

## Where to find cultural and art venues?

**The Town Museum and Gallery Vodňany**, Svobody square 18, tel: 383 382 057 (The Gallery, office), 383 382 051 (The Museum -the former synagogue), [www.vodnany.net](http://www.vodnany.net), [mag@vodnany.net](mailto:mag@vodnany.net)

**The Town Museum (the building of the former synagogue)** – the exposition called *The Fishing tradition* in Vodňany (the projection of a short film called How the ponds are fished out), museum and art exhibitions, open May – September



**The Gallery (the building of the Town Hall)** – *The Memorial Halls of František Herites and Julius Zeyer*, The Hall of a painter Mikoláš Aleš, a picture gallery, art exhibitions, a unique object in the collection - so called Gold of Křepice, open March – December

**The House of Culture Vodňany**, Zeyerovy sady 963, tel.: 383 382 626, 383 383 075, [www.meksvodnany.cz](http://www.meksvodnany.cz), [kultura.vodnany@iol.cz](mailto:kultura.vodnany@iol.cz), (the centre for film and theatre performances, concerts, social evenings, advance booking, art and photo exhibitions, internet café Colombina, mother-and-children's centre, playground, puppet shows theatre)

**The Public Library Vodňany**, Bavorovská street 83, tel.: 383 382 781, [knihvod@seznam.cz](mailto:knihvod@seznam.cz) (books and magazines at disposal for both children and adults, public internet)



## Where to take part in tourist, sports and cultural events?

**The traditional Vodňany Fishing Days**, ichthyological conference for experts, the exhibition Fishtech, film show called Fishfilm, traditional market in the square, rich social and cultural programme, April/May

**The Walk of carp Jakub**, the walk for children, 1<sup>st</sup> June

**The Marian Fair**, the traditional fair in the square, cultural and social programme, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in September

**"For Vodňany carp"**, republic orienteering championship in Pražák, October

**Autumn wanderings**, for children, a walk with fairy-tale creatures, October

**Fishing out the largest municipal pond Dřemliny** – traditional accolade of fishermen to the fishermen's guild, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in November

**The exhibition of The Club of Vodňany artists and their friends**, art exhibition in The Gallery, December

## Where to relax and do sports?

**Czech Fishing Association**, local organization Vodňany (fishing permits) - Mr. Slavík 604 946 195

**Natural swimming pool Škorna** 777 663 390 (fitness centre, minigolf, volleyball, refreshment)

**Sokol club Vodňany** 383 382 755 (gymnasium, clay and grassy playing fields)

**Sports centre Blanice**, Vodňany 383 383 220 (football, curling, football tennis, volleyball, beach volleyball, tennis, refreshment, accommodation)

**Sports hall** in Výstavní Street, Vodňany 383 382 257 (badminton, handball, basketball, volleyball, indoor football, tennis, accommodation, the balls, social meetings)

**Amusement centre Družba**, Vodňany 383 313 215 (bowling), (bowling, Dance club with large-area 383 313 216, 383 313 211, projection, dancing evenings on Fridays 383 385 070, 602 274 226, and Saturdays) [druzba@vodnany.cz](mailto:druzba@vodnany.cz)



## What to visit in the environs?

**Open-air theatre** Bavorov – Helfenburk, Č. Krumlov, Kratochvíle, Týn n. Vlt., Zvíkov

**Indoor swimming pool** Č. Budějovice, Horažďovice, Písek, Prachatice, Strakonice

**Outdoor swimming pool** Olešník, Pražák, Stožice, Truskovice

**Sightseeing flights** Hosín, Strakonice, Strunkovice n. Blanicí

**Golf courts** Hluboká n. Vlt., Kestřany

**ZOO** Hluboká n. Vlt.

Information about the possible alternations of the phone numbers and possibility of accommodation and catering are at disposal in the Information office Vodňany.

All year round events survey on [www.vodnany.net](http://www.vodnany.net)



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# Vodňany

...where to go, what to do and see there

a brief guide to this town

Historical beginnings of the town of Vodňany go to the reign of Přemysl Otakar II. in the 2nd half of the 13th century. The first written mention comes from about 1318. Medieval precious metals mining in the nearby area of Svobodné Hory and panning for gold in the river Blanice and Radomilice brook survive only on the municipal coat of arms from the 16th century where there is portrayed the miner holding the shield with the Czech royal lion in the golden field. The historical coat of arms was the inspiration for the modern town flag with the green and gold colours. The town of Vodňany has been connected with ponds and fish for over half a millennium. And this fish farming tradition and opportunities for sports fishing in the river Blanice full of former mills are the main reasons why to visit this town and its surroundings. So it is worth visiting this picturesque Vodňany countryside in the very heart of South Bohemia with a number of historical sights..

## Information office Vodňany

Svobody square 18, 389 01, tel.: 383 384 934

[info@vodnany.net](mailto:info@vodnany.net), [www.vodnany.net](http://www.vodnany.net)

South Bohemian Fairy-tale Office, the member of A.T.I.C. CR Information about accommodation, catering ( meals), services, transportation, sights and town events, map selling, guidebooks, postcards and tourist souvenirs, public internet, guided tours around the town and the church to order for the groups of more than 10.

### Opening hours:

April – September Mon – Sun 9-12 13-17  
October – March Mon – Fri 9-12 13-16, Sat 9-12





## Where to go sightseeing?

**Moated fortifications** from the 15<sup>th</sup> and the 16<sup>th</sup> centuries have survived with 4 prismatic bastions all around the inner town.

The picturesque quiet place with the medieval millrace canal and the low stone bridge with the crucifix and the statue of St. John of Nepomuk ( around 1730) is called **Vodňany Venice**.

**The Decanal Church of the Birth of Our Lady** was rebuilt according to the designs of Josef Mocker at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century and it was decorated by the designs of Mikoláš Aleš.

**The Fountain** in Svobody square (the Square of Liberty) was adapted in 1928 according to the designs of a sculptor J. Kvasnička.

### Church sights

The Church of St. John the Baptist (1848) in Kodádkova street, The Chapel of St. Adalbert (1730-32) at the cemetery, John Huss' Community Centre (1923) in Kampanova street, The former synagogue (1860) in Majerova street, The Chapel of 14 Saint Helpers in Dr. Hajný street, The Chapel of St. John of Nepomuk in Rechle street, The Chapel consecrated to Our Lady at the Secondary Fisheries School

### Monuments and memorials

Monument of Petr Chelčický according to the designs of F. Bílek, Memorial to the casualties of both world wars, Memorial to the casualties of communist regime – in the park at the House of Culture; Monument of Jan Žižka of Trocnov by J. Kvasnička (1928); Memorial stone at the so called Tree of the 3rd millennium in Žižka square; Monument of Theodor Mokry at the Secondary Fisheries School; Memorial "In memory of the millers' guild in the Blanice valley for the help in need" – in Mlýnská street nearby Řepi's mill.

### Memorial plaques

...of a writer František Herites ( Svobody square No1); ...of a violinist Váša Příhoda (Svobody square No 8); ...of a poet Otakar Mokry (Svobody square No 194), ...of a playwright J.K.Tyl (Svobody square No 22), ...of an author M. Jan Kampanus Vodňanský ( the building of the basic school Alešova), ...of a writer Julius Zeyer (Zeyerovy sady No 43), ...of a natural scientist Dr. Antonín Majer ( Majerova street No 164), ...of a partisan F. Žemlička (the railway station), ...of the 50th anniversary of the end of the 2nd WW (Svobody square No24).



## Where to have a good meal?

**Restaurace U Zástavů**, Augustina Křížka street 24, Vodňany, tel: 383 382 089

*Carp made in a special Vodňany way – the best prepared carp is just in a very plain way, on onion and garlic. Adding green pepper and tomatoes you will never regret trying it.*

**Amusement centre Družba – Pizzeria**,

Výstavní street 1043, Vodňany - terrace, winter garden, mother-and-children's room

tel: 383 313 216 (pizzeria), 383 313 211, 383 385 070 (office), 602 274 226, [druzba@vodnany.cz](mailto:druzba@vodnany.cz)



## Where to have typical Czech meals?

**Restaurant Pod věží**, Husova street 61, Vodňany, tel: 604 632 686

**Restaurant Zlatý soudek**, Svobody square 22, Vodňany, tel: 383 382 165, 602 409 225, [web.telecom.cz/zlsoudek](http://web.telecom.cz/zlsoudek)

## Where to have fast food?

**Refreshment „Lahůdky – občerstvení“**, Svobody square 10, Vodňany, tel: 383 382 060, 777 239 788, [koznel@volny.cz](mailto:koznel@volny.cz)  
*(hot meals, smoked meat, delicatessen, confectionery snack-counter)*

**Fast food „U Ambrože“**, Majerova street 149, Vodňany, tel: 775 282 303 *(home-made meals, buffet)*

**Restaurant Viet nam**, Svobody square 4, tel.: 728 656 874

## Where to find a good accommodation?

**Hotel Blanice**, Čs. armády street 151, Vodňany  
[www.zlatysoudek.cz](http://www.zlatysoudek.cz),  
tel: 383 383 878, 602 409 225

**Guest House Helenka**, Rybářská street 258, Vodňany,  
tel: 383 382 332, 602 409 225

**Guest House Jihočeská krčma**, Tylova street 159, Vodňany  
[www.jihoceskakrcma.cz](http://www.jihoceskakrcma.cz),  
tel: 605 486 001

**Amusement centre Družba**, Výstavní street 1043, Vodňany,  
[www.ganymed-cs.cz](http://www.ganymed-cs.cz), [druzba@vodnany.cz](http://druzba@vodnany.cz)  
tel: 383 313 216, 383 313 211, 383 385 070, 602 274 226

**Holiday center Karas Ltd.**, Krašovice at Vodňany,  
[www.rs-karas.wz.cz](http://www.rs-karas.wz.cz), [mlyn.karas@seznam.cz](mailto:mlyn.karas@seznam.cz)  
tel: 602 656 758, fax: 257 899 960

**Libějovice castle**,  
[www.zameklibejovice.cz](http://www.zameklibejovice.cz), [zameklibejovice@seznam.cz](mailto:zameklibejovice@seznam.cz)  
tel: 603 518 638

**Homestead „U Štástků“**, Vodňanské Svobodné Hory 15, Vodňany,  
[mujweb.cz/www/statekstastku](http://mujweb.cz/www/statekstastku), [ustastku@quick.cz](mailto:ustastku@quick.cz)  
tel: 383 384 407, 607 939 551



## Where to go camping?

**Caravan campsite Pražák**

huts, plug for caravans, mixed showers and toilets in the building of the restaurant, swimming – Záhorský pond, slides, parking place, fireplace  
[www.autokemp.vodnany.cz](http://www.autokemp.vodnany.cz), [autokemp.prazak@volny.cz](mailto:autokemp.prazak@volny.cz),  
tel: 383 382 370, 774 094 729

**Hut village (camp) Na drahách Bavorov**

10 huts, each with 4 beds, mixed WC and toilets, plug for caravans, possibility to cook, swimming pool in the area of the camp, fireplace, playground, parking place, buffet, river Blanice 50 m far from the camp, possibility to go fishing, open 1<sup>st</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> September.  
tel: 383 390 437



## Where to go on holiday

**Holiday boarding – house Zátíší**, Vodňany,  
[www.srs-vodnany.cz](http://www.srs-vodnany.cz), tel: 383 382 410

the boarding school of the Secondary Fisheries School, bikes for rent for the guests

**Agricultural educational establishment**, Palackého street 81, Vodňany, tel: 383 382 621, *meals at disposal only in July*

## Where to go to the nature?

**The protected trees** (the given data come from 2001 when the trees were proclaimed protected)

**Oak tree** (between the railway and the road near the campsite Pražák) – 25 meters high, the girth of the trunk 532 cm, the age 260 years.

**Lime tree** (at the chapel next to the building of the Secondary Fisheries School) – 23 m high, the girth of the trunk 527 cm, the age 527 years.

The nature noteworthy place called **The Bavorov Hillside**, The nature noteworthy place called **The Small Institute Pond**, The nature reserve called **The Libějovice park**, The nature reserve called **The Skočice Hrad (Castle)**, The nature reserve called **The Záhorský pond**

## Where to go on foot and by bikes?

**The chosen cycle – tourist paths of the Blanice- Otava region...**

**To Lomec** (26 km): Vodňany - Chelčice - Lomec - Libějovické Svobodné Hory - Vodňanské Svobodné Hory - Pražák - Vodňany  
**If there was Bavorov...** (18 km): Bavorov - Svobodná hora - Vodňanské Svobodné Hory - Svinětice - Útěšov - Štětín - Bavorov

**Libějovice castles** (14,5 km): Vodňany - Hvoždany - Libějovice - Černěves - Nestánice - Libějovice, new castle - Chelčice - (Stožice) - Vodňany

**Nature trails...**

**Tourist-nature trail Vodňany - Křtětice** (3,5 km) and following cycle path **Around Vodňany** (10 km): Vodňany - Křtětice - Radčice - Loucký mlýn - Vodňany

**The cycle path Historical nature of the Netolice region** (52 km): Netolice - Lhenice - Kratochvíle - Lomec - Malovice - Němčice - Netolice

**Nature trail Blanice** (25 km): Protivín - Myšenec - Malešice - Klokočín - Chvaletice - Milenovice - Protivín