


Lower Vítkovice area - Blast Furnaces tour with an exit to the Bolt Tower

Accessibility card

Basic information

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Description

In the lower area of Vítkovice (DOV) is a national cultural monument in the centre of Ostrava. In the past, it was an industrial site where coal was mined and iron was produced between 1828 and 1998. Since the end of industrial activity, the area has been gradually revitalized and today it serves as an educational, social and cultural centre. In addition to guided tours, the resort offers visitors a multifunctional auditorium with wheelchair access, in which the information center is located, and where conferences, workshops, concerts, etc. are held. Furthermore, there are the Small and the Big World of Techniques that present science and technology attractive and in a fun way, national museum of food and agricultural machinery, as well as the multi-genre district Hlubina with cinemas, rehearsals and recording studios for musicians, art and craft studios, dance halls, cafés, etc. The card describes the accessibility of the main tour circuit "Blast Furnace with an exit to the Bolt Tower". It is a guided tour of the process of iron production, with a tour of the blast furnace and with a view of Ostrava from the Bolt Tower almost 80 meters high. The tour takes about 100 minutes.

Accessibility

Entrance

- ❖ The tour starts at the information centre with a ticket office.
- ❖ Access to the information centre is wheelchair accessible.
- ❖ Entrance doors open automatically, sideways. The door is without a threshold.
- ❖ The information centre is not equipped with an induction loop.

Interior premises – Bolt tower

- ❖ Visitors can reach the blast furnace and the Bolt Tower by stairs or with the help of a classic lift and a so-called skip lift adapted for passenger transport.
- ❖ The pathways are sufficiently wide, min. 150 cm. The surface of pathways: concrete.
- ❖ There are no seating areas for resting on the tour, except for the Bolt Tower terrace.
- ❖ The viewing deck on the Bolt Tower has a metal grate surface with metal railings.
- ❖ Most exhibits cannot be touched or viewed from close distance.

Exterior premises

- ❖ The sightseeing tour partially also runs through the outdoor area of Lower Vítkovice.
- ❖ The route is sufficiently wide, with no differences in height and inequality, levelled.
- ❖ Route surface: granite cubes (cobblestones), asphalt.
- ❖ There are no resting places for sitting on the tour.



Accessible toilet

- ❖ There is a wheelchair accessible toilet.
- ❖ The entrance door is sliding. The entrance is min. 80 cm wide.
- ❖ There is sufficient space in the cabin, which does not interfere with any facilities.
- ❖ There are handrails on both sides of the toilet.
- ❖ A baby changing unit is not available.

Services and equipment

- ❖ The tour must be booked in advance.
- ❖ Guide and registered support dogs are permitted entry.
- ❖ Foreign groups can order for an additional fee a tour guide in a foreign language (English, German, Polish), which must be ordered in advance. An MP3 guide is available for individuals in English, German and Polish.
- ❖ The Bolt Tower has a café with wheelchair access.
- ❖ There is a car park with reserved parking spaces.
- ❖ A printed guide to the guidebook in Czech is not available.

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