



2016

ICASSI

July 24th - August 6th 2016

Excursions & Trips
in surroundings

Train Excursion to Trenčianska Teplá

Term: July 26th

Departure: 7.15 pm

Duration: approx. 1 hour

We will meet in front of hotel Krym or directly on the platform of the historical train in Trenčianske Teplice. We will take a special two-way **ICASSI ride** to Trenčianska Teplá, lasting about 15 min. There we will visit the depot at the train station and see a presentation.



Trenčín Castle and Roman inscription

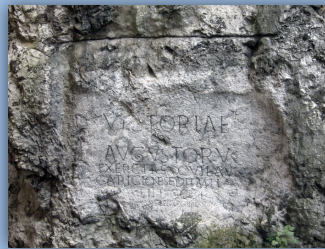
Term: July 28th and August 4th

Departure: 7.00 pm

Duration: approx. 2.5 hours

Price: 20 €

We will board on a bus in Trenčianske Teplice which will take us to the city of Trenčín, where we can see the Roman inscription on the castle rock, dating from 179 A.D. Then we will walk for about 15 minutes for a 40 minutes lasting guided round tour of the castle. Return is at about 9.30 pm. The Castle dominates Trenčín and during the era of the Great Moravia empire, there was a bastion serving as a community centre. The current castle was built in the 11th century as a borderland stronghold to protect the important Váh river fords and Carpathian passes, through which the trade routes linked the territory of Northern Hungary and the central Slovak mining towns with Bohemia, Moravia, Silesia and Poland. In the centuries that followed, it became a border settlement, then the royal and later the aristocratic county.



Lednické Rovne

Term: August 2nd

Departure: 5.00 pm

Duration: approx. 4 hours

Price: 20 €

Lednické Rovne is about 40 minutes of bus ride from TT. There is RONA glassworks, which is one of the world's major manufacturers of high quality drinking glasses, tableware accessories and decorative glassware. Due to its technological sophistication and its high level products, the glassworks has gradually built up its world leadership in the supply of utility drinking glassware for airlines, including Fly Emirates, Quantas, Etihad, KLM, American Airlines.

You can see different types of glasswork and receive an explanation of the glass making processes. We will also have dinner in a recommended local restaurant.

For those who would like to shop, the company shop will be open at our disposal, so you will have an opportunity to buy ICASSI glass as a souvenir from Slovak ICASSI in Trenčianske Teplice.



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Saturday



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The High Tatras

Term: July 30th

Departure: 8.15 am

Duration: approx. 12-13 hours

Price: 115 € for an adult (18 - 60); 70 € for a child under age 6; 105 € for a child/youth in age 6-17,99 and senior over 60.

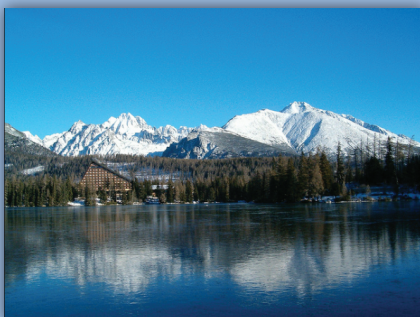
When we refer to the High Tatras National Park, we mean majestic peaks reaching to the sky, dark turquoise mountain lakes of glacier origin, waterfalls, unique plants, rare animals like chamois (mountain goat) or marmot, exceptionally clear air and an environment great for healing respiratory conditions. The only mountains of Alpine type in the whole Carpathian Mountain range are often called "the smallest alpine mountains in Europe". There are 25 peaks exceeding 2500 metres above sea level, all lined by deep and rustic valleys formed by the past glacial activities. As a reminder of this magnificent era, the High Tatras hold 85 mountain lakes on the Slovak side of the mountains. The beauties of the Tatra scenery are enhanced by numerous waterfalls.

This will be a full-day trip. Make sure you are well prepared for the trip - take jackets and comfortable shoes, since we will be travelling to the mountains where the temperature might be 15 °C (60 °F) lower than in Trenčianske Teplice.

We will arrive at Tatranska Lomnica before 12.00 pm with just one short stop on the way. Tatranska Lomnica is one of the biggest and most beautiful settlements in the High Tatras. It is situated in the foothills of Lomnický Peak (2 634m/8642 ft). We will take a cable car to Skalnaté Pleso, where we will receive a welcome drink. We will have an hour for a walk around Skalnaté pleso, or a snack in a restaurant (anyone who is hungry), especially with sitting outside just below the peak of Skalnaté pleso or even visit a gallery there.

Next, we will have lunch in the Grandhotel Praha. After lunch we are heading to Strbské Pleso which is a favourite ski, tourist and health resort in the High Tatras. The Strbské tarn, a mountain glacier lake, is beautiful. You can also try out your skills on a climbing park, go for a walk around the lake or have a coffee and cake at Kempinski Hotel. Dinner is on ones own.

We will depart after 5.30 pm and arrive back at 9.00 pm.



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Sunday



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Bratislava

Term: July 31th

Departure: 9.00 am

Duration: approx. 8-9 hours

Price: Option A: 40 €; Option B: 50 €



There are two options for this trip. Option A includes travel by bus to Bratislava and back, sightseeing in a local tourist train with an English-speaking tour guide. Then you will have 4 hours for shopping, eating in a good restaurant and relaxing at the Eurovea shopping centre by the river Danube (Lunch is not included). We will leave at 4.00 pm to be back in Trenčianske Teplice for dinner. Option B includes travel to Bratislava and back, sightseeing by a tourist train AND a guided visit to Chatam Sofer.

Bratislava has been the capital city of Slovakia since January 1, 1993 when Slovakia became an independent state after the split of the former Czechoslovakia. Bratislava was also previously known as Pozsony (Hungarian name), Posonium (Latin name), Pressburg (German name), Wilson's City ("Wilsonovo" - when Bratislava was a free town for a few months after World War I). The history of Bratislava begins in 400 - 50 B.C. when an important Celtic town - "oppidum" was established on the current territory of Bratislava. From the 1st to the 5th centuries CE, this territory formed part of the "Limes Romanus" – the fortified border of the Roman Empire. From the year 1000, Bratislava was a part of Hungary, later of Austria. In 1291 Bratislava received the privileges of a town and in 1405 Bratislava became a "free royal town". In the years 1536-1784 Bratislava was the capital of Hungary. In 1918 Bratislava became a part of Czechoslovakia and in 1919 the name "Bratislava" became the official name of the city. During the late 19th century Bratislava was intensively modernised and industrialised. Bratislava is one of the youngest capital cities in the world, but lively, fast growing, with a small Old Town and many attractions.

The Chatam Sofer Memorial is not a museum but the former Old Jewish Cemetery, the burial place and memorial to Moses Sofer, a prominent orthodox rabbi from the 19th century built on the site of a 17th-century Jewish cemetery in Bratislava. A Jewish burial shrine is erected over the graves of prominent rabbis and scholars who are highly esteemed by Jewish tradition. The memorial is frequently visited by Orthodox pilgrims from around the world. In 2000-2002, the entire site was redeveloped and a striking new complex was designed that adheres to the strict requirements of halakhah (Jewish law) as well as to the highest standards of contemporary architecture. Visitors are requested to adopt a modest style of dress while visiting: Men must not wear shorts, and they must keep their heads covered with a hat or cap; women must not wear shorts, but preferably a long skirt or trousers and long sleeves.