

# Hidden Gems

...Mariánské Lázně is not just about mineral springs



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**Dear spa guests,**

you might get tired of walking along the colonnade, tasting the springs and listening to the Singing Fountain. That's why we would like to reveal a few hidden gems of Mariánské Lázně and their unique genius loci to you. Because Mariánské Lázně is not just about mineral springs.

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## 1 MECSÉRY VISTA

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This vista is located on a plateau above a bouldery outcrop near the Royal Hotel, where a picturesque wooden pavilion used to stand. The building was erected in 1850 in honour of an important guest of Mariánské Lázně, the governor of Bohemia, Baron von Mecséry.

GPS: N 49°58.69867', E 12°42.64092'

## 2 SVATOŠ ROCKS

Website



These rocks (Svatošské skály) were named according to the legend of an unfaithful youth called Svatoš. Their shapes resemble those of a wedding procession, so their names are Groom, Bride, Musicians, Best Man, etc. These bizarre rock formations were created by the Ohře River. In 1933 they were designated a protected natural formation and now they are a state reservation. From the popular restaurant on the right bank of the Ohře they can be reached by a romantic suspension bridge.

[www.svatosskeskaly.cz](http://www.svatosskeskaly.cz)

GPS: N 50°11.61067', E 12°48.82798'

## 3 GEOLOGICAL PARK

Map



This nature trail makes visitors aware of the geological structure, variety of rocks and geobotany of Slavkovský les. It is a well tended forest trail winding on the slope of Žižka Hill (Žižkův vrch) and its length is about 1.5 kilometres. It includes a total of 24 information boards. The loop begins and ends above the Municipal Museum. It is not a difficult walk and there are benches along the trail.

GPS: N 49°58.69743', E 12°42.49473'

## 4 HAMELIKA OBSERVATION TOWER

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This important viewpoint in Mariánské Lázně with an observation tower made of stone is a landmark in the wooded hills outside the town. The tower was named after the hill of the same name on which it was built in the summer of 1876. It is 20 metres high and you need to walk 100 steps to reach its top.

GPS: N 49°58.32628', E 12°42.57335'

## 5 SMRAĎOCH NATURE TRAIL

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Smraďoch (Stinker) is a place with a fitting name. The reservation was founded in 1968. This unique nature trail going through a raised bog leads visitors to places that are so exceptional in the Czech Republic that anyone who has not seen (and especially smelled) them should regret it. After visiting Smraďoch, we recommend walking about 1 kilometre to the spring of Farská kyselka, which has its own small forest pavilion, to taste the local mineral water.

GPS: N 50°0.77908', E 12°43.01360'

## 6 ST. MAURUS RELIQUARY

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Map



Website



St. Maurus Reliquary is an important Romanesque relic from the first third of the 13th century. It is regarded as the second most valuable historical artefact in the Czech Republic and the most important piece of Romanesque jewellery in the country. The reliquary is included in the permanent exhibition of the castle of Bečov nad Teplou.

[www.zamek-becov.cz](http://www.zamek-becov.cz)

GPS: N 50°5.15297', E 12°50.38072'

## 7 LIDO OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL

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Website



This is an outdoor swimming pool near Mariánské Lázně. There is a restaurant, a fast food restaurant, boat and paddle boat hire, badminton and table tennis equipment hire, and bicycle storage. You can use a sandy or grassy beach, beach volleyball, regular volleyball and football-tennis courts, and a car park.

[www.badlido.com](http://www.badlido.com)

GPS: N 49°56.60042', E 12°41.35293'

## 8 KŘÍŽKY AND UPOLÍNOVÁ LOUKA RESERVATIONS

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Website



Křížky (Crosses) is a unique heathland and a reservation situated between the towns of Prameny and Nová Ves near Bečov nad Teplou. It was named after the three crosses erected on the top of the hillock in 1849. Upolínová louka (Globeflower Meadow) under the Crosses extends on 18 hectares and as its name suggests, it is a location where the rare and endangered globeflower grows.

GPS: N 50°3.96737', E 12°44.91555'

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## HVOZD GAME PARK

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Map



Hvozď game park is situated near the centre of Mariánské Lázně. You can watch the deer stags and fallow deer from a high seat. However, visitors are not allowed to enter the park as such.

GPS: N 49°58.13982', E 12°43.11983'

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## MARIÁNSKÉ LÁZNĚ ROYAL GOLF CLUB

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The Mariánské Lázně golf club has been allowed to use the name Royal exclusively since 2003, when it was given consent to do so by Queen Elizabeth II. It is historically connected to Britain through King Edward VII, who was one of the founding members of the club in Mariánské lázně in 1905. The name "Royal Golf Club" is unique in Europe.

Website



[www.golfml.cz](http://www.golfml.cz)

GPS: N 49°58.74802', E 12°44.18267'

# TOP 10

1. MAXIM GORKY SPA COLONNADE
2. THE SINGING FOUNTAIN
3. BOHEMINIUM PARK
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5. BEČOV CASTLE AND CHATEAU
6. KLADSKÁ NATURE TRAIL
7. KYNŽVART CHATEAU
8. CHODOVAR BREWERY AND BEER SPA
9. MUNICIPAL MUSEUM
10. PRELÁT NATURE PARK

## NOTES

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