

## EXCURSION NR. 1

### FLOODPLAIN FOREST AND BULHARY GAME PRESERVE



**TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2014**  
**14:00 - 17:00**

#### Program:

Guided by the professionals of the Forests of the Czech Republic you will learn more about:

- forest management issues with focus on sessile oak, natural regeneration and coppice forest;
- forest management and nature conservation nexus in a floodplain forest;
- game management and nature conservation nexus in Bulhary game preserve;
- hunting, game management and game preserves in the Mikulov area.

**Board Bus Nr. 1** in front of the Hotel Galant, Mikulov

Please, think of bringing **suitable shoes** and some water.

**Background:** Floodplain forest is the most significant forest type in the Mikulov region. These forests are preserved in the southern part of Dyje-Svratka River Valley and in belts along the Morava River, Dyje River, Svratka River and Jihlava River. They cover the total of 9,700 ha and they make up 30 % of all floodplain forests in the Czech Republic. Game management of red and fallow deer will be presented in the Bulhary Game Preserve.



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## EXCURSION NR. 2

### EXPLORE THE SOUTH MORAVIAN NATURAL TREASURE!



**TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2014**

**14:00 - 18:00**

**Board Bus Nr. 2** in front of the Hotel Galant, Mikulov

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**Background:** Protected Landscape Area Pálava is the westernmost area belonging to the Carpathian range constituted by paper white Jurassic limestone. It represents beautiful cultural and biodiversity hotspot with marvellous mixture of rather colder Carpathian and warmer steppic / Pannonian climate influence that mirrors enormously rich fauna and flora distribution. Cultural landscape includes mainly vineyards, orchards or alluvial forests along water streams.

#### **Program:**

Enjoy a walk through the Protected Landscape Area Pálava. An easy trail will lead to the top of the Stolová hill and to the Děvín hill (550 m a.s.l.), right in the heart of Protected Landscape Area Pálava and Site of Community Importance Děvín (406,3 ha), surrounded by National Nature Reserves called Tabulová – Růžový vrch - Kočičí kámen and Děvín – Kotel – Soutěska.

You will follow the mountain ridge guarded by the ruins of the castle Děvičky (Girl's castle) with a fantastic panoramic view of landscapes surrounding Mikulov and water dam Nové Mlýny (New Mills).

During the walk you will experience the most valuable extensive complex of Sub-Pannonic steppic grasslands as well as other open habitats such as rock-outcrop vegetation with *Festuca Pallens* and *Sesleria* grasslands. These valuable open habitats require special management by sheep grazing to prevent degradation and overgrowing with trees. Western colder slopes of the Děvín hill are also partly covered by forests. Sunny south-east oriented slopes are mainly covered by thermophilous oak forests.

In case of rain you will visit the Tuold cave in Mikulov.

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