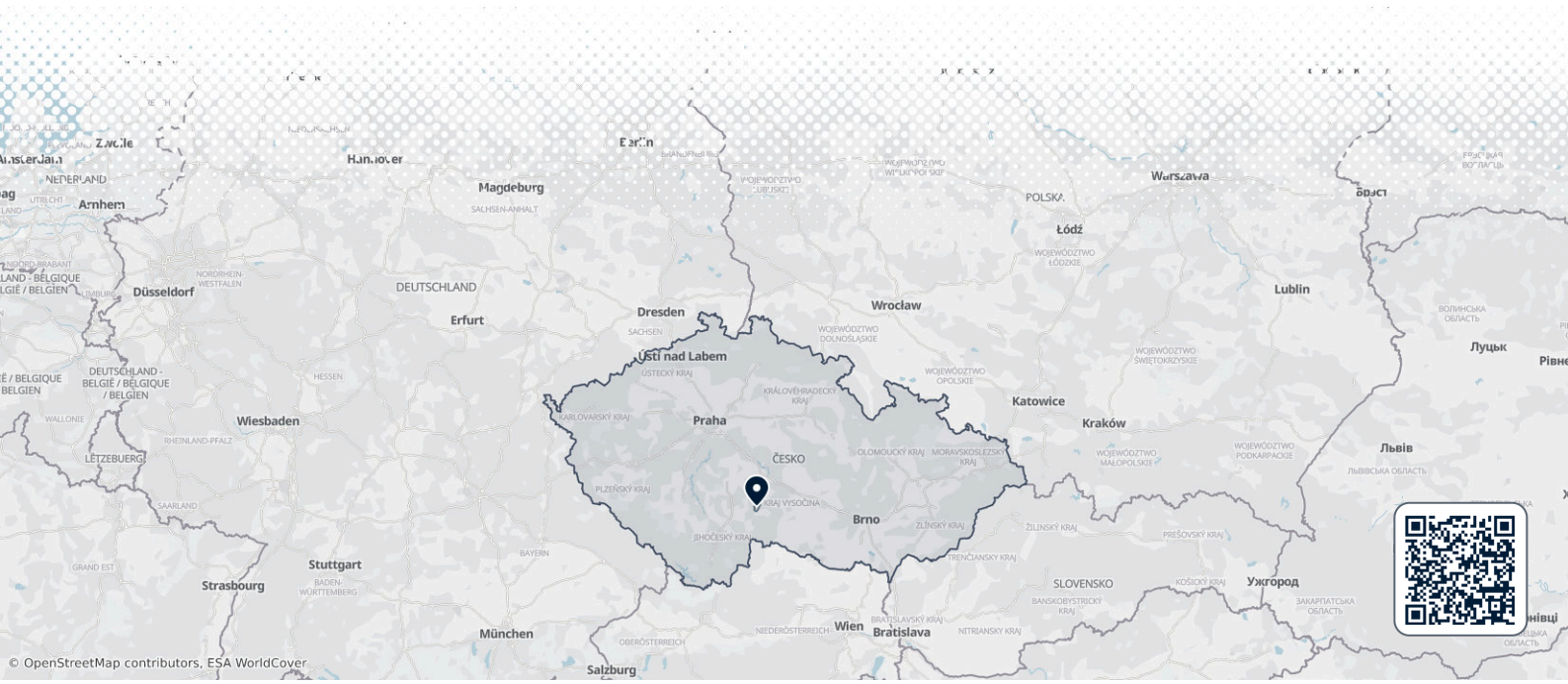


Kamenice nad Lipou

Vysočina Region · Czech Republic

TRAVEL GUIDE

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Overview

Kamenice nad Lipou is a small, quiet town in the hills of the Vysočina Region, close to the border with South Bohemia. Its centre is a protected historic zone, with a château and an English-style park at its heart.

The château belongs to the Museum of Decorative Arts in Prague and is known for its displays of historical toys. This makes the town a good stop for families, and for anyone who enjoys slow travel through the Bohemian-Moravian Highlands. The composer *Vítězslav Novák* was born here in 1870.

When to visit

Visit between May and September. This is when the château is open every day except Monday, and the summer tourist trains run. Spring and autumn are cool and quiet. Winters are cold, and the château is closed from November to March.

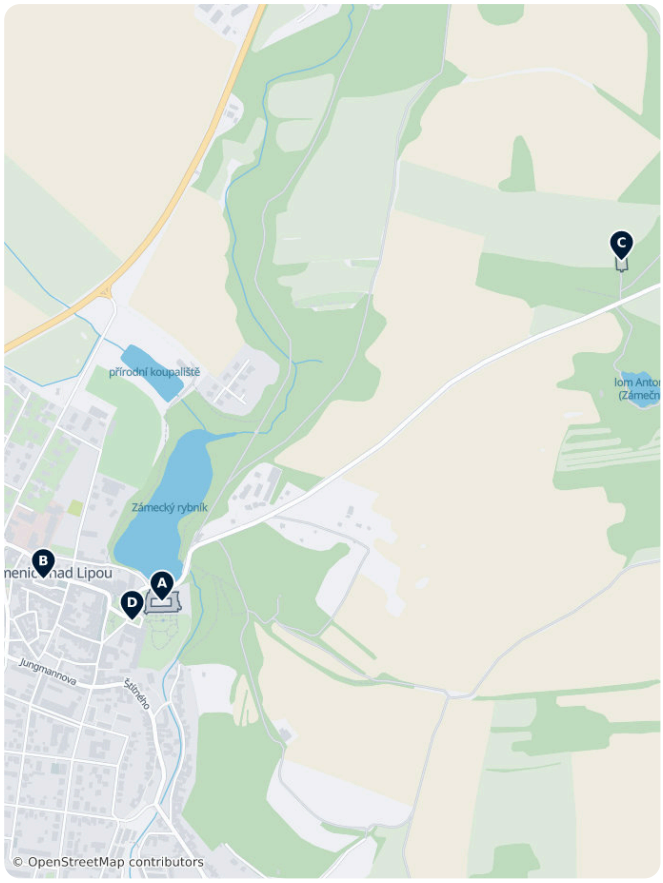
The biggest event is **Hračkobraní**, a summer festival of toys made from natural materials. It has been held at the château since 2006. Check the château's website for this year's dates.

MONTH	CONDITIONS	DAY °C avg / max	NIGHT °C avg / min	
January	Poor Poor for sightseeing	0° / 7° Feels like -6°	-6° / -15°	12 rainy days · Dry air
February	Poor Poor for sightseeing	2° / 10° Feels like -4°	-5° / -15°	Dry air
March	Poor Poor for sightseeing	7° / 15° Feels like 2°	-2° / -8°	Dry air
April	Poor Poor for sightseeing	13° / 21° Feels like 9°	2° / -4°	Dry air
May	Good Good for sightseeing	17° / 24° Feels like 14°	7° / 2°	15 rainy days · Dry air
June	Great Great for sightseeing	22° / 29°	11° / 6°	14 rainy days · Dry air
July	Good Good for sightseeing	24° / 31°	13° / 8°	16 rainy days · Dry air
August	Great Great for sightseeing	24° / 31°	13° / 8°	12 rainy days · Dry air
September	Good Good for sightseeing	19° / 27°	8° / 3°	Dry air
October	Fair Fair for sightseeing	13° / 21° Feels like 9°	4° / -2°	Dry air
November	Poor Poor for sightseeing	6° / 14° Feels like 1°	0° / -6°	Dry air
December	Poor Poor for sightseeing	1° / 7° Feels like -5°	-4° / -13°	Dry air

Best months: June, August

Climate data: NASA POWER (MERRA-2) · 1996–2025

Top sights



- A Zámek Kamenice nad Lipou is the town's main sight. It was rebuilt in the Renaissance style in 1580–1583 and got its present Neoclassical look in 1842. Today it holds toy exhibitions run by the Museum of Decorative Arts in Prague, including a display about the Schowanek wooden toy factory.
- The English-style château park surrounds the château. Its old linden tree is said to be 700 to 800 years old.
- B Kostel Všech svatých stands on the square. It has a Gothic core, a Renaissance exterior and a tall 17th-century tower. Look for the old tombstones set into its outer walls.
- The Chapel of St Mary Magdalene sits on Bradlo hill at the southern edge of town. A stone Way of the Cross from 1765 leads up to it.
- C Židovský hřbitov lies on the north-eastern edge of town. It was founded in 1803 and keeps more than 200 gravestones.
- D Pomník Vítězslava Nováka is a bust in the centre that honours the composer. It was unveiled in 1995, 125 years after his birth.

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What to experience

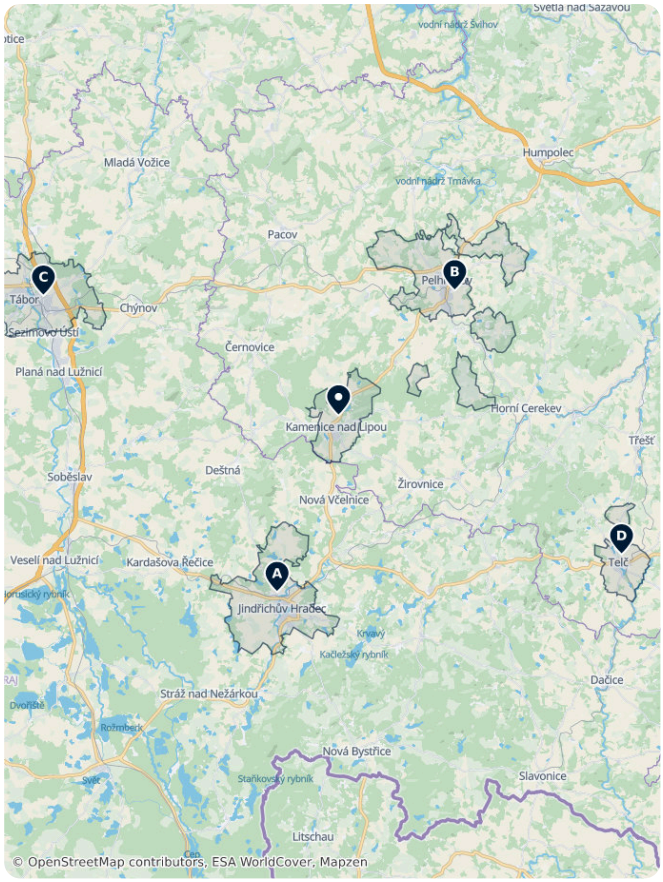
A few things to do here beyond sightseeing:

- **Ride the narrow-gauge railway.** In summer, tourist trains run on the historic line to Jindřichův Hradec, and some days are steam-hauled.
- **Join Hračkobraní.** At this summer toy festival, children can try old games and watch toys being made from natural materials.
- **Walk the Vítězslav Novák trail.** This educational trail passes the Jewish cemetery and the countryside around the town.

Day trips

Kamenice nad Lipou is a good base for short trips around the highlands and into South Bohemia. A car makes these much easier.

- Žirovnice (≈15 min by car): a small town whose château has some of the most extensive wall paintings in the country, plus a museum of button making.
- Ⓐ Jindřichův Hradec (≈25 min by car, or by the summer narrow-gauge train): a large castle and château complex above a pond, and a well-kept old town.
- Ⓑ Pelhřimov (≈25 min by car or bus): a historic town with a Renaissance square and a museum of records and curiosities.
- Ⓒ Tábor (≈45 min by car): the old Hussite town, with underground passages below its main square.
- Ⓓ Telč (≈50 min by car): a UNESCO World Heritage town with a square of colourful Renaissance houses and a château.



Where to explore

Kamenice nad Lipou lies in the Vysočina Region. Other towns in the region worth a visit are Pelhřimov, Humpolec, Jihlava and Telč.

Getting there

- **By air**: the nearest international airport is Václav Havel Airport Prague. From Prague, allow about 2 hours by car, a little more by public transport.
- **By train**: there are no regular mainline trains. Take a train to Tábor or Jindřichův Hradec and continue by bus. In the summer season, tourist trains on the narrow-gauge line from Jindřichův Hradec stop in Kamenice nad Lipou. See Narrow-gauge railway.
- **By bus**: regional buses connect the town with Pelhřimov and Jindřichův Hradec. Plan your trip at IDOS journey planner.

Getting around

- **On foot**: the centre is small. The château, park, church and square are all a few minutes apart.
- **Local buses**: regional buses serve the surrounding villages, but services are thin at weekends. Check times before you go.
- **Cycling**: quiet country roads and marked routes lead through the hills, but the terrain is rolling.

Getting around on foot & by bike

WALKABILITY

High

The château, park, church and square are all within a few minutes' walk of each other.

CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE

Moderate

Quiet country roads and marked routes, but the highland terrain is rolling.

Driving

- **Is a car worth it?**: not for the town itself, but yes for exploring the region. Public transport to nearby towns is slow.
- **Parking**: you can usually park near the main square and the château. It is easy to find a space outside the summer festival days.
- **Roads**: the town lies on road 34 between Pelhřimov and Jindřichův Hradec. In winter, highland roads can be icy.

Safety & health

Kamenice nad Lipou is a very safe, quiet town, and crime against visitors is rare. The main risks are outdoors. Check for ticks after walks in woods and meadows in spring and summer. Winter roads in the highlands can be icy.

History

Kamenice nad Lipou was first mentioned in writing in 1267. In the late 15th century, the lord *Jan of Šelmberk* gave the town new rights and privileges.

The Malovec family turned the old castle into a Renaissance residence in 1580–1583. In 1842 it was rebuilt again, in the Neoclassical style you see at Zámek Kamenice nad Lipou today. Since 1998 it has belonged to the Museum of Decorative Arts in Prague.

From the 18th century, the town grew with mining of silver and iron ore, and later with glassworks. A Jewish community also lived here. Židovský hřbitov is its main reminder today.

Country facts

Quick practical facts for the Czech Republic at a glance:

CURRENCY

CZK Kč

EMERGENCY

112

ELECTRICITY



Type C / Type E
230 V · 50 Hz

LANGUAGES

Czech

TAP WATER

Safe to drink

Kamenice nad Lipou Must-Sees

Kamenice nad Lipou is defined by its Renaissance chateau, which houses the Museum of Applied Arts' extensive collection of furniture and toys. The adjacent park is home to a legendary 800-year-old linden tree, the town's namesake. Visitors can explore the Baroque Church of All Saints or visit the Fábula fairytale land, an interactive family attraction. This selection covers the town's key historical landmarks and recreational spots.





A Kamenice nad Lipou Castle

Renaissance chateau managed by the Museum of Applied Arts in Prague. It hosts permanent exhibitions of 19th and 20th-century furniture and a specialized collection of historical toys.

1 náměstí Československé armády, Kamenice nad Lipou 39470, Czech Republic (49.30250, 15.07929)

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B Zámek

Historical chateau featuring a courtyard with arcades. It serves as a cultural venue and museum space for applied arts and local history.

(49.30251, 15.07930)

C Zámecký park

English-style park known for an ancient linden tree estimated to be over 700 years old. The grounds include walking paths and historical garden architecture.

V Oboře, 394 70 Kamenice nad Lipou, Czechia (49.30169, 15.07932)



D Church of All Saints

Gothic church dating back to the 13th century, later remodeled in the Baroque style. It features a prominent bell tower and historic interior decorations.

88 náměstí Husovo, Kamenice nad Lipou 39470, Czech Republic (49.30299, 15.07536)

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E Obecní úřad

Local municipal administration building.

(49.30398, 15.04342)



F Hostinec u loupežníka Bambitky

Themed restaurant offering regional dishes, located within the Fábula amusement park area.

362 Masarykova, Kamenice nad Lipou 39470, Czech Republic (49.29937, 15.07747)



G Pohádková říše Fábula

Interactive family theme park with fairytale-themed exhibits, creative workshops, and adventure games.

362 Masarykova, Kamenice nad Lipou 39470, Czech Republic (49.29933, 15.07726)

Mo–Su 10:00–18:00

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H Fabula fairytale land

Family entertainment center featuring theatrical performances and interactive fairytale scenes.

Masarykova 362, 394 70 Kamenice nad Lipou (49.29934, 15.07701)

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