

Highlights of Poland

8 Days | Krakow to Gdansk



Travel from south to north Poland on this 8 day tour. From the charming city of Krakow to the bustling capital of Warsaw, travel through the picturesque lake region before reaching the Baltic sea port of Gdansk. Discover the highlights of a country steeped in history.

HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

Trip Highlights

- Krakow - Explore the former royal capital. Visit St Mary's Church, the Jagiellonian University and Wawel Castle & Cathedral
- Czestochowa - Pay a visit to the Jasna Gora Monastery, home of the Black Madonna painting
- Warsaw - Stroll through the reconstructed Old Town, visit the Royal Castle, St John's Cathedral and the Old Town Market Square
- Masurian Lake District - Discover the picture postcard villages of Mragowo and Gizycko
- Gdansk - Visit the highlights of the old town, enter the Artus court and soak up the history of this Baltic sea port

What's Included

- 7 nights in 4 star hotels

- Entrances to Wawel Castle, Jasna Gora Monastery, St John's Cathedral in Warsaw, Malbork Castle and Artus Court in Gdansk
- 7 breakfasts
- Escorted by an English speaking tour leader
- One arrival transfer on Day 1 and One departure transfer on Day 8 included per booking
- Note: This tour is operated in conjunction with our trusted partner and you will join travellers from different operators, not solely On The Go. The group can vary in size from 15 - 40 persons. Guiding may be in other languages in addition to English
- All relevant transportation in private modern vehicles

What's Not Included

- International flights to/from our tour start/end points and visas
- Items of a personal nature and additional meals

ITINERARY

Day 1 : Krakow

Welcome to Poland and the beautiful city of Krakow. Upon arrival at Krakow airport you'll be met and transferred to your hotel in the heart of the city. The rest of the day is at

leisure. A welcome meeting will be held this evening, in the lobby. **Overnight - Krakow**

Day 2 : Krakow



This morning we explore the former royal capital of Krakow, holding this title for over 500 years it is a city which holds many traditions, secrets and stories within it. We'll begin in the Old Town at St Mary's Church, dating back to 1347 this basilica towers over the main market square below. We'll then continue to Jagiellonia University, founded in 1364 by Casimir III the Great it is one of the oldest surviving universities in the world. Next stop is the Cloth Halls and on to the Wawel Castle and Cathedral. The fortified area of Wawel has been built over many centuries and is now one of the most interesting parts of the city.

This afternoon is free for your to further explore Krakow independently. There is also the opportunity to join an optional excursion to the impressive Wielizka Salt Mine. This

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incredible labyrinth of tunnels is often referred to as 'the underground salt Cathedral of Poland' due to its stunning interior.

This evening there will be the opportunity to enjoy an optional Polish dinner at 'Hawelka' restaurant. **Overnight - Krakow (B)**

Day 3 : Warsaw

Krakow - Czestochowa - Warsaw. This morning we depart for Czestochowa, home to the Jasna Gora Monastery in which you'll find the incredible Black Madonna painting. This painting holds a lot of spiritual significance and its origins before reaching Poland are shrouded in significance. Departing Czestochowa we continue through the flat low-lying plain of Central Poland, we'll reach Warsaw early this afternoon. The rest of the day is free for you to explore independently. **Overnight - Warsaw (B)**

Day 4 : Warsaw



Today we discover the history of Warsaw, a city which saw near complete destruction by the end of World War Two. In the years since the old town has been meticulously rebuilt to its former glory. We'll begin the day by visiting the Royal Castle, following the Royal Route we'll also make stops at St John Cathedral, the Old Town Market Square and the Barbican.

This afternoon you'll have free time to explore Warsaw independently. You'll also have the opportunity to join a optional excursion to the Royal Lazienki Park, home to Lazienki Palace, also know as the Palace on the Water.

This evening offers an optional Polish dinner at the 'Dawne Smaki' restaurant. **Overnight - Warsaw (B)**

Day 5 : Masurian Lake District



Warsaw - Gizycko. After breakfast this morning we set off through the lush forests of Northern Poland and into the Masurian Lake District. This area is home to a multitude of lakes and is one of the most naturally beautiful parts of Poland. Making our way through some of the 2,000 lakes that are found in this area we reach Gizycko, surrounded on all sides by lakes, we then continue to Swieta Lipka to visit the Baroque church before making our way to the picture-postcard town of Mragowo. We finish our day in the city of Olsztyn. **Overnight - Olsztyn (B)**

Day 6 : Malbork Castle

Olsztyn - Elblag - Gdansk. We depart the stunning Masurian Lakes this morning and head north to the town of Elblag. With a interesting but at times dark history, Elblag is home to the red bricked St. Nicolas Cathedral and a delightful old town. We continue to Malbork Castle, founded in the 13th century by the Teutonic Knights this impressive castle sits on the banks of the Nogat River. This afternoon we continue to Gdansk, upon arrival at our hotel the rest of the day is at leisure. **Overnight - Gdansk (B)**

Day 7 : Gdansk City Tour



The beautiful city of Gdansk can trace its existence back to the 10th century. This morning we'll enjoy a walking tour of the old

town, our route will take us down Dlugi Targ or Long Market, past St. Mary's Church and St. Bridget's Church. We'll also visit Artus Court and Gdansk Town Hall.

This afternoon there is an optional tour to Tri-City area – this urban area unites Gdansk with the lively coastal towns of Sopot and Gdynia. The tour will take you along gulf of Gdansk where you'll visit the famous pier in Sopot and enjoy an organ concert at the Oliwa Church.

This evening an optional farewell dinner at the prestigious Restaurant Pod Lososiem will be offered. **Overnight - Gdansk (B)**

Day 8 : Gdansk

Today marks the end of your fantastic trip through Poland. A departure transfer will be provided to take you to Gdansk airport. (B)

HOTELS

Highlighted below are some of the hotels which we frequently use on this tour, though we reserve the right to substitute these hotels to ones of a similar standard.

Please refer to your Tour Voucher for your confirmed arrival hotel and further arrival information.

Novotel Krakow Centrum

Set in the heart of Krakow, Novotel Krakow Centrum is within walking distance of the city's main Market Square and the Wawel Royal Castle. Its guestrooms are spacious and feature contemporary décor, with many offering an additional seating area and views of the meandering River Vistula. The Novo Square Lounge Bar serves a variety of Polish and international food, with 24-hour room service available if you'd prefer to dine in the comfort of your room. The hotel also boasts an indoor pool, fitness centre and sauna, offering ample opportunities for you to unwind.

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Hotel Mecure Warsaw Centrum

Just a short walk from the Palace of Culture and Science as well as the Zlote Tarasy entertainment complex, the Mecure Warsaw Centrum boasts a fantastic location. With bright & spacious rooms, en-suite bathrooms and air conditioning throughout the hotel provides for a comfortable experience. The fine dining Winestone restaurant serves up a choice of local and international dishes as well as an impressive selection of wines from around the world.



Hotel Przystan

Set on the shores of beautiful Lake Ukiel, Hotel Przystan is distinguished by its modern architecture and stunning setting. Most guestrooms offer views of the lake, alongside amenities such as air conditioning and a satellite TV. Boasting one of the best restaurants in Poland, guests can enjoy fresh fish and high quality wines. There's also a spa and wellness centre where you can indulge in a treatment or two, as well as a magnificent sky terrace on the hotel's roof.



Hotel Mercure Gdansk

Located close to the Old Town Square and Gdansk's main monuments, Hotel Mercure Gdansk is the highest building in the city. Boasting picturesque views

over the famous Gdansk Shipyard, it offers comfortable guestrooms with individually controlled air-conditioning and WiFi access. The Winestone restaurant serves European cuisine and a choice of wines for you to enjoy, while the lobby bar is the hub of the hotel. A well-equipped fitness centre completes the list of amenities.



PRICES / DATES INFO

Departure dates noted with a 'G' are guaranteed to operate. All other departure dates are guaranteed with a minimum of 2 persons. The 'Twin Share' price is per person when there are 2 people sharing a room. The 'Solo Room' price is applicable to all solo travellers or if your booking party cannot reach the minimum of 2 persons in a room. Solo Rooms can also be booked by any other person wanting the comfort and privacy of their own room.

PRICES / DATES 2021

Date	Twin Share	Single
29 Jun	USD 1,645	USD 2,235
13 Jul	USD 1,695	USD 2,285
27 Jul	USD 1,695	USD 2,285
10 Aug	USD 1,695	USD 2,285

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