

ACT LIKE A LOCAL

What comes to your mind when you hear "underground" or "Metro" Pipelines? Molos, worms and rats? Or underground culture, music and parties? On our map we show you what we mean. Forget about crowds of tourists in their touristic bubble. Let us reveal what is under the fake touristic facade! Let us introduce you to the real Prague underground!

Beer, beer, beer! CR is famous for its beer. We're proud of it. We have the best beer (according to us, try it and make your own opinion) and it's cheap too – cheaper than water. Thanks to these facts we have the highest beer consumption in the world: more than 156 litres of beer per capita each year – old people, newborns and dogs included. But don't call us drunkards we prefer "beer experts".

In restaurants, we have a special tip-giving system. When you receive a bill from the waiter, use the easy math, round the number up and tell the waiter how much he should take to keep at least 6 CZK. So for example, if you pay 143 CZK, tell the waiter: "150 CZK is okay". But when it's e.g. 148 CZK you should leave 160 CZK.

If you're just walking the Prague streets and enjoying the sightseeing, be careful! We're always in a rush and hurrying, looking neither left nor right... so if you want to save your life, or at least avoid some grumpy faces, you'd better get out of our way!

Please, don't call us "east-European country" or an "Eastern-European country". If you want to locate Czech Republic, we have created a special term for it: "Central Europe". It actually includes CR, Slovakia and maalyby Poland... but sounds better than Eastern. So if you hear us saying something is "the biggest in the Central Europe", now you understand what it really means.

"How are you? – Fine, and you?" Not here! We don't understand that this question is actually just a polite phrase. **Don't be surprised when you get an honest answer.** Sometimes you may learn some interesting insights about us, or be left wishing you never asked.

Behave in public transport! In a bus or metro let the other passengers get out of the door before you enter. It is also expected to offer your seat to the elderly and pregnant women. And please, don't shout in public transport, we are tired (or pissed off) from work, and we don't have enough energy to share your enthusiasm and good mood.

If you're going on a trip, think economically like we do. Prepare a snack or a sandwich at home and eat it outside on a bench – don't worry, nobody would look at you weirdly, we do it as well. The most typical Czech trip sandwich is "řízek" (schnitzel) between two slices of bread. This just can't be missing during any of our trips.

CZECH MENU

If you want something for BREAKFAST, go to a bakery (pekárna) and taste a "kobliha" (donut which is missing a hole, filled with chocolate or jam and dusted with sugar on top) or a "koláč" (yeast cake with jam, cheese or poppy seeds).

Need a SNACK? If you want to satisfy your stomach like we do, buy some bread rolls and a spread (comes in a plastic box, e.g. "slásky zajišť" at an outdoor chlebář, and use your roll as a spoon to scoop the spread straight from the box. If you don't feel comfortable with this way of eating, buy a hot dog (the roll is not cut in half but has a hole filled with sausage).

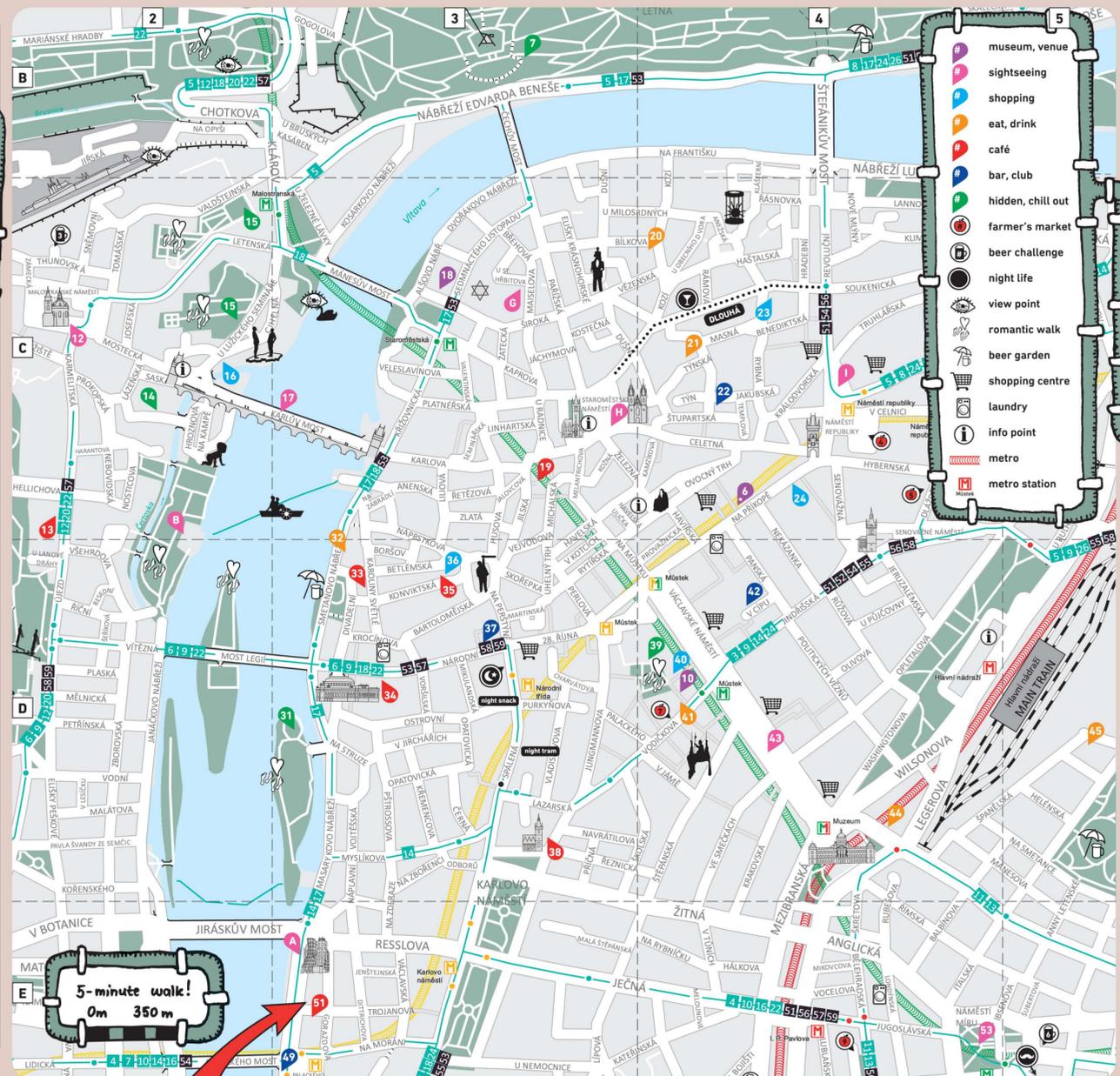
Czech cuisine might be quite heavy for you. The main dish of the day is LUNCH. We usually eat soup followed by a main course. If you want to taste very typical Czech meals, loosen your pants and order "vepřo-knedlo-zelo", "gůsták" or "svíčková".

By DINNER, get stuck in pub tasting our delicious beer. Don't be shy and try also our delicious snacks. We can only recommend "nakládaný hřmota" (caramelized chlebáč, and use your roll as a spoon to scoop the spread straight from the box. If you don't feel comfortable with this way of eating, buy a hot dog (the roll is not cut in half but has a hole filled with sausage)).

VOCABULARY

hello
good bye
please
thank you
pub
beer
I want beer
one more beer
shot
cheers!
shit

dobrý den (dobree den)
nashledanou (nashledanou)
prosím (proseeem)
děkuji (dyekooyi)
hospoda (hospoda)
pivo (pivo)
dám si pivo (daam si pivo)
ještě jedno (yestyee jedno)
panák (panaak)
na zdraví (nazdravee)
do prdele (doprdlee)



USE-IT PRAGUE INFOCENTRE

Free USE-IT Prague map, free wifi, free water, free smile, free USE-IT maps from other cities, free advice... Where else can you get this?

Cool souvenirs with a story. Follow our advice and don't buy the trashy souvenirs. In our infocentre you can pick out from choice of really real Czech products. Thirsty? We will help you out too.

Free maps of over 25 other European cities! Let us help you with planning your next trip in the Czech republic or abroad.

Every day we highlight the best of cultural events, parties and activities held in Prague! Haven't found the right one for you? Ask for more - there is always something happening in Prague.

Meet us! Anička, tourist catcher

Meeting point

Do you travel by yourself but would you appreciate to meet new friends? Just come at 2:00 PM, and see if there is somebody waiting right for you.

Need an advice right now? No problem, just ask at our FB page USE-IT Prague and let the volunteer at the infocentre provide you the most convenient answer as soon as possible!

When?
Every day, JULY – SEPTEMBER,
11 am – 5 pm
Trojanova 3, Praha 2
(check our website or FB page to find out the current opening hours)
www.facebook.com/use.it.prague

SPORTY PLACE A4
One of the biggest parks in Prague, Stromovka, is a great place for various sports, a walk or just to hang out on the grass. Apart from refreshments, Sietochka restaurant also offers sports equipment and grills to rent. There are ponds with ducks, and if that's not enough animals for you, Prague Zoo is close – just across the bridge!

THEATRE INSIDE A CAMERA A4
Mělník ve dvorě is hidden in the courtyard. This experimental stage looks like an old school camera from the outside. Inside, you will find a modest interior which looks like an amphitheatre with simple benches. Most performances are presented with English subtitles and programmes are irregular. We recommend you to check their website before you pay this place a visit. (Františka Křížka 3)

CORRIDORS OF MODERN ART A5
This experimental space looks like an old school gallery (Národní galerie), so you can find a vast collection of modern art. Since 2012, it also hosts Alfons Mucha's masterpiece "The Slav Epic". A set of 20 canvases that depict the history of Slavic peoples, that is worth a visit especially because some of the paintings cover about 50 square meters! 180/90 CZK. Daily 10:00-18:00, closed on Mon. (Dukelský hrad 47)

FLOODED ZOO A5
Take bus 112 from Nádraží Holešovice metro station to get to Prague Zoo, one of the best in the world, according to Forbes. In 2002, almost half of our zoo's area was flooded. A poor brave seal named Gaston swam from Prague up to Dresden, only to die a few days later. Since then, the zoo has been rebuilt and modernized... just to be flooded again in June 2013. But don't worry, there's no water there only to die a few days later. 120/90 CZK. Daily 9:00-18:00 (19:00 in summer). (U Trojského zámku 120)

HAUNTED MACHINE A6
Feel like partying all night long? Definitely choose Cross Club over the touristy Karlový lázně. This underground club is really something special. Authentic, industrial and just weird. It's a metal labyrinth with rooms, corridors, mini-scenes, stages, installations, bars, a café, a terrace and a great outdoor garden. Live music, parties, house, techno, chill-out music, and even a theatre with projections. On your way back home, buy "smažák" at the earliest. (Plynární 23)

INDEPENDENT GALLERY A6
In the past, Holešovice was an industrial district with a slaughterhouse, a port, and a gasworks – making the area quite unpleasant. Flooded in 2002, it has since been revived with very few survivors of industrial architecture, like DOX, the pioneering independent centre for contemporary art, which opened in 2008. It's a big one, also in importance, and is always hosting several exhibitions. A free minibus goes to DOX from the city centre everyday (exc. Tue) at 13:00, departing from (B4). Open 11:00-18:00. Closed on Tue. (Poušpátova 1)

QUEUE FOR MEAT B3
Letná Park is a great place to chill-out, go for a picnic or to play some sports. There used to be a giant statue of Stalin nicknamed "queue for meat", but nowadays a giant minibus stands in its place, always with a queue of skaters. From this place you'll have a marvellous view of Prague's bridges. There are always tens of pairs of shoes on a nearby river, but frankly we don't know why, they just keep coming.

BURN BABY BURN B4
Curry Palace is a family-run, Bangladeshi-Indian restaurant. Their dishes are always made fresh, with the finest spices. Be careful though, they use proper chillies fit for people who enjoy the burn going into (and out of) their bodies! Mon-Fri 11:00-22:30, Sat-Sun 13:00-22:30. (Jirěčkova 13)

CARS AND PLANES UNDER ONE ROOF B4
Ever wonder how the human race got from envying big flying planes? The National Technical Museum (Národní technické muzeum) reconstruction is just a temple of technological development and scientific research in a realistic reminder of our childhood, when everyone used to visit it – with our parents or as part of a school excursion. Standard entrance 190/90 CZK. Mon closed, Tue-Fri 9:00-17:30, Sat-Sun 10:00-18:00. (Kostelní 42)

CINEMA TRIPLETTS B4, D4, D6
All of these arty movie houses cooperate perfectly. They satisfy movie goers as well as mere mortals. There is no way to pick just one! They all have a unique atmosphere that with each location, as well as hip bars and an excellent taste in movies. Sletěz (Vodňácká 41) (D4) has the coolest movie-related shop, mostly known for its incredible collection of movie posters: Bi OXO (Františka Křížka 15) (B4) has a retro setting set in a functionalist building, with unconventional seating: lounge in beach chairs, sit in a bean-bag, or pair-up in the back seat of a car: Kino Aero (Biskupcova 31) (D6) is for the more adventurous types – the place where it all happens can be found just 5 minutes out of the map. Just take the tram to the stop Biskupcova and ask someone; it is only a bicycle and a half away.

OLD FASHIONED PHOTO C2
If you're looking for something to do, everything for analogue photography, it's that simple! If you're cameras, films, pinholes and regular workshops as well. The shop includes a small gallery showing pictures of Czech photographers. You might be lucky and find here an owner who is always keen to help or talk about lomo and photography. Mon-Fri 10:00-18:00, Sat 12:00-17:00. (Václavské náměstí 1)

CURIOUS CHURCH C2
St. Nicholas Church (daily 9:00-17:00, 35 CZK), situated at Malostranské náměstí, is probably the most beautiful Czech Baroque building. Even during the time of socialism, they appreciated the unique view from the bell tower. Grab a dinner at a vegan restaurant called Plevel or enjoy a coffee in Strojovna, an interesting café combined with sewing machines, courses and services, so it's also a place to come for help if you tear your favourite trousers. If you happen to come here during the day, check out the Sisters' Bistro, they know how to prepare nostalgic phenomenon – open sandwiches aka "chlebíčky". At Nábká masa butcher's all meatlovers can watch behind the glass wall where their favourite steak comes from.

CAFÉ BEHIND TOBACCO SHOP C2
Before reaching Dobrá tráva café/bar, you will need to pass through the tobacco shop. Once there, however, you can chill out and perhaps listen to some Louis Armstrong tunes. Don't expect the best coffee, but enjoy the nice, sleepy atmosphere. When you leave, don't forget to pay at the counter. But before that, think twice, aren't you looking for some original postcards? Well, this is the place to buy them. Daily 8:00-23:00, Sun from 9:00. (Ujezd 37)

THE MOST FAMOUS WALL C2
Express yourself on the John Lennon Wall, named after the rock legend, which was used as a symbol of disagreement with the communist regime. It's covered in graffiti, mostly bearing the message of love and peace. It's up to you to leave a message to the world, light a candle, or just quietly sit and reflect. (Vokoprevorská náměstí 1)

THE RIGHT ADDRESS C3
Vinošpary (wine shops) are very popular in Prague and can be found all over. They often have wine on tap, where you can bring an empty bottle and have wine to go. This one in particular serves cheap and delicious tap wine from the Moravian region. Like the others, they have a rotating tap of various whites and reds, with seasonal specials such as "burčák" (partially fermented young wine, served in late summer/early fall). Správa města has a meeting room where meeting locals is as easy as downing the wine itself. Mon-Fri 11:00-23:00, Sat 16:00-22:00. (Sokolovská 95)

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DLOUHÁ KRYMSKÁ

LONG STREET, LOTS OF DRINKS. C4
Dlouhá street (Long St) has a stretch of bars and pubs that caters to tourists and us locals alike. Prices vary here, with beers ranging 40-100 CZK, and some bars charge entry. There are a lot of places that choose within close proximity to one another, which makes it easy to test which place might suit your taste.

PRAGUE'S KREUZBERG F5
Although it is a bit far away from the centre (two stops by tram 22 from Náměstí Míru), Krymská street is the heart of alternative culture in Prague. If you are lucky you can even meet legends of Czech underground music: from The Plastic People of the Universe in Café Sládkovský. It is a friendly café, a favourite of the city's intellectuals. Do not forget to visit Café V Lese that started this phenomenon called "Krymská". The name means "In the Forest", so don't be surprised to see a really cosy and "something-from-all" interior. Down in the cellar you can find a venue of many concerts, there is one particularly every day. Just check their FB.

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PEACOCK PARADISE C2
The palace in the Wallenstein Garden (Václavské náměstí zahrada) is the seat of Parliament. Its ambitious designer intended to build a residence more beautiful than Prague Castle. The building was successful! Most of the beautiful statues were stolen by Swedish troops during wartime in the 17th century. Want to enjoy the calls of the peacocks just by yourself? Then you are lucky that most of the tourists haven't found Vojtěchovy dvůr yet. It's the oldest garden in Prague. Open April – October 10:00-17:00. (U Lužického semináře 17, Letenská, Malostranská)

PLEASANT BOOKSHOP C2
If you are a proud bookworm, be sure to check out the little bookshop Shakespeare a slyšely. It sells foreign-language books, especially in English. It isn't big, but it's packed with books on every kind of topic and in the basement you can even sit and read. Daily 11:00-19:00. (U Lužického semináře 17)

FULLY PACKED BRIDGE C3
Karlov most (Charles Bridge) is the oldest bridge in Prague. There is something magical about the date when the foundation stone was laid by Charles IV in 1357, on the 9th of July (7. 7. 531). Can you spot the logo of the numbers? Pass by 30 mostly Baroque replicated statues and fight your way through dozens of musicians, which is not an understatement. The atmosphere is warm and cosy, and the view is amazing! Check their programme and enjoy parties or various cultural events in here. Mon-Fri 10:00-24:00, Sat-Sun 11:00-24:00. (Národní 4)

CAFÉ AT NATIONAL THEATRE D3
Nová scéna is a modern and experimental theatre in the pretty neo-renaissance glass building of the National Theatre complex (Národní divadlo). Do you like it or hate it? Café Nová scéna is a unique view of Prague, and it even has a hotel with a posh restaurant. Since 2002, giant babies have been crawling up and down the side of the tower, whose father is the famous, albeit controversial, Czech artist David Černý.

QUEER CAFE BAR D3
Since the day-life in Café Erya is rather quiet, you can try big, delicious, slightly expensive breakfast, or other savouries. To be on the cheap side, go for the lunch menu, as always. The bar is rather colourful, hip and cosy. In the evening, couples might appreciate the dusky basement. Straight friendly. Daily 10:00-24:00. (For the next drink, the ever popular Friends Coffee House bar right behind the corner comes in handy. (Kovčova 11))

TWO TIMES SECOND HAND D3, E5
Although both are really small, the selected clothes is made precisely Fifty-fifty (open Mon-Fri 10:00-18:00, Slezská 28) specializes in vintage clothes and among the racks you can find suits with accessories. And take over the hunt for something special! Šatna (open Mon-Sat 11:00-18:00, Konvičská 13) offers exclusive choice of cool outfits and original accessories. Do you prefer hipster-look-look after midnight, everything under the supervision of rock legends painted on the walls. If you're in the mood for some "younger" fresh pop-punk-rock then the Café Nová scéna is the place to go. Sat 17:00-3:00, Sun 17:00-1:00. Národní 114/20 is the spot for you. Hard to choose? Check out both of them, they're just across the street.

PIANOS AND HIPSTERS D3
With a bit of hipster you should definitely visit this hidden café right in the New Town Hall, Café Neustadt offers a rotating menu for breakfast and lunch, delicious cheap Czech cakes and pies, and tap water is served via video-rokokoque after midnight, everything under the supervision of rock legends painted on the walls. If you're in the mood for some "younger" fresh pop-punk-rock then the Café Nová scéna is the place to go. Sat 17:00-3:00, Sun 17:00-1:00. Národní 114/20 is the spot for you. Hard to choose? Check out both of them, they're just across the street.

ICE-CREAM IN THE GARDEN D4
Františkánská zahrada (The Franciscan Garden) is a green and calm connection between Jungmannovo and Wenceslavské náměstí squares, which is a good enough reason to stay here for a while. The garden is not large, which means that on a sunny day it is a bit difficult to find a place to sit. If you manage, you can squat and eat one of Prague's most delicious ice-creams that you bought in the adjoining Pařížské dvůr. Choose the sweet shop with a long queue – Ovocný Stánek. Watch people and try to catch. Daily 9:00-21:00. (Vodičkova 39)

DRESS TO IMPRESS D4
Located in the passage U Štýblů, Cyrk (open Mon-Sat 11:00-19:00) sells articles from young Czech designers. If you're looking for original jewellery, clothes, other accessories or home décor, pay them a visit! Everything is handmade or vintage. If you like to express yourself with your clothes, try Krakajúk (open Mon-Sat 9:30-19:00). They offer a lot of funny T-shirts as well as band shirts and other rock, metal and hippie clothes and accessories.

OLD-SCHOOL CANTEN D4
No need to ask our parents how things looked like before 1989 – Jidélná Světlozár will do it for you. Serve yourself a traditional Czech lunch for a few bucks. Observe what others are doing. Random choice is full of adventure, you can't make a mistake! The basement canten is only open during lunch time. Mon-Fri 9:00-15:00, closed on Sat and Sun. (Vodičkova 39)

FROM HORSE STABLE TO POOL BAR D4
After a day of sightseeing, have some fun bowling, playing pool or snooker and other pub sports. Mega Sportbar (open Mon-Fri 10:00-24:00, Sat 11:00-24:00) is a restaurant on a hidden little street, you certainly wouldn't expect such a big hall inside, and with such a strange history. It used to be a riding hall, and later it was used as a restaurant for communist leaders. Daily 11:00-2:00. (U Cívku 1)

UNUSUSSED SQUARE D4
Václavské náměstí (Wenceslav Square) has witnessed many important events in Czech history, among them the student Jan Palach set himself on fire in 1969 as a protest against the Warsaw Pact invasion. Today, it is a commercial centre that locals are trying to avoid. The square is dominated by an equestrian statue of St. Wenceslav, and under the tall is a favourite meeting point, and a museum that is currently closed for renovations.

THE SQUARE JIŘÍHO Z PODŠIBKY E6
The square Jiřího z Podšibky is named after a Czech king who considered to have run the very first initiative on the integration of Europe. Did you know that? The most dominant part of the square is the Church of the Most Sacred Heart of Our Lord. Built in a postmodern style, it is unique, and one of the most significant religious buildings of the 20th century.

STYLE FOR YOU E6
Fed up with unfilled collections of globalized brands? Look to Pouchpou for remarkable fashion pieces, accessories and applied arts. Creative activities and fashion are hobbies of the local producers – you will feel it together with the story of every item. Go there and embellish yourself or buy something for your friends at home. Mon-Fri 10:00-19:00, Sat 11:00-16:00. (Vinořská 74)

INDUSTRIAL MEETS CULTURE F2
Hip international centre of contemporary art. If you are into that, you won't know what to do first. They have it all. It serves the most delicious homemade cakes, pies and other desserts (giant size!). Just choose from their daily menu. And try the "větrník", a Czech famous cream puff you can't miss. Daily 10:00-22:00. (Francouzská 72)

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LEGENDS FACTORY F3
Princess Libuše foresaw the future glory of Prague from Věšhrad. Have a walk around the ramparts that offer a stunning view from almost every corner. Visit the Chapter Church of Peter and Paul, or the old Slavic cemetery, where are the most famous Czech historical figures are buried. It is an excellent place to set-up a picnic with some fellow travellers.

TWO-COLOURED BEER MIRACLE F3
If you are on the way to or from Věšhrad hill, stop at the nice restaurant U Kroka, which is named after the king from an old legend: Krok was the father of the future legend Libuše who spoke of Prague's destiny. It can be a huge city whose fame is touching the stars. You can enjoy special meals, choice of Czech classics, and a discounted daily menu (11:00-15:00 CZK). One of the restaurants where waters are nice and smiling at you. Rarity, what you MUST try is their two-coloured beer. Order mixed Pilsner with dark Kozel and wait for the miracle! Daily 11:00-23:00. (Vratislavova 28)

LOCAL TIP
Akropolis Palace is different every day. The venue has become known as the leading Prague scene for world and ethnic music, and although now it's mostly catch concerts (definitely not just world music), don't be surprised by a theatre performance or movie. The interior is astonishing – so-called living plaster, with holes where some weird animals could live. DJ nights, reggae, dub, jungle until 5:00. (Kubelkova 27)

LOCAL TIP
The Žizkov Television Tower was built in the 30s and creates a stark contrast with the historical Prague. It is often voted as one of the ugliest buildings in the world. But even if the tower evokes mixed feelings with locals, we still love it. It offers a unique view of Prague, and it even has a hotel with a posh restaurant. Since 2002, giant babies have been crawling up and down the side of the tower, whose father is the famous, albeit controversial, Czech artist David Černý.

LOCAL TIP
To get your sweat on, we recommend renting a bike from Bělkazy (E3). Their renovated bikes usually cost 400 CZK a day + 1000 CZK deposit. The highlight for strong cyclists is a bike rental Open only during the summer, daily 11:00-23:00. (Rašínovo náměstí)

LOCAL TIP
This place is always full of people, especially during spring and summer! We highly recommend a stroll along Náplavka (E3). It's a beautiful area with a great afternoon or evening chill-out. Can you see the big boat near to the railway bridge? Don't hesitate and have a picnic on board of (A)VID Floating Gallery! Many events are organized on the deck where you can also find a bar and swings, not kidding! Don't forget to visit its sauna during winter, and cool off by jumping into the river.

LOCAL TIP
Tea smoking games (E3) After you visit our infocentre, you can just cross the street and have a cup of tea in the teamon Daruma. There are many small rooms, so choose the place you enjoy most and order high-quality tea from their wide selection. The service is really interesting in case you are unsure about the correct way of serving your tea. You can also rent a shisha for 160 CZK, or borrow some table game for free. Mon-Fri 11:00-22:00, Sat-Sun 14:00-22:00. (Troja 1)

LOCAL TIP
The art of Sou-Prí (E3) The cake shop Stágr is cosy and furnished to resemble the time of the so-called First Republic (Czechoslovakia 1918-39). It serves the most delicious homemade cakes, pies and other desserts (giant size!). Just choose from their daily menu. And try the "větrník", a Czech famous cream puff you can't miss. Daily 10:00-22:00. (Francouzská 72)

LOCAL TIP
The little shop Koh-ron specializes in well-known Czech handicraft supplies. If you're looking for a unique type and want to buy an unconventional souvenir, be sure to check out this shop! Mon-Fri 9:00-18:00. (Na Příkopě 24)

LOCAL TIP
When you enter inside the Ema Espresso Bar you quickly forget about the dirty streets full of hobos typical in this area. The latter part of the cafe enables you to share your coffee with locals and watch the hustle around you. It is said they serve the best coffee in Prague: judge it yourself! And if you're hungry, we recommend you to eat with mozzarella, spinach and onion. Sunny yummy! Mon-Fri 8:00-20:00, Sat 9:00-20:00. (Na Florenci 3)

LOCAL TIP
Ponec Theatre (Divadlo Ponec) usually has an alternative dancing programme in their repertoire. Often, there are visiting ensembles performing. Tickets for 190/120 CZK can be bought between 17:00-20:00 every weekday. The building was originally used as a factory for rolling plates, bars, wires and piping. Then it was turned into a cinema. The building is now 1 meter higher due to a fundamental reconstruction in 2001. You can guess why it is. (Hušířská 899)

LOCAL TIP
If you're looking for original jewellery, clothes, other accessories or home décor, pay them a visit! Everything is handmade or vintage. If you like to express yourself with your clothes, try Krakajúk (open Mon-Sat 9:30-19:00). They offer a lot of funny T-shirts as well as band shirts and other rock, metal and hippie clothes and accessories.

LOCAL TIP
No need to ask our parents how things looked like before 1989 – Jidélná Světlozár will do it for you. Serve yourself a traditional Czech lunch for a few bucks. Observe what others are doing. Random choice is full of adventure, you can't make a mistake! The basement canten is only open during lunch time. Mon-Fri 9:00-15:00, closed on Sat and Sun. (Vodičkova 39)

LOCAL TIP
After a day of sightseeing, have some fun bowling, playing pool or snooker and other pub sports. Mega Sportbar (open Mon-Fri 10:00-24:00, Sat 11:00-24:00) is a restaurant on a hidden little street, you certainly wouldn't expect such a big hall inside, and with such a strange history. It used to be a riding hall, and later it was used as a restaurant for communist leaders. Daily 11:00-2:00. (U Cívku 1)

LOCAL TIP
Václavské náměstí (Wenceslav Square) has witnessed many important events in Czech history, among them the student Jan Palach set himself on fire in 1969 as a protest against the Warsaw Pact invasion. Today, it is a commercial centre that locals are trying to avoid. The square is dominated by an equestrian statue of St. Wenceslav, and under the tall is a favourite meeting point, and a museum that is currently closed for renovations.

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Princess Libuše foresaw the future glory of Prague from Věšhrad. Have a walk around the ramparts that offer a stunning view from almost every corner. Visit the Chapter Church of Peter and Paul, or the old Slavic cemetery, where are the most famous Czech historical figures are buried. It is an excellent place to set-up a picnic with some fellow travellers.

LOCAL TIP
If you are on the way to or from Věšhrad hill, stop at the nice restaurant U Kroka, which is named after the king from an old legend: Krok was the father of the future legend Libuše who spoke of Prague's destiny. It can be a huge city whose fame is touching the stars. You can enjoy special meals, choice of Czech classics, and a discounted daily menu (11:00-15:00 CZK). One of the restaurants where waters are nice and smiling at you. Rarity, what you MUST try is their two-coloured beer. Order mixed Pilsner with dark Kozel and wait for the miracle! Daily 11:00-23:00. (Vratislavova 28)

