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No fewer than 40,000 buildings are listed as of architectural or cultural significance, in addition to 200 conservation zones in historic towns and as many as 17 sites are on the UNESCO list of World Heritage monuments.

Much of this marvellously rich cultural heritage suffered grievously during the Communist years, but since the Velvet Revolution of 1989 enormous efforts have been made both by the government and private individuals to restore the Czech architectural and artistic patrimony.

The task is huge, as the Czech cultural legacy is so rich, and countless buildings are desperately in need of funds and conservation. The Friends have already funded several important projects.

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*Campaigning to raise funds for the repair and conservation of the substantial legacy of historic buildings and their gardens and parks in the Czech Republic - an important part of Europe's cultural heritage.*

The country has one of the richest concentrations of great houses and castles in Europe - around 12,600 survive - and numerous enchanting and unspoilt little Renaissance and Baroque towns. It is a land rich in churches and monasteries, with an important vernacular tradition, evident in picturesque wooden churches and gabled Baroque farmsteads.

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*The Renaissance Château of Doudleby*



*The Baroque Château of Mnichovo Hradiště*

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