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# Welcome to Ubytování Žďárské Vrchy. We wish you an enjoyable stay with us

Within this Information booklet we provide important information to make your stay easier, some housekeeping information and suggestions for trips.

Should you need any additional information, please contact us on either of the telephone numbers listed below OR simply knock on the door. We are here to help.

Have a great stay!

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# Vysočina - Highland Region

This area of the Czech Republic is known as Vysočina. The name is derived from the name Ceskomoravska Vrchovina (Bohemian-Moravian Highlands), a hilly, undulating countryside situated between the two historical lands of the Czech Republic. The border between Bohemia and Moravia is found outside Žďár nad Sázavou at Pilak recreation centre.





Vysočina reaches to over 800 meters in altitude, within the two distinct mountain ranges of Žďárské Vrchy in the North of the region and Jihlavské Vrchy in the South-West.

Situated in the very heart of the Czech Republic, the original forests here were transformed by human activity into an undulating cultivated steppe, with low hills and valleys, a wealth of woodland, meadows and many picturesque lakes. A mass of cultivated forest covers most of the highest areas of the region.

The lack of large ore deposits has spared Vysočina from devastation due to mining activity, unlike other areas of the country.

The history of the region has, to a great extent, been influenced by natural conditions. Medieval colonisation, and industrialisation in the 19th century, came to Vysočina later than the Bohemian and Moravian lowlands. Resultantly the region has been spared environmental pollution and the devastation of large areas by developing industry.





Vysočina boasts a pristine environment. The region is recognised as an island of health wedged between the three urban centres of Prague, Brno, and Vienna. This is, in part, why the Vysočina Region was the first to become a member of the Association of Healthy Towns and Regions, and acquired the official title "The Healthy Region".

The agrarian population of Vysočina is spread over seven hundred towns and villages, interconnected by a rich web of

roads. Small villages near to local centres, normally a quiet small town with a population

of three to ten thousand, are typical of Vysočina. There are only four towns with a population of over twenty thousand. Jihlava, the regional capital, with a population of fifty thousand and Žďár nad Sázavou, the former regional capital are two of them. People in Vysočina are able to enjoy the advantages of living in the countryside while being guaranteed easy access to modern facilities offered in local centres.



The former regional capital, since deposed by Jihlava, is Žďár nad Sázavou. Its history dates back to the 13th century and is closely linked with Žďár's Cistercian Monastery. Cardinal Frantisek from Ditrichstejn promoted Žďár to a town in 1607. The original monastery gained today's appearance during large-scale reconstructions in 18th century. St John Nepomuk's church at Zelená Hora is one of Santini's works and is considered to be the best of its kind,

being placed on the list of World Cultural Heritage of UNESCO in 1994.

History has provided Vysočina with other acclaimed monuments; the historical centre of Telč and the Jewish Ghetto in Třebíč also bare the classification of international UNESCO monuments. The landmarks left by history accompany the way people have changed the countryside, complementing its natural beauty.

Subject to a continental climate, Vysočina offers the visitor warm dry summers when you can fully appreciate those long lazy days visually watching the grain crops ripen and equally, the cold crisp days of winter with clear skies and piercing sunshine when winter pursuits such as Cross-Country skiing can be enjoyed from your doorstep.



Vysočina is a truly great place to live, work and relax - or just visit.



# Welcome to Vysočina!



## **Housekeeping information**

We want you to relax and enjoy your time with us at Ubytování Žďárské Vrchy. In order to make this easier for all our guests, we ask you to observe the guidelines listed below. We are happy to explain anything you are unsure of.

### Leaving the property

- Unless prior agreement has been made with the owners, check-out till 10:00 AM.
   We appreciate if you tell us when you intend to leave, in advance.
- Customers are expected to tidy the apartment fully before leaving
- We do not ask for a damage deposit but we expect guests to advise us of any breakages and agree to accept responsibility for reparation costs if appropriate
- Someone will be present to accept keys from you and wish you a safe onward journey. If this is not possible the keys can be left in a lockbox on-site. This should be agreed prior to departure

## **Pet Policy**

- Any pets accompanying customers must be fully house trained and socialised
- If you want to leave pets in the property whilst away on trips, this is subject to prior agreement with the owners
- We also ask you to take pets outside the garden to relieve themselves and to use bags to remove dog poo at all times



#### Other information

#### Do's

- Please ask the owners for the gas Barbeque. We can provide gas cylinders.
- The barbecue should be cleaned and stored safely after each use
- Please consider the environment in the use of energy and water
- Where possible, please recycle use the communal waste bins for paper,
   plastics, glass and compost waste
- If you use the games and toys we provide in the communal storage area, please clean and return them at the end of each day
- Please respect the needs of other guests to help create a relaxing environment for all
- If you need anything, please ask. We are here to help, if we can
- Customers may have guests. A guest may stay overnight with the agreement of the owners. Guests will be charged the appropriate rate for an overnight stay.
   Additional bedding and towels can be provided if required

#### Don'ts

- Smoking is not allowed in the property
- Ball games that could damage plants in the garden are not allowed
- Equipment left in the secured storage area is done so at the customers' own

# Thank you for your understanding



## **Grocery Shopping**

**Svetnov -** There is a small shop on the main road that is ideal for fresh bread, cold meats and other basic essentials **(0.5Km)** 

**Skrdlovice -** For a greater selection of food and general groceries, this shop in the neighboring village is very well stocked. It lies on the main street in the heart of the village **(5Km)** 

**Polnicka -** A Co-op lies in the middle of this village and offers a similar range of foodstuffs **(4Km)** 

Žďár nad Sázavou - Kaufland is a major supermarket and is situated next to the main railway station (10Km)

Žďár nad Sázavou - Albert is another major supermarket near to Kaufland (10Km)

### Opening hours may vary

• Mon to Fri 07.30 – 12.00

• Thu / Fri 13.00 – 15.30

• Saturday 07.00 – 10.00

• Mon to Fri 06.30 – 18.00

• Saturday 06.30 – 12.00

• Sunday 09.00 – 11.00

• Mon to Fri 06.30 – 11.30

• Mon to Fri 12.30 – 16.00

• Saturday 06.30 – 10.00

• Mon to Sun 07.00 – 22.00

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# **Getting Around**



Bus Services - There is one bus stop in Svetnov, lying in the heart of the village. There are regular services to Svratka, Polnička and Žďár nad Sázavou.



**Taxi Services -** The nearest taxi companies are situated in Žďár nad Sázavou.

Navigation - Mapy.cz is the most detailed map showing forestry trails, Tourist cycle routes and more on their outdoor map. A free offline Android version can be downloaded here.



idos.idnes.cz/en/vlakyautobusy/spojeni



www.cd.cz/en/stanice/5437015



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mapy-cz.en.uptodown.com/android

## **Eating Out and In**



**Tisuvka -** A great restaurant in the next village of Cikháj. Excellent food but popular. Better to book first!

Tel: +420 566 659 007 (3Km)



www.restauracetisuvka.cz/en

Racin Hotel - Very popular with cyclists, has its own brewery and serves excellent food in the restaurant or beer garden.

Tel: +420 724 461 330 (8Km)

Polnička Restaurant - Another popular eating spot with stuffed animals adorning the walls. Inside and outside eating.

Tel: +420 566 629 374 (4Km)

**Pension-Klokoci, Kadov -** Good traditional food and lovely gardens. Indoor and outdoor service.

Tel: +420 602 358 480 (20Km)



www.racin.cz/restaurace-pivovar-vysocina



www.restauracepolnicka.cz/?inc=restaurace



pension-klokoci.cz/restaurace

## **Eating Out and In**



**Selsky Dvur, Daňkovice –** Slightly further afield but worth the trip and a good reputation for quality food.

Tel: +420 566 664 389 (26Km)



www.selskvdvur.net/menu

**Uchalupy Pizzeria, Žďár -** Charming pizzeria and restaurant, good food and service and delightful fish tanks to entertain the customers.

Tel: +420 732 332 844 (10Km)

Pizza Delivery Services – There are a number of Pizza delivery services based in Žďár nad Sázavou. They will probably levy a small surcharge to deliver to Svetnov.



www.uchalupy.cz



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There are also a number of charming cafes and Cukrarna's in the area. Cukrarna's sell coffees, teas and sweet cakes. Many are hidden on the many side streets in Žďár nad Sázavou providing a perfect excuse to start exploring. One of my favourites is Café u tety Hany - <a href="http://cafeutetyhany.cz/">http://cafeutetyhany.cz/</a> - which is more than a cafe. It is also a live music venue! Hany is rather famous as you will find out during a visit.

## Popular spots nearby



Žďár Castle - houses a museum documenting the life of the Cistercian monks that lived on the site and is the access point to Santini's UNESCO church on Zelena Hora.



www.zamekzdar.cz/en

**Devět Skal -** At 836 mtrs is the highest point in Zdarsky Vrchy. It sits in the middle of beautiful forests and on major cycling and rambling routes.



https://devet-skal.ceskehory.cz/

**Velké Dářko -** is the largest lake in the region. Enjoy the cycling routes, nature reserve or enjoy a lazy summer day by the waterside.



www.pruvodcevysochinou.cz

Vysočina Arena - is the venue for
World cup Biathlon and mountainbiking
events every year. Come and try out
some of the tracks that the
professionals compete on every year.



www.vysocina-arena.cz

### **Indoor Activities**



### **Swimming & Wellness Centre,**

Žďár - This modern facility offers something for everyone. Swimming, flumes, relaxation centre and very friendly staff

**Ten Pin Bowling, Žďár -** Bowling is a popular sport throughout Czech Republic. Žďár offers the choice of six different bowling centres!

Multi plex cinema - There are local cinemas in Žďár and Nove Mesto.

However, Cine Star in Jihlava is a firm favourite with most locals.

City Park, Jihlava - Although there are plenty of shopping opportunities nearer to Svetnov, those in need of retail therapy, usually end up here, the largest centre of its kind in the region.



www.sportispo.cz/page.aspx?idtema=5



www.bowlingpoint.cz/bowlingovacentra/zdar-nad-sazavou



www.cinestar.cz/en/jihlava/home



www.citypark.cz

# **Cycling**



**Looking for ideas** to help plan trips, sights along the way and where you can stop for refreshment? Look no further! All you need and more!



www.korunavysociny.cz/tipy-na-vylet

Explore 108 cycle routes around Zdar nad Sazavou created by other cycling enthusiasts. Covers road bike, mountain bike and city bike routes.



www.bikemap.net/en/I/3061692/

### **Travel part of the Euro Velo4 route**

Covering a total of 5100 km from
Brest in France to Kiev, Ukraine, the
EV4 passes through the forests
around Velke Darko.

**Bicycle rental.** Situated at Vysočina arena, you can rent E-bikes and MTB bikes for a couple of hours or the whole day. Excellent Café also onsite.



https://en.eurovelo.com/ev4



www.vysocina.bike/test-centrum/sunscaffe-test-centrum

### Culture



Pernštejn Castle - one of the most beautiful and best-preserved Gothic castles that has been used as a backdrop in countless movies. It is the castle to visit!



Vesely Kopec - a charming open air museum featuring farm buildings from through the ages from all of Vysočina. Admire the beauty and observe traditional crafts



www.nmvp.cz/en/vysocina

Karlov Glassworks – This area has a rich history in hand blown glass.

Sadly, most factories are now closed but look carefully and you will still find glassblowers at work.



https://en.ags-svoboda.cz

Nové Město palace gallery - in the centre of the beautiful town bearing the same name and exhibiting extensive collections of art by some of the most famous artists in the Czech Republic.



www.horackagalerie.cz/home

#### Fun for the kids



Pilák recreation centre - on the outskirts of Žďár nad Sázavou has something for all the family. It also sits on the designated border between Bohemia and Moravia.



Vagon Polnička - a very popular venue for all the family with numerous attractions for children including a miniature railway and mini zoo



www.vagonpolnicka.cz

Treasure trail - why not play a game over your holiday finding all the sculptures of Michal Olšiak in the region. Game cards and prizes are available at Information Centres.



www.korunavysociny.cz/tematicke-vylety

Eden Centre - try different traditional crafts, peek into a mansion, learn how to look after our planet, visit the farm, tour the brewery and buy the produce. Horse riding also available.



www.centrumeden.cz

# **Additional Tips for trips**



Koruna Vysociny provides the most comprehensive list of things to do in the region with lots of good ideas - Excellent site!



www.korunavysociny.cz

The Vysočina tourist guide is another site providing ideas for places to go and things to see during your visit.



www.vysocina.eu/en

The official site for Žďár nad Sázavou will provide an insight to life in Žďár nad Sázavou and provide additional information.



www.zdarns.cz/en

This link provides a full listing of all the Information Centres in the region.

Nearest to Světnov are centres at Žďár castle and the town square



www.vysocina.eu/en/information-centres



#### Gift voucher



# What better gift could you offer to family or friends than a break in Vysočina

- Our gift vouchers can be given electronically or printed out to be handed over in person
- At time of purchase, a non-refundable deposit will be required
- The balance will be paid as normal, when booking dates are confirmed
- Please contact us for more information