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HIGHLIGHTS OF POLAND

Poland today is probably Europe's best kept secret. Appreciate the wealth of medieval fairy tale cities and scenic wonders on this enthralling journey and enjoy the warm-hearted hospitality of the Polish people themselves.

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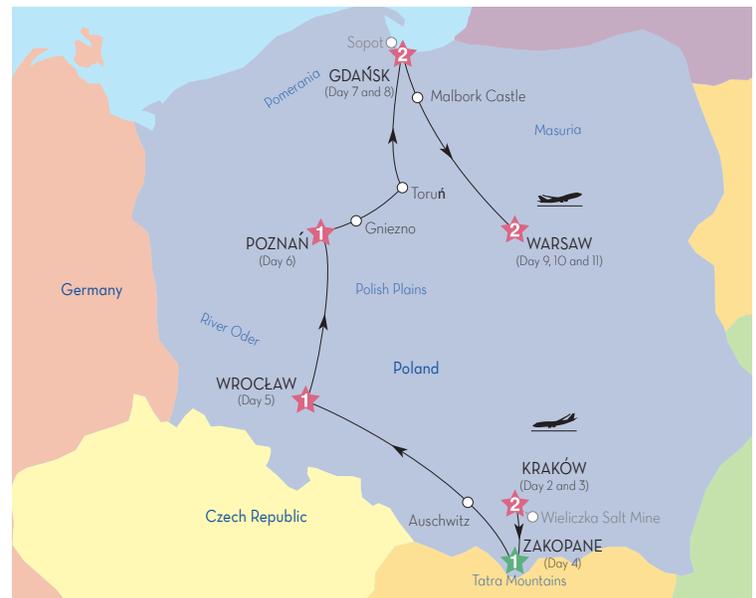
- **Kraków:** The medieval heart of Kraków is rich in legend, a kind of Polish Camelot. Join a Local Expert historian for an in-depth exploration of this historic 'Holy Grail'.
- **Kraków:** Visit Oskar Schindler's Factory Museum and gain an insight into the vital part he played, saving the lives of so many during the Nazi occupation.
- **Warsaw:** Enjoy a sightseeing tour of this fascinating city.
- **Auschwitz:** Experience a powerful and moving visit, with a Local Expert, to the memorial and museum of Auschwitz and a stop at Birkenau, which bears witness to the terrible atrocities of the Holocaust
- Plus much more!

AUTHENTIC REGIONAL FLAVOURS

- **Zakopane:** During your Signature Evening, not only is the food authentic fare, but the traditional Góral folklore entertainment provides a real Highland flavour.
- **Poznań:** Lech is one of Poland's best-loved lagers and the visitors centre at the brewery is a beer-lovers paradise. Gain an insight into the brewing tradition and the production process, pose for photos with a giant beer can and taste the amber nectar.
- **Warsaw:** The Polish capital is currently enjoying a culinary renaissance - find out what the buzz is all about during your end-of-tour Celebration Dinner with wine at a favourite restaurant.
- 9 Buffet Breakfasts (BB); 1 Welcome Dinner (WD); 1 Signature Evening (SE); 1 three-course table d'hôte Dinner (DW) and 1 Celebration Dinner (CD) all with wine, plus tea or coffee.

ADDITIONAL FIVE STAR SERVICES

- An expert Insight Tour Director, at the pinnacle of their career, will guide you on your journey. Serving as your "travelling concierge", this skilled guide will act as a consummate organizer and be your 'friend in a foreign land'.
- Enjoy the unique comfort of Insight's luxury air-conditioned 40 seat coach with extended leg room and on-board restroom. It's business class comfort.
- Hotel and restaurant tips included - you'll never have to worry about how much to give, nor search for foreign currency. Plus we include all taxes and portorage charges at hotels.
- Baggage handling everywhere, with seamless and prompt delivery to your door at every hotel.
- Insight Flourishes - from time to time, your Tour Director will enchant you with local tidbits, each representing authentic food or beverages unique to the destination.
- Included airport transfers at scheduled times on arrival and departure days.



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DAY 1: YOUR JOURNEY BEGINS

Board your overnight flight to Europe (please ask about our great deals).

DAY 2: WELCOME TO KRAKÓW

Transfers for your hotel depart Kraków Airport at 10:30, 12:30 & 15:00. Meet your Tour Director for a walk around the Rynek Główny, Europe's largest and most beautiful town square. See the famous 'Sukiennice' Cloth Hall, St. Mary's Church and the many historic townhouses, palaces and churches. Be sure to listen for the trumpeter's call! Later, enjoy a Welcome Reception, of drinks and a fabulous Welcome Dinner.

Hotel: Radisson Blu, Kraków
Welcome Reception and Dinner

DAY 3: THE DAMSELS AND DRAGONS OF KRAKÓW

RS In the morning, there is an optional experience to the Wieliczka Salt Mine. Alternatively, relax until your ascent of Wawel Hill to see the Renaissance castle with a Local Expert. Then visit the cathedral, the final resting place of the Kings of Poland and former seat of Archbishop Karol Wojtyła, later known to the world as Pope John Paul II. Head across the former Jewish Quarter of Kazimierz to Podgórze to see Ghetto Square and remains of the Ghetto Wall. Visit Oskar Schindler's Factory Museum and gain a fascinating insight into the Nazi occupation of Poland, his factory and the fate of its Jewish workforce. Later, you can visit Old Kleparz market, bursting with aromatic smells and vibrant colours, a real paradise of fresh fruit, vegetables and a variety of local cheeses. The rest of the day is at leisure. Maybe spend time browsing the shops for traditional folklore products? By night, don't miss the chance of enjoying a Polka Party with dinner and wine.

Hotel: Radisson Blu, Kraków
Buffet Breakfast

DAY 4: ACROSS THE HIGH TATRAS MOUNTAINS TO ZAKOPANE

Journey into Tatras, the highest range of the Carpathian Mountains. Stay in the resort town of Zakopane, famous for its wooden houses and winter sports. Spend free time shopping for local specialties in the markets of Krupowki Street or ascend a nearby mountain for panoramic views across the Tatras into Slovakia. At night, enjoy a rousing Highlight Dinner accompanied by local 'Goral' Highlander folklore entertainment.

Hotel: Grand Nosalowy Dwór, Zakopane
Buffet Breakfast, Signature Evening

DAY 5: REFLECT ON AUSCHWITZ THEN ON TO WROCLAW, THE VENICE OF POLAND

Travelling past the homeland of Pope John Paul II, your first stop will be the city of Oświęcim, better known throughout the world by its German name, 'Auschwitz'. With a Local Expert, experience a moving visit to the memorial and museum of Auschwitz and a stop at Birkenau. Move on to the banks of the river Oder and the city of Wrocław, known in Polish as 'Miasto Spotkań', the 'meeting place'. During its long history, Wrocław has belonged to Poland, Bohemia, Austria, Prussia and Germany. See the brightly coloured façades of the noble mansions and the flower markets on the Plac Solny, the Baroque splendour of the 'Rynek', and be introduced to Wrocław's cheeky gnomes. In the evening, you can dine at one of Europe's oldest restaurants.

Hotel: Sofitel/Radisson Blu, Wrocław Old Town
Buffet Breakfast

DAY 6: POZNAŃ, CRADLE OF THE POLISH NATION

Journey to the region of 'Wielkopolska', considered the birthplace of Poland in the 10th century. In Poznań, enjoy free time for lunch in the old market square. Then meet a local resident who knows every nook and cranny of the Old Town. After a pleasant walking tour, drive out to Poznań's cathedral island, a fascinating place of legend, often overlooked by other visitors. Here, some of Poland's first kings are buried. For a local insight, you are guided through the beer production process at the Lech Brewery to learn the tricks of the trade, and for a well-earned taste of the 'wondrous golden drink'.

Hotel: Sheraton, Poznań
Buffet Breakfast, Three-course Dinner with wine, plus tea or coffee

DAY 7: TORUŃ, THE GOTHIC GLORY ON THE VISTULA AND GDAŃSK

Stop at Gniezno to visit the cathedral and see the famous winged bronze doors. Then continue to Toruń, founded by the Teutonic Knights in 1233 and birthplace of astronomer Nicolaus Copernicus. Join a Local Expert to discover this outstanding example of medieval architecture, now a living museum and UNESCO World Heritage Site. Then follow the Vistula north to the Baltic Sea and Gdańsk, a beautiful seaside town, with a lovingly restored Old Town. As evening descends, a dinner of Baltic specialties is highly recommended, followed by a walk through Gdańsk's illuminated Old City.

Hotel: Radisson Blu/Hotel Rezydent, Gdansk
Buffet Breakfast

DAY 8: THE BALTIC BELLES OF GDAŃSK

RS During morning sightseeing with a Local Expert, see the Westerplatte, scene of the first fighting between Polish and German troops in 1939 and the Gdańsk Shipyards, where Lech Wałęsa formed the anti-Soviet 'Solidarność' in 1980. Then, continue through the medieval city, where buildings date back from the time of the Hanseatic League. Enjoy a free afternoon, perhaps choose to visit the elegant seaside town of Sopot.

Hotel: Radisson Blu/Hotel Rezydent, Gdansk
Buffet Breakfast

DAY 9: MALBORK CASTLE AND WARSAW

Visit the 'Castle of the Teutonic Order in Malbork', founded in 1274 on the banks of the Nogat River by the Teutonic Knights. The castle is a stunning example of a medieval fortress and the largest brick Gothic castle in the world. Next, travel south across the beautiful Masuria - Iława Lakes region and on to the capital, Warsaw.

Hotel: Sheraton, Warsaw
Buffet Breakfast

DAY 10: EXPLORING THE PROUD POLISH CAPITAL OF WARSAW

RS In the morning, with a Local Expert see the Palace of Culture and the Chopin Monument in Łazienki Park. A visit to the Ghetto Memorial and the Historical Museum is followed by a walk through Warsaw's Old Town, entirely rebuilt since WWII. The afternoon is at leisure, perhaps attend an evening concert of Poland's best-loved composer, Frédéric Chopin? At the evening's Celebration Dinner, enjoy a fine selection of local dishes with wine at a cosy Warsaw restaurant.

Hotel: Sheraton, Warsaw
Buffet Breakfast, Celebration Dinner

DAY 11: DEPART WARSAW

Your tour comes to an end in the morning. Departure transfers arrive at Warsaw Airport at 07:30 & 10:00.

Buffet Breakfast

PLEASE NOTE: Itinerary is subject to changes.



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