Travel information

Flights to Prague (PRG, Vaclav Havel Airport) are provided by many companies, there is a direct flight from Geneva. Alternatively, one can also fly to Vienna (VIE) and take a train to Olomouc (see the list of possible connections from Vienna Airport to Olomouc here; for return journey here). The venue address is Legionářská 21, Olomouc. See detailed travel informations from Prague airport below.

Václav Havel Airport Prague ---> NH Collection Hotel, Olomouc

There are many possibilities how to get from the Prague airport to the NH Collection Hotel in Olomouc. The most convenient way is traveling by train from Prague to Olomouc and using public transportation to get from the airport to the train station in Prague and to get to the venue from the train station in Olomouc as explained in the following.

<u>Václav Havel Airport Prague ---> Prague main train station (*Praha, Hlavní nádraží*)</u>

A direct connection between the airport and the train station is provided by the Airport Express (AE) bus line. The Airport Express buses are labeled as "AE Hlavní nádraží". There are two bus stops at the airport within distance of 100 m from the Arrivals exit at Terminal 1 or Terminal 2, see the map below or follow the link to GoogleMaps (at the chosen position in this link, the AE bus stop at Terminal 2 is shown). The Terminal 1 is intended for flights outside the Schengen Area and the Terminal 2 is intended for flights within the Schengen Area. The Terminal 2 has two floors (the Arrivals exit and the AE bus stop are both on the ground floor).

The timetable of the AE bus line is available here. The tickets to the AE bus are available from the driver, and one journey costs 60 CZK (only cash in CZK). The AE bus line has five stops (*Terminál 1, Terminál 2, Náměstí republiky, Masarykovo nádraží, Hlavní nádraží*). You should leave the bus at the last bus stop (*Hlavní nádraží*). The journey takes approximately 44 minutes. After leaving the bus at the *Hlavní nádraží* bus stop, you can use the elevator to get to the train ticket offices (floor -3) or to the main waiting room with the Departures table (floor -1). The elevator is situated right next to the AE bus stop. After exiting the elevator on the floor -3, go straight (~10m) to the Czech Railways ticket office, turn left and go ~50m to the Regiojet ticket office, or turn right and go ~50m to the Leo Express ticket office.



AE bus stop at Terminal 1



Prague Airport with indicated AE bus stops

<u>Prague main train station (Praha hl.n.) ---> Olomouc Main train station (Olomouc hl.n.)</u>
There are typically 3 trains per hour operated by three companies:

Czech Railways (České dráhy): https://www.cd.cz/en/default.htm

Regiojet: https://bustickets.studentagency.eu/?2

Leo Express: http://www.le.cz/i.php

The travelling time is ~2.5 hrs and the price is typically ~300 CZK (11 EUR) per one way ticket. You can buy the tickets online, but if you miss the chosen train, they are in most cases non-refundable. When traveling by Czech Railways, we recommend to reserve the seat (additional price of ~80 CZK (3EUR)). The other companies provide the seat reservation automatically. The ticket offices for all the three companies are situated on the floor -3 as explained in the previous section. Information about travel connections can be found at

http://jizdnirady.idnes.cz/vlaky/spojeni/ (switch to english version on page).

You can find the selected connections at this link.

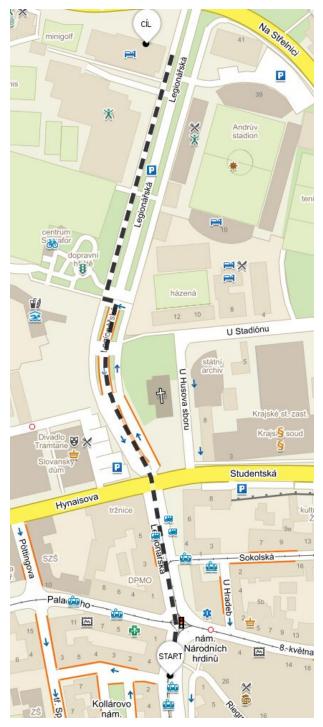
Olomouc Main train station (Olomouc, Hlavní nádraží) ---> NH Collection Hotel, Olomouc

The NH Collection Hotel is about 3 km far from the Olomouc main train station. To get there, you can either walk by foot (not recommended), or by public transportation. The tram stop is just outside of the Olomouc main train station building, see map below. You can use the tram lines 3, 4, 6 (6th stop) 7 (5th stop), to get to the tram stop *Náměstí hrdinů* or tram 2 to *Palackého* (6th stop) The ride is about 9 minutes long. We will try to provide you with a ticket by a person in the main railway station hall to be present during Sun afternoon (look for the Top2016 sign:). In case you arrive outside his/her duty hours, the tram ticket can be obtained from orange-colored ticket machines, which are placed at all tram stops or you can use ticket machine placed in the Olomouc main train station by the exit on the left. The price for the ticket is 14 CZK. Trams leave every 5 minutes, but intervals between tram departs are prolonged in the evening to about 15 minutes.



Tram station at the Olomouc railway station

The NH Collection hotel is about 700m (11min) <u>walk</u> from the tram stop Náměstí hrdinů. After exiting the tram at the *Náměstí hrdinů*, go to north in the direction set in this <u>GoogleMaps link</u> until you reach the hotel (see the map below). You can also use following link to zoomable map for better orientation in the city: https://mapv.cz/s/11bk8



The path to the NH hotel from the Náměstí hrdinů tram stop

Return journey

NH Collection Hotel, Olomouc ---> Václav Havel Airport Prague

The return journey is the reverse of the above description except few details. You can find the selected train connections from Olomouc to Prague here. When you get to the Main Train Station in Prague, you need to find the AE bus stop for the bus to the airport. The timetable for AE buses to the airport is here. Be aware that the AE bus stop is not so easy and straightforward to find. It is positioned at different location as when you arrived from the airport - it is in front of the historical building of the train station on the motorway. You can find it by following one or both of these signs:



Sign for AE bus stop



Sign for historical building



An example information table indicating the direction to the AE bus stop to the airport at the Main train station in Prague



Stairs to the historical building (next to the Tchibo shop)

Other travel possibilities

Travelling by car from Prague to Olomouc

It is about 3hr drive from Prague to Olomouc using highway 'D1':

https://www.google.cz/maps/dir/Prague/Olomouc/@49.6529628,15.2790468,9z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m1 4!4m13!1m5!1m1!1s0x470b939c0970798b:0x400af0f66164090!2m2!1d14.4378005!2d50.0755381!1 m5!1m1!1s0x47124e8311181853:0x400af0f66159470!2m2!1d17.2508787!2d49.593778!3e0

However, the 'D1' highway gets often jammed due to its reconstruction.

List of other useful links:

- Prague public transportation: http://www.dpp.cz/en/
- Taxi at Prague airport: http://www.aaataxi.cz/en/prague-airport-taxi/
- Timetables for buses: http://jizdnirady.idnes.cz/autobusy/spojeni/
- Olomouc public transportation: http://www.dpmo.cz/en/news.asp