



# **Festival** of Experiences

The events take place from 01. 07. to 30. 08. regardless of weather.

**Entrance to experience events** is FREE.



#### + MONDAY

The Conquering of the Dobrošov Fortress Náchod / 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

#### + TUESDAY

Become a Recruiter of the Fortress in the 18th Century Kłodzko / 12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

#### + WEDNESDAY

An Oasis of Peace in the War - We Discover the Żelazno Castle Żelazno / 1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

#### + THURSDAY

The Sarny Estate Formerly and Today Ścinawka Górna / 1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

#### + FRIDAY

The Castle as a Defensive Place - Kapitanowo Ścinawka Średnia / 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

To the Castle with Jan Žižka Adršpach / 2:00 P.M.

#### + SATURDAY

The Fortified City of Świdnica - Live History Lessons Świdnica / 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

**Battle of the Dubno Pheasantry** Provodov-Šonov / 1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

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## **Festival of Experiences**

We are introducing to you a unique Czech-Polish project whose main objective is to offer you the most varied experiences related to the cultural legacy of the region during the summer tourist season. What are the themes of the Festival of Experiences? **Personalities, military history and traditions.** 

It will be held on the Czech and Polish sides for a period of three years. Each year the events are focused on one theme. In total, you will be able to see **twenty-seven places**.

Last year, we introduced ten places connected with personalities who lived and created in the Kladsko borderland and on the Polish side of the border. And what about this year? This time it will be eight places. Organizers of each of the participating tourist attractions will prepare an **experience program** for this season which will be repeated on a certain day of the week throughout the entire summer holiday. What will it be focused on? On the military history that shaped our common border. Literally. Were it not for certain military conflicts, which we will present, the border with Poland would be situated considerably further than it is now.

Come along with us to enjoy the festival holidays, which will reveal remarkable historical military events whose legacy in the region still persists. And that all in accordance with the period...



#### The Kladsko Borderland

The touristic region of the Kladsko borderland's name refers to a common history with **neighboring Poland**. Did you know that the territory on both sides of the current common border in the past had once been part of one state division? It was **the country of the Czech Crown**. At the same time, there was an important trade route called Kladská, which linked Prague with Kłodzko and continued to the Baltic Sea.

Believe that several centuries of common history has left strong bonds and shared experiences between Czech and Polish people. The Kladsko borderland was also a place that played a very important role in history. After all, even the chronicler Kasmas writes in his famous chronicle that the Kladsko borderland was the "gateway watchtower by which to go to Poland." In 1742, however, Marie Terezie lost Kladsko. It was soon after connected to Prussian Silesia. However, be careful! The Czech-Polish cooperation didn't cease even under war and political changes. Often both countries were forced to resist a common enemy. In the Middle Ages, it was not only the knights of foreign armies, but also thieves and robbing noblemen. And how did the cities defend against these conquerors? Fortification bastions and trenches. The enemies were driven off with the help of cannons and pointed weapons. By the way, we can find several places on the Polish side which remember this time and where, in the form of an untraditional experience, we will get closer to what it meant to defend a city.

At the more than 700-year-old **Kapitanowo Castle** near Radków we will try bow and air rifle shooting. We will also encounter other weapons of that time. What will welcome us in the medieval town of Świdnica? There we will go through the places where there are remnants of the unique fortifications. And en route we will fulfill different tasks. At the Kłodzko fortress we will first hear what the role was of the commanders of the fortress in the 17th and 18th Centuries. And then as recruiters, we will experience the trials and tribulations of military life. At Sarny Castle we will shoot again. This time from a paintball gun. We will also engage in a mysterious game in the cellar. In the **Żelazno Castle** an experienced architect will give us a lesson on how to recognize the age of the castle foundations. In the Czech part of the territory, we will focus on a number of interesting events which are related to important historical moments. From close up, we will look at the Hussite Movement. And that is why you will not be surprised that Jan Žižka himself will greet us at the Adršpach Castle. We will also try on historical clothing here and take part in combat demonstrations. Do you wonder where one of the bloodiest battles of the Austrian-Prussian war took place? It was in the year 1866 near Česká Skalice in the **Dubno Nature Reservation**. It is here that yo<mark>u f</mark>abricate a functional bullet and try to handle a rifle. The difficult period of the end of the First Republic will be remembered at the unfinished fortress in Dobrošov, which is part of the Museum of Náchod. Its purpose <mark>was</mark> to <mark>de</mark>fend our homeland against the Nazis. Here awaits us the deconstruction and assembly of weapons, an obstacle course and lots of other surprises.

This is far from everything you can experience in the Kladsko borderland in the summer of 2019! Browse through our catalog and find an experience tailored specifically for you. We wish you a beautiful summer!

Branka, o. p. s.,

a company for the sustainable development of tourism in the tourist area of the Kladsko borderland

# How do I get a reward?

- + I will visit a place of experience
- + I will fill out a short questionnaire
- + I will receive a visitor's card and the first stamp
- + I will visit four other places of experience and receive stamps
- + I will get an original game
- + I will visit another two places of experience and receive stamps
- + I will enjoy an exceptional experience

#### **Play and Discover**

5 places of experience = an original game

For the first 2,000 visitors

For the first two thousand participants we have an exclusive bonus! What bonus? An original wooden game! Choose between cubes or Connect Five. But beware! They will be in a slightly unconventional form.

The reward in the form of an original game is exclusively for the first two thousand visitors who will visit at least five places of experience and submit a visitor's card with a minimum of five different stamps. These will be obtained for the successful completion of the experiences listed in this catalog.







# Experience an Unusual Experience

**7 places of experience** = a remarkable experience

This festival is based on experiences. Our effort was to make them the most interesting for you. For one of you it will be fairly extraordinary! If you visit seven places and you are the fastest, you can experience something outstanding! You will get to a place that isn't normally accessible. And you can even meet some interesting people there.

For the first visitor

We introduce to you your extraordinary experience

#### Riding in a military vehicle

Try for a moment to take on the role of a soldier in the Czechoslovak army in September 1938! You will drive by military vehicle with a guide to individual bunkers of the Dobrošov fortress and try out a historical uniform which our soldiers once wore.

The extraordinary experience is designed exclusively for the fastest traveler who visits at least seven places of experience and presents a visitor's card with seven different stamps. You will be rewarded for successful completion of the experience events listed in this catalog.

For more detailed information and competition rules, please visit www.festivalzazitku.cz.

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# An event full of experiences for the entire family

## The city of Świdnica – square

June 1st, 2019

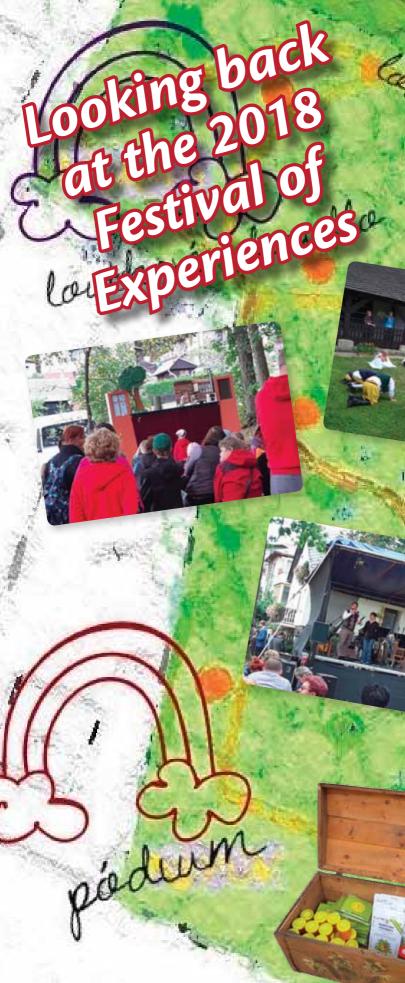
The 2019 Festival of Experiences filled with remarkable experiences will be launched in Świdnica. A series of activities are waiting for you on the local square, with which we welcome the holiday atmosphere and the adventures that await us.

# The Dobrošov Fortress In the Tracks of the Last Military Secret September 21st, 2019

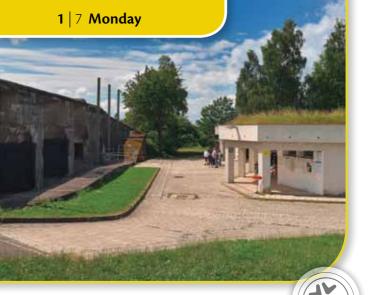
Come with us to bring an end to the summer season full of experiences! By the bunker "Jeřáb" (Crane), an attractive thematic afternoon will be prepared for you, during which you will attempt to decipher the last military secret that surrounds the construction of the Dobrošov Fortress. Whoever reveals the secret will be rightly rewarded. And what else awaits you? You can also look forward to a presentation of military clubs in historical uniforms.

In the framework of the Festival of Experiences, a cultural trail will be created on which will be shown during the three upcoming holiday seasons all the premises which are organizing the festival events. These attractions will be marked by informational signs with QR codes, thanks to which, by using a mobile phone, it will be possible to learn something about the origin of the historical buildings, what all can be seen inside of them and what events are available to attend. An interactive internet map will assist you to get better oriented on the trail and plan your sightseeing.

The map will be operational before the 2019 season.







# The Conquering of the Dobrosov Fortress

MONDAY 1/8/15/22/29 JULY, 5/12/19/26 AUGUST



- 10:00 A.M. 12:00 P.M.
- Maximum 25 people/hour. We recommend making a reservation at +420 724 120 498

The Dobrošov artillery fortress was supposed to protect our country from Nazi Germany. It was part of the border fortification which, at that time in Czechoslovakia between the years of 1935 and 1938, was being built. The construction of the fortress lasted a year, but completion never occurred. Following the acceptance of the Munich Agreement, construction was discontinued. Up to the year of 1969, the fortress was never used. A museum exposition was established there half a century ago. And believe that it is something to look at. Not only lovers of military history will find a lot of attractions here, for example, the fact that of the three completed objects in Dobrošov, the one named Zelený (Green) is the third largest in the country. Additionally, the fortress is part of an educational trail which, besides the fortress itself, features surrounding infantry lodges or minor fortifications called "ropíky."

#### WHAT CAN WE LOOK FORWARD TO?



## The Museum of Náchod The Dobrošov Fortress

Dobrošov 97, 547 01 Náchod www.muzeumnachodska.cz

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The Dobrošov Fortress offers an exceptional experience, and that even in double form. We can defend the bunkers, but also attack them! What is needed for that? Special training. The actual overall training consisted of preparation for a stay in a bunker and the use of strong weapons and other equipment. And what awaits us in the framework of the Festival of Experiences? Assembly and disassembly of a gun, an obstacle course and shooting an air rifle. And something more... No. We cannot disclose any more as, you see, it's a military secret. We recommend taking comfortable leisure clothing and durable footwear.



The Czechoslovak fortress system was built after the French Maginot Line model. It was meant to protect the borders against Nazi Germany. But due to the rapid historical development, it has never been completed or used. After the occupation of the border regions, the so-called Sudeten, in a majority of cases it actually fell to the enemy...

Even Poland built fortifications prior to World War II. Where? First and foremost, at the borders with Germany and the Soviet Union. In addition, an inner defense system was built to protect industrial areas and the capital city of Warsaw. It is also worthy to note the protection of the coastline on Hel Peninsula.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

...the infantry lodge NS-72 Můstek (Bridge), which is part of the Dobrošov fortress, became the site for testing one of the secret weapons of the Third Reich in 1943? Beware, this weapon could break up to three and a half meters of reinforced concrete.



#### WHAT ELSE CAN WE VISIT?

- + Jirásek's touristic cottage with a viewpoint
- Brouček's house and other objects of The Museum of Náchod
- + The State Castle Náchod with a bear shelter and a rope park
- + The Museum of Antique Baby Carriages, Dolls and Documents

- (+) The festival Great Season Náchod
- + The festival Camerata Nova Náchod
- + The festival Pivobraní (a beerfest)
- + The Vavřinec Fair
- + The Náchod Celebration of Kuronský



## Become a Recruiter of the Kłodzko Fortress in the 18th Century



TUESDAY 2/9/16/23/30 JULY, 6/13/20/27 AUGUST



- 12:00 P.M. 2:00 P.M.
- Maximum 30 people/hour. We recommend making a reservation at twierdza@twierdza.klodzko.pl

The Kłodzko Fortress is a unique monument of modern military architecture. We can find it in the center of the town on the hill Forteczna. Over an area of more than thirty hectares, we can see well-preserved traces of military culture. In the underground labyrinths, we will feel the atmosphere of the ancient life of mercenaries. The history of the fortress dates back to the 10th Century when a medieval fortified wooden castle was there. Then it was rebuilt into the brick defensive quarters of the Kladsko Region rulers. It was later rebuilt and fortified again to meet the latest requirements of military architecture during the 17th and 18th Centuries. In addition to an exposition depicting the history of this place, enjoy the exquisite panorama of the city and the surrounding mountains.

#### WHAT CAN WE LOOK FORWARD TO?



#### The Kłodzko Fortress

A historical trail around the Kłodzko Fortress / open space by the pen / entrance from the parking lot on Nowy Świat Street, 57-300 Kłodzko www.twierdza.klodzko.pl

+48 74 867 34 68, twierdza@twierdza.klodzko.pl

In the context of an untraditional interactive adventure, we will travel back into a time long ago with guides in military uniforms from the Napoleonic Era. Are you wondering what a 19th Century cannon looks like? Do you know what miner's corridors are? What was the role of the commander of the fortress? What is the 47th Prussian Infantry Regiment? We cordially invite you to an original program for children and youth entitled "Become a Recruiter of the Kłodzko Fortress in the 18th Century!" In it we shall become part of the fortress battle reserves. But beware! We will also become familiar with the hardship of the former arduous military service.



The most known siege of the fortress occurred during the Napoleonic Wars. They fought all around. How long? More than three months. In the night on the 23rd to the 24th of June in 1807, the French decided to attack. The Commander of Defense, General von Götzen, then surrendered the fortress to the enemy. However, Kłodzko was also affected by the Hussite War, the Thirty Years' War and the Silesian War.

It was precisely in times of war that the inhabitants of the city derived the benefit of shelter in the underground corridors, which were excavated in the Middle Ages. At that time, they also served as a warehouse for a multitude of goods including beer. The labyrinth of tunnels, walkways and a dense network of underground passages are now available as a socalled underground tourist route of roughly six hundred meters.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

... Kłodzko, because of the similarity of its historical core with the Czech capital, is called "Little Prague?" For instance, St. John's Bridge is reminiscent of Charles Bridge, even though it is older and smaller...



#### WHAT ELSE CAN WE VISIT?

- + The Museum of the Kladsko Borderland
- + The bridge of St. John
- + The Kladsko historical square
- + An underground touristic trail

- + Days of the Kladsko Fortress
- A Forum of Traditions
- Oktoberfest
- Senior markets



## An Oasis of Peace in the War – We Discover the Żelazno Castle



WEDNESDAY 3/10/17/24/31 JULY, 7/14/21/28 AUGUST



- 1:00 P.M. 3:00 P.M.
- Maximum 20 people/hour
   We recommend making a reservation at the telephone number +48 727 507 333 or +48 74 868 50 78 or email recepcja@palac-zelazno.pl

The history of the Żelazno Castle dates back to the 17th Century. The Baroque palace was built on the remains of the former domain from 1797 to 1798. In the year 1836, it was bought by Hermann Dietrich Lindheim, an owner of textile factories in Bohemia and Silesia. At that time, a channel was dug through the castle park. It measured sixteen hundred meters and supplied water to a weaving mill in neighboring Krosnowice. Between the years 1869 and 1871 it gained its Neo-Baroque style. By what can it boast? For example, a ballroom with mirrors as well a unique storage room called an orangery. In the 19th Century, the park became a place that tourists and patients from Lądku-Zdrój sought out. After World War II, the castle had a variety of uses. The current owners are now systematically bringing back its old shine.

#### WE CAN WE LOOK FORWARD TO?



#### The Żelazno Castle

Żelazno 54, 57-361 Żelazno www.palac-zelazno.pl +48 727 507 333, recepcja@palac-zelazno.pl

During a walk through the castle park, we familiarize ourselves with the military history of the village Żelazno. Then we will attend a stratographic workshop. And what will be the development? Let's be surprised! At the same time, we will learn to recognize the period of the castle foundations. We will also be assisted by an architect. There will be various tools with which we will be able to delve into the structure of the stone.



#### The original estate on which the Żelazno Castle was built was destroyed in the period of the Thirty Years' War.

In the 16th Century Protestantism spread throughout the Kladsko shire. It took over a majority of the population, and that even in Żelazno. The victory of the troops of Emperor Ferdinand II in the Battle On White Hill caused that the Protestant population was subjected to repression. But many citizens, including those from Żelazno, didn't like it, formed a defense group and fought against the Imperial Army. During the clashes that ended with defeat of the group, about two hundred men died.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

...in the castle are located secretly shrouded passages with mysteries in which we may also encounter the ghosts of ancient inhabitants of the castle?



#### WHAT ELSE CAN WE VISIT?

- + The city touristic path in Bystrzyca Kłodzka
- + The Wapniarce Viewpoint
- + The castle-park complex in Gorzanów
- + The castle on the rocks in Trzebieszowice
- + The Radochów Cave in Radochów



# The Sarny Estate Formerly and Today



THURSDAY 4/11/18/25 JULY, 1/8/15/22/29 AUGUST



- 1:00 P.M. 3:00 P.M.
- Maximum 20 people/hour. We recommend making a reservation at the telephone number +48 74 814 34 16 or email recepcja@zameksarny.pl

The Sarny Castle, also called Scharfeneck, is a sprawling residential and economic complex standing on a rocky ridge over the Ścinawka River. Its origin dates back to the 15th Century, though its main building was built in 1590. For centuries the estate belonged to the House of von Götzen. It was them who finished the construction of the summer palace and chapel of St. John. After World War II, the Polish equivalent of the Unitary Agricultural Consortium functioned here. After its liquidation, the castle began to deteriorate. Since 2013, the new owners have been trying to rebuild, repair and recall its original defensive character in order to make this remarkable residence accessible to the public, and not only for sightseeing, but also for cultural and social events such as concerts or musicians' workshops.

#### WE CAN WE LOOK FORWARD TO?



#### The Sarny Castle

Ścinawka Górna 40e, 57-410 Ścinawka Średnia www.zameksarny.pl +48 74 814 34 16 recepcja@zameksarny.pl

We will visit the Sarny Estate and look at the fortification of the castle and its remains. We will become acquainted with the history of this place and its long-time owners, the House of von Götzen. The defense function will be remembered by shooting with a paintball gun. We will choose a coin with the crest of the castle and look for interesting military elements in the cellar.



The former owners, members of the House of von Reichenbach, supported Protestants at the time of the Thirty Years' War. And therefore, after victory over the Imperial troops, their property was confiscated and dominion was transferred into the hands of the House of von Götzen. One of them, Count Gustav Adolf von Götzen, in 1905 as the Governor of German East Africa, bloodily suppressed the uprising of the Maji Maji tribe.

In the Middle Ages, a knight's tower was built in Sarny. Interesting features of the whole complex include a preserved shooting loophole and an artillery hole for a cannon. The charm of the complex can be seen in the historical park. There you will find a few three hundred-year-old oaks.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

...in the chapel court of St. John Nepomucký are located paintings depicting the life of this saint? They are created in an illusionist style, so it conveys an impression of reality. The paintings are believed to form a transition though a real curtain that separated the count's bedroom from the chapel on the first floor.



#### WHAT ELSE CAN WE VISIT?

- + An underground touristic route Coal Mine in Nowa Ruda
- + The Srebrna Góra Fortress
- + The Wambierzyce Basilica
- + The lookout tower Suszynka in Suszyn

- (+) The 27th International Folklore Festival in Nowa Ruda
- The Radków Cove Cabaret of Laughter at the cove in Radków
- +) The 9th W. Wysocki festival "Volodia Under Szczeliniec" in Radków



# The Castle as a Defensive Place



FRIDAY 5/12/19/26 JULY, 2/9/16/23/30 AUGUST



- 10:00 A.M. 12:00 P.M.
- We recommend making a reservation at telephone number +48 667 610 690 or email kapitanowo.
   zamek@gmail.com

The more than seven hundred-year-old castle had to withstand attacks from the Hussites and the Swedes. By what is it unique? Secrets, hidden corridors and passages as well as its defensive tower, a donjon that served also for housing. During the Thirty Years' War, the entire building was so destroyed that only few had believed in its restoration. The repair of the castle occurred only several years later after the military conflicts ended. The youngest eastern wing was completed at the beginning of the 17th Century. Although the castle was dilapidated for almost half a century after World War II, after repairing the roof and modifying some rooms it looks great. Its sixty-four rooms with magnificent vaults and portals are certainly worth attention!

#### WHAT CAN WE LOOK FORWARD TO?



#### The Kapitanowo Castle

Marii Konopnickiej Street – Castle, 57-410 Ścinawka Średnia www.zamekkapitanowo.pl +48 667 610 690, kapitanowo.zamek@gmail.com

We will familiarize ourselves with the Kapitanowo Castle and its defense elements. We will learn how the castle and the palace differ. We will be presented different types of firearms, such as muskets, rifles and pistols and also weapons for use up close, such as a sword, a saber or a halberd. What further awaits us? Among other things, there is an interactive shooting demonstration that will take us back into a time when this castle was heavily fought for. We will be able to try, among others, shooting from a bow and an air rifle.



Around the year 1500, the castle became a place of great tragedy. The rebels, who most probably didn't get paid by the monarch, unexpectedly invaded the inhabitants of the castle. The slain were mostly women. That's to say they stayed in

the common room cut off from all escape routes. In the place where the latrines were closed down, a hall was subsequently built later which, in the event of an attack, allowed them one or two additional hours of time to escape.

In 1647 the Swedish infantry attempted to conquer the castle. However, this attack did not turn out well for the infantry. Although it might not have looked like it at first glance, at that time the castle had relatively good conditions for defense. Above all, it had defense towers with a walkway for the marksmen as well as a sophisticated system of secret corridors and passages. That's why the Swedes were successful, but only later with their second attempt on the castle, thanks to an artillery attack and the enormous fire caused by persistent battering.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

...the castle is considered one of the few original preserved medieval knight quarters in central Europe? The Gothic part of the castle has never been rebuilt. In addition, its donjon, a residential and defensive tower, is among the largest ones in Poland.



#### WHAT ELSE CAN WE VISIT?

- + An underground touristic route the coal mine in Nowa Ruda
- + The Klodzko Fortress
- + The Srebrna Góra Fortress
- + The Wambierzyce Basilica
- + The lookout Suszynka in Suszyn

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- + The 9<sup>th</sup> W. Wysocki festival "Volodia Under Szczeliniec"



# To the Castle with Jan Žižka



FRIDAY 5/12/19/26 JULY, 2/9/16/23/30 AUGUST



- 2:00 P.M.
- Maximum 20 people
   We recommend making a reservation at info@zamekadrspach.cz

The castle in Dolní Adršpach boasts a rich history and interesting architecture. This two-story high renaissance building with a cellar made from quarry stone will captivate you at first glance with its two-story pentagonal tower. But beware! At the site of today's castle, the stronghold of the Berk noblemen from Dubá used to stand in the 15th Century. The castle gained its appearance today only after it became the property of the House of Nádherný, in whose ownership it stayed from the first third of the 19th Century until the end of World War II. After that it served either as a hostel for apprentices or an archive. Nowadays, there is an exposition of the Museum of the Adršpach Region, a period exposition called "From the Era of the House of Nádherný" and the Museum of Sandstone Climbing. And what hides in the mysterious castle cellar? An escape game for the entire family.

#### WHAT CAN WE LOOK FORWARD TO?



#### The Adršpach Castle

Dolní Adršpach 75, 549 52 Adršpach www.obecadrspach.cz +420 491 423 979 info@zamekadrspach.cz

In the garden of the Adršpach Castle, we can meet with the Hussite commander Jan Žižka from Trocnov! We will examine directly with him our knowledge of period weapons, and even a showcase of a historical battle will take place there! We will also be able to try on period clothing. Do you have an endless number of questions? A historian will answer them during a thematic chat. Children will also appreciate face painting. And wouldn't it be nice to have something to remember the experience? Fine. So, what about a commemorative photo?



The Hussite Wars were religious war conflicts that plagued our country from the years 1419 to 1434. In Adršpach, the battles predominantly afflicted the eponymous rock castle. At the turn of the twenties and thirties, it was seized by

one of the Hussite hetmen. With his fellow soldiers, he was conducting military attacks in Silesia. The Silesians, therefore, later bought the castle and rather destroyed it themselves.

In the Kladsko borderland, the Hussite Wars also affected Jaroměř, Náchod and the Českoskalice and Broumov Regions, and on the Polish side we know, for instance, there was an attack on Radków and Bystrzyca Kłodzka.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

...in nearby Velké Petrovice there is Žižka's (sometimes also Vavřena's) linden tree? It is a memorable tree in which, according to legends, Jan Žižka rested at after the attacks on Vlčinec Castle.



#### WHAT ELSE CAN WE VISIT?

- + The rock city Adršpach
- + The ruins of the Adršpach rock castle
- + Cross Peak an educational trail, a cross path

- + A running competition called Ádrkros
- + Devilish plays in the Adršpach Rocks



## The Fortified City of Świdnica – Live History Lessons



**SATURDAY** 6/13/20/27 **JULY**, 3/10/17/24 **AUGUST** 



- 11:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M.
- Maximum 40 people/hour. We recommend making a reservation at the telephone number +48 74 852 02 90 or email it@um.swidnica.pl

Świdnica was founded in the mid-13th Century and quickly became an important center for crafts and trade. The growing importance and ascension to the Dukedom Capital brought with it the construction of fortifications, of which the first mention dates back to 1285! Originally two gateways led to the city, and roughly one hundred years later there were already seven of them! Next to them were built towers which housed the guards, and situated inside were also quarters which served as a prison. Historically Świdnica had three rows of defensive walls, but only fragments have been preserved up to date.

#### WHAT CAN WE LOOK FORWARD TO?



## The Świdnica Regional Tourist and Cultural Information Center

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The meeting location will be listed on informational leaflets which will be released prior to the start of the festival season.

On Saturdays in Świdnica during the summer holiday we will take a glance in the footsteps of military history from the Middle Ages to the 18th Century. We will learn a lot of interesting and useful information. And because holidays are an ideal occasion when we can spend time with the entire family, we will ensure that no one is bored. Believe that history can be fascinating, even for children! So, what awaits us? Games, fun, tasks. And remember, the one who listens diligently and is a good observer will certainly overcome every challenge.



Remnants of the defensive walls can be viewed in various parts of Świdnica. Thanks to the holiday experience, we will able to visit four such places at once. (Every July gathering will pertain to a different place. And those who miss the opportunity in July will be able to see them in August.)

In the middle of the 18th Century, Świdnica became a mighty fortress. Even the old fortifications around the city were given a new coat. What did it look like? The former defensive walls were dismantled, and the gates were rebuilt.

The city was surrounded by a fornix, and located in front of it was a deep moat. Are you interested in what has the highest historical value here? It is the remains of the fortress Flesza Nowomłyńska, which used to be considered an experimental battleground piece of work. It is the only one of its kind among all Prussian strongholds in Poland.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

...in 1667, one of the bastions of Świdnica blew up? It was caused by lightning! The bang ignited the gunpowder that was stored there. The bastion was about thirty-four meters high (sixty cubits). Even its walls were more than two meters thick (four cubits).



#### WHAT ELSE CAN WE VISIT?

- + The Cathedral of St. Stanislav and St. Vaclav
  - + The Church of Peace
- + The Museum of the Merchant Period
- + The historical city center

- +) The Świdnica rally-KRAUSE
- Świdnica Days
- The Open Theater Festival
- The Bach International Festival
- +) The market know as "Food Tastes Well" and the Świdnica Beer Festival 25



## Battle of the Dubno Pheasantry



SUNDAY 7/14/21/28 JULY, 4/11/18/25 AUGUST



- 1:00 P.M. 4:00 P.M.
- Maximum 20 people/hour. We recommend making a reservation at infocentrum@ceskoskalicko.cz or calling +420 773 578 112

The Dubno (village of oaks) Nature Reservation is a preserved floodplain forest which, as the name suggests, consists mainly of oaks. The forest became a place of great military conflict known as the Battle Near Česká Skalice. With our own eyes, we will witness that many of the trees here still bear evident traces of this conflict. There we will also find the largest memorial for victims of the Prussian-Austrian War in the Českoskalice Region. The monumental Sleeping Lion is located near the old gatekeeper's house. And why is it considered a nature reserve? More than seventy species of mollusks live there.

#### WHAT CAN WE LOOK FORWARD TO?



#### The Dubno Nature Reservation

Approximately 150 meters behind the Dubno Farm, Kleny 29, 549 08 Provodov-Šonov www.patyprapor.cz

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We will return back to the Dubno Pheasantry near Česká Skalice to the year of 1866. At that time, the battle between the Prussian and Austrian soldiers raged here. Are you interested in the military tactics used at that time? Or perhaps you have a taste for trying to properly handle a rifle? Would you like to create a real functional bullet? Members of the 5th Huntsman Battalion, in their typical uniforms, will help us. And perchance in the forest brush, we will even bump into a real enemy... For this experience, we recommend taking comfortable leisure clothing and durable footwear.



Česká Skalice and the Dubno Nature Reservation are among many places in eastern Bohemia which, in the summer of 1866, were immediately struck by a war conflict namely because the Prussian-Austrian War, sometimes also called the Seven Weeks' War, broke out. How did it start? As a result of a mutual struggle between Prussia and Russia for a leading position in Europe.

The Battle Near Česká Skalice was one of the shortest yet bloodiest conflicts of this war. In just four hours, nearly seven thousand soldiers and more than two hundred horses lost their lives or were injured.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

...the Battle Near Česká Skalice needn't have happened at all? That is to say one of the Austrian commanders didn't obey an order of the Chief Commander and attacked the advancing Prussian troops.



#### WHAT ELSE CAN WE VISIT?

- + The Museum of Božena Nēmcová
- + Grandmother's Valley castle, bleachery, mill, mangle, etc.
- + A military cemetery
- + The water reservoir Rozkoš
- + The villa Čerych

- + The Ratibořice Shepard Celebrations
- +) In the Tracks of Božena Nēmcová's Grandma to Ratibořice
- The Tropical Charity Fair
- + The Dahlia Celebrations

#### ~ JANUARY ~

#### Dřevorubec roku – Adršpach

A lumberjack competition with an accompanying thematic program www.drevorubecrokuadrspach.cz



#### ~ MARCH ~

#### Koletova Rtyně – Rtyně v Podkrkonoší

A brass music festival www.koletovka.cz

#### ~ APRIL ~

#### Rajd Świdnicki-KRAUSE - Świdnica

An attractive moto-competition on the roads around Świdnica www.rajdkrause.pl

#### ~ MAY ~

#### Dni Kłodzka – Kłodzko

One of the most significant events in Kłodzko with a cultural and sports program www.centrum.klodzko.pl

#### Náchodská Prima sezóna – Náchod

A nationwide student creativity festival www.primasezona.cz



#### Dni Świętego Floriana – Bystrzyca Kłodzka

A two-day festival related to the history of the city and its patrons kultura.bystrzycaklodzka.info

#### Noc Muzeów – Kłodzko

Various artistic performances and unusual installments www.muzeum.klodzko.pl

#### ~ JUNE ~

#### Za Babičkou Boženy Němcové do Ratibořic – Česká Skalice

A cultural event with costumed figures from the book "Grandma" by Božena Němcová www.zamek-ratiborice.cz



#### Dni Świdnicy połączone ze Świętem Dzika – Świdnica

Musical and dance performances, tasting wild game cuisine www.sok.com.pl

#### U nás na zámku – Nové Město nad Metují

A family mini-festival www.unasnazamku.cz



#### ~ JULY ~

#### Za poklady Broumovska – Broumovsko

A musical festival in the churches of Broumov www.zapoklady.cz

#### Międzynarodowy Festiwal Tańca im. Olgi Sawickiej – Lądek-Zdrój

A dance festival with workshops www.festiwaltanca.ladek.pl



#### Święto Papieru – Duszniki-Zdrój

A two-day event at the Museum of Paper accompanied by a flea market muzeumpapiernictwa.pl



#### Festiwal Teatru Otwartego - Świdnica

Various theatrical plays enriched by direct contact with the audience www.sok.com.pl

#### Filmowy Kanał Młynówki – Kłodzko

The projection of films in the open air pl-pl.facebook.com/FilmowyKanaMlynowki

#### ~ AUGUST ~

#### Międzynarodowy Festiwal Folkloru – Nowa Ruda

A folklore festival with performances from groups around the world www.mok.nowaruda.pl

#### Jiráskův Hronov – Hronov

The oldest European amateur theater festival www.jiraskuvhronov.cz



#### Dni Twierdzy - Kłodzko

Events reminiscent of the history of the city www.twierdza.klodzko.pl

#### Brutal Assault - Jaroměř-Josefov

A heavy metal festival at the site of a former military fortress www.brutalassault.cz

#### Targi "Zdrowie ma smak" oraz Świdnicki Festiwal Piwa – Świdnica

Markets focused on promoting healthy nutrition joined with a beer festival www.powiat.swidnica.pl, www.um.swidnica.pl

#### Mezinárodní folklorní festival Červený Kostelec – Červený Kostelec

A folklore festival with a rich history www.folklorck.cz

#### Forum Tradycji - Kłodzko

An exposition of organic products, culinary workshops, beer tasting and other programs www.klodzko.pl

#### Mezinárodní horolezecký filmový festival – Teplice nad Metují

A competitive exposition of films with a rock climbing and sports theme www.horolozeckyfestival.cz



#### ~ SEPTEMBER ~

#### Festiwal Górski – Lądek-Zdrój

A multi-day event dedicated to tourism and mountain sports www.festiwalgorski.pl

#### Náchodské Kuronské slavnosti

An event with a rich accompanying program for the entire family www.mestonachod.cz



#### Jiřinkové slavnosti – Česká Skalice

A traditional dahlia exhibition and the Dahlia Ball www.muzeumbn.cz

#### Festival české filmové a televizní komedie – Nové Město nad Metují

The former Pot of Laughter Festival in Nové Město nad Metují www.festivalkomedie.cz

#### Specialized Rallye Sudety - Teplice nad Metují

One of the oldest mountain bike marathons in the Czech Republic redpointteam.cz/rallye-sudety

#### ~ DECEMBER ~

#### Zimní táboření na Hvězdě – Police nad Metují

A weekend event for winter lovers and sleeping in nature enthusiasts

## **CYCLE BUSES**

THROUGHOUT THE KLADSKO BORDERLAND
ON A TRIP WITHOUT A CAR

Let yourself be taken together with your bicycle to the interesting touristic places of the Kladsko Borderland, the Giant Mountains (Krkonoše) and to the Polish Table Mountains (Góry Stołowe).

