

Natura ZELENÝ HÁJ

NATURAL WEALTH

The settlement of Zelený Háj is located in a picturesque, unspoiled landscape between the municipalities of Františkovy Lázně, Hazlov, and Vojtanov. It is surrounded by forests, fields, and pastures.

PRESENCE OF FOREST ANIMALS

Roe deer (*Capreolus capreolus*), Wild boar (*Sus scrofa*), Red fox (*Vulpes Vulpes*), European badger (*Meles Meles*), European hare (*Lepus europaeus*), Black polecat (*Mustela putorius*), Red squirrel (*Sciurus vulgaris*), Pine marten (*Martes Martes*), Eurasian otter (*Lutra Lutra*), Stoat (*Mustela erminea*).

AROUND PONDS, SMALL LAKES, AND POOLS YOU CAN FIND

Common toad (*Bufo Bufo*), European green toad (*Bufo viridis*), Edible frog (*Rana esculenta*), Grass frog (*Rana temporaria*), Pool frog (*Rana lessonae*), Fire salamander (*Salamandra salamandra*), Agile frog (*Rana dalmatina*), European tree frog (*Hyla arborea*), Adder (*Vipera berus*), Water snake (*Natrix Natrix*), Aesculapian snake (*Zamenis longissimus*), Smooth newt (*Lissotriton vulgaris*).

THERE IS ALSO A RICH VARIETY OF INSECTS, NOTABLY THE

Swallowtail butterfly (*Papilio machaon*), Aglais io (*Inachis io*), Alcon blue (*Phengaris alcon*), Common glowworm (*Lampyrus noctiluca*).

ORNITHOLOGICAL RICHNESS OF ZELENÝ HÁJ AND ITS SURROUNDING AREA INCLUDES:

Black kite (*Milvus migrans*), Red kite (*Milvus milvus*), Common crane (*Grus grus*), Peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus*), Old World kestrel (*Falco tinnunculus*), Grey heron (*Ardea cinerea*), Little egret (*Egretta garzetta*), Great egret (*Ardea alba*), Ortolan bunting (*Emberiza hortulana*), Western barn owl (*Tyto alba*), Owl of Minerva (*Athene noctua*), Barbastelle bat (*Barbastella barbastellus*), Greylag goose (*Anser anser*), Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*), Black woodpecker (*Dryocopus martius*), White-backed woodpecker (*Dendrocopos leucotos*), Spotted woodpecker (*Dendrocopos major*), Eurasian jay (*Garrulus glandarius*), European cuckoo (*Cuculus canorus*), Barn swallow (*Hirundo rustica*), House martin (*Delichon urbicum*), White wagtail (*Motacilla alba*), Field sparrow (*Passer montanus*), Thrush chirped (*Turdus pilaris*), Blackbird (*Turdus merula*), Black stork (*Sturnus vulgaris*), White stork (*Ciconia ciconia*), Grey woodpecker (*Picus canus*), Green woodpecker (*Picus viridis*), Wood pigeon (*Columba palumbus*), Great tit (*Parus major*), Eurasian blue tit (*Cyanistes caeruleus*), Western harrier (*Circus aeruginosus*), Northern raven (*Corvus corax*), Grey partridge (*Perdix perdix*), Common quail (*Coturnix coturnix*), Rufous nightingale (*Luscinia megarhync*),

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Common Starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*), Kingfisher (*Alcedo atthis*), Corncrake (*Crex crex*), Common snipe (*Gallinago gallinago*), Golden oriole (*Oriolus oriolus*), European robin (*Erithacus rubecula*), Magpie (*Pica pica*).

The nature reserve (protected area) “U Sedmi rybníků” includes five ponds in the valley of the Vonšovský stream within the Vojtanov cadastral area. In the 19th century, seven ponds interconnected by channels were built here. On the sites of the two that disappeared, wetlands are now found. Notable flora includes valerian, buckbean, and marsh horsetail. The area is classified as a Site of Community Importance (Natura 2000 site) due to the presence of the protected great crested newt.

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