



# CZECH REPUBLIC

# PRAGUE

## ATTRACTIONS

**Sandeman's New Europe Walking Tour:** Departs from Old Square. They are free but you should tip your tour guide.

**Charles Bridge:** Beautiful bridge in the city center. Look at the different vendors across the bridge.

**Astronomical Clock:** The clock was first installed in 1410 and it is the oldest astronomical clock still operating. Be sure to visit this during the hourly performance at the clock. The walking tours can explain the different clock mechanisms and the symbols meanings.

**Lennon Wall:** Super popular photo taking spot. Bring a sharpie to sign the wall.

**Prague Castle:** Recommend walking to the top for a beautiful view of prague.

**Babies at Kampa Park:** Beautiful sculpture park to wander in the warm weather

**Petrin Hill:** Climb the hill to the top at sunset and up to the Petrin tower.

**Prague Beer Museum:** If you like beer they have 30 different kinds to choose from. At the completion of your self guided tour you can get 5 or 10 tasters and four come included with your ticket.

**Letna Park and Beer Garden:** Beautiful park overlooking the city. It is a great place to have a picnic or hang out. There is an area with benches and picnic tables with a bar to get some snacks up at the top.

## FOOD

Eat the street food/christmas market goodies!

**Trdelnik:** A delicious pastry made from rolled dough that is wrapped around a stick, then grilled and topped with sugar and walnut mix. Often filled with nutella/ice cream.

**Good Food:** Get a trdelnik here. They have so many combinations and fillings to choose from.

**Bakeshop:** Casual brunch spot near the Old Square. Fantastic eggs on croissant

**Bohemia Bagel:** Great if you are craving an American breakfast.

**Cafe Savoy:** A more limited brunch menu but very good.

**Cantina:** Amazing mexican food. Cash only.

**Noi:** Thai food.

**Staromestska:** Traditional cuisine – goulash, beers, wienerschnitzel.

**U Bulinu:** Trendy take on Czech traditional eats.

**Hotel U Prince:** Sit on the rooftop it's an amazing view, slightly more expensive.

**Shalom:** Kosher food.

**King Solomon:** Kosher food.

## NIGHTLIFE

Drink Prazka when you go out. It is the ciroc of Prague

**Bed Lounge:** Hookah bar and bed lounge where you can sit on beds inside and grab drinks.

**Blind Eye:** Former speakeasy.

**Bombay Bar:** Nice cocktail bar to pregame at before going out. Recommend Chipito shots.

**Bugsy's Bar:** Great place to drink if you want a relaxed and chill cocktail bar with good drinks.

**Lucerna:** Really popular place for students abroad. On Friday nights it's 90s themed. Go during the day or day before to get tickets so you can skip the line. Tickets are 4 dollars. Really fun night!

**Retro:** Fun dance bar, great on Wednesday nights.

**The Pub:** There are several locations but not all of them have tap your own. Here you can tap your own beer from touch screen at your booth. Really fun to come with a group of friends and when it is busy it gets competitive table vs. table.

**Usudu:** Hidden gem underground tunnel bar with a variety of drinks and amazing beer. wine bar/kavarna – a lot of underground rooms and cave like tunnels.

## JEWISH ACTIVITIES

The Jewish community of Prague has survived both the Holocaust and Communist rule, and Jewish life is now undergoing a period of revitalization. Prague is unique in that the old Jewish quarter was preserved during WWII, making it an extremely popular tourist destination for Jews and non-Jews alike. While the Jewish community is small, there are a variety of organizations and opportunities for students to get involved in Jewish life and there are social organizations geared for student and young adults, which welcome foreign student participation and leadership. There are also a few Kosher restaurants in Prague.

**Bejt Simcha:** A Progressive (Reform) community that holds weekly Friday night services in Czech. The community also holds services and communal meals for High Holidays, albeit mainly in Czech.

**Chabad of Prague:** An Orthodox Lubavitch organization that welcomes Jews of all backgrounds. They hold Friday night, Saturday morning and Holiday services, and have free meals for students at their on-site restaurant, Shelanu. It's an open and welcoming environment, but important to know that announcements are made in Hebrew to cater to the large Israeli tourist population. The rabbi and his wife also hold Jewish learning sessions, where students are welcome.

**Czech Union of Jewish Students (CUZM):** A well organized group of Czech university students and young professionals who organize social and cultural events, as well as some Shabbat and Holiday meals. Most group members speak excellent English and love having international students join their events!

**Jewish Community of Prague:** The central Orthodox community holds traditional Friday night and Holiday services in Hebrew at the Alt Neu Synagogue, the oldest active synagogue in Europe. They also have weekly Saturday morning services at the Jerusalem Street Synagogue. They also have a Kosher restaurant inside the Community building on Maiselova Street in a beautiful former synagogue hall, and host occasional communal Shabbat meals there too. The community is very strict in its membership and attendance policies - connect with staff before attending to ensure you will be able to pass through security.

**Masorti Prague:** A Conservative community specializing in hosting students that holds frequent Friday night and Holiday services in Hebrew and English that are very accessible to international students. Led by Rabbi Ron, an American living in Prague, the community often organizes community meals for students at Dinitz Kosher restaurant or at Rabbi Ron's home.

**Moishe House:** A group of students and young adults that live together in an apartment and put on several events a month (Jewish and non Jewish events for local young Jews) often in conjunction with CUZM. Events include falafel nights, yoga, Shabbat dinners, study hours, etc. All of the residents speak excellent English and love having international students join. Their events are publicized in a private, secret Facebook group (usually there's an English translation under the Czech event description) so connect with KAHAL staff to get access!

**Dinitz:** Run by an Israeli, serving excellent Middle Eastern food and other meat dishes right in the city centre. The owner Gabi is a great friend of KAHAL's and always makes our students feel welcome. He enjoys hosting large student dinners and tends to give student discounts too!

**Kosher Food Shop in Jewish Community Building:** Sells some basic Kosher products, shop is in the basement of the Jewish Community Building. Make sure to let the Community know you are coming in advance, as there is security to get into the building.

### **Trdelnik**

**Jewish Quarter:** You can chose to take a tour or a self-guided tour of the five synagogues in Prague that all have a deep history.

**Terezin Concentration Camp:** Terezin was a concentration camp 30 miles north of Prague during WWII. Terezin was known as the "propaganda camp" that was meant to fool outsiders. From the elaborate trickery of the playgrounds for children or beautified camp grounds this was a unique place of terror.

### **Prague Jewish Museum**

