Visit Boskovice

Just a short distance from Brno, nestled in beautiful countryside, surrounded by wooded hills, you will find the town of Boskovice. This town is the historic, as well as, the present business center of the region, renowned for its cultural traditions.
It is this ideal combination of historic monuments and beautiful surroundings that make Boskovice an excellent place to come for relaxation and tourism, not only in the sunny summer season but throughout the year.

Things you cannot find anywhere else can be found here

- A medieval castle and an Empire chateau
- One of the most historical Jewish sectors in the Czech Republic
- Unique houses and interiors built in the Empire style
- A beautiful landscape with a game preserve and several parks
- A golf course in Kořenec (a village near Boskovice) with a wonderful view of the highlands on the Bohemian-Moravian border

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Boskovice is located in a lovely valley called Boskovická brázda (the Furrow of Boskovice), 300 m above sea level. You can get there by car (road No. 43 and 150) or by train from Brno or Česká Třebová.
People of Brno, the regional capital, enjoy spending weekends here, as Boskovice is situated only 40 km north of the city. This rural area is especially suitable for family trips. Parents can take their children for short walks, cycling, or cross-country skiing.
There are many opportunities for both indoor and outdoor sports. For those who don´t go to bed early it is easy find an activity to fill the evenings.
There are many opportunities for seniors as well: sightseeing in the town, walks in the parks and forests, and resting on benches which offer romantic views of the country.

What can Boskovice offer to its visitors: interesting architecture of the urban conservation area and detailed information of the town´s history, culture, and development. The sports grounds of Red Garden (Červená zahrada), Blue Tower (Modrá věž) and others offer indoor and outdoor sporting activities such as tennis, swimming, bowling, etc. The newly reconstructed glasshouse and new sleeping capacities create the possibility of holding conferences.
One of the most popular places of interest is the Wild West Town with its western shows. Visitors can also admire the Lebiš Gardens and the arboretum Šmelcovna. There is a Health Centre for those who need medical treatment, and a travel agency, Erika, which prepares relaxing stays for women.

The surroundings of Boskovice are full of hiking and cycling trails where you can rest, get information and improve your health.

While the northern and western surroundings offer peaceful, easy walks, only 300-400 m above sea level, the countryside in the south and east is hilly (400-600 m) with woods full of blueberries, raspberries, blackberries and mushrooms.

The tallest hill, Skalky (735 m) is only 10 km from Boskovice . There are many places of interest within easy reach, no more then 20 km: Moravian Karst with its beautiful caverns, the sandstone caves near Rudka, the castles of Rájec and Lysice, the Ghost Museum and the blue print workshop in Olešnice, the church in Jaroměřice (an important place of pilgrimage), the lake of Křetínka (a fishermen´s paradise), the brewery in Černá Hora, and several old wind mills.

Boskovice through history

The history of the Lords of Boskovice, an old Czech aristocratic family, as well as the history of the town dates back to the early 1200s. The first written record is from 1222, Lord Jimram of Boskovice is mentioned in King Přemysl´s Royal Charter. In Boskovice at that time, there was most likely a castle on the hill and a settlement established below.

In 1484 there were 12 councillors of Boskovice, who rotated as acting burgomaster every 4 weeks. The burgomaster presided over administrative and judicial proceedings. A seal with a municipal coat of arms was used to confirm the decisions of the council. The oldest known picture of the coat of arms is from 1548. The municipal court was subordinate to the supreme court in Brno. Boskovice had a capital punishment law which began in 1255. Executions took place on Gallows Hill (Šibeniční hůrka) which is now behind the hospital.

In 1463 Boskovice obtained the right to hold an annual marketday on St. Vitus Day. The right to hold three additional annual marketdays was given to Boskovice in 1493, 1570, and 1698. Many of the citizens were craftsmen and much of the town´s income came from brewing and selling beer.

The town was growing and gradually became the administrative, economic and religious center of the region. Boskovice was awarded municipal rights in the middle of the 18th century.

In the late 15th century the Jewish Town was established. It was independent from the rest of Boskovice from 1848 to 1919. In 1919 it was reunified with the Christian part of Boskovice.

In 1960, Blansko became the seat of the administrative authorities and many people in Boskovice felt that this political decision was unjust. Accredited regional authorities were re-established in Boskovice in 2003.

Today, there are over 11,000 people living in Boskovice, which includes the four integrated villages: Bačov, Mladkov, Vratíkov and Hrádkov.

BOSKOVICE

The Town of the 7-Tooth Comb

7 Teeth - 7 Ways to Explore Boskovice

1. A memory of ages gone by.
2. The Jewish Town
3. Getting information
4. People and traditions
5. The countryside
6. Leisure time
7. A weekend in town