and a regional cycle route in the direction from Liptovský Mikuláš to the Žiarska dolina valley.

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Brankovský Vodopád Waterfall



Start your hike to the highest located waterfall in the Nízke Tatry mountains in Podsuchá, which is located on the main road that connects Ružomberok and the Donovaly mountain pass. After an hour, the green waymarked trail will lead you into a dark valley with the 55 metres high waterfall. In summer, it is the perfect place for cooling down. The volume of water that flows through the waterfall depends on the precipitation and also the season. In winter, it turns into a spectacular ice wall covered with icicles and other icy formations.

Promenáda Lutonského at the Jasná Nízke Tatry Ski Resort



The Promenáda Lutonského educational trail informs visitors of the history of tourism and the ski resort as well as about the figure of the visionary Alojz Lutonský, who was instrumental in the process of building the first chairlift and connecting the north and south of Chopok. At the same time, it connects the area around the Chata Bjornson hotel and the Biela pút final station. A nice walk, especially in the summer months, that will take half an hour.

Rojkovská Travertínová Kopa Travertine Crate



Nicknamed Zlá voda (Bad Water), the crater is a remarkable travertine formation with a crater-like mineral spring and a circular pond on the top. The crater is about 10 metres in diameter and it is perfect for a dip especially in the hot summer months. The mineral water is not the warmest, but it is beneficial for the joints and skin disease. The pond is located at the outskirts of Rojkov, Strakovany, approximately 100 metres from the main road.

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DISCOVER



Vlkolínec UNESCO Heritage Site

In 1993, the village was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. It will immediately transport you in time to witness the history of our ancestors. The first mentions of the village date back to 1376 when it was a settlement of lumberjacks, shepherds, and farmers. It is known for its colourfully decorated wooden houses and it is still a live village representing the Slovak mountain lifestyle in its original form and location. You can get to the UNESCO Heritage Site following an educational trail from Ružomberok, Biely Potok and it will take you about an hour to reach this fairytale village. It is accessible by car. A hike to the Sidorovo lookout is worth too, especially for its spectacular views.

WWW.VLKOLINEC.SK



Havránok Archeological Open-Air Museum



A unique archeological open-air museum in nature located above the surface of the Liptovská Mara dam. It is a magical place that proves that the Celts used to inhabit our land. Excavations proved that several craftsmen and farming villages existed at this location in ancient history. Visitors can marvel at the reconstructed residential, fortification, and cult objects from the Late Iron Age, Early Roman Period, and Middle Ages.

WWW.LIPTOVSKEMUZEUM.SK



Museum of the Liptov Village in Pribylina



Would you like to transport your family to a medieval settlement with the rights and privileges of towns? Visit the youngest open-air museum in Slovakia, where the buildings create a unique town mimicking the historic and cultural environment of long-gone Liptov. Don't miss one of the eldest preserved yeoman houses in Liptov, the historic Považie logging railway, or the folk craft school at the open-air museum. In the summer season, it presents visitors with examples of crafting techniques as well as Liptov habits and customs. The open-air museum even has its own mini zoo with farm animals and poultry. The museum also draws attention with its Hucul ponies, which visitors can even ride.

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Mincovníčkovo – Podzemie pod vežami

Podzemie pod vežami (Underground Beneath the Towers) is a museum in Liptovský Ján which reveals the story of a coin from its humble beginnings in the depths of the Earth. It lets you see metal react with fire and water, descend into the bowels of the Earth to find golden ore, and experience a real auction where the coin starts its new life with a collector.

WWW.PODVEZAMI.SK



Museum of Nature Protection and Speleology

Come experience the natural world; start in the underground and slowly climb up the high mountains in the most modern museum of its kind in Slovakia. The interactive exhibition lets you peek into a bear den, listen to the sounds of nature and animals, or try crawling in a cave. The tour ends in the museum's lookout tower, which overlooks the landmarks of Liptovský Mikuláš.

WWW.SMOPAJ.SK



Gallery Garden in Liptovský Mikuláš

The gallery garden is a vast park in the centre of the town, which makes the hustle and bustle of the city fade away. It is the home of the Peter Michal Bohúň Gallery in Liptov, fruit trees and conifers, and wooden monkey bars for children. A great place to be in any weather.

Arboretum in Liptovský Hrádok

The town is known for its castle and chateau, but it also boasts a protected lime tree alley and the Castle Arboretum. The Arboretum doubles as a natural history museum striving to preserve precious wooden plants at risk of extinction. There are paths and benches scattered around and approximately 720 taxons of woody plans (160 conifers, 560 broadleaves).

WWW.VISITLIPTOV.SK



ENTERTAINMENT





Adventure and Entertainment in Tatralandia

Discover a place full of adventure and fun with a year-round Tropical Paradise, a unique surfing complex, the miniature world, the ZOOKONTAKT Tatralandia petting zoo, and a holiday resort. In summer, young and old alike will have some fun in the 14 sea water, thermal, or clear water pools (10 pools in winter) and 26 flume slides and slides (6 flume slides in winter).

The Tatralandia Liptov Arena near the aquapark houses the Bricklandia Lego exhibition. You can admire mobile trains and merry-go-rounds, watch different characters' stories, and pretend to be investigators.

WWW.TATRALANDIA.SK





ENTERTAINMENT



Water park Bešeňová



Bešeňová offers harmony for the body and soul and also fun for the whole family. You can slide down some flumes, swim in a wave pool, and raft too. There is a kids' world and a mini zoo with the young of local and exotic animals.



Fun at Liptovská Mara



Enjoy the water attractions at the Liptovská Mara dam at Mara Camping directly on the beach of the so-called Liptov sea. Everybody will find something fitting in the Mara Fun centre that is located within the camp. You can ride water scooters or try wakeboarding, water skiing, or the novelty flyboarding, which makes you float above the surface of the lake propelled by a stream of water. Those less daring can ride a pedalo, go kayaking, or paddle boarding. Friends can compete in aquazorbing or bumper football. Little ones can frolic on little boats. You and your family can enjoy a sightseeing boat ride at Mara Camping, or the Marina Liptov sports and recreation resort which is also the site of a water sports centre.

WWW.MARAFUN.SK WWW.MARINALIPTOV.SK



Malinô Brdo Ski & Bike Family Park in Summer



The resort is located in the pleasant Hrabovská dolina valley near Ružomberok. In the summer season, you can take the 8-seater cable car that will take you up to the heart of the Malinô Brdo resort. The surrounding nature offers great hiking and cycling opportunities. From the resort you can hike to the Vlkolínec wooden village (UNESCO Heritage Site), which will take you about 45 minutes. Older children can make use of the trails for off-road scooters and go-karts.

WWW.BIKEPARK.SK



Villa Betula Camp



Nestled in the gorgeous nature of Liptov near the Liptovská Mara dam, 11 km from Liptovský Mikuláš, you will find a proper children's kingdom. The biggest playground and the Babyland indoor playground in Liptov are a part of the Villa Betula camp site. Children will frolic around the adrenaline, sports, and amusement attractions. There is also an animal farm and a ranch with horses. If the weather permits, you can take your family to cool down in the natural pool or try aquazorbing.

WWW.VILLABETULA.SK



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FUN PARK Žiarce in Pavčina Lehota

If your family loves adrenaline, don't miss the mountain bobsleigh track in the Demänovská dolina valley in Pavčina Lehota on your Liptov holiday. The track is 1 km long and it is the steepest track in Slovakia. Children over 7 years old can ride by themselves and younger ones can ride with a parent. Besides bobsleighing, kids can also try aquazorbing. There is a lookout tower right next to the bobsleigh track with gorgeous views of the Liptovská Mara dam, Liptovská dolina valley, and Západné Tatry mountains.

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Demänová Resort





Don't miss the opportunity to take a ride on the historic train through Ružomberok from the main train station to the Zápalkáreň station. This track has been here for 110 years and it used to connect Ružomberok with the Korytnica spas. From Zápalkáreň station vou can continue on foot or by bike to the Gejdák farm (1.4 km), Vlkolínec (3.8 km), Minizoo pod Sidorovom (5 km), Malinô Brdo (6.5 km), Jazierce, Podsuchá, Smrekovica,

Liptovská osada – Gothal or Korytnica. The train

transports also bicycles and operates in July and

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August.

Monkey bars, swings, playgrounds, and slides for your little ones are all located just by the restaurant. Kids can have a field day on the big trampoline or the inflatable castle. There is also the funny Bumper Ball attraction. The resort has a FUNCENTER with a climbing wall, a bike park, an F1 simulator, a jump zone, a 3D maze, and a party tent with a lot of fun activities like air hockey, table football, or an electronic basketball

At the head of the Demänovská dolina val-

ley you will find unique accommodations in

an ecological resort with a multifunctional

playground, restaurant, and a wellness

And all of this is surrounded by the spectacular views of the peaks of the Tatry mountains. The natural design of the pond in the kids' zone adds the perfect finishing touch. It is an ideal solution for refreshing yourself after a day of proper fun.

WWW.DEMANOVAREZORT.SK



Maladinovo

When roaming around Liptov, don't forget to visit the Maladinovo resort located in the spectacular nature between Tatralandia and the Liptovská Mara dam. It offers accommodation with a unique beer spa, a restaurant, and a summer park for kids. Children can feed the sheep, pretend to be shepherds, or go horseback riding. Before leaving, let them find their way out the straw maze or try some of the other straw attractions.

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Brestová Game Reserve

Mouflons, fallow deer, and red deer. You will find these in the game reserve in Závažná Poruba located in the spectacular valley near Liptovský Mikuláš. You can park at the Zivka pension and continue on foot, which will take you 10 minutes. If you feel brave, you may pet or feed the animals (only fruit or vegetables).

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Gothal Liptovská Osada



A multifunctional site where boredom is not an option. It offers accommodation and many sporting and relaxation activities in the nearby Vodný svet water world. There are also playgrounds and a kids' zone.

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Jasná Nízke Tatry



Jasná Nízke Tatry is a unique place with modern sporting activities for everyone. You can ride ebikes and go-carts, jump on trampolines, and walk the dragon trail to Chopok with Demián the dragon.

WWW.JASNA.SK

Park MINI Slovensko



Visit the unique miniature park with selected Slovak cultural heritage sites on a 1:25 scale. The open-air exhibition site with 20 miniatures is located in Liptovský Ján in a pleasant forest park with benches. The site is continuously growing with additions of new models.

WWW.MINISLOVENSKO.SK

Na Háku Fish Restaurant in Liptovská Sielnica



The fish restaurant will enchant you with its stylish wooden building, boat-shaped playground, and a pond with clear mountain freshwater full of trout. Let your children experience what it feels like to catch their own fish. The fish restaurant serves grilled fish and homemade lemona-

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des.

Ružomberok Rafting



Take your family to enjoy the calm waves and magical meanders of the Váh river. Experience a family adventure on the Váh and enjoy the extraordinary views of the world around from the safety of a raft guided by an experienced instructor. Maybe you will discover that your children are future paddlers.

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KIDS' PARKS



OBROVO Outdoor Park – Čutkovská Dolina **Valley**

Your children will have a field day in the kids' entertainment park near Ružomberok. It offers a plethora of attractions. The Obrovo (Land of Giants) park has a 210 m long ZIPLINE track, which crosses over the Čutkovská dolina valley.

The valley is perfect for exploring the spectacular nature. Save your strength and ride e-scooters, e-bikes, or bicycles instead of hiking. Do not miss the giant's path leading though the forest, where the giant left many things scattered around.

The giant's path is located on the cycle route that connects the Čutkovská dolina valley with Hrabovská dolina valley. The path is 4.4 km long. It will lead you to the Hrabovská dolina valley, which offers many attractions for kids.

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ILUSIA Gallery in Liptovský Mikuláš



Would you like to read a newspaper at the top of a skyscraper, pet an elephant, venture into a Lego land, or have a phone call at the bottom of a pool? The ILUSIA gallery offers this and much more. It is a fascinating world of optical illusions that will make you doubt your senses.

WWW.ILUSIA.SK

Liptov Entertainment Park 130



The entertainment park is located in Vitálišovce, 5 km from the centre of Liptovský Mikuláš. You can expect a plethora of entertaining and also extreme sporting facilities like a paintball field, buggy track, aguazorbing, a maze, zipline, climbing wall, and a high rope track for children. It is also home to animals that children can play with. While the park's staff takes care of your little ones, you can relax and fish in the pond.

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Liptoventure Entertainment Park



Visit Liptoventure and experience a proper adventure. The park is located in the spectacular Liptov nature close to the Liptovská Mara dam near Tatralandia. Find your way out of the biggest wooden maze in Slovakia and ride an off-road buggy or a monster truck. The park also has buggies that are suitable for children over 5 years old. There are puzzles and free games for the little ones to play all day long, a natural playground, and a tasty shop with a terrace, which offers unique and delicious tidbits like bubble waffles, pancakes, or chocolate kebabs.

WWW.LIPTOVENTURE.COM

SHEEP FARMS, SHEPHERDS' HUTS, RANCHES, FARMS



Sidorovo Mini Farm



Your children will enjoy a visit to the Sidorovo mini farm, which sprung up in the meadows of Vlkolínec surrounded by the beautiful nature of the Malá Fatra mountains. It houses cuddly animals like doggies, baby goats, sheep, peacocks, Vietnamese pot-bellied pigs, and more. The farm also thinks of the hungry ones who would like to make some goulash in a camping pot or use the fire pit. There is a gazebo and a fire pit.

WWW.BIKEPARK.SK

Východná Farm



An organic farm located 30 km from Liptovský Mikuláš in Východná. Children can watch cows get milked and interact with some adult cows. They can also explore a calf pen and pet a newborn calf or see the spectacular nature from horseback.

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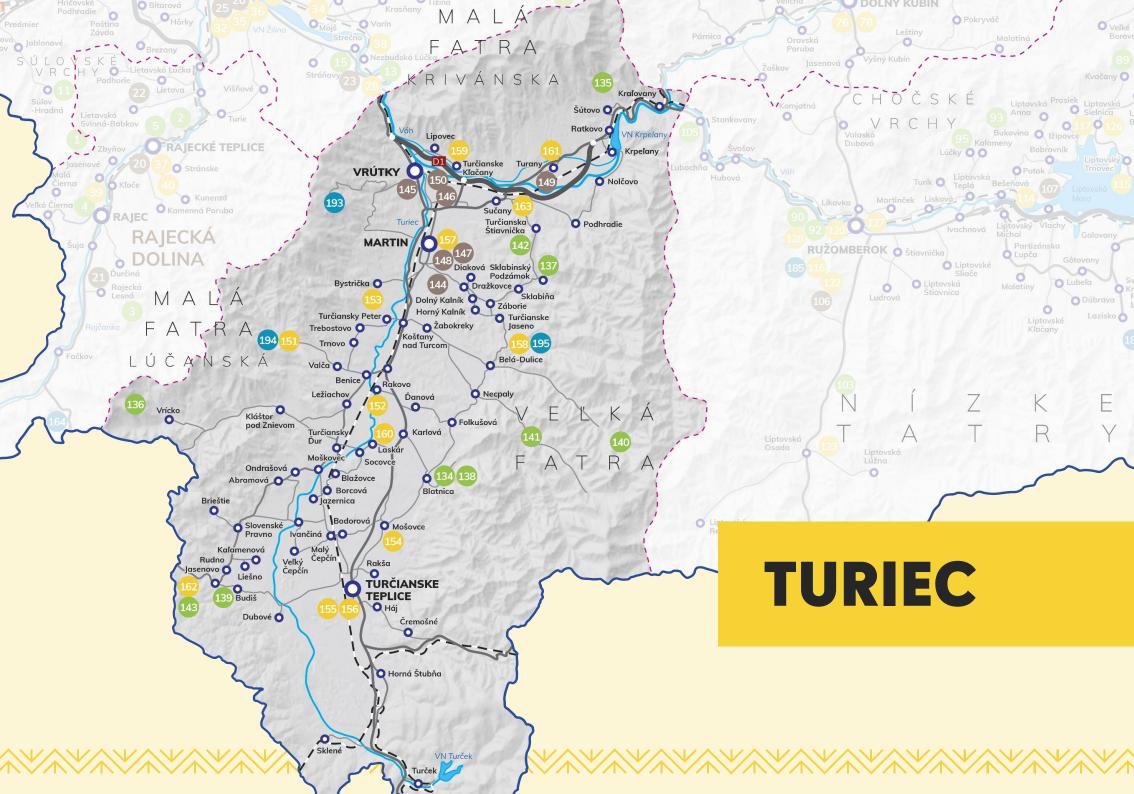




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NATURE



Gaderská Dolina Valley



Take you children to one of the most well-known valleys of the Veľká Fatra mountains. A good tarmac road crosses the valley and makes is suitable for cycling and even inline skating. The trail starts in Blatnica village, where you can rent bikes and e-scooters. Along the way you will pass Mlynčekovo (Land of Mills), which is a gorgeous rest zone with small water wheels propelled by the water from a nearby brook. You can hike up to the Blatnica castle ruin located nearby. You can finish your hike with a walk to the Čertova brána rock portal known for its typical narrow overhanging rocks and cliffs, which was the location for some of the scenes from the first Slovak movie – Jánošík. Gaderská dolina valley is one of the trails leading to the mountains of Tlstá, Ostrá, Ostredok, Krížna, and other peaks of the main ridge. However, these trails are challenging for children.



Šútovský vodopád waterfall



Boasting 38 metres, it is the fourth highest waterfall in Slovakia. It is located in the Krivánska Malá Fatra mountains in the Šútovská dolina valley. It is fed by the waters of the Šútovský potok brook, which springs from Mojžišove pramene rock formation. The hike to the waterfall is easy, the trail starts on a tarmac road along Šútovský potok and further on turns into a rocky path with only a mild climb. The water falling to the ground creates a pleasant shower around, and in winter it turns into ice decorations. Don't miss the submerged Kraľovany quarry also known as the Šútovské jazero lake. The lake will mesmerise you with its clear turquois water. The surrounding terrace slopes are reminiscent of western movies.

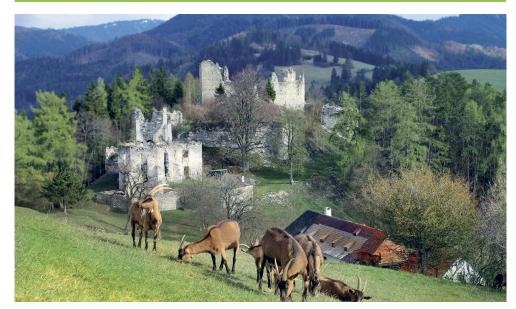


Kľacký vodopád waterfall



The 30 m high Kľacký vodopád waterfall is located 990 metres above sea level and is overlooked by the Kľak mountain in the Lúčanská Malá Fatra mountains. The waterfall is beautiful in dryer months, but it reaches its full greatness only after strong rains. The Kľacký vodopád waterfall is accessible along waymarked hiking trails. The simplest route is from Vrícko, but you can take the trail from the Fačkovské sedlo mountain pass or the Fačkov village too.

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Katova Skala rock

The mysterious rock overlooking the Kantorská dolina valley in the Veľká Fatra mountains is associated with dark legends. Legend has it that the rock was named after the nearby Sklabiňa castle ruin whose inhabitants used it to execute burdensome people by throwing them of the rock. This fascinating rock formation overlooks the Sklabinský Podzámok village and you can walk there in about an hour. The top offers a spectacular semi-circle view of the Veľká Fatra mountains, a part of the Tučianska kotlina basin, and the Lúčanská Malá Fatra mountains. It is a popular walk for families with children, despite a steeper start. Higher up the trail continues with mild serpentines. If a hike to the Katova skala rock is not enough and you feel the need to see more, you can walk to the nearby Sklabiňa castle ruins. It is a beautiful walk and the surroundings offer spectacular views of the forests and meadows. There is the private Sklabiňa Castle Ruin Museum and a buffet selling refreshments and mementos, including goat cheese from the goats grazing on the vegetation surrounding the castle ruin.

Jaskyňa Mažarná Cave



This freely accessible rift cave is one of the biggest caves in the Veľká Fatra mountains. It is 130 m long with an impressive entrance portal, which is reminiscent of the open mouth of a huge animal. The cave is an interesting archeological site where remnants of a cave bear were found, and it is proof of the eldest Turiec settlement dating back to 3000 BC. You can walk to it along the hiking trail from the Gaderská dolina valley in the direction towards the TIstá mountain.

Budiš Mineral Spring



Hike to the Budiš mineral springs located directly in the Budiš village. You can fill your bottle with mineral water directly from the spring and rest under a wooden shelter.



Necpalská Dolina Valley



This 12 km long valley is located to the north of the Blatnická dolina and Gaderská dolina valleys. The Necpalský potok brook which flows through the valley feeds several smaller waterfalls known as the Necpalské vodopády waterfalls. The most famous one is called Revúcky mlyn and it is also the most distinct. You will find it only a few metres past the cycle route waymark in Balcierovo. A tarmac road leads through the whole length of the valley and you can access it by bike. The valley and the cycle route ends in Balcierovo, from where you have to walk approximately 300 metres to the waterfall. The route starts in the Necpaly village and the waymarked trail leads all the way to the Chata pod Borišovom mountain hut.



waterfall



A bike ride to the small but spectacular waterfall with several cascades at the head of the Došná dolina vallev in the Veľká Fatra mountains is a great idea. A forest tarmac road from Belá – Dulice leads you through the Belianska dolina valley to the Havranovo mountain hut, where you will have to leave the bikes and continue to the waterfall along a waymarked trail. The waterfall is fed by one of the side feeders of the Beliansky potok brook and it is 6 metres high.



Teplické serpentíny



Take your children on a hike along the serpentines in Turčianske Štiavnička, which are one of the phenomenons of Turiec. The system of ponds and travertine formations interconnected via water canals was an ingenious historic system supplying water to the village and it was built by Count Révay in 1870 – 1875. The water crosses the dense forest through man made serpentine stream beds, wooden flumes, and rocks and gives the forest a fairytale atmosphere. The trail continues past the last pond to a lookout with a beautiful view of the Malá Fatra peaks. The trail is easy and suitable for smaller children too.

A Walk to Vyšehrad



The Vyšehrad mountain is one of Slovakia's most significant archeological sites and used to be a hill-fort in the times of Great Moravia. It is also a sought-after hiking destination. Its top was declared a national nature reserve. It is located on the border of Trenčín Region and Žilina Region, between Nitrianske Pravno – Vyšehradné and Jasenovo. The hike to the top is easy and takes approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes from Jasenovo. You can combine the hike with a visit to the ranch below Vyšehrad, which will delight your children.





DISCOVER



Museum of the Slovak **Village in Martin**

If you want to see and compare traditional folk architecture and the lifestyles of people from different regions all in one place, visit the biggest homeland open-air museum in Slovakia. The exhibit presents the traditional folk architecture, housing, and lifestyle of the inhabitants of the north-western regions of Slovakia in the second half of the 19th century and the first half of the 20th century. It houses objects from the Orava, Liptov, Kysuce, and Turiec regions. Freely-ranging goats make it feel even more authentic.

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Railway Museum Exhibition in the Railway Depot – Výhrevňa Vrútky

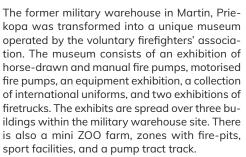
The exhibit showcases mostly steam engines, some of which are still operational. It is located in the section of the depot located closer to the passenger train station. Besides the steam en-

gines, you can also explore the details of the railway and landscape models. The exhibition is

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accessible after booking by phone.

Firefighting Museum in Martin



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Aviation Museum in Tomčany

The museum showcases historic aviation technology over 30 years old. It is operated by enthusiasts from the OZ AERO MÚZEUM civic association. The efforts of the aviation enthusiasts have led to collecting and preserving aviation technology that was used by the Czechoslovak passenger and military air force. The showcased exhibits provide a tangible memory of the technologies and era when the planes were in operation. You can book a tour in advance by calling +421 905 802 314. The entrance fee is voluntary.

Ethnographic Museum in Martin

Visitors will learn more about traditional Slovak culture through the objects on display, including agriculture and sheep herding, crafts, and garments from the past.

Local Museum in Turany

The museum preserves and displays unique exhibits showcasing the history and present of the Turany village. The museum boasts an interesting collection on the history of skiing in Turiec, the plants and animals of the Turiec region, toys, old electrical appliances, historic clothes, and much more..

Andrej Kmeť Museum in Martin

The right place to show your children the diversity, beauty, and phenomena of the nature in Turiec. The natural history display with its interactive elements is engaging for young and old alike.











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SNOWLAND Valčianska Dolina Valley

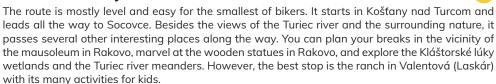
Entertainment for all age groups. Little ones will enjoy the playground with a pirate ship and fairytale characters, trampolines, and many attractions. The resort operates a bike and off-road scooter rental, which also carries inline skates that you can use on the inline tracks in the resort and on the nearby cycle routes.

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Turiec Basin Cycle Route





Tanková Cesta (Tank Road) Cycle Route

A 15 km long mostly tarmac route for bikes only that was transformed from an original military tank road. It crosses the mountainside of the Lú-časnká Malá Fatra mountains and leads all the way to Trnovo. The road offers spectacular panoramic views of the Tučianska kotlina basin, so don't miss the view from the Bystrička lookout tower or Pod Bokšínom lookout tower.

Bike Rental

Mountain E-bike Rental in **Blatnica** – +421 903 286 757 **Fatra Ski** – Bike and Sports Equipment Rental – www.FATRASKI.SK **TURIEC** E-scooters, Belá-Dulice – EPOZICOVNA.WEBNODE.SK, 0914 705 001 **Gaderwheel** E-scooters in Blatnica – www.GADERWHEEL.SK, +421 919 313 620 **Drevenica pod Tistou** Bike Rental in Blatnica – DREVENICAPODTLSTOU.SK

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Segoland Martin High Rope Park



Spa Park in Turčianske **Teplice**

The park is located in close proximity to the spa and aguapark. The distinct benches are the park's most dominant feature. Take your children to see what a drunk, happy, cross, or giant bench looks like. It also showcases plagues commemorating famous personalities and you can marvel at the 200-year-old lime tree, plane trees, dawn redwoods, or other exotic woody plants.

Jasenská Dolina Valley Resort

Off-road scooters, zorbing, an agricultural farm, trampolines, a bike park, and a fairytale forest path.

KIDS' PARKS

Detský Sen (Kids Dream) in Martin – Interior playground with a cafe Pizza Pub OREA, Sučany – The biggest kids entertainment park in the region Aréna Martin - WWW.ARENAMARTIN.SK

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Gazdovský Dvor sv. Mitro Turčianske Kľačany

The farmstead house is a perfect starting point for hikes in the Národný park Malá Fatra national park. The site has its own mini zoo, pétanque

grounds, table tennis, badminton, a playground with swings and monkey bars, and a trampoline. Traditional farm animals range free within their enclosures and visitors can pet them. You can also go horseback riding. The site has its own shepherd's house, where fresh sheep and goat dairy products are made. You can try some delicious meals cooked with organic mutton and lamb.

WWW.GAZDOVSKY-DVOR.COM

Ranch Amadeus



The ranch is located near Martin in Laskár. It offers horseback riding in a ring and off-site, depending on experience. A western-themed saloon lends the site a proper cowboy feel and serves delicious food. You can also enjoy a relaxing evening by a fire. You can experience the authentic ranch feel in winter too and try skijoring (the skier is pulled by a horse) or an outing on horse-drawn sleighs.

WWW.RANCHAMADEUS.SK



Ranč Aljaška Ranch

The Ranč Aliaška ranch in Turany offers basic horseback riding lessons, horse walks in nature with an instructor, or family outings in a horsedrawn carriage with entertainment for the little ones In winter, you can try dog sleighs too. The horses are of a calm nature and even inexperienced riders can go on easy rides in nature. More demanding visitors can go riding without an instructor or take all-day trips or overnight trips around the spectacular Turčianska kotlina basin.

WWW.RANCALJASKA.SK

IK & Ranč Lola Ranch



A small family-owned ranch that is located in the Jasenovo village near Turčianske Teplice overlooked by the Vyšehrad mountain. The ranch offers riding lessons and horseback rides for children both in nature and in a riding hall. Suitable for children, adults, experienced riders, and beginners. The site houses horses, a donkey, Vietnamese pot-bellied pigs, Scottish cows, rabbits, dogs, guinea pigs, and roosters. The whole family can roast some "špekáčiks" (Slovak sausage) or cook goulash. After a horseback ride, you can venture on an easy walk (30 minutes) to the Vyšehrad hill-fort.

Ranč Stará Teheleň Ranch



The ranch is located 4 km from Martin in Sučany. It offers horseback riding in summer. The large and spacious ranch has a stylish and cozy restaurant, a mini farm with farm animals, playground (trampolines, slides, sandbox, playhouse, seating for children), multifunctional courts with lights, and a beach volleyball court. Enough for your children to have a field day.

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