









## The life of red deer

Red deer, called the king of Šumava forests, is one of the largest animals of Šumava. Red deer inhabit vast areas of southern and western Šumava mountains. One of the most important period of their life is the rutting season. The male rivals fight each other to win the interest of the female deer. As the only kind of all deer species they announce their presence with loud hooting. It is very interesting to observe the different life styles of the male and the female animals. It's so different that one wouldn't even say they belong to each other. Let's get familiar with the king of the Sumava forest.

Come to our Kvilda visitors center where you can observe a large red deer herd.

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# Life of lynx

Eurasian lynx, the mysterious cat, is the smallest of so-called 'large predators' inhabiting vast forested areas of the Šumava mountains. The territory of a single lynx can reach from 150 up to 400 square kilometers. Young lynxes can nowadays be spotted further in the country looking for unoccupied territory. The current Šumava lynx population has its roots in targeted reintroduction. During 1982–1989, seventeen Carpathian lynxes originally living in the Slovakian wilderness were released in Šumava. Today, we can enjoy watching their descendants who became integral part of the Šumava fauna.

To get familiar with the biggest predator cat in our country come visit our Kvilda visitors center to learn more. A pair of Eurasian lynxes lives there in an enclosure designed to display lynx in its natural environment.



Opening hours of the Visitor center could be found here www.npsumava.cz



### **Visitor center**

- Presentation about deer (Cervidae family).
- Handicapped visitors can observe the animals remotely from the visitor center via cameras placed in the enclosure.
- Children playground next to the Visitor center building.

#### Area

- Red deer enclosure of app. 9 hectares (22 acres).
- Eurasian Lynx enclosure of app. 0,5 hectares (1.25 acres).
- Educational trail with elevated viewing shelters passes through the red deer enclosure. It continues outside of the enclosure educating visitors about deer/wild boar tracks and about local trees and plants. It leads to the Eurasian lynx enclosure with viewing tower.
- Online cameras in the enclosure transmitting realtime images to the visitor center.
- Handicapped visitors being assisted can visit the entire trail.

## **Parking lot**

- Space for 50 cars and 3 buses.
- Parking ticket machine. Pricing per current price list.



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