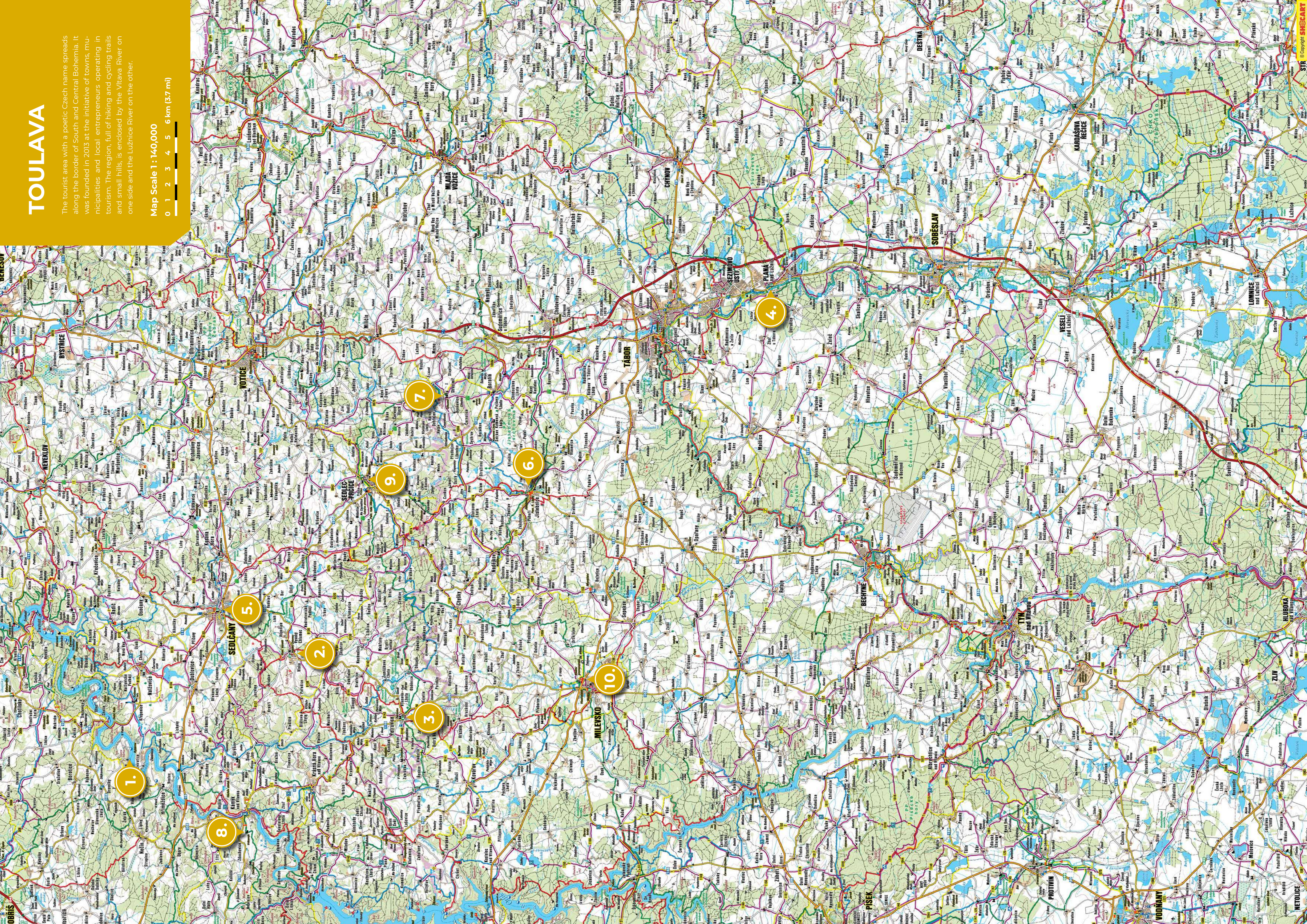


# TOULAVA

The tourist area with a poetic Czech name spreads along the border of South and Central Bohemia. It was founded in 2013 at the initiative of towns, municipalities and local entrepreneurs operating in tourism. The region, full of hiking and cycling trails and small hills, is enclosed by the Vltava River on one side and the Lužnice River on the other.

Map Scale 1 : 140,000

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### 1. VLTAVA SCENIC VISTAS

The right bank between the **Orlická and Slapská water reservoirs** is full of impressive views of the Vltava River. **Abbot Zavoral's vista** near the **Hrazany Celtic settlement** is breath-taking. Nearby, you will find the fairy-tale **Radič Chateau**. The **Drbákov-Albertov rocks** near Nalžovice offer ten scenic lookouts along the six-kilometre-long loop trail, with some steep rock-climbing using chains. Do not forget to visit the **Renaissance fortress of Jakub Krčín** in nearby Křepeň. The **Milada lookout tower** at the Orlická water reservoir and the **u Altánu scenic vista** provide some unique views of the **Solenice horseshoe bend**. Visit **Dubový vrch**, **Bukačovka** or the **Roviště** rock formations.



### 3. PETROVICKO

Ancient giant boulders, rocky roads, views of the countryside – this is the Petrovice region, a place with a mystical atmosphere. Near Petrovice, along the **Stone Region Trail**, you will find the largest Czech rocking stone called **Hus's pulpit**, the highest loose boulder in Central Bohemia, **Vrškámen**, or the **Kuníček lookout tower** and stone **church in Obděnice**, home to an empty grave of Jakub Krčín, a fish farmer. Visit the **children's forest trail** with a playground and scenic vista in **Petrovice**. **Zeměráj** near Kovářov is a paradise for families with children; it is a natural adventure park where you can hunt for treasure or do the barefoot trail.



### 5. SEDLČANSKO

The town of Sedlčany is the centre of the north part of Toulava. Visit the **Municipal Museum** and learn about the region's history and see expositions on famous Jakub Krčín from Jelčany and Sedlčany, and composer Josef Suk. The nearby **Church of St Martin** conceals rare medieval frescos. From Sedlčany, follow **Suk's Trail** to Křečovice where the composer was born. Climb up the **Drahoušek lookout tower** along the way. Find the largest European **ruin of a Dutch-type windmill** in nearby **Příčov**. Relax in nature in the park **Drama Věků Park** in Štětkovice, where children can have some fun at a traffic playground with a small train.



### 7. REGION ČERTOVO BŘEMENO ('THE DEVIL'S BURDEN')

The scenic village of Střeziměř is surrounded by the 14-kilometre-long trail of **Střeziměř Scenic Vistas**, which will lead you to views of Sedlčany, South Bohemia and Vysočina. South of Střeziměř you will find **Borotín**, where you can visit the romantic **castle ruins** known from a Czech film for children, Honza málem králem, and a **Baroque estate**. You can walk to the ruins along an educational trail dedicated to Jan Evangelista Kypka who was born there. Both villages are on the edge of the **Jistebnice Highlands Nature Park**, which has been unaffected by industry and mass tourism. You can admire its beauties along the **Trail across Dehetník**, which is a dominant feature of the countryside.



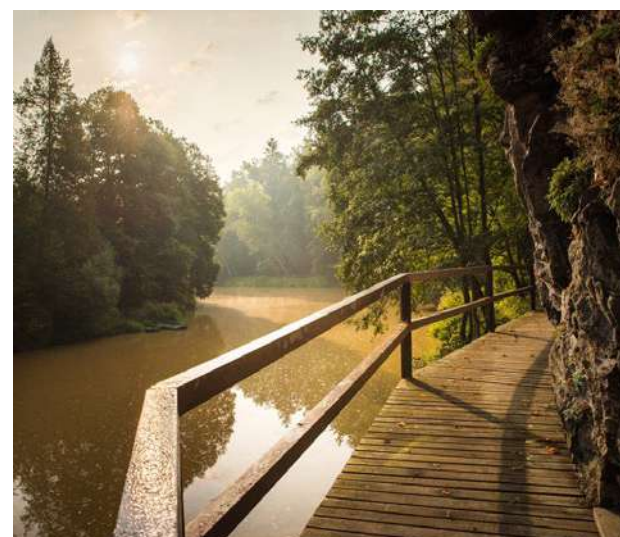
### 9. SEDLEC-PRČICE

The town of **Sedlec-Prčice**, where a famous hike ends, is surrounded with hiking and cycling trails. Check out the famous **Prčice boot** at the square. Visit the **Vítek z Prčice Brewery** with a memorial of the famous Vítkovci clan. The **trail From the Vítkov Rose to the Miraculous Spring** will take you through the area. If you like sports, visit **Monínec**, which offers climbing parks, bike tracks, swimming and other attractions in summer, and ski slopes with a chairlift in winter. At the top of the slope, you will find the **Old Post Office from Sněžka**. Make a stop at the former **Zvěřinec Castle** on the way from Prčice, where you can walk the educational trail commemorating author Karel Hynek Mácha.



### 2. VYSOKÝ CHLUMEC

The majestic **Vysoký Chlumeck Castle** rises above the town on top of a cone-shaped hill. The castle is not open to the public, but you can enjoy some views of the castle from the surrounding hills. Fans of rural life and architecture can visit the **Vysoký Chlumeck open-air museum**, with preserved cottages from the Povltaví region, where you can learn about life in the village. In **Počepice**, you can play **adventure golf**. Enjoy an unforgettable jazz night at **Skrýšov Chateau**, owned by Czech actor Karel Roden.



### 4. LUŽNICE VALLEY HIKING TRAIL

The first Czech hiking trail, rated as one of the best European trails, goes through the valley of the Lužnice River from **Planá nad Lužnicí** to **Týn nad Vltavou**. It is 55 km long and has four day-stages. It offers many unforgettable adventures. Visit the Hussite town of **Tábor** with the Hussite Museum, Kotnov Castle, or the Chocolate Museum. Walk along the **elevated walkways** at the **Přiběnice Castle ruins** and **Bechyně**, where you can see a Renaissance chateau, a monastery, or the Museum of Tourism. Outdo yourself at **via ferratas** in Tábor and Bechyně. You will also see the **Stádlec chain bridge**, the last of its kind in the country, and the **Dobronice Castle ruins**. Take a rest at the **Mitrowicz Chateau**.



### 6. STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Besides a spiritual journey, the stations of the cross offer beautiful views of the countryside. You will find an educational trail along stations of the cross in **Jesenice**, with the nearby **Hulín area**, where you can do some sports and children can have fun in a **minizoo**. The stone stations of the cross rise to Kuní peak in **Petrovice**. When wandering along the unusual trail, hike to the **Kuníček lookout tower**. In **Počepice**, on top of Radešín, you can walk the stations of the cross accompanied by paintings by children from the local school. In **Jistebnice**, climb up to the Chapel of St Magdalene with a view of Šumava, and the crosses in **Chotoviny** will take you through the local wood.



### 8. VRŠKAMÝK

The greatest treasure of **Kamýk nad Vltavou** is the ruin of the royal **Vrškamýk Castle** with a lookout tower. Get a view of Kamýk from the hillside on the right riverbank. Nearby, you will find the **Church of St John of Nepomuk** in Svätý Jan, which is a dominant feature of the local countryside. Children can enjoy the **Fauna Protection Centre** in Hrachov. When visiting the centre, take a walk to the Hrachov menhirs. **Váchův špejchar** in Drážkov offers some culture and exhibitions. Visit the Highjump festival of extreme water jumps in Hříměždice.



### 10. PILGRIMAGE TRAILS

Set off on a pilgrimage between three important sacral landmarks, a more than one-hundred kilometre-long trail. On the west edge of Tábor, visit the Baroque **pilgrimage site of Klokoty**. The stations of the cross will take you to the **Chapel of the Virgin Mary of Klokoty**. Healing water springs below the chapel; pilgrims used to go there as early as in the 14th century. Another stop is the Romanesque **basilica in the Milevsko Monastery**. You can explore South Bohemia's oldest monastery on two guided tours. When there, visit the **Milevsko Museum of Masks**. The third landmark is the Gothic Franciscan **monastery in Bechyně**. You can also stop at the Baroque **church in Sepekov**.



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