



Czech Republic



The Ministry of the Environment prepared on this occasion a Press Release in which it underlines the importance of biodiversity for the human population and at the same time reminds ecosystems degradation caused mainly by human activities. During the last year this unfavourable trend became more acute due to the corona pandemic.

The House of Nature of the Bohemian Forest (western Bohemia) prepared a special presentation for the public.

The group of specialists in the environment and dendrology organized a special excursion to the Krivoklat Protected Landscape Area (Central Bohemia) focused to landscape characteristics and need of protection, with special attention to old memorial trees (in total about 50 individual trees are protected by law in the area and four historical alleys, which results in totally about 600 individual trees). This Protected Landscape Area with the Krivoklat castle and surrounding forests rich in indigenous woody species and interesting geology is closely connected with national history. The Berounka River valley forms the central and important part of the area, with several nature protected localities. In 1977 the area was included in the UNESCO Man and Biosphere reserves list and in the following year into the list of Protected Landscape Areas of the Czech Republic. The Information Centre, some nature trails, several localities with memorial trees and two nature reserves were visited during the one-day excursion.

Photos:



Royal Krivoklat castle – country residence of the Czech kings



Tyrov (ruins of castle above the Berounka River) nature reserve