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INTRODUCTION

This is a general introduction to the Czech Republic designed for the Scout Leader planning to take a group to the country for the first time. It is a starting point for information on the Czech Republic providing essential details such as useful addresses, accommodation and travel details while also directing you to other information you will need for your unique trip. It is not meant to be a definitive guide to the Czech Republic and should not be treated as such. Millions of pounds are spent each year by the travel industry updating and researching the various travel publications, which are available to buy. The Scout Association does not have the means to provide such extensive information, but we have made every effort to ensure that the information we do give is accurate. We also hope that we can help you obtain the most up to date information you need for your trip with as little fuss as possible by pointing you in the right direction.

Please do not be daunted by this task. It's a lot less hassle than you might think, especially with the help of this pack and the Visits Abroad folder. You should use these two resources in conjunction with each other. You can obtain a copy of the Visit Abroad folder from your AAC/ACC (I). The Visits Abroad folder will outline the general planning you need for an overseas trip, whilst this pack draws your attention to specific information which you will need about the Czech Republic. You will need to do a lot of planning and preparation to make sure that your trip is a success, but we hope that this pack will make it a lot easier for you. Please remember though, that the planning and preparation you put into a visit overseas is all part of the fun!

Order Form

As you read this pack, you will see that some of the factsheets and publications you may need for planning are available from The Information Centre at Gilwell Park. There is an order form at the back of this pack which lists all the resources mentioned which are available. All you have to do is complete the order form, stating the quantities you require of each item and send it with a cheque to The Information Centre.

THE CZECH REPUBLIC

The Czech Republic lies in central Europe, 'in the heart of Europe', surrounded by Poland, Germany, Austria and Slovakia. Its area covers 78 864 sq. km. It has more than 10.5 million inhabitants. The capital of the Czech Republic is Prague, locally spelt Praha, where the government and the president sit. The president is Vaclav Klaus. You may know the former president, Vaclav Havel who is a playwright as well. The Czech Republic is a post-communist country. The communist regime was put down during the "Velvet Revolution" in November 1989. The Czech Republic is famous for its glass and beer. You may know some famous Czech names – Milan Kundera (writer), Patrik Berger (football player, Liverpool), Antonin Dvorak (classic music composer) or Benjamin Kuras (writer of Czech origin). Did you know that the word "robot" comes from Czech language? And did you know that the "Good King Wenceslas" from an English Christmas carol is actually a Czech king? And that contact lenses were invented by a Czech scientist? There are still a lot of things to discover about the Czech Republic.

CZECH SCOUTING

Some 55,000 of the population are Scouts or Guides, many others have been influenced by Scouting and Guiding ideals during their lives. Junak is far the largest organisation of children and young people in the Czech Republic. It was set up in the Czech Republic in 1911 after the founder of Czech scouting, Antonin Benjamin Svojsik, visited British Scouts and decided to bring the Scout idea to his homeland. The following year, he camped out with his Scouts for the first time. He also translated B-P's Scouting for Boys into Czech and wrote a specifically Czech handbook as well. The first "podsada tents" - tents with wooden bases, Czech camping speciality, appeared.

The successful development of Czech Scouting was ended by the Nazi occupation. After WWII, The Czech Scout Organisation experienced its best times - the number of members increased to almost 250,000. The contingent of Czech Scouts at the World Jamboree in France in 1947 numbered 500 Scouts.

In 1948 the Movement was disbanded by communists and trials began in 1949 against Scouts/Guides Commissioners. Many of them were imprisoned; most of them experienced hard difficulties. Many troops

continued to work under ground. Scouting was restored for a short time in 1968, during the "Prague Spring" but the August invasion of the Soviet Army put an early end to Scouting in Czechoslovakia.

In 1989, after the "Velvet Revolution", Czechoslovak Scouting came into life for the fourth time. Czechoslovak Scouts were re-admitted to WOSM and WAGGGS. In 1993 Czechoslovakia split into two different countries.

In 2001 Junak - Association of Scouts and Guides of the Czech Republic, hosted the European Guide and Scout Conferences.

The address of The Czech Scout Organisation is:
Junak – Association of Scouts and Guides of the Czech Republic
Senovazne nam. 24, 116 47 Praha 1, Czech Republic
tel.:+420 234 621 285, fax: +420 234 621 533
e-mail: international@junak.cz

www.skaut.cz

TRAVEL

Your AAC/ACC (I)

As soon as you have made your decision to organise an overseas trip for Scouts you should inform your AAC /ACC (I) of your intentions and keep him/her regularly updated. Your AAC /ACC (I) will also be able to put you in touch with anyone else in your Scout County /Area who has visited the Czech Republic with Scouts and be able to support and advise you throughout your planning. It is so valuable to speak to people who have already done what you are doing and they will be glad to share their experience and knowledge with you because people love to talk about their holidays! Do make the most of anyone you meet who has already been to the Czech Republic.

Where to go

Deciding where to go can be a very difficult task if you are faced with a large map of the Czech Republic and nothing else to guide you. Your final destination is very important because this will be the focus point for the rest of the planning you do. Think carefully about where you would like to go because this will probably be dependant on what you would like to do at your destination and what you would like to achieve from your trip.

Where to Stay in Europe –

This is a searchable online resource available at www.scout.org/europe It lists Scout Campsites throughout Europe. Each site gives a description of the centre, details of its location and what there is to do there. Information like this is very useful when deciding your destination and you will have the reassurance that these sites are specifically designed for Scouts. Some sites also provide more information in English if you contact them.

Where to Stay

Try a beautiful Czech Scout camp - Mlyn (The Mill) in Southern Moravia, near Brno (second biggest city after Prague). It is located in a beautiful countryside - woods, caves, biking area... You can camp outdoors or indoor accommodation is also available. Please, contact Jiri Pospisil - pospji@centrum.cz.

You might also like to contact the International Department of Junak where you can obtain information about where to stay with Scouts . You can also request a Czech Scout to be your guide in The Czech Republic. The email address is:international@junak.cz

International Opportunities

Available from your AAC/ACC (I), the Information Centre (and at the website as above)

'International Opportunities' is a list of national events, for example Jamborees happening overseas. If there are any such national events happening in the Czech Republic then this is where to find out about them. Most events provide an email contact or website for further information.

Overseas Travel Packages

This is a factsheet available from the Information Centre at Gilwell Park; it details tour operators who have been used previously by Scout Groups to arrange their travel details for them. You may wish to

appoint an agent to arrange your travel especially if it is the first time your group has been overseas. New minibus regulations are also restricting groups when it comes to taking a minibus overseas and the travel agents can provide interesting alternatives. It is worth contacting the agents listed on this sheet to see what they can offer you for your trip to the Czech Republic and then decide if you wish to use them or make your own arrangements.

Your Local Travel Agent

You may wish to use your local Travel Agent to arrange your trip to the Czech Republic and they can be a good source of information at this stage of your planning. Ask them for a range of brochures for Czech Republic holidays which will give you useful information about destinations (but do remember this is a travel brochure, where every thing is wonderful!), what facilities and attractions are available where, and possibly what you can expect from the weather!

Youth Hostelling

Youth Hostel Association

Trevelyan House
8 St Stephen's Hill
St Albans

Hertfordshire

AL1 2YD

Tele : 0870 870 8808

Email :

customerservices@yha.org.uk

Website: www.yha.org.uk

Scottish YHA

7 Glebe Crescent

Stirling

FK8 2JA

Tele: 01786 891 400

Email : activities@syha.org.uk

Website: www.syha.org.uk

YHA Northern Ireland

22 – 32 Donegall Road

Belfast

BT12 5JN

Tele: 028 9032 4733

Email: info@hini.org.uk

Website: www.hini.org.uk

Contact Customer Services at the YHA and ask them to send you a listing of Youth Hostels in the Czech Republic. This will include a map that illustrates the locations of the hostels and the booklet also details briefly the facilities at each hostel.

How to get there

When you have decided your destination you can then think about how you will get there. If you are considering taking a minibus abroad, you MUST get a copy of The Scout Association fact sheet 'Taking a Minibus Abroad', available from the Information Centre at Gilwell Park. This will detail the restrictions that apply and you will be able to assess how they affect you.

Some Scout Groups opt to take a couple of vehicles, driven by leaders, to transport any equipment that they will need while the remaining leaders will escort the rest of the group by coach, rail or plane.

Some useful contact details are listed on the next pages.

Travelling to Czech Republic by Coach

Travelling by Coach is definitely the cheapest way to get to the Czech Republic. However, the journey takes the whole day and therefore if your finances permit, you may prefer a different method.

If you do decide to travel by coach, here are some useful contacts:

Eurolines	020 7730 8235
National Express Coaches	08705 808080
Victoria Coach Station	020 7730 3466

I travelled with Kingscourt Express. Very reasonable prices (return ticket from £49.99), english films on board, drinks free, friendly drivers. KCE crosses the Channel by ferry.

Kingscourt Express
15 Balham High Road
London
SW12 9AJ

Office hours: Mon/Friday 09.00-17.30, **Sat:** 09.00-13.00

Phone: (020) 8673 7500 (020) 8673 6883

Fax: (020) 8673 3060

Email: nusl@aol.com

www.kce.cz

<http://designstudio.cz/clients/kce>

Travelling to The Czech Republic by Rail

It might be an exciting and quick option to use the Channel Tunnel. When you have arrived in the Czech Republic, you could use local rail networks to reach your destination. Contact Rail Europe on 0990 848848.

For information about the Eurostar (passenger train from Waterloo International or Ashford International to Calais, Paris-Gare du Nord, Lille-Europe or Brussels-Midi) call 0990 186186.

Cheaper fares are sometimes available if you include a Saturday night or stay away three nights.

For information about Le Shuttle (the train which carries vehicles and their passengers from Folkestone to Calais) call 0990 353535. Fares are charged according to the vehicle taken. It is a little more expensive to take a minibus but this would probably be worth it because of the amount of extra people you could take.

The Rail System in the Czech Republic is known as CD (Ceské dráhy = Czech Railways). You must get across France and Germany first - contact Rail Europe in London on 0990 848 848. For information about rail-travel in the Czech Republic call Czech Railways (Ceské dráhy) +420 972 211 111.

The railway system in the Czech Republic is quite good and dense - you can get almost anywhere but be prepared for frequent delays (often caused by the redevelopment of some tracks).

Travelling to The Czech Republic by Air

Flights can be more expensive however group discounts are certainly possible. Special fares may be limited but it is definitely worth making a few calls to see what kind of deal you can get.

CSA Czech Airlines	+420 239 007 007	KLM Direct	0990 074074
	www.csa.cz/en		
British Airways	0345 222111	British Midland	0870 6 070 555
Ryanair	0870 333 1231	Easyjet	0870 6 000 000

Getting Around

How you get around when you are in the Czech Republic will be dependent on how you have got to your destination and the facilities that are available to you. If you have used a travel agent, get them to inform you of the options in that area. Alternatively, make use of the local transport network – it's sure to create lots of stories! You should be able to obtain up to date information on the local transport network from the Tourist Office and its websites. Representatives at your destination will be able to advise you.

Minibuses

The following information will be relevant to you if you are able to take a minibus with you on your trip. Please make sure that you have read the fact sheet 'Taking a Minibus Abroad' before confirming any minibus arrangements. **Remember that you need to have D1 (unrestricted) entitlement on your licence – which is NOT the case for the majority of licence holders.**

If you are taking a minibus with you to the Czech Republic then this will obviously be the form of transport you will use for most of your stay. Your primary concern may be driving on the other side of the road. This thought will have crossed a lot of people's minds but when you actually do it, it's not nearly as hard as you might think! It will take more concentration and will therefore be more tiring than if you were doing the same amount of driving in this country. You can prepare for this by making sure there are at least two drivers to share the driving throughout the trip and allowing plenty of time for all your journeys.

Make especially sure that you are prepared for the first journey from the ferry port to your final destination. You will need to consider how long the journey will take and what time of day you will eventually arrive. Arriving at your destination after dark if you have never been there before could cause unnecessary difficulties, which could be resolved by catching an earlier ferry.

Be sure that you know where you are going by purchasing a good road map of the Czech Republic - you should be able to get one from most good book shops. A large-scale map will probably be the best buy because it will be more detailed and it is sure to come in handy for all your planning and during your stay.

You should aim to be as prepared for driving in the Czech Republic as you would be for driving in this country. This means making sure you are covered for roadside assistance if you breakdown. If you are already a member of a Motoring organisation, contact them for advice and quotes for cover. Remember that cover for a minibus and all its passengers is different and likely to be a bit more expensive than for a car but if you do experience a breakdown it will definitely pay for itself

If you are not currently a member of any motoring organisations, then try contacting the RAC Travel Services on 0990 722722 or AA Travel Services on 0990 500600 who will send you a copy of their Travel Services brochure which will give you useful advice and answer many of your questions about travelling in Europe. The cost of European Motoring Assistance is available on request. The Travel Insurance leaflet from The Scout Association (provided in your Visits Abroad Folder) also offers overseas breakdown cover provided by Green Flag.

If you are hiring your minibus for your trip, then you should speak to the hire company about Motoring Assistance in Europe. To drive in Europe you need to be at least 21 years old, with at least 1 years driving experience, although most hire companies will specify drivers to be 25 years old. You will also need to take the vehicle insurance and registration documents with you.

Drivers with an UK driving licence do not need an International Driving Permit, but if you are planning to travel further afield than just The Czech Republic you should check if one is required. International Driving Permits can be purchased for a small fee from motoring organisation shops. The permit is valid for 12 months. All you need to take along to obtain your permit is a passport photo, your UK licence and another piece of identification with your signature on it.

If you have any other questions about transport overseas, please contact one of the following Traffic Area Offices:

North Eastern	0113 283 3533	North Western	0161 886 4000
West Midland	0121 608 1010	Eastern	1223 358922
South Wales	01222 394027	Western	0117 975 5000
South Eastern & Metropolitan Area	01323 721471	Scottish	0131 529 8500

Or by writing to:

Department of Transport
Great Minster House
76 Marsham Street
London
SW1P 4DR
Tel : 020 7676 2773

Other Useful Numbers

Rail Europe	0990 848848
National Rail Enquiries	0345 484950
Eurolines	020 7730 8235
London Underground	020 7222 1234
National Express Coaches	08705 808080
Victoria Coach Station	020 7730 3466

EQUIPMENT AND CATERING

The equipment that you have to take will largely depend on your accommodation and what you will be doing on your trip. For example, if you have decided to stay in youth hostels you will probably be taking a lot less equipment than if you are camping. You need to plan well in advance what you will be taking and how you will get it to your destination because your space to take equipment will be limited - if you decide to take an extra trailer on the ferry, this is going to cost extra money. You need to think about what is really essential to take and what you can get there. You may be able to hire or borrow some equipment at your destination. If you will be using gas for cooking, you will not be able to take the canisters with you on the ferry. However, Camping Gaz is readily available all over the Czech Republic at petrol stations and campsites. It would probably be easier to purchase it in the Czech Republic.

You also have to think well in advance about the food that your group will be eating when you are away. You may decide to take all the food for the duration of your stay but we do not recommend this option. Firstly, if you do this then it is going to take up a tremendous amount of room in your vehicles. Secondly, if you're not going to experience any of the food in the Czech Republic, is there really any point in going at all? Tasting and experimenting with the food while abroad is all part of the International experience. By all means plan some of your meals before you go but allow some time to go to the supermarket to create some Czech cuisine. When you are out and about, Scouts should have the opportunity to buy their own lunches (it might be worth banning them from visiting McDonald's). This will encourage them to communicate with the local people and they will feel a great sense of achievement afterwards. It will give the cooks a break, too!

For more information on Equipment and Catering, the best resource that The Scout Association has available is called "To Boldly Go . . . A Guide to Planning and Carrying Out Expeditions" by Peter Drake. This book has detailed pages on what food and equipment to take with you on your trip. It is a really useful and concise guide and will come in handy for all your planning; it's very good value at just £2.05 from the Information Centre at Gilwell Park.

Other

- Electricity: 220V, 50 Hz
- Time: GMT +1 (BST +1, during the summer)

HEALTH

It is not likely that you will encounter any major health problems during your stay in the Czech Republic but you should still be prepared for ill health possibly affecting some members of the group. Specific health risks are encephalitis and Lyme disease. There are several steps you can take to prepare for this;

- Speak to your GP at least two months in advance. Discuss your plans and follow any given advice. Ensure that each member of your party obtains a valid E111 form. These can normally be obtained and validated at your post office. It will entitle the holder to free or reduced cost medical treatment in The Czech Republic.
- Get hold of a copy of "Health Advice for Travellers" available from your doctors surgery, the post office or by phoning 0800 555 777. This covers health care for travel all around the world but it does have a useful section on the Czech Republic. For example, it advises that you check that a doctor in the Czech Republic works within the Czech insurance system to ensure you can claim a refund for any costs you incur. Copies of this leaflet also have the E 111 at the back.
- If a member of your group has on-going treatment for a medical condition or allergy, make sure that you speak to their parents/guardians before departure. You should send a standard letter to all parents asking them to inform you of any medication or treatment their child will be taking during the trip, as well as completing the standard medical form. You will need to obtain full details of any medication being carried for your journey through customs. This should ensure that the parents do not leave it up to the Scout to tell you what you need to know. This will ensure peace of mind for everyone that the Scout is fully prepared to cope during the trip. Ensure that they have sufficient medication etc. for the duration of the trip. You should also find out before you leave if any of the Scouts are likely to suffer from travel sickness - it could be unpleasant if you find out on the ferry.

- Make sure that the Scouts are sensible in the sun. In Australia, the following safety phrase is used - 'Slip, slap, slop' which is short for slip on a T -shirt, slop on some suncream lotion and slap on a hat. Numerous problems can be avoided by taking these precautions.
- Caution is also needed when on water and also on the roads. Remember that when crossing roads, cars will be coming from the opposite direction - look both ways several times to be sure.

FINANCE

There are two main areas to this section. First, the budget for the trip and second, taking money with you.

The Budget

It is essential that you work out all the expenditure that you will or are likely to incur before, during and after your trip. It might be useful to make a list of items under each of these headings, for example:

Before	During	After
Administration	Food	Administration
Accommodation (booked in advance)	Fuel / Tolls	Expedition Report
Equipment	Purchase / Hire of equipment	Photography
Food	Accommodation (site fees)	Presentation of
Maps & Guide Books	Customs or Port Costs	expedition
Insurance	Activity Costs	Thank You's
Training	Gifts to Hosts	
Travel	Vehicle Hire	
Travel Documents	Miscellaneous	
Deposit		
Pre- Site Inspection Visit (Optional)		

It is also essential to allocate some money for emergencies. Think about how many people are going on the trip as this could affect costs and will, of course, affect the amount of money that you have coming in for the trip. This leads us to the next question - how will you fund the trip? The easiest thing to do is to divide the overall cost by the number of people going and get each person to pay their share. We all realise, however, that this is not necessarily as easy in practice because some people may not be able to afford this amount and they should not be deterred from going.

There is always the option to do some fundraising for the trip and get everyone involved. If you need some guidance with this then you should obtain the International Office's briefing paper "Fund Raising and Grant Aid for Exchanges and Visits Abroad". There is also a Scout Association book called "Group Fund Raising" which has over 100 fund raising ideas in it and is available from The Information Centre for £5.35. You could also start up a "camp bank" well in advance of the trip to allow people to pay a small amount each week towards the cost of their trip.

Taking Money to the Czech Republic

The currency used in the Czech Republic is the Czech crown (CZK, Koruna) = 100 haleru. You may have some difficulties in obtaining this currency in the UK so make enquiries early on in your planning. You will be able to exchange currency once you arrive in the Czech Republic. You will probably want to take most of the money in Travellers Cheques. These can be purchased and exchanged at banks or bureaux de changes in the Czech Republic sometimes for a small fee, although if you have American Express travellers cheques and you change them at an American Express office no commission is charged. If you lose the cheques you can claim replacements.

If you have ever used foreign currency from any country in the past, you will likely have heard the phrase; "It doesn't seem real!" You should assume that all the Scouts will think like this and are likely to spend their money as if it's going out of fashion because they don't understand the value of it. In the programme of preparation, Scouts can be encouraged to make some Czech crowns and use them to hold a market.

The group should also give consideration to carrying a credit card, as these can be very useful, especially in emergencies. They are accepted at many outlets to pay for goods. Lots of information on credit cards is available from local banks. Make sure you know what to do if your card is lost or stolen. Also ensure that money carried is spread evenly amongst those carrying it. Banks will be able to give you details of other services for taking money abroad specific to your needs and will advise you on other ways to safeguard your money and what to do to prevent it being lost or stolen.

EMERGENCIES

While the aim of this support pack is to make sure you are completely prepared for your trip abroad, the unforeseen is always possible, either concerning a member of your group or someone back home. You need to keep the line of communication open between your group and the UK should such a situation occur. This means you **MUST** appoint a home contact in the UK who should not be related to anyone in the party. The home contact should give their name and telephone number to the parents of everyone in your group and should also have a number and contact name to reach you at your destination in the Czech Republic. If you are not going to be in the same place for the duration of your trip, the home contact must know exactly how and where to contact you and on what dates. There is a factsheet on Home Contacts available from The Information Centre at Gilwell Park for more information. If you can get hold of a mobile phone to take with the group for the trip, then this would be very valuable to keep communication open.

Remember that the Czech Republic is not a million miles from the UK and if you need to get home, you can do so relatively quickly.

Emergency numbers are standard throughout the Czech Republic: -

Police (Policie) 158

Fire (Hasici) 150

Ambulance (RZP) 155

CONTACTING HOME (TELEPHONE & POST)

To phone the UK from the Czech Republic the international access code is 00 and the country code, which for the UK is 44 and then the number you wish to contact including the STD code but removing the first 0. To speak to an English operator from the Czech Republic dial: 0800 890033.

Most phone boxes in the Czech Republic only take phonecards (telefonni karty) but there are also still some coin phone boxes. You can buy the phonecards from the "PNS" or "Tabak" shops and at post office (Pošta). Just as in the UK, you can purchase phone cards of varying amounts (50 or 120 units).

Stamps (znamky) can be purchased from the same places (Post Offices and Tabak). The rate to the UK is the same for both letters and postcards at 9CZK.

CHECKLIST

- Obtain a 'Visits Abroad Pack' from your AAC/ACC (I).
- Discuss the aim of your visit (what you want to achieve). Keep your AAC/ACC (I) informed.
- Obtain information about the country to be visited from a variety of different sources.
- Obtain local maps and information.
- Plan a route & establish a budget.
- Plan fund - raising/ grant/ sponsorship.
- Organise passports & visas if necessary.
- Make travel bookings and organise campsites / accommodation.
- Arrange travel insurance, currency & travellers cheques.
- Prepare equipment, tentage, & provisions.
- Learn a little of the language.
- Complete 'Permission to Camp Abroad form '
- Undertake any relevant training.
- Arrange a home contact.
- Complete postcard for Emergency Home Contact information and notification to overseas association.
- Obtain an 'International Letter of Introduction'.
- Let people know what you're doing - Contact your local press.
- Have a wonderful time & don't forget on your return to complete a ' Visits Abroad Report Back Form'.

A FEW LITTLE CZECH PHRASES FOR YOUR STAY... JUST IN CASE!

English	Czech	Pronunciation
Hello	Dobrý den	Dobree den
Goodbye	Nashledanou	Nas-hla-done-know
Please	Prosím	Proseem
Thank you	Dekuji	Dekooyi
Where is --- ?	Kde je --- ?	Kdeh ye --- ?
Could I speak to ... Please?	Mohl bych mluvit s ... Prosím?	Mo-hol bikh mloovit s'... Proseem?
Can you repeat that please?	Můžete to zopakovat, prosím?	Moozjeteh toh zo-pakk-o-vatt, proseem?
Where can I change money?	Kde si můžu vymenit peníze?	Kdeh see moozu vim-nje-nitt peneezeh?
When is the next train to Brno?	Kdy jede vlak do Brna?	Kdee yedeh vlack doh Brnah?
Where is the Bus Stop?	Kde je autobusová zastávka?	Kdeh yeh autobuss-ova zas-taav-kah?
Where is the nearest garage?	Kde jsou tu garáže?	Kdeh sou tooh ga-raah-zeh?
Cycle Path	Cyklostezka	Tsi-khloh-stess-kah
I'd like to hire a bike.	Chtel bych si pronajmout kolo.	Khtjell bikh see proh-nay-mout koh-loh
Which tram goes to the town centre?	Která tramvaj jede do centra?	Kteh-raah tramm-vay yeh-deh doh tsentrah?
I feel ill.	Není mi dobře.	Neh-neehee mee doh-brze.
Can you get me a Doctor?	Můžete mi zavolat doktora?	Moozjeteh mee zah-voh-latt docktorrah?
Do you speak English?	Mluvíte anglicky?	Mloo-vee-the angleetzkee?
Does anyone here speak English?	Mluví tu někdo anglicky?	Mloo-vee too njeekhdoh angleetzkee?
I don't understand.	Nerozumím.	Nerohzooeem.

PUBLICATIONS

Most good book shops will have a good selection of travel guides and if you do decide to purchase one make sure it meets your needs. For example, some books are aimed specifically at the couple on a short city break while others will be aimed at the business traveller on expenses! These will obviously not be suitable for your trip if only due to the different budgets involved. Some guides are also only about Czech culture which may be useful but these are often expensive. Your best bet is probably to look for family and budget guide books. The "Rough Guide" series is definitely worth looking at. You will also be able to get these books on free loan from your local library but make sure that you get up-to-date versions as information can change.

AND FINALLY...

Please remember that when you are in the Czech Republic you are representing the UK and UK Scouts.

The impression that you leave on the Czech people will very much be dependent on the way your group acts and behaves when they are in the country. After all the hard work you'll have put into the trip, don't let yourselves down.

We hope that you have a brilliant time while you are away and we hope that this has been a useful resource in your planning and preparation for your visit to the Czech Republic. Please let us know! Don't forget to send your report back forms to the International Office and your AAC/ACC (I) when you return and if you want to send them a postcard as well while you are away then they'll be really chuffed!

ORDER FORM

Please use the following order form to obtain items, which have been mentioned in this support pack and are available from The Information Centre at Gilwell Park. You do not have to order everything but remember to state the quantity you require for each item. Allow up to 28 days for delivery. For orders up to £1 postage is free. Between £1 and £5 postage is charged at £1. Over £5 postage is charged at £3.

Please could you send me the following items

			Quantity	Cost
FS260007	Overseas Travel Packages	£0.28 each	
FS260008	Taking a Minibus or Coach Abroad	£0.43 each	
0851652492	To Boldly Go A Guide to Planning and Carrying Out Expeditions	£0.50 each	
BP26006	Fund Raising and Grant Aid for Exchanges and Visits Abroad	£0.50 each	
0948834250	Group Fund Raising	£5.35 each	
FS120078	Home Contact	£0.00 each	
		Total Amount	

Please make cheques payable to The Scout Association.

Name.....

Address.....

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Tel:

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Send cheque and order form to

The Information Centre

Gilwell Park

Chingford

London

E4 7QW

Tel: 0845 300 1818

FEEDBACK FORM

This County Support Pack has been produced to help you plan and prepare for a Scout Visit abroad. It has been designed to help you find, quickly and easily and up-to-date information about the country you are planning to visit. We would be grateful if you would spend a few moments to complete the short questionnaire below and return it to The International Office.

Thank you!

QUESTIONNAIRE

What sections of the pack were relevant to you?

What sections of the pack were not helpful or relevant?

What sections of the pack need expanding upon and in what way?

Was the pack set out clearly?

Was the pack easy to use?

What other information would you liked to have seen included in the pack?

What medium do you think should be used to make this pack more widely available? (Please circle)

Paper

Internet

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Do you have any information, which you would like to see included in the pack?

Any other comments?