

## Nature Trail Zábělá

From the terminal of bus 28, you will get to the forestry and nature trail Zábělá by following the red trail markers.

The 5-km journey goes through a nature park that has many natural attractions. Nine stops will convince you of the beauty of the landscape.

People have loved this place since ancient times. Over 2000 years ago there was a fort on Holý vrch (Bald Peak). Now it is one of the leading archeological sites in western Bohemia. You can enjoy a beautiful view of the valley of the Berounka River from here.

Another stop during your trip is a former forest lodge that was built in 1924. Just outside it you will find "Olšová jáma" (Olše's hollow) from where we will go to the sixth stop "U podjezdu"(By the Underpass). If we go on the tourist mark, the journey will take you to a former restaurant, natural oak wood course and talus forest where we can see mainly oak, hornbeam and in a herb level wood anemone, hepatica, wood cow-wheat, martagon lily and many other herbs, species and animals. Fifty four kinds of vertebrates have been found in the sanctuary, including 41 kinds of birds, such as the long-eared owl, grey-headed woodpecker and golden oriole. Species of wasp-beetle and longhorn beetles live in old oaks here. Our last stop together is "U rokle"(By the Valley).

On the way to the next stop we can observe seed-plots used to fill clearings with trees.

If you are lucky, you can see flocks of cormorants resting on trees by the Berounka. You will certainly recognize the trees. They have a special white coating in winter, which is caused by the droppings of these birds, while the trees have no leaves in summer. It is just one of the many places in the area where you can enjoy the beauty of Mother Nature.

### How do we get to Bukovec?

- **From the Central Bus Station**
  - In front of the main entry to the bus station board bus 28 in the direction of Bukovec. At the terminal, get off and get to the trail by following the marked signs.
- **From the Main Railway Station**
  - Go through the underpass to the trolley stop and board the trolley No. 10, 11, 13 and at the stop "Gambrinus" change for bus No. 28. If you board the trolley No. 16, you can go to the terminal where you can change for the bus No. 28 as well. At the terminal get off again.

Quiz

Questions

Age?

There were also foreigners working on the construction of the railway. Which nationalities were they?

Why was Zábělá such a popular place of beauty in the 19th century?