

## Interesting sights around the 39<sup>th</sup> Rally Bohemia's venue

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### **Are you looking for interesting sights around the venue, where the Rally Bohemia takes place and which you can visit with your family and / or friends?**

Rally sport is the most popular motor discipline in the Czech Republic. It attracts fans living near and also from afar, often whole families and groups of friends. The 39<sup>th</sup> Rally Bohemia starts off on 13<sup>th</sup> July in Mladá Boleslav and invites the complete local top of the Mediasport International Rally Cup of the Czech Republic, but also from abroad. Mostly those are about to join their interests and together with watching automobile competition they add some visit of a sight to it, or even a technical sight. And especially for you, who are ready to visit some sights in Liberec, Jablonec and Mladá Boleslav Regions, here is the summary of what you can find around the venue of the rally.

The Rally Bohemia is traditionally connected with nature scenery of the Bohemian Paradise, the protected landscape area. It is listed among the UNESCO geological parks and this year it celebrates 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of foundation. The Well-known Prachov Rocks are one of the oldest natural reserves here. There are even more rock formations in this area as well as rock castles. This makes the area unique and by tourists very much-sought-for. Let's name for instance the ruin of Valečov Castle and the rock formations called Catchpolls' Rooms (Drábské světničky) near Mnichovo Hradiště, which can be visited right from the special stage (SS 3, 7). Should you travel a bit farther, we definitely should mention the Trosky, Humprecht and Kost Castles. It is worth pointing out the Sychrov Castle too, where one of the Rally Bohemia's special stages ends (SS 2, 6). The dominating feature, which is literally visible within the whole venue of the Rally Bohemia, is Bezděz Castle towering above the Mácha's Lake. You will drive around this place on your way to see the super special stage in Sosnová. In another direction on your way from Turnov towards Železný Brod, where you can visit the City Museum of Glass, you will drive around the Hrubý Rohozec Castle. Farther away in the area of the Small Rock (Malá Skála) Natural Reserve you should miss the largest rock castle in the Czech called Vranov – Pantheon. There is a very nice view over the Jizera River Valley from 60 m above. The Frýdštejn Castle is in the walking distance from special stage no. 2, 6.

Who intends to visit the Rally Bohemia together with a family, sporting opportunities for children shall be appreciated. Natural range of the Happy Land (Šťastná země) in Radvánovice near Turnov town will suit you perfectly. Special tours of the Stránov Castle near Mladá Boleslav are organized for small visitors, where on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July there will be a swarm of knights, fairies and other fairy tale characters. There is no doubt that in nice hot weather, which is being promised during the summer holiday term of the Rally Bohemia, the target will also be the natural outdoor pool in Mšeno Dam. It is situated in the surroundings of Jablonec nad Nisou.

We are afraid that we will let down technology lovers as the Škoda Auto Museum in Mladá Boleslav is being closed down this season for massive reconstruction (except a small depository with a fraction of exhibits, which will be open). Fortunately you can visit a museum of worldwide famous automobile design engineer and a local countryman, Ferdinand Porsche, situated in Jablonec nad Nisou, not far from special stage no. 12, 15. Technically minded history lovers can also visit the Museum of Glass and Jewellery there.

On the other hand we will certainly please golden-yellow foamy beverage lovers by inviting them to 23<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Festivities of the Svijany's Beer, taking place also on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2012 in Svijany village. Those a bit later born spectators of the 39<sup>th</sup> Rally Bohemia, after watching special stage no. 9 in Sosnová near Česká Lípa, they certainly will use the opportunity and move their body in the rhythm of disco music spending Saturday's night at some of known discotheques near Mácha's Lake.

Nothing for you there? Never mind, we are looking forward to you spending the whole day at some of special stages of the 39<sup>th</sup> Rally Bohemia, where next to contemporary cars of MMCR and German DRS you will see also legendary rally vehicles in the terms of the Historic Show. There will be plenty of spectators' places prepared for you with refreshments.

The traditional general partner of the Rally Bohemia is the Škoda Auto car factory, which provides a representative background and makes it possible for the Motorsport Team to start in their Škoda Fabia S2000 cars.

More information about the 39<sup>th</sup> Rally Bohemia can be found at [www.rallybohemia.cz](http://www.rallybohemia.cz).

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