

Information Guide

We are excited to have you join us for NEWTON International Week! In this guide, you'll find plenty of useful tips, recommendations, and interesting insights to help make your time in Prague as enjoyable and enriching as possible. We hope you have an amazing experience and a wonderful stay.

Transportation

1. Transport from Václav Havel Airport

Bus: Bus No. 59

- From Terminal 1/Terminal 2 to the Nádraží Veleslavín stop (transfer to metro line A)
- Standard fares for Prague Integrated Transport (PID) apply on buses
- Where to buy tickets for public transport: Ticket machines at the airport (cash or card)
- stops are located directly in front of the terminals

Ticket prices:

- 30 minutes: 30 CZK
- 90 minutes: 40 CZK
- 24 hours: 120 CZK
- 72 hours: 330 CZK

Ticket validity: Tickets are valid for buses, metro, and trams within Prague.

Metro

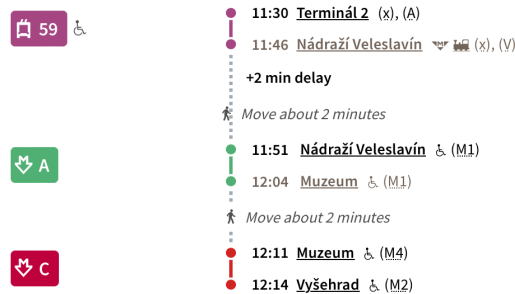
Route from the airport to the Prague Congress Centre:

- Nádraží Veleslavín (direction Depo Hostivař) → Muzeum (transfer to metro line C) → Vyšehrad (direction Háje).
From the Vyšehrad metro station, it is approximately a 3-minute walk to the Congress Centre (exit directly up the stairs from the metro).
- **Metro operating hours:**
Daily from approximately 5:00 AM to 12:00 AM.
During the night, a network of night trams and buses is available.

Finding Routes and Transport Options

- Mobile app: [PID Lítačka](#) (also allows you to purchase tickets).
- Website: Prague Public Transport Authority (Dopravní podnik hlavního města Prahy) - dpp.cz.

Finding a route using the Lítačka app:



Metro lines map:



Taxis and alternative Transportation

- Recommended taxi services:
Bolt, Uber, Liftago - approximately 400–700 CZK from the airport to the city center

Summary:

- Bus No. 59 → Nádraží Veleslavín → Metro A → Muzeum (transfer to Metro C) → Vyšehrad → 3-minute walk to the Congress Centre
- All metro lines operate from 5:00 AM to 12:00 AM
- Tickets can be purchased at ticket machines (airport) or in the Lítačka app
- Alternatively, use taxi services or apps such as Bolt, Uber, or Liftago

Note:

Due to reconstruction, the Pankrác station on metro line C will be closed

2. Ticket Purchase and Timetables

Buying Tickets and Searching for Routes

- **PID Lítačka** app – for purchasing tickets and finding routes

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Where to purchase tickets:

- Ticket machines at stops and metro stations (cash/card)
- Ticket machines on trams (not available on all vehicles)
- PID Lítačka mobile app
- DPP ticket offices (e.g., Main Railway Station, Můstek, Anděl)

Ticket validity:

Tickets are valid for all public transport services (metro, trams, buses)

Tourist traps & safety recommendations

Pickpockets: Be cautious with your personal belongings, especially in crowded places like public transport, markets, or popular tourist areas. Keep wallets, mobile phones, and valuables in secure places (e.g., in zipped pockets or under your clothing).

Currency Exchange: Always check the exchange rate and fees in advance. Avoid unofficial exchange offices or offers to exchange money on the street.

- Royal Exchange (Prague 1 center)
- Exchange Fortuna (Nový Smíchov shopping center, Prague 5)
- ČD Exchange Office (inside the ČD shop at the Main Railway Station)

Tourist Traps:

- **Restaurants in the city center:** Some restaurants in tourist areas have inflated prices for low-quality food. Check online reviews and avoid places without clearly displayed prices.
- **Overpriced services:** Beware of “taxis” without meters or street vendors. Use official taxi services like Bolt, Uber, or Liftago instead.
- **Souvenirs:** Traditional souvenirs can be overpriced at major tourist markets. Look for smaller shops outside the city center.

Tips for Safe Travel:

- **Public transport and night travel:** Be cautious after dark, especially when using public transport. Avoid deserted areas and use navigation apps like Google Maps.
- **Securing personal belongings:** If needed, use luggage storage services at the Main Railway Station (<https://prague.eu/en/discover/luggage-storage-prague-main-railway-station/>).
- **Money and documents:** Do not carry all your money and documents at once. Keep a backup in a secure place.

Important Contacts:

- Emergency hotline: 112
- Police: 158
- Firefighters: 150
- Ambulance: 155

Student Discounts with ISIC Card

Holders of the **ISIC card** can enjoy discounts on admission to many Prague attractions, museums, or when purchasing public transport tickets or intercity travel. ITIC cardholders can also use it; however, it's advisable to check in advance whether it is accepted.

Where to use ISIC discounts:

- **Landmarks and Museums:**
 - Prague Castle
 - National Museum
 - Vyšehrad Monuments
 - Technical Museum
- **Cultural Events:**
 - Theatres, concerts, festivals (check availability in advance).
- **Public Transport:**
 - Discounted monthly and long-term tickets within PID (Prague Integrated Transport).
 - Traveling between cities in the Czech Republic is convenient and affordable. Popular options include:
 - **Trains:** Operated by České dráhy (Czech Railways), RegioJet, or Leo Express.
 - **Buses:** Reliable services like RegioJet, FlixBus, or Student Agency.
 - **Discounts:** Students with ISIC cards can often benefit from reduced fares.
- **Restaurants and Cafés:**

Some establishments offer student menus or discounts (look for the ISIC logo at the counter), such as **UGO Salad Bars**.

We recommend always having your ISIC card with you and checking the availability of discounts before visiting attractions or purchasing services.

Cultural Insights

Tips:

- It is customary to tip around 10% of the total bill if you are satisfied with the service.
- In some restaurants, the tip may already be included in the bill—check before paying.

Public Behavior:

- Speak quietly on public transport and in public spaces, as loudness is considered impolite.
- Follow queue etiquette—people expect you to wait your turn.

Payments**Currency:**

- The local currency is the Czech koruna (CZK).
- The exchange rate is usually around 24–25 CZK per 1 EUR (depending on the exchange office or ATM).

Card Payments:

- Most shops, restaurants, and cafés accept card payments.
- However, some smaller businesses and markets may only accept cash, so carry some with you.

ATMs:

- Use ATMs located at banks (e.g., Česká spořitelna, Komerční banka, ČSOB) and avoid unofficial ATMs in tourist areas.
- Decline offers for "dynamic currency conversion" as they usually charge higher fees.

Landmarks and Points of Interest

Prague Castle:

The largest castle complex in the world with stunning views of the city.

Recommended: St. Vitus Cathedral, Golden Lane.

Charles Bridge:

A historic 14th-century bridge adorned with beautiful statues.

Ideal for morning or evening walks when it's less crowded.

Old Town Square:

Home to the Astronomical Clock (Orloj), Týn Church, and the Jan Hus Memorial.

Tip: The hourly show of the Astronomical Clock is a popular attraction.

Petřín Lookout Tower:

A mini version of the Eiffel Tower with panoramic views of Prague.

You can reach the tower by taking the funicular from Újezd.

Vyšehrad:

A historic fort with beautiful gardens, a cemetery of notable Czech figures, and breathtaking views of the Vltava River.

Kampa Island and Lennon Wall:

Kampa Island is perfect for a stroll along the Vltava River with views of Charles Bridge.

Lennon Wall: A symbol of freedom and peace, covered in graffiti inspired by John Lennon.

Dancing House:

A famous modern building on the riverside, featuring a café and observation deck on the top floor.

Vyšehrad:

A historic site with a serene park, a cemetery for Czech icons, and stunning views of the Vltava River.

DOX – Centre for Contemporary Art:

A modern gallery dedicated to contemporary art and architecture, known for the airship installation on its roof.

Nový Svět ("New World"):

A quiet street in the Hradčany district with charming houses, hidden corners, and cozy cafés.

Free Guided Tours of Prague:

Take advantage of free walking tours available at [FreeTour.com](https://www.freetour.com)

Food & Drinks & Fun

Restaurants and Cafés

Affordable \$

- Dhaba Beas
- U Bansethů
- Na Skleničku (wine bar)
- Café Louvre

Traditional Czech Cuisine \$\$

- U Fleků
- Lokál Dlouhá: Traditional Czech food at reasonable prices.
- Výtopna: Beer served by miniature trains.
- Kavárna Myšák
- Kantýna
- U Pinkasů
- Kandelábr (near the Congress Center)
- Holiday Inn (near the Congress Center)

**All of these restaurants are located near the center of Prague*

World Cuisine \$\$

- Italian: Losterie, Vapiano
- Mexican: La Casa Blů
- Indian: The Pind

Vegetarian \$\$

- Dhaba Beas: Multiple locations across Prague, offering a 30-40% discount on all food one hour before closing.
- Lehká hlava

Exclusive \$\$\$

- Červený Jelen
- SIA Restaurant (Asian cuisine)
- Aureole
- Žižkov Television Tower Restaurant

Popular Cafés

- Můj šálek kávy
- Kavárna co hledá jméno
- EMA Espresso Bar
- Spižárna 1920
- Coffee Corner
- Eska
- Cafefin
- Cafe Louvre
- Cafedu: Café and study space

Clubs

- Lucerna Music Bar
- Roxy
- James Dean
- Moon Club
- Techtle Mechtle
- Kozička
- Nebe Cocktail Bar

Bars and Wine Bars

- Na břehu Rhony
- Vine o'clock
- Vínograf
- Nostula
- U Prince
- Foggy Prague Shisha Lounge Bar (shisha lounge)

Safety Tips

- Always keep an eye on your drink and avoid unfamiliar places.
- Use verified taxi services (Bolt/Uber) to return home safely.

Other Activities

- **Vltava River Cruises:** Explore Prague from a unique perspective on the river.
- **Farmers' Markets:**
 - Náplavka Market or Jiřího z Poděbrad Square Market – ideal for tasting local products (held every Saturday).

Accommodation options

HOLIDAY INN PRAGUE | Price per night: 96.98 EUR

Na Pankráci 1684/15
140 00 Praha 4
Česká republika

Reception

+420 296 895 050

reception@holidayinn.cz

Reservations

+420 296 895 011

reservation@holidayinn.cz

GRAND HOTEL PRAGUE TOWER | Per night from 1 750 - 2 350 CZK (71.5 - 96 EUR)

Kongresová 1
140 69 Praha 4
Česká republika

Reservations

+420 261 191 111

reservations@hoteltowers.cz

PENZION PALOUČEK | Price per night: 1300 CZK (53 EUR)

Petra Rezka 1723/1a,
140 00 Praha 4
Česká republika

Reception

info@penzionpaloucek.cz

tel.: +420 725 002 960

**Holiday Inn, GRAND HOTEL PRAGUE TOWER and Penzion Palouček are conveniently situated near the Prague Congress Centre, making them an excellent choice for attendees seeking comfortable and accessible lodging during their stay.*

Additionally, you can explore accommodation options on platforms such as:

- **Airbnb**
- **Booking.com**
- **Hostelworld**

These platforms offer a wide range of options to suit different preferences and budgets.