



We will set out from Nový Jičín to the destination of our trip, Odry, via Kunín and Suchdol nad Odrou.

In Kunín we can visit Kunín Castle, which ranks among the most valuable castles in the whole Moravia. The greatest flourishing of the castle took place when it was owned by Marie Walburga Countess of Truchsess-Waldburg-Zeil, née of Harrach-Hohenems. Since 2000 the castle has been extensively reconstructed and the original castle collections have been returning back.

From Kunín via Suchdol nad Odrou we are getting to Odry.

Odry is situated 20 km far from Nový Jičín upon the upper reaches of the Odra River at the foothills of the Odry Hills.

The town of Odry was established in place of an original Slavonic settlement of Vyhnanov and was first mentioned in writing in 1234. In 1992 the historical centre of the town was declared to be an urban conservation zone. The urban conservation zone consists of a square with Renaissance civic houses, a statue of the Assumption of the Virgin dating back to 1785, and a neoclassicist fountain dating back to 1897. The fountain is a work by a local native and a prominent Viennese sculptor, Emil Zimmerman. The remains of medieval fortifications with a semicircular bastion in Pásová Street, dating back to the 15th century, are also part of the conservation zone.

Odry's most prominent building sight is St. Bartolomew's Church.

This originally Gothic parish church was rebuilt in the baroque style in 1691 – 1692. In the tower there is the oldest Moravian bell, dating back to 1374. The newly reconstructed organ is an adornment of the interior.

In the local part of Klokočůvek, an interesting place of pilgrimage, called the Virgin Mary's Rock, is situated.

There is a water spring, which wells directly out of the rock. A legend about the Virgin Mary is connected with this spring: during the Thirty Years' War the Virgin Mary saved a Swedish soldier from a death of thirst at this place.

The region of Odry can boast of beautiful nature with a big amount of natural objects of interest. The system of Odry ponds is a nature reserve.

The town is the starting point of several marked hiking trails, along which you can set off to the peaks of the Odry Hills. On the southern outskirts of the town, the nature trail of the Silver Footpath is marked out. There are also local cycle paths, along which you can set off to the region of the Odry Hills or along the Odra River.

In winter the region has an ideal terrain for cross-country skiing.

The Trip of Nový Jičín Odry

