

We will set out from Nový Jičín to the destination of our trip, Skalky.

Skalky is a favourite picnic spot of Nový Jičín's inhabitants in summer as well as winter season. Above the road to Kojetín, a commemorative stone was placed in 1894. On this stone it is stated that Skalky was adapted for recreation by use of gifts of the Nový Jičín's inhabitants. Deeper in the woods we can still find remains of peaceful spots for rest and stone benches. Above the commemorative stone, a cross is situated. It was Apolonia Liewerová who had this cross erected in 1791; in 1813 the cross was renovated after it had been blown off by a windstorm, in 1996 it was newly overhauled.

Skalky is connected with a legend, according to which a bachelor lived in Nový Jičín. Once he heard that inside the hill of Skalky a treasure is hidden, so he started thinking about how to get it. The king of dwarfs appeared in his dream and gave him the key of a big gate which was the entrance into the underground. After the bachelor woke up, a real key was lying on the table. He ran up the hill with the key, but he could not find an entrance with a lock, with which the key would be matched. Being angry, he threw the key into a well. However, the key used to appear again always on the table of the oldest bachelor in the town, who was then said to have the "key of Skalky".

In Skalky you will surely not overlook the outdoor grounds of the Amphitheatre with a capacity of 200 seats, where various culture and social events and concerts are held in summer months.

František Palacký's Nature Trail Relating to National History and Geography passes through Skalky and continues further on in the direction of Svinec.



## The Trip of Nový Jičín Skalky









