

The Jizerská Padesátka Marathon in the Czech Republic

February 14th, 2021—50 km, Classic Technique

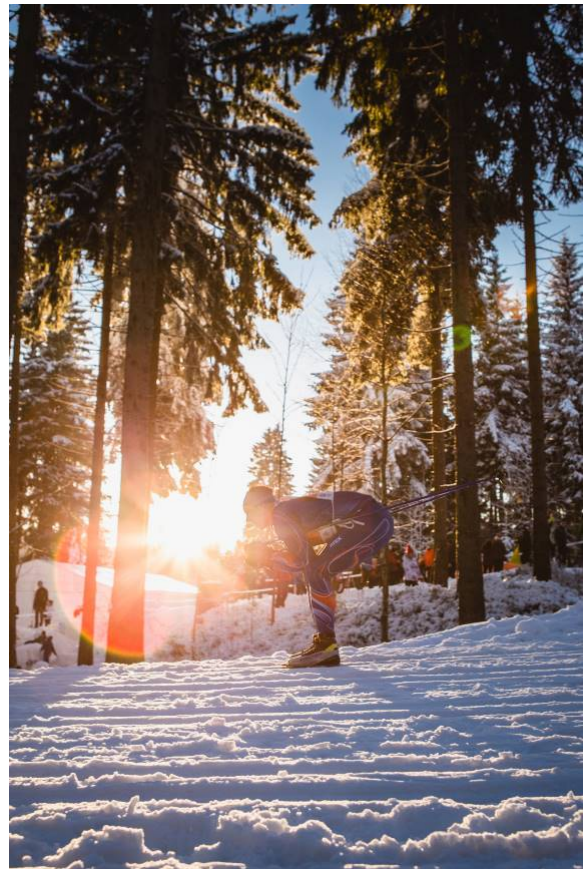
There is a new place to that is part of Sandoz Concept'S Nordic ski trips. It will take place in the Czech Republic. It is called the Jizerská Padesátka marathon. We were there last season with a group and quite frankly, we were seduced by the organizer's professionalism and by the course itself. It is situated in the triangle comprising Germany, Poland, and the Czech Republic. Its starting point is in the small town of Liberec, which is 130 km north of Prague. The village is dominated by mountains ranging from 800 to 1,000 meters in elevation. In this area there are nature reserves, ponds, clearings, and pine forests as far as the eye can see. Obviously, the winters are long and snowy in this region. But that is good for cross-country skiers. The marathon classic ski race takes place here. It is one single 50 km figure eight race course with serious climbs and superb downhills. Thus, the net altitude gain is significant.

The actual departure and finish of the race is in the very small village of Bedrichov, which is 12 km from Liberec. Liberec is where your 4-star hotel is located. Your hotel is only a few minutes from the old part of town and the pedestrian-only zone. Its location gives you the possibility of combining sports and culture during your stay. And, of course, you can remain for a few extra days if you wish in order to visit Prague.



Grand Hotel Clarion****

This majestic historical hotel is located in the center of Liberec, next to a park with numerous 100-year old trees. The building dates from 1906, creating a charm from the past, but with modern conveniences. Each room is luxurious with two beds and a complete bathroom. There is a wellness center with a sauna and different massages available (for an extra fee). There is a place for you to prepare your skis, too.



What Will Happen From Friday Through Monday:

Friday, 12th February 2021

You will take a plane from your local airport to Prague and then transfer via bus to Liberec (one and a half hours). You will find your hotel is located in a very old-growth park, but it is only a few minutes to the pedestrian-only zone of the old part of town. You will check in and then perhaps take a walking tour before everyone has dinner together at the hotel. After dinner will be the first meeting during which you will find out what will happen the next day. You will probably work on your skis after the meeting.

Saturday, 13th February 2021

You will have a copious breakfast at the hotel and then leave by bus to the departure stadium at Bedrichov, which is at 800 meters elevation and only 20 minutes from the town center. There you will reconnoiter part of the racing course and try out your skis and waxes. All of this will take place in a great atmosphere because we will only be doing short distances. We will have lunch in Bedrichov and then in the early afternoon, we will return to Liberec. You will get your race bibs and spend some time preparing your skis. Then dinner; next will be a meeting about the following day's race.

Sunday, 14th February 2021

You will eat a hearty breakfast and then be transferred by bus to the departure stadium. The race start is 9:00. There will be 4,000 participants for this 50-km classic race, separated into waves of 700 to 800 skiers. The first part of the course is by no means flat. After awhile you will ski up a long climb that brings you to the top of the course at 1,050 meters. If you are lucky and the weather is good, you will have fabulous views. The downhill is rapid. When you arrive at the finish, you will be able to pick up your personal effects before taking one of the skiers' buses back to town. You may want to stay for a while to check out the sponsors' tents in the stadium or go back to the hotel for a sauna or a massage (supplemental fee). We will all eat together at the hotel and then sleep well afterwards.

Monday, 15th February 2021

Breakfast as usual and then a bus trip to Prague where we will all spend a couple of hours together visiting the city center before being taken to the airport. If you wish to stay longer, just ask us, because we can arrange everything.



Dates : 12th to 15th February 2021 (Friday – Monday)

What You Get for Your Money Package:

- ✓ Bus transfers to and from the Prague airport to Liberec
- ✓ 3 nights in the Hotel Grand hôtel in Liberec****
- ✓ 3 days and evenings of half pension with a buffet breakfast and a dinner
- ✓ The bus transfer to the course during the day of the race
- ✓ Use of the bus to take you from the course to your hotel (Organization)
- ✓ Full guiding by the Team of Sandoz Concept

Price per Person in double room:
Additional costs for single room:

Euro 750,-/CHF 890,-
Euro 910,-/CHF 1030,-

What You Have to Pay For Yourself in Addition

- ✓ Race registration fees (see below)
- ✓ Individual trip insurance and Air transportation
- ✓ Lunches
- ✓ All personal expenses

Signing Up For the Race:

The race registration is a separate expense. This fee goes directly to the organizers of the Jizerská Padesatka ski marathon and will usually cost the equivalent of between 50,- and 80,- Euro for the 50 km classic race.



