

About our museum

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The Homeland Museum in Považská Bystrica is one of the regional museums of the homeland type within the founding jurisdiction of the Trenčín self-governing region. It was established in 1984 as a museum with a collection area of **Považská Bystrica, Púchov and Ilava districts**. In the depositories of the museum, objects of a natural science nature are concentrated, namely from the fields of geology, botany and zoology. The social science field is represented by collections of archaeology, history and ethnology. In the rest of the period, the museum staff concentrates on the documentation of local history in the 20th century. They pay special attention to the history of engineering in Považská Bystrica where the company Zbrojovka was founded in 1928. After its nationalization in 1946 and the creation of the national enterprise Klement Gottwald's Považské strojárne, in this enterprise, among other things, in 1947 the production of single-track motor vehicles begins. Their production in 1974 moved to the plant in Kolárovo, which was part of the concern company Považské strojárne. The production of single-track motor vehicles was ended in 1999.

The museum currently does not have exhibition places in Považská Bystrica. Part of the collections is presented in the Castle in Bohunice, in the County House in Púchov, in the Castle in Ladce and in the open-air museum in Horná Mariková.

Among the treasure of the collection fund are:

- a collection of historic motorcycles produced in the Považské strojárne and other documentation of production
- a collection of paintings by Imro Weiner - Kráľ and other regional artists
- a collection of blueprint forms from the workshop of Stanislav Trnka from Púchov
- a collection of folk clothes
- a collection of dermoplastic preparations of animals
- entomological collections
- a collection of historical herbariums
- photo documentation material – old period postcards, photos of Považská Bystrica, photos of folk architecture in Považie and others

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