

Partnership from 1999, Partnership Agreement dating from 3. 9. 2004  
distance from Nový Jičín 171 km

The town of Kremnica (population 5 000) is located in the Banská Bystrica Region in Slovakia. It was established in 1328 when Hungarian King Charles I. Robert granted a mining settlement the privileges of a free Royal mining and minting town. The square, where you can also find the most remarkable structures in the town, is one of the architecturally most interesting parts of the town. The structures on the square include the Mint, the Franciscan Monastery with church and the Museum of Coins and Medals. A Baroque fountain and the Plague Column of the Holy Trinity with sculptures by famous sculptor Dionysus Stanetti stand in the middle of the square. The Town Castle is the dominant and also the oldest part of the town. In 1950 the historic centre of Kremnica was declared a town heritage reservation.

The Mint was also established in 1328, and has been producing mintage without interruption for nearly seven centuries. These products are among the best in the world. The modern coining facility, which is part of the coining exhibition, was opened to the public in autumn 2008.

The mining museum offers interested visitors a walk through the Andrej Tunnel, which is 660 m long and where you can experience the ambiance of old mining works and learn about the history of mining gold-silver ore.

The Skalka recreational area is available to sports enthusiasts and people who enjoy spending their leisure time actively. It is 11 km away and includes sports-recreational areas at an altitude of around 1 220 metres above sea level and offers tens of kilometres of groomed cross-country skiing tracks in the winter season.

**Best-known events:**

- Big Air in the town – an entertaining adrenalin sports event in the square (February)
- Kremnica Guild Feasts – an event with a historic element (July)
- Kremnica Castle Organ Festival –organ playing skills from a modern perspective (every Sunday in July and August)
- Kremnica Gags – a festival of humour and satire (August)

**Interesting information:**

- all Czechoslovak coins were coined in the Mint
- The White Track (Bílá stopa) – the oldest regularly held cross-country skiing event in Slovakia is held at Skalka
- Jozef Pribilinec – a successful Czechoslovak race-walker and Olympic winner – was born here

- Street of famous noses – sculptures of the faces of famous Slovak artists

More information: [www.kremnica.sk](http://www.kremnica.sk)