



ZOO PARK VYŠKOV and DinoPark

Meeting of domestic and prehistoric animals from the entire world.
1965 – Opening of the zoological garden – founder Zdeněk Sokolíček



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1. Departure - DinoPark and Observatory

DinoPark is a unique amusement park and presents about 40 sound-making, static and moving prehistoric life-size saurians.

- Attractive views and stories which could originate in the time of their life.
- Transport from the ZOO to DinoPark and back by special Dino Expresses.
- Projection of 4D cinema; nature trail; paleontological playground for the youngest...
- *Volemia Nobilis* – a Mesozoic plant which was found in Australia.

Observatory Vyškov

Freely open to the public in the area over DinoPark, it offers daily observation of the Sun during the summer season. By means of special telescopes you can observe movement in photosphere and chromosphere. In the surroundings of the observatory you will compare the sizes of planets of our solar system in comparison with the Sun. Educational boards will inform you about some interesting facts about cosmic surroundings of the Earth. Students of astrophysics will guide you and when the sun is hidden behind the clouds, a presentation from cosmos and space flights is prepared for you.

You can buy animal food at the box office. PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE ANIMALS WITH YOUR OWN FOOD, YOU COULD HARM THEM!

2. Exposition Asia: *Domestic Bactrian Camel* – the wild form remains in the steppes of central Asia. Camelids - they lift both their legs on one side of their bodies at the same time. *Domestic Yak* – in mountainous areas of central Asia, it is predominantly used as a beast of burden and is crossbred with domestic cattle which are then more resilient as a result. *Domestic Angora Goat*, *Domestic Mongolian Wheel*

3. Exposition Africa: *Arabian Camel* – in Africa and southwest Asia, it has served as a riding animal and for transport of loads for centuries. *Ankole Watussi* is reared by the Maasai in the steppes of east Africa around Lakes Victoria and Tanganyika. *West African Dwarf Goat*, *Cameroun Wheel*, *Ostrich*.

4. South America: *Lama* – an important domestic animal in South America is still today used for transport of loads, however, it is able to carry only up to 50 kg so cannot be used for riding. It is also reared because of its tasty meat which is salted and sun-dried, known as “charqui”. *Greater Ruda* lives in pampas of South America.

5. Our Grandma's Yard is a hands-on part of the Zoo – a farmhouse yard with its animal inhabitants – goats, sheep, pigs and poultry which you can feed with animal food bought at the box office. Here, the animals could be dangerous while being fed!

6. Pavilion of Gallinaceans – here, you can compare decorative breeds of hens with fighting ones, heavy-bodied with the dwarf ones. Take note of the various types of crests and also the way they are feathered.

7. Lower Log Cabin Paddocks – Horse Family: *Shire Draft Horse* – was bred from original English, Flemish and Friesian horses in England in the 19th century. It is considered the best draught horse, it is extremely strong – a pair of these horses might be able to pull up to 50 tons of loads. *Fjord Pony* – a small Nordic breed of the domestic horse, in looks similar to Przewalski's horse. It was bred in Norway, nowadays often reared for riding in Denmark and Germany.

8. Walk-through Aviary with water features designed for Anseriformes (ducks), pheasants and Columbiformes (pigeons).

9. Upper Log Cabin Paddocks - Cattle: *Domestic Water Buffalo* – is reared in southeast Europe, south Asia and north Africa. It is a good drought animal – it is stronger than the horse, supplies fatter milk, although less of it. *Pygmy Zebu* – a small form of the most widespread domestic cattle of the tropical and subtropical parts of southeast Asia and Africa. It is of low agricultural significance. European *Domestic Cattle* - Hungarian Gray was reared in Hungary before the actual settlement of Hungarians. *Scotland Highland Cattle* – a primitive breed from Scotland and the Hebrides is reared in pastures throughout the year for its meat the taste of which resembles venison.

What else can you find in the zoo?

Ring-tailed lemurs, South American coatis, raccoons, raccoon dogs, donkeys, Siberian cats, an exposition of rabbits, tarpans and ponies, geese and ducks, Demoiselle cranes and many other animals.



10. The Guide to the Haná Farmhouse Environmental Centre

The Haná Farmhouse

The replica of the turn-of-the-19th-and-20th-century farmhouse was built in June 2011. In its construction, some traditional building materials were used, such as reed for the farm's roof, clay plaster for the interior. Find a shed, a dovecote, rabbit hutches, a dung hole, and a period earth-closet in the courtyard. From the courtyard, enter the retired farmer's home – a room and a kitchen. Through the second entrance, explore other farmhouse areas – a kitchen, a room, a smoke kitchen, and a larder. The equipment and furnishings of the farmhouse are period. The stove is built from period tiles and is working.

The Environmental Centre

Having seen the farmhouse, you will find yourselves in the environmental centre with the following themed exhibitions:

1. Water – information boards tell visitors about organisms living in water and its surroundings, principles of cleaning sewerage water and water treatment in order to gain drinking water, various options of protecting water and the water cycle in nature.
2. Land – on display in the barn, there are old agricultural machines, in the showcases there are some of the traditional crops and products made from them. On the ground floor of the barn, the exhibition focuses on the issue of land and life within it. The information boards will help visitors learn about organisms living in land.
3. Biological buildings – another topic in the barn concerns biological buildings
Use the lift or the staircase to get to the mezzanine floor (above the farmhouse):
4. Man uses animals – livestock and its products, using domestic animals in various fields of human activities, the process of domestication...
5. Animals living close to man – getting to know creatures living in our homes without our explicit invitation (mice, rats, swallows, pigeons, moths, spiders, flies and many more). There is also a children's area.

The barn's top floor is dedicated to the following themes:

6. Landscape and biomass
 7. Air and climate – informs about the issue of polluted air, sustainable and unsustainable energy sources.
- In the basement (use the lift or staircase), there is a terrarium – aquarium.

11. Snack bar and exit

This way you can go across Chateau's garden to the square. In the summer season you can visit:

- Vyškov town-hall tower
- guided tours of up to 20 persons
 - open daily from 10.00 am to 5.30 pm.