

Family Hotel
CASTLE BERSTEJN
GOLF & SPORT RESORT



450 Years of Castle History

20 Years of Renovation

15 Years of Service & Home Hospitality

Behind the Scenes





Dear Friends,

Little princesses and small princes,

*W*elcome to our unconventional CASTLE BERSTEJN world. A world without red carpet and livery servants, without TV and mini-bars. All the more you will be charmed by what is waiting to be discovered. Already when entering the country castle, you will feel a very strong timeless positive atmosphere, where the Past merges with the Present. A nature that smells and tastes... you will relax wonderfully. You will experience why this place attracted us magically from the beginning. We fell in love with the castle that much, that we bought and reconstructed it in 1991 in an absolutely catastrophic condition. The charm and magic of the castle needing renovation overwhelmed us. Until the opening of the hotel in 1997 the castle was extensively reconstructed and equipped with modern comfort. Be our guest! We will do our best to make you feel comfortable and like "at home".

Markéta & Miro Slivák



time line

The founder of the **CASTLE BERSTEJN**, Adam Berka von Dubá, came from the southern branch of the dynasty. Originally, he inherited the old, already dilapidated family seat, the Castle Berkenštejn (Starý Berštejn today) plundered by the Hussites, which is still located north of the city Dubá above the village Vrchovany. Rather than undertaking a costly renovation of the Gothic castle he decided to build a new seat of the family, the castle Nový Berštejn (1558 - 1567). This castle was also called Nový Berštejn, Perstein, Neuperstein, Perstyn.

1558

Adam Berka von Dubá



The Renaissance building had two floors (today's Central Wing), the upper floor was made of wood.

*Adams's son Václav Berka (owner since 1618) was the **chief judge** under the government of Fridrich Falcký and one of the most important personalities of the resistance against the Habsburg dynasty. After the defeat of the Bohemian Estates (1620) he fled from the country, property was confiscated.*

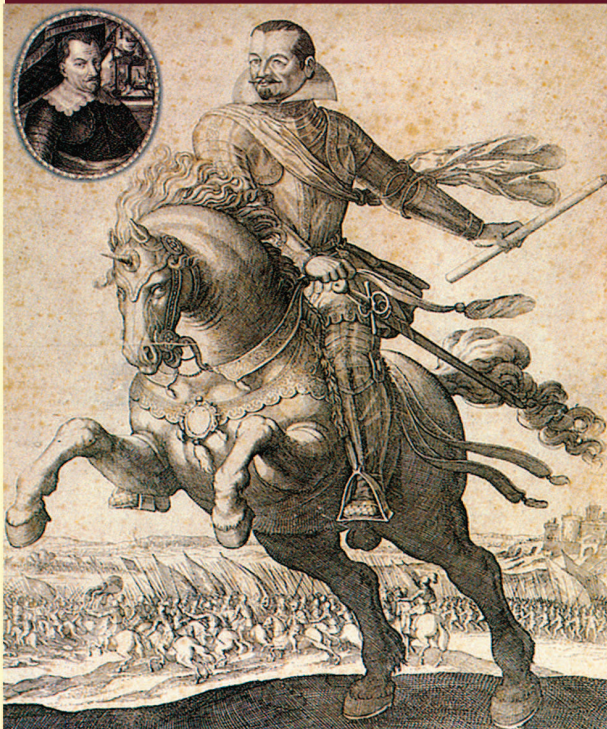
1620

Albrecht von Wallenstein



Military leader and politician,

who became the supreme commander of the armies in Habsburg Monarchy and a major figure of the Thirty Years' War. He was assassinated at Cheb with the emperor's approval.



1634

Walter Buttler



Emperor Ferdinand gave the whole estate to the colonel Buttler, one of the murderers of Wallenstein. Walter Butler descended from an old Irish dynasty.

1723

Karel Frantisek Rudolf

Graf Sweets-Sporck



The Graf Sweets-Sporck developed extensive construction activities on the estate, rebuilt castle in Baroque style and expanded with side wings.

1810

Wallenstein



Dynasty of Wallenstein rebuilt the castle to its present appearance.

