

Děčín, Ústí nad Labem Region, Czech Republic

Tucked into a deep sandstone gorge where the Elbe meets the Ploučnice, Děčín is the Czech Republic's gateway to Europe's most dramatic river canyon — with a baroque castle perched above it all.

Docked (river pier)

Typical call: 8–10 hrs

Czech Koruna (CZK)

Czech, German spoken

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: River pier near city center — no tender

Walk to center: 5–10 min on foot

Best For: Bohemian Switzerland hikes, castle history, sandstone scenery

Don't Miss: Děčín Castle Long Drive & Pravčická Brána arch excursion

Getting around: **Taxi** 100–200 CZK (~€4–8) · **Rideshare** Bolt

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Bohemian Switzerland & Pravčická Brána** — A guided coach trip to Bohemian Switzerland National Park, culminating at Pravčická brána — Europe's largest natural sandstone arch.
 - Děčín Castle & Rose Garden** — Perched on a rocky promontory above the Elbe, the castle dates to the 10th century and was later rebuilt in baroque and classicist style.
 - Kamenice River Gorge Boat Ride** — Float through the narrow sandstone gorges of the Kamenice River on a flat-bottomed boat —
- one of Bohemian Switzerland's signature experiences.
 - Shepherd's Wall & Zoo Viewpoint** — Cross the Elbe to Pastýřská stěna (Shepherd's Wall), a 160-metre sandstone cliff with panoramic views of Děčín and the Elbe gorge.
 - Elbe Rafting to Schmilka** — Self-guided rafting trip from Děčín downriver to the German village of Schmilka on the Saxon Switzerland border — a 15 km float through the sandstone...

BEST WALKS

- Embankment to Castle via the Long Drive** 2 km | Moderate (uphill) | 45–60 min — Walk from the river pier along the embankment, cross into the old town, and ascend the dramatic Long Drive — a partly rock-hewn walled road — to Děčín Castle and its...
- Old Town Stroll** 1 km | Easy | 20–30 min — A flat circuit through the historic center taking in pastel facades, the Holy Rood Church, and the Baroque Sheep's Bridge (Ovčí most) near the Elbe.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		58°	41°	11d
Jun		75°	57°	11d
Aug		77°	60°	12d
Sep		69°	53°	11d
Oct		59°	46°	11d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:08AM–7:58PM · Jun 4:49AM–9:17PM · Aug 5:51AM–8:22PM · Sep 6:38AM–7:16PM · Oct 7:26AM–6:10PM

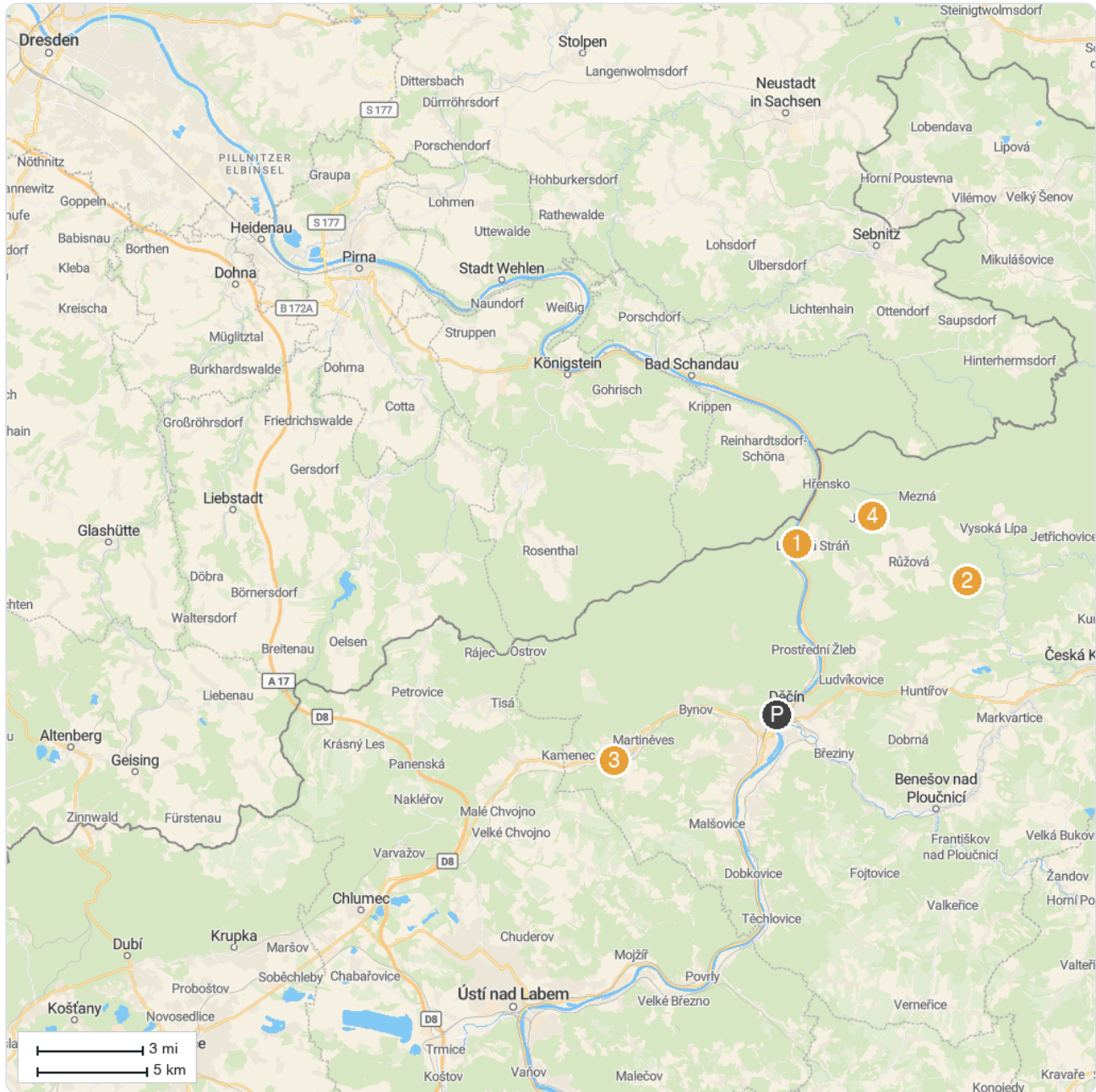
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Low water risk: The Elbe is prone to low levels in summer and autumn. If your ship can't reach Děčín, the cruise line will bus you in — you'll still see everything.
- Use a card: The Czech Republic uses the Koruna (CZK), not the euro. Cards are accepted almost everywhere; avoid currency exchange kiosks with poor rates.
- Wear sturdy shoes: The castle approach and Shepherd's Wall paths are steep cobblestone and gravel — slip-ons won't cut it.
- Book Bohemian Switzerland early: The national park excursion fills fast — it's the reason most passengers choose this cruise. Book through your ship or a local operator before sailing.
- Germany is minutes away: Děčín sits just south of the German border. Some excursions cross into Saxon Switzerland — bring your passport even on day trips.
- Try Czech pub food: The town has solid traditional restaurants near the castle — Czech beer, svíčková (beef in cream sauce), and trdelník pastry. Much cheaper than on the ship.

Děčín, Ústí nad Labem Region, Czech Republic — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



1

Belvedere Viewpoint

Belvedere Viewpoint offers stunning Elbe Canyon views.

2

Rose Hill / Růžovský vrch

Růžovský vrch is a prominent, scenic volcanic hill.

3

Jílovský zámek

Jílovský zámek is a historic chateau with a park.

4

Janov Observation Tower

Janov Observation Tower offers panoramic views.

P

Cruise port / terminal