



We will set out from Nový Jičín to the destination of our trip, to Kopřivnice.

Kopřivnice is a picturesque town situated below the castle ruins of the ancient Šostýn Castle. Even though Kopřivnice was not mentioned in writing until 1437 in the mortgage deed of Emperor Zikmund of Luxembourg, it is supposed that it had been founded as early as the end of the 13th century.

In 1850 the trade production of coaches and barouches was established in the village; this production laid the foundation for the later TATRA car factory. In 1897 the first car in Austro-Hungary called „President“ was produced here. In 1812 a factory producing majolica and earthenware was established. In 1948 Kopřivnice was promoted to a town.

The main tourist object of interest is the Technical Museum in Kopřivnice. The unique collections of the museum record the long-range production traditions of the town.

In front of the museum there is an express motor carriage called Slovenská strela (Slovak Projectile). Inside the museum you can see a self-contained exhibition of personal motor cars as well as lorries of the trademark of Tatra, which have been produced in Kopřivnice since 1897 up to the present. The exposition is arranged according to the five development periods of the Kopřivnice car factory. The

replica of the first Kopřivnice car „Präsident“ is one of the 52 displayed personal motor cars, sports cars and lorries. The exposition is completed by 8 original chassis and 21 types of engines. Seven audiovisual boxes, placed in the individual sections of the exposition, acquaint the visitors with the almost 150-year-old history of the Kopřivnice plant in detail.

In the museum there is also a Fame Hall of the Olympic champions Emil Zátopek and Dana Zátopková.

In Kopřivnice we can further visit the Museum of the Reeve's House.

In 1822 the founder of the carriage factory (later Tatra), Ignác Šustala, was born here, and in 1850 he launched the first trade production of buggies and barouches in the house.

In 1985 – 1990 the building was reconstructed and currently a permanent exposition devoted to I. Šustala as well as to other prominent natives of Kopřivnice has been organized here. In the attic part of the building there is an exhibition hall, where regular exhibitions are organized.

Lašská Nature Trail forms a circle around Kopřivnice; there are many interesting places along the 17 km-long route. The trail route starts at the railway station in Kopřivnice, which informs about the whole route of the trail and about its parameters.

Natural objects of interest worth visiting include the Red Stone and Raška's Stone.

The limestone rock called Váňa's Stone is a natural monument.

Kopřivnice also offers abundant opportunities for enjoyment of sport; there is a swimming pool, an indoor swimming pool, a water reservoir, tennis courts, a handball stadium, a summer stadium with a speedway, a ski downhill course, a track for cross-country skiing, a winter stadium, mini-golf, and bowling.

# The Trip of Nový Jičín Kopřivnice



Nový Jičín – Kopřivnice (13 km)