

PRIVATE GRAND TOUR OF POLAND 2024

PREMIUM ITINERARY. PREMIUM LUXURY EXPERIENCE.





ABOUT THIS TRIP

12 DAYS / 1 COUNTRY / UNESCO SIGHTS / LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: EASY

Enjoy the Premium Private Grand Tour of Poland – the luxury way of traveling. Discover Warsaw, Krakow, Wroclaw, Torun, Gdansk – they are all lovely and unique. lovely Warsaw, the capital of Poland. Admire the Tatra mountains with its beautiful peaks, valleys and lakes. Visit with us all the highlights and discover out-of-the-beaten-tracks, medieval towns with fortification walls, majestic castles and their stories and legends, UNESCO sights, see local craftsmen and learn from them. Enjoy gastronomical delights traditional restaurants full of genuine tasty Polish meals, drinks and desserts. Try Polish vodka, learn some Polish words, cultural habits and traditions.

Let us pamper you, plunge into the wellness sphere and enjoy undisturbed moments. Fall in love with Poland.



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Our top priority is the exclusive customer care. From the very first email, through the entire booking process, during your lovely tour and up to your departure – we will always care about your highest comfort, the attention to details, your safety, your special requests and of course that your tour is enjoyable and memorable.

As it is essential to have a top tour guide while you are enjoying your lovely holiday, our guide-drivers are highly qualified, licensed experts with vast knowledge of history of Central Europe with excellent English skills, driving skills, strong personal touch with sense of humor. They are friendly and always ready to help you and make your stay a lovely and unique experience.

Our vehicles are new, fully equipped luxury vans Mercedes Benz V class, for up to 7 travelers, they offer the highest possible comfort, you will enjoy our luxury suits on the wheels. For larger groups, our partner agency offers Setra 30 seaters and 50 seaters.



Peter & Jane Blazicek / Best Slovakia Tours – Travel Team

ROUTE / TOTAL of 1900km / 1180mi

Start and end of the tour: Warsaw, Poland



YOUR TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1

WELCOME TO WARSAW

Welcome drink and Welcome dinner. Your lovely holiday starts today.

Book with us an airport pick up service from Warsaw airport and get the best possible price, travel in style with the highest comfort.

How do we provide this service? We will wait for you at the airport's arrival hall holding a sign with your name, help you with your luggage, drive you safely and comfortably to Warsaw center to your hotel and help with the check in process. Maximum comfort, mineral water on board and a pleasant drive. At leisure.

Overnight in Warsaw

DAY 2

WARSAW QUALITY SIGHTSEEING TOUR



We'll start with a quality walking tour (with our local professional tour guide) on Krakowskie Przedmiescie – the best known and prestigious streets of Poland. It links the parts of the Royal route, Old town and Royal castle, castle square with the column of King Sigismund III Vasa who moved the capital from Krakow to Warsaw.

On the walking tour we will pass Presidential palace, Warsaw university and the Polish Academy of Sciences. See the highlights of Warsaw as well as

WW2 devastation and rebuilt process. Lunch break & continue with Lazienki park, then free time (relaxing, shopping)

Optional visits:

Jewish Heritage tour - Jewish history with our local specialist

Museum of Frederick Schopin, the story of the life and work of the famous Polish composer

Museum of King Jan III Sobieski at the baroque Wilanow palace

Museum POLIN - 1000 years of history is told here in a symbolic place in the center of Warsaw – in the pre-war district inhabited mainly by Jews which were during WW2 transformed by the Germans into a ghetto.

Overnight in Warsaw

Total driving distance: 25km / 15mi, Driving time: 40min, Walking: 2-3 miles / 4-5 hours

DAY 3

WARSAW - LODZ - KRAKOW

Drive to Lodz - during the Poland's Industrial Revolution it was one of the most multicultural and industrial centres in Europe. Today, bursting with creative energy, city is well suited for artists, film makes and free thinkers. Lonely Planet named Lodz as the 2nd Best Value Destination for 2019.

Let's walk on Piotrkowska street – the longest commercial street in Poland. From Plac Wolnosci (Liberty square) to the junction Pilsudskiego it is 4.2km. Admire lots of architectural styles from the neo-baroque (House of Schiebler, Wilhelm Landau's Bank House, art nouveau styles. Then, Holly-Lodz – pavement stars honour Roman Polanski, a graduate of the city's film school and pianist Arthur Rubinstein. Lunch and drive to Krakow. Evening's walk around Krakow's lovely square.

Overnight in Krakow

Total driving distance: 430km / 140mi, Driving time: 5hours, Walking distance: 2-3 miles / 4-5 hours

DAY 4

KRAKOW - POLAND'S ROYAL CITY



Start with a a walking tour to Wavel royal castle - situated in the centre of Krakow, on the edge of the Old Town. The Wawel Castle and its cathedral have experienced over 1000 years of both glorious and turbulent history. Together they now form one of the most popular tourist attractions in the region. We walk to the Market Square (Rynek Glowny) for a tasty Polish lunch.

The square is the centre of Krakow's Old Town district and Europe's largest medieval square, it has been the hub of the city since the 13th century. It contains some of Krakow's most famous sights, including the **Cloth Hall**, the **Basilica of St Mary**, the **Town Hall** tower and the tiny 11th-century **Church of St Adalbert**. Lunch and visit

Kazimierz district. South of the Old town lies Kazimierz, once it was the centre of Jewish life in Krakow for over 500 years, before it was destroyed during WWII, rebuilt after 1990s. Today, it belongs to Krakow's most exciting districts with plenty of cafes, bars, restaurants and galleries. Visit of Old Synagogue, Remuh Synagogue and more sights. Well-known for its associations with Oscar Schindler and Spielberg's Schindler List. On request we can organize a visit of Oskar Schindler factory or Auschwitz camp (it is necessary an advance booking).

Optional visits: Kazimierz district - visit of Synagogues + Jewish history, Wieliczka Salt mine
Auschwitz Birkenau visit - cc camp and/or Oskar Schindler factory

Overnight in Krakow
Walking distance: 2-3 miles / 4-5 hours

DAY 5, KRAKOW - ZAKOPANE

Drive to **Wieliczka Salt Mine**, the world's oldest active salt mine, tour with a local guide. Lunch break and drive to the foot of the Tatra mountains, the highest mountain range of the Carpathians. Zakopane, one of the most famous and popular Polish summer and winter resorts, located between Tatra mountains and Gubalowka hill. Know more about Goral people, their culture with unique styles of food, architecture, music and costumes. Try oscypek - the highlander cheese made of sheep's milk.

Overnight in Zakopane
Total driving distance: 110km / 68mi, Driving time: 2hours, Walking distance: 2-3 miles / 4-5 hours

DAY 6 ZAKOPANE - TRIP TO MORSKIE OKO



As Zakopane offers an impressive range of hiking trails and everyone can find a suitable route based on their level of experiences. We'll **hike to Morskie Oko**, a simple hiking tour which takes you to Morskie Oko - the mountain lake which was recognized by The Wall Street Journal as the one of the five most beautiful lakes in the world. Afterwards, relax and free time.

Optional tours:

The Great Kopieniec (easy route), Gooseneck (easy route), The 5 Ponds Valley (moderate-difficult)

Overnight in Zakopane
Walking distance: 2-3 miles / 4-5 hours

DAY 7, WROCLAW - THE VENICE OF THE NORTH



Drive to **Wrocław**, a lunch break followed by Quality Walking Tour, let's start on the Market Square, one of the European largest.

One of the most popular activities to do in Wrocław is the dwarfs-hunting. They are the symbol of Wrocław. The history of the dwarfs started in the 1980's as the Polish anti-communist underground movement – Orange Alternative – decided to fight with the government by painting graffiti of little dwarfs on city walls. The first monument of a dwarf was only placed in 2003, now, we have around 800 of them, each dwarf has its own character, outfit and profession. Our walking tour continues to **Cathedral Island**, the oldest part of the city with a history of 1000 years.

Overnight in Wrocław

Total driving distance: 370km / 229mi, Driving time: 4hrs 30min, Walking distance: 1-2 miles / 3-4 hours

DAY 8, TORUN - GINGERBREAD CITY



Drive to **Torun**, a lunch break and the afternoon walking tour around the Old Town. As you probably know, Torun is the birthplace of Nicolaus Copernicus, the famous astronomer and we'll visit this spectacular **Museum of Nicolaus Copernicus**.

Optional visits: Museum of Gingerbread

Overnight in Torun

Total driving distance: 360km / 223mi, Total driving time: 4hours, Walking distance: 1-2 miles / 3-4 hours

DAY 9 GDANSK - WORLD CAPITAL OF AMBER



Drive to **Gdansk** (2hrs), the Old town followed by a quality city tour to see the symbols of the city (from the Golden gate walking on Dlugi Targ up to the Green gate), such as the massive brick bulk of St. Mary's Basilica towering over the city, (the largest brick temple in the world, often referred as the Crown of Gdansk) the Renaissance facades of the houses around Long Market

and the statue of Neptune. The medieval crane. The thousand year old city on the Baltic coast has been the hometown of Johannes Hevelius (Polish astronomer), Fahrenheit, Arthur Schopenhauer (philosopher), Grass and Wales. Get to know about Gdansk rich heritage of fascinating culture & turbulent history. Lunch, continue with the walking tour and free time

Overnight in Gdansk

Total driving distance: 170km / 105mi, Total driving time: 2hours, Walking distance: 1-2 miles / 3-4 hours

DAY 10, GDANSK - WESTERPLATTE

Drive to Westerplatte (30min), the historic site where World War II broke out on September 1, 1939. Visit of the museum and a monument dedicated to the Polish defenders. Afterwards, visit of Museum of WW2 and Solidarity museum.

Optional visits: River cruise

Overnight in Gdansk

Total driving distance: 25km /15 mi, Total driving time: 50, Walking distance: 1 mile / 3hours

DAY 11 MALBORK – WARSAW



Drive to Malbork castle,- an iconic gothic fortress and world's largest entirely brick complex, located on the Nogat river in the Northern Poland. It was founded in the 13th century by the Teutonic Knights,- an order of German crusaders, later it became a residence for the Polish kings. Tour around the castle.

Lunch break and drive to Warsaw (4hrs).

*****End of private Guide-driver services*****

Overnight in Warsaw

Total driving distance: 380km /236 mi, Total driving time: 4hour 45min

DAY 12 DEPARTURE FROM WARSAW

Your memorable holiday comes to an end today. We are ready to arrange for you an airport transfer, a comfortable door-to-door service for discounted rates.

Pick up from your hotel at:

Drive to Warsaw airport. Departure flight time: Flight number:

HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS TOUR

UNESCO World Heritage sights

- ✓ Explore the Polish capital Warsaw
- ✓ Admire the charming Krakow
- ✓ Easy walking-hiking in the Tatra mountains in Zakopane
- ✓ Enjoy breath-taking views on Wroclaw's bridges
- ✓ Admire the Gdansk
- ✓ Immerse yourself to Malbork castle history
- ✓ Taste all gastronomical delights in traditional Polish restaurants
- ✓ Enjoy first class Guide-driver services & superb local specialists – guides (Warsaw, Krakow, Gdansk)

WHAT IS ALWAYS INCLUDED

Meals: 11x Breakfast, 1x Welcome dinner and 1x Farewell dinner

Accommodation: first class 4star carefully selected hotels, VAT tax (value added tax), local city tax

Tour guides: Top Guide-driver, local professional guide in Warsaw, Krakow and Gdansk

Transportation: luxury van Mercedes Benz Vclass (1-7 travelers), Mercedes Benz Sprinter (8-18 travelers), Setra 30 or 50 seaters (from our partner bus agency)

Entrances to the top sights:

Warsaw – Lazienki palace, Krakow – St. Mary's church and Wawel castle and cathedral, Salt Mine Wieliczka, Torun - Copernicus museum, Malbork castle, Gdansk – WW2 museum and Solidarity Museum

Refreshment on board (sparkling and still mineral water)

Map of Poland, information material, brochures

WHAT IS EXCLUDED

Flights to/from Poland, Return airport transfers (ask and get the special rate),

Meals and drinks, Travel insurance, Personal expenses, Cable car tickets, Souvenirs

Gratuities to Guide-driver (optional), Any services not listed above as "Included"

AVAILABILITY AND PRICES - TRAVEL SEASON 2024

Our price policy is to offer fair and attractive prices for high quality tours.

Group of 2 travelers: € 4850.00 per person

Group of 4 travelers: € 2850.00 per person

Group of 6 travelers: € 2450.00 per person

IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

* During the low season, some tourist attractions might be temporarily closed due to reconstructions or due to bad weather (cable cars), alternative program will be offered

* All prices are per person sharing twin/double room in 4star carefully selected hotels

* Extra bed possible for a surcharge, single supplement for a surcharge of €480.00

* Generally, this tour is available for travelers on wheelchair (and with other physical limitations), however, some sights might not be accessible (castles)

TOUR REVIEWS

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