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## Cycling and active holidays in South Bohemia

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Program: **September 24 - 30, 2019**

South Bohemia – a landscape of forests and fishponds with  
beautiful countryside and fairytale chateaux.

*South Bohemia is a dream paradise for holidays whether you decide to spend time sightseeing or relaxing. The countryside here offers endless possibilities for visiting places of natural beauty, but also has lots of historical monuments and great conditions for cycling and water sports. Let's visit some charming historical sights, charming Český Krumlov, the neo-Gothic Hluboká Chateau or Chateau Třeboň. Fans of sports and active holidaying are catered for the Lipno Reservoir.*

### Tuesday, September 24

Prague

- :-- Arrival to Prague, transfer to **The Emerald**  
Address: Žatecká 7, Prague 1
- 04:30 pm Meeting with the guide Jana  
Sightseeing tour – **Jewish Town Josefov and Vinohrady District**
- 7:00 pm Dinner

### Wednesday, September 25

Prachatice

- 8:00 am Breakfast at **Mistral Cafe**
- 9:00 am Transfer to Prachatice

- 11:30 am Accommodation at **Bed & Bike Prachatice**  
Address: Velké náměstí 40, Prachatice
- 12:00 am Lunch at restaurant Černý Medvěd
- 1:30 pm Exploring the culinary trail of **Šumavsko region** on e-bikes  
Cycling route: Vyrov – Chlumany – Vlachovo Brezi – Skarez – Prachatice
- 7:00 pm Dinner at Pivovar Prachatice + visit of the brewery

## Thursday, September 26

## Šumavsko region

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- 08:30 am Meeting with the guide Lukas  
Transfer to Stožec (40 min)

**Šumava National Park** is the biggest of the four national parks in the Czech Republic. The Šumava (Bohemian) Forest together with the neighbouring Bavarian Forest creates the most extensive forest landscape in Central Europe, called the "Green Roof of Europe". A combination of centuries-old primaeval forests, crystal-clear glacial lakes, and mysterious peat bogs creates a unique place for active holidays.

**Schwarzenberg Canal** - liven up your rambles through Šumava with a tour of a unique technical monument, the Schwarzenberg Canal. This was built in 1789 to 1791 for transportation of wood from the mountains of Šumava inland. It is one of the most remarkable man-made water works of its time and almost 90km in length.

- 12:00 am Lunch at Wellness hotel Marlin

**The Lipno Dam** is the largest of its kind in the Czech Republic. This huge Lake set in the beautiful countryside of Šumava National Park is a popular place for all who enjoy an active holiday. During the summer season you can go cycling, inline skating, swimming, windsurfing, sailing or just lounge comfortably on one of the Lipno beaches.

There are hundreds of kilometres of bike trails around the Lipno Dam. The most beautiful one is definitely the Jezerní bike/in-line trail, which winds around the bank of Lake Lipno. Its elevation is minimal and it is 21 km long.

- Accommodation and dinner at **Hotel Maxant**  
Address: Frymburk 80

## Friday, September 27

## Český Krumlov

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Cycling tour to Český Krumlov

**Vyšší Brod Monastery** – the spiritual centre of South Bohemia  
The first monks came here from the Cistercian monastery in Wilhering near the Austrian city of Linz and a small community again lives here nowadays. It was precisely for this location that the famous Gothic painting The Madonna of Vyšší Brod was purchased as well as a panel series by an unknown artist who worked in the court of the king Charles IV.; <https://www.klastervyssibrod.cz>

- 12:00 am Lunch at Hotel U Martina

### **Český Krumlov**

Český Krumlov, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a lively, medieval town with a unique atmosphere surrounded by unspoiled countryside. Dominated by a Castle stretching over the meandering Vltava River, Český Krumlov's narrow cobblestone streets wind along romantic nooks between patrician houses. Building development of the castle from the 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> centuries is well-preserved in the original groundplan layout, material structure, interior installation and architectural detail.

Rafting in Český Krumlov

Dinner at DEPO in Český Krumlov

Transfer to Hotel Maxant

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### **Saturday, September 28**      **České Budějovice, Hluboká nad Vltavou**

Breakfast, check - out

#### **Lipno Treetop Walkway** with downhill scooter

A barrier-free path will gradually lead you from ground level to a tower 40 metres high with unrepeatable views. From there you can slide down the longest dry toboggan in the Czech Republic. The Treetop Walkway has 11 adrenaline stops and several educational stations.

Transfer to Tyn nad Vltavou (1,5 h)

1:00 pm    Lunch at Hugo restaurant

#### **Hluboká nad Vltavou Chateau**

Resembles castle from children books. Brave crenels, decorative details, towers, white walls, davits, bulwarks, balconies, supporting pilars and decoration of the windows – those are the attributes of the unforgettable building, that seems as if it was designed by Walt Disney. Hluboká Castle was originally founded as a guardian castle in the middle of the 13<sup>th</sup> century and the Schwarzenbergs gave it the Romantic modification in the mid 19<sup>th</sup> century.

**České Budějovice** - Elegant townhouses gathered around one of the largest squares in Europe, an idyllic salt store and a brewery cooking up the original Budvar beer – this is České Budějovice, the capital of South Bohemia. This city has preserved its historical character over the centuries but is also a modern regional centre.

Accommodation at **Hotel Budweis**

Address: Mlýnská 6, České Budějovice

Dinner at Restaurant Solnice in České Budějovice

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### **Sunday, September 29**      **Písek, Zvíkov, Prague**

Breakfast, check - out

Transfer to Písek (1 h)

**Písek** - the historic town on the Orava River boasts the oldest surviving bridge in the Czech Republic

Transfer to Zvíkov

Lunch at Brewery Zvíkov

Transfer to Prague (1,5 h)

Accommodation at **Meet Mee 23**

Address: Washingtonova 1568/23, Prague 1

**Monday, September 30**

**Prague**

Breakfast, check - out

Departure from Vaclav Havel Airport Prague or individual post tour

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**Výstupy:**

<https://hikebikettravel.com/10-essential-stops-in-south-bohemia-czech-republic/>

<https://hikebikettravel.com/a-culinary-cycling-tour-of-prachatice-czech-republic/>

<https://czechtourism.cz/pro-media/tiskove-zpravy/jizni-cechy-ocima-americkych-a-kanadskych-influenc/>

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