

OSTRAVA

free map
for young travellers

made by locals

PROUD MINING HERITAGE

The "black Ostrava" label wasn't forgotten when the last mine cart disappeared in 1994, though it's only tourists who go down into old mine shafts now, and nature has already conquered the city's slag heaps. A couple of industrial relics still survive in the city, forming the scenery for our day-to-day work and life. Don't be prejudiced and allow the city to tickle your fancy. Ostrava is anything but black.

A SMOULDERING HILL

A volcano in the city centre? Yes, that's one way to call our EVA SLAG-HEAP. A slag heap is a hill made from the waste material from a coal mine. Nowadays they are an important part of the unique landscape of our city and a popular destination for Sunday outings. Follow the yellow-marked hiking trail from the Sýkora Bridge and experience the pungent smell once you climb up to the top to admire the view. You might spot the smoke coming from the ground as the slag heap still burns deep underground. You can only enter at your own risk but the sight of dog lovers, retired people and families will convince you there's a good chance of surviving.



LEAVE FOR THE WEEKEND

On Fridays at 17.00 all the roads out of the city are jammed and the city itself is almost deserted. The locals, however, do not have a break from each other, we meet up at our cabins and hiking trails in the Beskydy Mountains or at the "beaches" by reservoirs, lakes or ponds. And on Monday we get together again and share stories of their weekend.

THREE EXCLAMATION MARKS!!!

You'll either love them or hate them. Ostrava's logo of three exclamation marks (!!!) has divided locals into two groups – some get an endorphin rush when they see them, others get pumped with angry adrenaline. It would be in your best interest to join the first group, because these exclamation marks are everywhere – from T-shirts to garbage trucks. It is the only logo in the world that you can write as a text message: OSTRAVA!!!

CULTURAL OSTRAVA

The local culture took its time emerging in its full beauty from the ashes of the local coal. Nowadays, cultural events massively break through the city's outer industrial shell. Historic industrial monuments are being converted so they can host concerts and performances, and the streets regularly burst into life in the hands of cultural enthusiasts who want to make their city truly special. Culture is the

1 Cool Park

Park KOMENSKÉHO SAOY is a popular destination for sports, dog lovers, families with children and picknicking teens. In the middle there is a Red Army monument and tennis legend Ivan Lendl spent lots of time in the 70's.

2 Different view

Everyone changes their opinion about "black" Ostrava from the 85.6m viewing tower which gives a more nature-like panorama of trees, the nearby mountains and just occasionally factories. In the NEW CITY HALL you can also find a still working non-stop "paternoster" (elevator that move slowly in a loop up and down without stopping). November-February: Mon-Sun 09.00-17.00 March-October: Mon-Sun 09.00-19.00, 60 CZK

3 All You Need Is Love (And Coffee)

They understand coffee here. Therefore the staff from U ČERNÉHO STROMU regularly win the Barista Cup Ostrava award. We love to come here with a laptop too, to pretend we're working. The best flat white and bagel in town! Mon-Fri 6.30-20.00 Sat 9.00-18.00 Sun 13.00-18.00



4 Health food store

DOL MICHAL (the Michal coal mine) is a national technical heritage site preserved in exactly the same way it was left when the workers went home after the last day of mining (2nd of June 1994). The ghosts of the past can be felt everywhere. Grab a beer at the traditional miner's pub "U Cingra" – not a lot of jelling going on here, drinking is the preferred activity. You can take trolleybus no. 104 from the stop "Most Pionýrů" to the last stop "Michalovec". Tue-Sun 09.00-15.00, 100 CZK

5 Have a Drink with Students

MIRROR is close to the local universities, so no wonder it's packed with students here! Mon-Tue-Thu/Fri 10.00-01.00/02.00/03.00 Sat/Sun 17.00-03.00/01.00

6 Mining History

KVĚTOVARNA is a family-owned shop that is all about healthy and homemade. Warm up with their homemade hot fruit juice in winter or have it fresh in summer. You can also buy honey from the Jeseníky mountains or natural deodorant from the Beskydy mountains. Mon-Thu 09.00-17.00, Fri 09.00-16.00

7 Coffee with rabbit

The PET PUNK café has all the style - interiors, barbers, coffee, breakfast and snacks. Follow the white rabbit - the sign is a on the wall. Mon-Fri 07.00-19.00, Sat-Sun 09.00-15.00

8 Retro Chill out

Originally it was an apartment, and then KAVARNA DANIEL was turned into a retro 1930s-style coffee shop on the second floor of an Art Nouveau style building. Across the hall is the perfect accompaniment DUNBAR which offers mixed drinks. Daniel: Mon-Fri 11.00-23.00 Sat/Sun 15.00-23.00/02.00 Dunbar: Tue-Fri 15.00-23.00, Sat 18.00-23.00

13 Party Hard

At IKARUS bar, nobody cares about the time or your salary - the only thing that matters there is that you're having fun! It's a gay bar which is also famous thanks to its life-sized figurine of the mythical Icarus, which displays all the masculine details. Parties there last all night long till 5 or 7 in the morning. Mon-Thu 17.00-5.00, Fri-Sat 19.00-7.00

14 Drink fast

In the 2702 bar it literally pays to drink quickly. The prices of all drinks are damn low, but for every half hour spent here, you will pay 25 crowns (after 17.00 - 35 crowns). It only depends on you, how long and how much! Mon-Thu/Fri 10.00-19.00+23.00+ Sat 18.00-23.00+

15 A little Belgium

An authentic piece of Belgium right in the middle of Ostrava, offering typical fries, beer and sandwiches. This French-speaking oasis called LA PETITE CONVERSATION was one of the first bistros in the city centre, and they've kept their quality high ever since the first day. Not only with the food, the lively atmosphere and pleasant staff, but also the personal charms of the owner David. Mon-Thu/Fri 08.00-21.00/22.00, Sat 09.00-15.00

16 Fancy bistro

Bistro BOULE ZÁUSKHA has fancy plates, fancy drink and fancy, books but is not as ridiculously pricey as you may think. You can get it all from a healthy breakfast or brunch to a romantic dinner. Mon-Fri 8.00-22.00 Sat 10.00-15.00



17 Cocktail stories

The glory of cocktail bars reached Ostrava. The stylish UduSTAVA bar was started by local patron Filip and his wife Terezie and every drink has its own unique story described in the drink list. To get your story in there, look for a bar hidden below street level. Tu-Sa 18.00-24.00

18 Meet the meat

The streetfood bistro EAT MEAT on the pedestrian zone in the center fulfills its purpose literally. Inside it's often so busy that you have to take your hot dog, burger or pasteurized to eat it on the street or in the nearby park. Non-alcoholic beverages are from the US, everything else is local. Mon-Thu 11.00-19.00, Fri 11.00-18.00

19 Belgian Fries

In FANECY FRIES you can get either a cone or a jumbo size box full of freshly made Belgian-style fries and eat them on a bench by the river or strolling around the city. Do you find fries too ordinary? Ask for truffle mayo, if you want them really fancy. Mon-Fri 11.00-19.00

20 Cozy bistro

The friendly bistro TAKEZE TAK is ideal for fast breakfast or lunch, sandwiches or rolled ice cream. Mon-Fri 10.00-19.00

21 Freshly Fried Fish

Appetizers, soups, main courses, or desserts - all fish! At RYBARNA NA RYBNÍKU they know how to prepare it - smoked, poached, fried or pickled, fish with sweet plums or salty cheese. The fish in the



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OSTRAVA'S PEOPLE ARE "DISTINCTIVE"

Those are the words of the popular local singer Jarek Nobavicka. Since then, this has become a popular and well-known "fact". But nobody actually knows what this "distinctiveness" means in reality. We are definitely straightforward, honest and direct. Sometimes too honest and too direct. At least you know at all times if you are to expect a slap or a kiss instead.

SPEAK LIKE A LOCAL

Speak briefly, quickly, concisely and without embellishments. Don't be afraid to sprinkle a few swearwords in there too. We ain't got no time. More work, less chat. One more thing: we call Ostrava just Ova.

ACT

Full beauty from the ashes of the local coal Nowadays, cultural events massively break through the city's outer industrial shell. Historic industrial monuments are being converted, so they can host concerts and performances, and the streets regularly burst into life in the hands of cultural enthusiasts who want to make their city truly special. Culture is the new wind in the sails that Ostrava needed!

HAVE A DRINK WITH US!

A long time ago, when there was no Czech state and we belonged to the Austrian Empire, Ostrava was known as "Schnaps Stadt" – the city of booze. Hundreds of taverns and pubs are located all around the city. Ostrava parties smell of absinthe and Czech spirits such as fermet (a bitter herbal spirit) or zelená (green and minty-tasting) – hangover guaranteed! And another phenomenon has emerged – cafes. They have sprung up like mushrooms after the rain (as we say in Czech) during the last few years. Baristas compete in their art and inventiveness, and the locals are getting used to being pampered. If you like to hang out in a cafe or if you just really need a coffee after a night out, this town won't disappoint you!

SPORTY OSTRAVA

Czechs love football and ice hockey and Ostrava is no exception. The city's colours are blue and white. We are trying to keep our football team (Baník Ostrava) alive with the anthem "Baník, we are with you, we will never leave you..." (even though it's not really helping). Our ice hockey team (Viktorie) is playing much better – and we go cheer them at the Viktorie Arena.

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9 Dress to Impress

Street artist Sasaana displays and sells her own clothing line in the CITY FOLKLORE showroom. Buy a t-shirt from the "Forever Frack" collection (Forever Brag). Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00

10 Homemade Soups

Soup is traditionally the first course in the Czech cuisine. You can get soups prepared according to family recipes in POLVÁRNA ("Soup shop"). There's homemade pasta, quiche and desserts too. Mon-Fri 09.00-17.00

11 Second-Hand but First-Class

Charity stores MOMENT are not some dark rooms with piles of old rags, but nice stylish interiors designed by local architects, displaying carefully selected pieces. Each of the store donates all their money to a different charity. Even with only a few crowns in your pocket, you can not only make yourself happy, but also support charity for disabled children or school projects in Africa. Mon-Fri 09.00-18.00, Sat 09.00-12.00

12 5000m² for Art

Before the gallery of modern art PLATO will move to the reconstructed slaughterhouse next door, it is temporarily situated in an empty hobby market. Instead of traditional exhibitions, the gallery is a living experiment where its basic functional facilities such as a library, bistro and cloakroom are created by artists, complemented with workshops and exhibitions. Tue-Sun 10.00-18.00, 30 CZK

21 Freshly Fried Fish

Appetizers, soups, main courses, or desserts – all fish! At RYBARNA NA RYBNÍ they know how to prepare it – smoked, poached, fried or pickled, fish with sweet plums or salty cheese. The fish in the aquarium keep an eye on you, perhaps to make you feel guilty? Mon 9.00-15, Tue-Fri 09.00-22.00, Sat 10.00-21.00

22 Beer from the tank

RADEGASTOVNA pub takes a modern twist to the typical Czech pub. It feels like a franchise restaurant where you get beer from the tank, with sturdy food to match your drinking night. Mo-Thu 11.00-24.00, Fri-Sat 11.00-01.00 Sun 11.00-22.00

23 Czech designers shop

TY IDENTITY, the first concept store in Ostrava, is a tasteful and pleasant shop where young Czech designers offer their original pieces (mostly jewelry or clothing). Get an original present or souvenir of the city. Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 09.00-18.00, Sat 10.00-19.00

24 Original rolls

A true Ostravian would never talk badly about KATOWICKE RUIRY - crispy golden rolls with chocolate whipped cream. Eat them right away while they are still crunchy. Or get the new hit - black ice cream. Mon-Sat 9.00-19.00, Sun 14.00-19.00

25 Shady Beer

A classic Ostrava pub (with more than 100 years history) in the shade of a vast chestnut tree. SPOLEK has a big beer garden offering a cool oasis on hot days. We advise you to order two beers at once - the staff are never in much of a hurry. Mon-Thu 10.00-01.00, Fri 10.00-02.30 Sat/Sun 10.00-01.00/24.00

25 The House of Art

Gustav Klimt's painting Judith is the pride of the GALLERY OF FINE ART IN OSTRAVA. The small gallery exhibits European art, architecture or students' works of the local faculty of art. A dignified extension of the red brick building has been delayed for years because of financial shortfalls. If art isn't your thing, you can still visit the gallery café. Tue-Sun 10.00-18.00 100 CZK, Sunday free

27 Rave in Peace

KUD means "Peace", but you won't find any peace there! Dance with the DJ, move with the table football. The party starts and ends here. It's a full house when there's a full moon – then they always have some special beer on tap too. Mon-Sat 16.00-12.00/04.00, Sun 17.00-12.00

28 Intervention, Infiltration, Installation

Just like the cuckoo hides its eggs in the nests of other birds, the art platform KUČAKKA ("Cuckoo") places contemporary pieces of art into ordinary urban locations. One of the most original installations is certainly a miniature building on the top of a street lamp. You find it right next to the footbridge at Forum Nova Karolina shopping centre, which leads to the train station. Just look down from the footbridge as you cross it.

29 Recycled Karolín

In the past a spinning factory, now building called TROJHLÍ (Triple H) and a round square, which is behind the shopping centre called KAROLINA. Our tip: pick a pink bik rekoia.cz and take a ride along the Trojhlí. Mon-Fri 08.00-22.00, Sat Forum Nova Karolina: Mon-Sun 05

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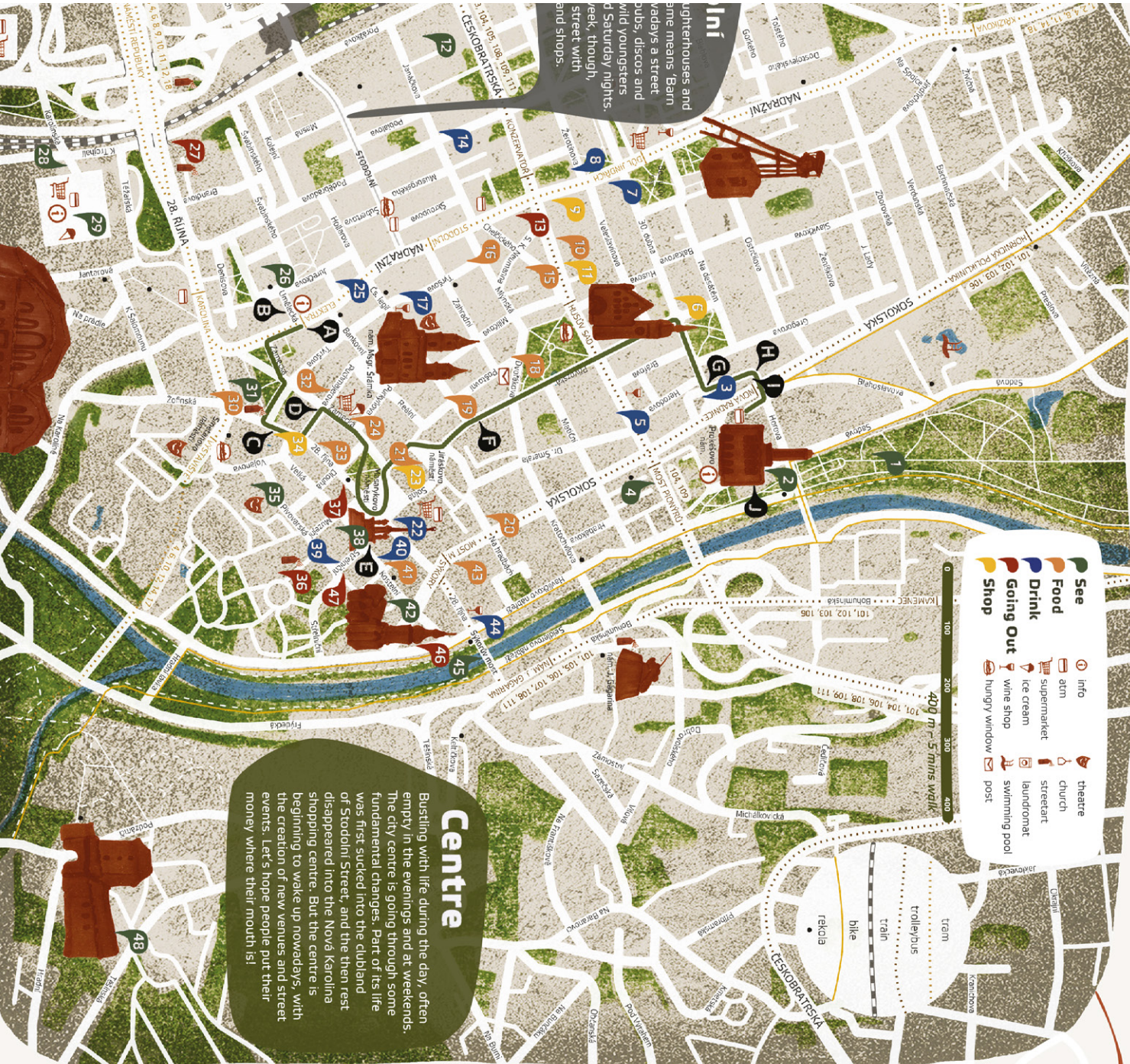
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Nightclubs and pubs means 'Barm' (bar) on weekends. Street clubs, discos and midweekers' nights. Street through, street through, street through.

- See** info church theatre
- Food** supermarket ice cream laundromat
- Drink** wine shop swimming pool
- Going Out** hungry window post
- Shop** atm street

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Tram
trolleybus
bike
train

Centre

Bustling with life during the day, often empty in the evenings and at weekends. The city centre is going through some fundamental changes. Part of its life was first sucked into the clubland of Štefánik Street, and the then rest disappeared into the Nová Karolína shopping centre. But the centre is beginning to wake up nowadays, with the creation of new venues and street events. Let's hope people put their money where their mouth is!

Tourist info

Tourist Offices
At train stations
(Hlavní nádraží, Švynov)
the tower of the New City Hall
Nová Karolína shopping mall
or near the Gallery of Graphic Arts.

Public Transport

Do you have a payment card? Then transport is sorted! On all buses, trams and trolleybuses you will find yellow terminals. Just touch a terminal with your card and you can go anywhere.

Bike-sharing

Download the Rejola app, find a bike with IC unlock it and ride anywhere. First 15 minutes for free, next 45 minutes for 18 CZK.
(March - November)

To the Airport

Take a train to Mošnov Ostrava Airport or a bus from the central bus station (JAH) near Nová Karolína.

Need a bed?

There is no youth hostel in Ostrava. Try Couchsurfing, Airbnb or student halls of residence
(kolleje.osu.eu, vsh.cz/bzbyrovan/en/)

Mobile Apps

Get the USE-IT app in iTunes or Google Play. Or get the "Salomon's Code" app and experience an active urban adventure.

40 Minicinema

Staring at you from the walls and the drinks menu, your every move will be followed by the faces of actors and characters from classic movies in MINIKINO KAVARNA. Two movies each day or special film festivals in an intimate screening room and dozens of drinks behind the bar.
Mon-Fri 10.00-23.45, Sat-Sun 14.00-23.45

41 Treats from the Beskydy Mountains

MILK BAR NAROTI is a social business selling snacks made from milk, cottage cheese, butter and yogurt. The design is minimal, the staff helpful. You can also "pre-pay and share" a cup of coffee for the next guest.
Mon-Fri 07.30-19.00, Sat-Sun 13.00-19.00

42 The Almost Forgotten Church

Not many locals know what's hidden near Masanek Square. St. Wenceslas' Church (KOSTEL SV. VACLAVA) offers six architectural styles, all in one piece. A human skeleton was found during the church's reconstruction. Its chest was covered by a heavy ceramic slab and three coins were placed in its mouth. Historians think these precautions were taken because people thought the deceased might become a vampire otherwise.

43 Fancy burgers

'Hogo fogo' in Czech means fancy or luxurious. But the higher-than-average prices in HOGO FOGO BISTRO reflect quality home-made burgers and tasty dishes from a well-tailored menu. The popular bistro recently moved to bigger premises in the historic redbrick house.
Mon-Fri 11.30-22.00

44 Tea Party

Take new age music, mix it with Turkish rugs, Moroccan tiles and add some tea - what you get is a typical Czech tearoom, a place which has gradually won its place alongside Czech pubs. Not that tea could ever pose a serious threat to beer but it's a serious alternative. The ČAJOVNA U SYKOROVA MOSTU is crammed with teapots but to recall the old times in Ostrava, there's also a chain-system changing room which was used by the miners in the past. Apart from the fresh tea, you can try the vegetarian, vegan or gluten-free food, either at tables or sitting on cushions.
Mon-Fri 11.00-22.00/23.00
Sat-Sun 14.00-23.00/22.00

45 Coffee, Beer, Food & Party

The MILOS SYKORA BRIDGE connects two historic parts of Ostrava with a strong steel arch. It was named after a local hero who was shot by the Nazis after he saved the bridge from being blown up during the Red Army's liberation of Ostrava. This event is commemorated by Tank No. 051, the first one to cross the bridge to the Silesian part of Ostrava. Today it looks over the bridge from the monument next to the river.

46 A Bridge to History

Drop anchor in the DOCK! Locals love the atmosphere, beer from local breweries, always something good to eat, and in summer, outside seating by the river. The cherry on top is the music selection, which somehow always suits the situation - whether you drop by for a cup of coffee in the afternoon, or whether you feel like partying till the early morning. Next door is Ostrava's essential music club BARRAK with international, Czech or local bands playing rock, punk, metal, even hip hop.
Mon-Thu 11.00-24.00, Fri 11.00-02.00
Sat 18.00-02.00

47 A frog or monkey?

A small pub owned by a young couple offering an unusual choice of beers from mini-breweries (with great names like Frog, Drunken Monkey and others) and ordinary pub snacks. BABYLON CAFE is a cozy place to hang out with your friends, chat and pet the resident dog.
Mon-Fri 16.00-24.00, Sat 18.00-24.00

48 A Different Castle

Most castles are built on hills. But not the SILESIA OSTRAVA CASTLE (Slezskostravský hrad) It lies just over the river from the city centre, along a path leading to the Frna slag-heap. It nearly sunk without a trace in 1954 due to coal mining under it, and it was close to being demolished but thankfully it was rescued and now it's a venue for cultural events and exhibitions.
March - December 10.00-18.00, 80 CZK



Muse of Art

During the 19th century, the city of Ostrava was a hub for European students of art. The city's art scene was vibrant, with many artists and galleries. The city's art scene was vibrant, with many artists and galleries. The city's art scene was vibrant, with many artists and galleries.

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30 All in one

In the beautiful renovated building of student dormitory CAMPUS PALACE there are four places to tempt your tastebuds. Start with a raw cake or a smoothie from the vegan bistro "Black Kafé", take a beer in the "Realita Gaming Bar" or meal in the "Bistro Bocca" and sweet pastry at the "Sladky easy". The cool courtyard of the dorm is a nice setting if you go for take-away.

31 Ostravica's New Symbol

OSTRAVICA-TEXTILA, a former department store with an uncertain future, has a new face since autumn 2016 – a painting called MADONNA. In the real world the girl's name is Meredith, and the painting was created by her friend, the American street artist Nils Westergaard. In just a weekend, the girl is symbolically looking up, hoping for better tomorrows. It seems as if she's saying: "It won't be easy, but everything is going to end up fine." We'll wait and see.

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33 Not Just for Vegetarians

BURFI is a vegetarian restaurant you can't leave with an empty stomach because second helpings are free. The daily menu includes soup, main dish, salad, dessert and drink. Mon-Fri 11.00-17.00

34 Pure Creativity

If you don't want to wear fast-fashion pieces or you wish to impress other people with a unique accessory, drop by at CIPK. There you can find clothes, accessories and jewellery by Czech designers with skilful hands and creative minds. Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00

35 Puppet clock

The ASTRONOMICAL CLOCK on the Puppet Theater building does not tell you what time is, it contains only the symbol of the sky with the stars, but three doors hide six wooden fairy-tale characters. We're not telling you which, you'll find out every even hour between 8.00 and 20.00.

36 Culture in the centre

The cultural centre COLOUTOUR is not only the birthplace of the USE-IT Ostrava map but also a creative place filled with dance, theater, concerts (program at fb.me/cooutourval). In summer, visit the outside seating area made from shipping containers, which also serves as a rental shop for refurbished bikes. Mon-Sun 15.00-22.00, Tue-Fri 10.00-22.00 weekend depending on events

37 A Grand Old Lady of Culture

Follow up a spiral staircase to the first floor of an Art Nouveau building where STARÁ ARÉNA connects theater, cinema and café. The house from the Reisz family has a long tradition of growing and sometimes dying of Ostrava's culture. Mon-Thu/Fri 8.00-24.00, Sat 9.00-2.00, Sun 13.00-2.00/24.00

38 History of Ostrava

The OSTRAVSKÉ MUZEUM, a museum of local history, resides in the former city hall. While you're there, don't miss the chance to go to the top of the tower. When it gets dark, the background of the illuminated clock gives you a perfect chance to perform shadow theatre for the whole square below. Mon-Fri 9.00-17.00, Sat 9.00-13.00 Sun 13.00-17.00, 70 CZK museum, 20 CZK tower

39 Poets, Artists and the Green Fairy

In the absinth club LES you may meet poets, actors, filmmakers, musicians or just get drunk on absinth. They host concerts, theatre performances or poetry nights in the basement and you can still smoke inside! To get in you need to tell the password (find the Czech word for sagebrush!). Daily 17.00-02.00



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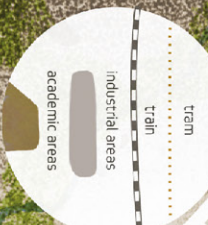
HEAVY INDUSTRY ART WALK



In the first half of the 20th century, heavy industry and coal mining made their mark on the centre of the city. Houses were copiously decorated with reliefs or life-sized statues of miners celebrating this tough but proud profession. So look upwards and take a tour of Ostrava's past carved into stone.

- See** **Info** **Food** **Drink** **Going Out** **Shop**
- atm supermarket ice cream wine shop hungry window post theatre church streetart laundromat swimming pool

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500 m – 20 mins walk



Poruba

A university quarter with a touch of socialism intersected by the main boulevard – officially called Hlavní Trida, but still known by older locals as 'Leninka' because a statue of Lenin once stood above it and watched everyone closely. Now Poruba is known as the most desirable residential area in Ostrava.

Mariánské hory

Mariánské Hory is a place where many "outsiders" are afraid to walk at night. But go ahead and get off the tram at the Mariánské náměstí stop – stroll around the former workers' cottages of an old coal mine . Nowadays this is a residential district with plenty of businesses, but also some beautifully preserved architecture. The most interesting street is Bendlova, once famous for its chestrut avenue and junk shops. Check out the battered shop signs – some of them still lead to an Aladdin's cave of activity. Then get a bit of a workout in a game of DiscGolf – a bit further on, near the gasholder.

Vítkovice

The industrial district of from the ironworks. Get (tram no. 2 from the city brick houses, look through and get a glimpse of the old workers' cottages of this district. Rothschild's Empire – hidden among the halls on Výšavní

Sorela

A bombastic architectural style typical of 1950s Czechoslovakia. With an emphasis on grandeur, glorification of miners and good communist families. Sculptures and murals full of hammers and sickles. Check out the legendary VEŽIČKY (Towers) with their unique decorations. Go down the street to get to OBLOUK (Arch) which was intended to be the grand triumphal entrance into the "New Ostrava" – inspiration for the architects came from St Petersburg in Russia.



Triumphal entrance into the "New Ostrava" - Inspiration for the architects came from St Petersburg in Russia.

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49 Beer Paradise

KURNIK ŠOPA ("Parníček") is an out-of-the-way but very lively pub serving beers mainly from small breweries. With that, have some tláčka (head brewee) and utopenec (sausage with onions in sweet-sour water). There is a second branch of the pub in the city centre too.
Mon-Sun 16.00-01.00

50 Student's party clubs

Looking for a p-p-p-pp-pp-pp during the week? Look no further - just go to the Technical University's dormitories in Poruba. It's always lively in **VRTULE** (Propel) and **T2**. Themed parties every Wednesday. Experience Ostrava's student life!
T2: Mon-Thu 16.00-02.00, Fri 18.00-03.00
Sat-Sun 18.00-01.00
VRTule: Mon-Wed/Thu 17.00-02.00/01.30
Fri/Sat-Sun 18.00-02.00/01.00

51 Beer, jukebox, football

In Czech, for some strange reason, the word "railway" is the same as "student dormitory". The student pub **WMGON** with beer from microbreweries, jukebox, events and table football guarantees student fun every night.
Mon-Sat 16.00-03.00, Sun 18.00-24.00

52 Forest park with pub

A piece of serene nature not far from the city. Ideal to walk, have a grill party or just have a chat with your friends and a guitar around a campfire. To reach the **MYSLUNA** pub (meaning "hunting lodge"), get off at the "Fakultní nemocnice" stop, go down the street "K Myslivně" and then into the street "V Zahradách". Or be adventurous and walk across a field starting at the Technical University dormitories.
Mon-Sun 12.00-22.00

53 Coffee with a View

The paradise for coffee-lovers **ALTERNATIVA** is opposite the university and students have a 15% discount. Coffee comes from the famous roasting shop "The Bean" in Berlin, but don't hesitate to try the homemade lemonades, soups and raw desserts either. The best spots are by the window with the view of passing trains.
Mon-Sun 8.30-19.00

54 Hipster cafe

How about having coffee? Flawless, cappuccino, latte or ordinary espresso, I always like to go to the **CO KAFE**. A meeting with a friend, work-from-wherever or a date - you can do it!
Mon-Fri 7.30-19.00
Mon-Sun 10.00-19.00



55 The Passage Gallery

The constantly open exhibition space **GALERIE FORMER** lies in the passage of the former cinema. Besides art it allows you to explore the construction of Poruba suburb on the historic photos or just sit and watch the city pass by.



56 Open Sandwich Heaven

MÍČKA JIDEJNA ASTRÁ serves open sandwiches (obložený chlebiček) - slices of white bread spread with combinations of mayonaisse-based salads and hard-boiled egg, cheese, ham or salami. Super unhealthy, super good.
Mon-Fri 6.30-18.30, Sat 6.30-12.00

57 Open kitchen

Up-to-date cuisine in the modern bistro **SKOC DO POLE** with an open kitchen. Meals are served from seasonal ingredients and guarantee a constantly changing menu.
Mon-Thu 11.00-22.00, Fri-Sat 11.00-23.00

58 Cupcakes

Your are eating with your eyes here! Try homemade cupcakes and macarons made with love by the tattooed and cheery confectioner Třiška in her "Sweet Kingdom" (**SLADKÉ KRALOVSTVÍ**).
Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00

59 Little Greece in the Chateau

To get a piece of the Mediterranean you don't have to take a flight to Greece. Just go for a lunch or dinner at **AGIU GEORGIU** in the historic Poruba chateau. Fresh ingredients and smiles aplenty.
Mon-Thu 17.00-22.00, Fri-Sun 12.00-22.00

60 Aviary Between Houses

The outdoor **BIRDPHOUSE** (AVIARY) in the shape of a castle is a reminder of Ostrava's mining tradition. In the past, a canary used to be part of every mining family - they served as methane detectors. In mines, when oxygen was running low, they passed out first and that was a sign for the humans to get out fast.

61 Once upon a Time

Take bus no. 34 or 56 from the M. to **LANDEK PARK**. This is where the statue known as the Venus of Poruba. Don't be afraid of going into the tour of the Anselm coal mine, learn about the hard lives of miner part of Ostrava's history. Go for a grounds and take a look at the mine do some sports. If you get hungry, and get a homemade burger prepa ingredients. Or try traditional Czech "herenda u Baborky". Sport areas daily 07.00-22.00, m 09.00-18.00 during tourist season otherwise closed on Mon. audio guide available in English for



Mariánské hory

Mariánské Hory is a place where many "outsiders" are afraid to walk at night. But go ahead and get off the tram at the Mariánské náměstí stop - stroll around the former workers' cottages of an old coal mine - **DK**. Nowadays this is a residential district with plenty of businesses, but also some beautifully preserved architecture. The most interesting street is Bendlova, once famous for its chestnut avenue and junk shops. Check out the battered shop signs - some of them still lead to an Aladdin's cave of activity. Then get a bit of a workout in a game of DiscGolf - a bit further on, near the gasholder.

Vitkovice

The industrial district of Ostrava full of noise from the ironworks. Get off at Mírové náměstí (tram no. 2 from the city centre) to see red-brick houses, look through all the secret niches and get a lungful of the unique atmosphere of the old workers' cottages. The former wealth of this district can be seen in the Rothschild's Empire-style chateau, hidden among the factory halls on Vystavní Street.

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OSTRAVA LIVES!

"Czech" out how busy Ostrava is during the year:

COLOURS OF OSTRAVA

A four-day multi-genre music festival has become an integral part of Ostrava's scene, so don't miss it if you're here during summer. It evolved from a small festival with only a few stages on Stodolní Street to become one of the biggest music events in the country. It's held in the awesome industrial Dolní Vitkovice area. A few days earlier the streets in the centre burst into life with the accompanying event - **Festival on the Streets**, which is completely FREE! (mid-July)

OTHER MUSIC FESTIVALS

Club festival around the city - **Pendel (February)**, Student Festival **Majáles (beginning of May)**, dance festival **Beats for Love (July)**, metal festival **Ostrava in flames**.

FILM FESTIVALS

Movie-lovers can enjoy many film festivals during the year. The festival of cinematography **Ostrava Kamera Oko (September)**, the Festival of Outdoor Films (September), the **French Movie Festival (November)**, documentaries **One World (March)**, the **Nordic Film Autumn** and **Winter (November/March)** or the German movie festival **Ostrau Der Kulturpunkt. (April)**

THE WHIMSICAL CELEBRATION OF OSTRAVICE

Street festivities on the banks of the Ostravice River close to the **Sikora bridge**. The main attraction is the display of unconventional river-craft. (end of June)

SUMMER IN FRONT OF COOLTOUR

Concerts, party and summer cinema in the outdoor garden by **Cooltour**. (June - August)

EXPERIENCE OSTRAVA DIFFERENTLY

A big **neighbourly celebration** with dancing, workshops, flea markets and other events helping to cement relationships between neighbours in different quarters. (September)

CIRKULUM

This festival of new circus and street theatre transforms Poruba's main boulevard (**Hlavní třída**) into an artistic pedestrian zone. (June)

NATO DAYS

The biggest display of military hardware in Central Europe, held at the nearby airport in **Mošnov**. Free entry! (end of September)

PEČAKUČKA NIGHT OSTRAVA

A popular evening showcasing different types of art with an after-party, always held in a different place. Ostrava **Pečakučka** can boast the third largest attendance in the world during the tenth evening. And it's getting even more ambitious (*four times a year*)

RESTAURANT DAY OSTRAVA

This international homemade food festival hosts over 30 companies in the **centre of the city**, where amateur chefs cook with love twice a year. (May and November)

MEAT DESIGN OSTRAVA

Ostrava has its very own design week with Czech, Slovak, Hungarian and Polish designers and brands. Held at the **Hlubina Mine** in the **Dolní Vitkovice** area. (end of November)

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1924 The so-called Great Ostrava was created by merging
the seven Moravian municipalities into one.

1950 Ostrava became the center for the development of
mining, steel and other branches of heavy industry. At
that time the city was called "the town of coal and iron"
or "the steel heart of the republic".

1994 The last coal trolley driven from the Oder pit in Pivovar ended more than
two centuries of active mining business in Ostrava.

1998 The blast furnace of Vítkovice was extinguished but the
sight of it still forms forms a significant urban dominance.

2012 Completion of the 1st phase of revitalization of
the Dolní Vítkovice area and the new city center.

Bullshit = chujovina

Girl = děvucha

Group of friends = partyla

Hello = zdůř

Idiot = cyp

Never mind = chuj s tym

Condom = olacka

To rain = lúchat

Swimming pool = koupák

That's nice! = fajn

Vomit = grcat

DOLNÍ VÍTKOVICE

The **HLUBINA COAL MINE**
is a miniature city quarter
filled with culture, fun and
industrial history. Start the morning
with a little workout on the **TENDON**
mine's tower. Take a look at the **PROVOZ HLUBINA**
"culture factory" run by young enthusiasts keen to support
emerging artists. Before or after a movie at **CINEPORT**
cinema, grab a coffee in café **MARYČKA**. Local legend and singer-
songwriter Jarek Nohavíčka built his own club **HELIGONKA** here,
where he not only hosts his own concerts (usually sold out), but
also invites theatre troops and other performers. Another music club
BRICKHOUSE brings hip-hop, rock, pop and metal to Ostrava.

The **VYSOKÁ PEC (blast furnace) no. 1**
is close by. Take the lift to the top, where you can listen to an audio
guide about iron-making and grab another coffee in the glass **BOLT**
TOWER café on top.

Next there's a bit of learning and fun combined, in two parts of the
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTRE. The smaller one (also called
UG) has been designed to honour the legacy of Jules Verne and his
adventure books. Dive into the discoveries, experiments, mistakes...
and try your hand at how a steam machine and other inventions work.
The bigger and newer part of the Centre (you can't miss its modern
mirror glass building) also has its own botanical garden and cinema!

After that, all that's left is to visit the huge hall called the **GONG**. It's
a concert and theatre auditorium, which was created by converting
a former gasholder. The whole Vítkovice area is a popular venue for
various musical festivals, the biggest
of which is called **Colours of Ostrava**.
Party amidst the pipes and factory halls,
and soak up the industrial atmosphere.

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