

# MANY FACES OF POLAND

PAT 6 - 14 DAYS/13 NIGHTS

## 2023 TOUR DATES

Starts in Warsaw on Saturdays:

July 8 - July 21

### TOUR COST PER PERSON:

**\$2,499 in double room**

Single room supplement: \$649

Airfare not included.

Contact us for lowest fares from your city.

### Tour Cost Includes:

- Accommodations in first class hotels
- Two meals daily as specified
- Two dinners with a folklore show in Zakopane and in Gietrzwałd
- Coffee & cake in a chocolate cafe in Warsaw
- Coffee & cake in famous cafe in Krakow
- Home-hosted dinner in Lowicz
- Chopin concert with glass of wine
- Air conditioned coach
- Sightseeing tours with local guides
- English speaking tour escort
- All entrance fees to sites specified in the tour program
- Hotel charges and taxes

**Not Included:** Baggage handling, transfers on arrival and departure are available on request at additional cost.

### YOUR HOTELS:

WARSAW - Novotel Warsaw Centrum  
 KRAKOW - Novotel Krakow City West  
 ZAKOPANE - Mercury Kasprowy  
 WROCLAW - Novotel Wroclaw Centrum  
 POZNAN - Novotel Poznan Centrum  
 TORUN - Mercure Torun Centrum  
 GDANSK - Novotel Gdansk Centrum  
 OLSZTYN - Omega or similar  
 WARSAW - Novotel Warsaw Centrum



For reservations,  
 call: 1-800-388-0988



Torun - city view from the Vistula River

## TOUR PROGRAM

**On Friday, depart U.S.A. for Warsaw.**

**2nd Day/Sat - WARSAW.** After arrival, check into your hotel in the heart of the city. At 6:00PM, meet your guide and the rest of the group in the hotel lobby. Drive along the beautifully renovated Royal Route with its historical monuments. Stop for a short walk through Old Town before a welcome dinner with typical Polish dishes and famous Polish vodka, "Zubrowka". [Dinner]

**3rd Day/Sun - WARSAW.** This morning, we introduce you to the highlights of Warsaw. A half-day sightseeing tour includes Old Town, beautifully rebuilt after World War II with impressive Royal Castle, seat of Polish kings. Admire some of its 300 magnificent rooms. After lunch in a local restaurant in Old Town, continue your tour with a drive to the former Warsaw Ghetto. For coffee break stop at the chocolate cafe to taste the delicious hot chocolate and cake. This evening, take a musical journey through the world famous compositions of Frederic Chopin, at a piano recital. A glass of sparkling wine will be served during intermission. [Breakfast, Lunch]

**4th Day/Mon - WARSAW-Czestochowa-Auschwitz-KRAKOW.** After breakfast, depart for Zakopane - one of the most popular vacation resorts in the Tatra Mountains. En route, stop in Czestochowa to visit the Jasna Gora Monastery and the Black Madonna Shrine with its miraculous icon. After lunch, drive to Auschwitz to visit the Martyrdom Museum of the former Nazi concentration camp, a grim reminder of the Holocaust. [Breakfast, Lunch]

**5th Day/Tue - KRAKOW.** This morning's city tour features Wawel Hill with the Royal Castle, home to three dynasties of Poland's monarchs. Its stately chambers are filled with priceless medieval treasures. You will also visit the Wawel Cathedral where Polish kings were crowned and buried. Following a short break for coffee and cake at the local cafe walk to the medieval Market Square, one of the largest in Europe. At St. Mary's Basilica see the largest wooden altar and at the arcaded Cloth Hall you can shop for souvenirs. Enjoy afternoon at leisure to explore Krakow's treasures on your own. [Dinner]

**6th Day/Wed - KRAKOW-ZAKOPANE.** This morning, visit the Czartoryski Museum with most valuable art collection in Poland where you can admire famous masterpieces like "The Lady with an Ermine" by Leonardo Da Vinci and the "Landscape with the Good Samaritan" by Rembrandt. After lunch continue to Zakopane beautifully situated at the foot of the Tatra Mountains. [Breakfast, Lunch]

**7th Day/Thu - ZAKOPANE.** In the morning, you will have a sightseeing tour of Zakopane where wooden architecture blends with the natural landscapes. Visit the famous Jaszczurowka Chapel and the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima built by the local "Gorale". Admire the breathtaking views of the Tatras from the top of Gubalowka Mountain and shop for souvenirs of arts and crafts of the Highlanders. After lunch on your own time free. Tonight's dinner is in a typical cottage with folk entertainment. [Breakfast, Dinner]

**8th Day/Fri - ZAKOPANE-Wadowice-WROCLAW.**

Today depart for western Poland and the historic city of Wroclaw known as "Venice of the North" situated on the Odra River. En route, stop in Wadowice, the birthplace of St. John Paul II and visit his baptismal church. After lunch at a local restaurant continue to Wroclaw for overnight. [Breakfast, Lunch]

**9th Day/Sat - WROCLAW-POZNAN.** After breakfast, get acquainted with Wroclaw's Gothic monuments including viewing of the Panorama Raclawicka. This monumental diorama presents the victorious battle of Raclawice in 1794 between the Polish insurgents led by T. Kosciuszko, and Russian imperial army. From here, drive to Poznan for dinner and overnight. [Breakfast, Dinner]

**10th Day/Sun - POZNAN-TORUN.** This morning depart for Torun after a short sightseeing tour of the historic city of Poznan, cradle of the Polish nation. The landmark of the city is the Renaissance Town Hall adorned by the medieval clock where every noon two metal goats butt their heads 12 times. After lunch continue to Torun for overnight. [Breakfast, Lunch]

**11th Day/Mon - TORUN-GDANSK.** This morning, you will see the highlights of Torun, birthplace of Polish astronomer, Nicolaus Copernicus, considered one of the most magnificent historic cities of Poland. Its Old Town has been included in UNESCO's list for its impressive 13th century Town Hall, superb churches and historic streets preserving Torun's past glory. After lunch drive to Gdansk and catch a glimpse of the Old Town on a short walk. [Breakfast, Lunch]

**12th Day/Tue - GDANSK-Gdynia-Sopot.** Start the day with a tour of medieval Gdansk. From the city's former fortifications walk to a "Dlugi Targ". Long Market Street, magnificent facades where the richest burghers once lived in city's prosperous past. It's famous landmark is the Artus Court and the Neptun's Fountain. St. Mary's Basilica is the largest brick Gothic church in Poland. From here drive to Gdynia, youngest port, and visit Oliwa Cathedral to hear a concert on the famous pipe organ. After lunch, continue to Sopot, the fashionable seaside resort with luxury hotels and the longest wooden pier on the Baltic. Rest of the day is free to relax or shop for amber souvenirs in abundance here. [Breakfast, Lunch]

**13th Day/Wed - GDANSK-Malbork-OLSZTYN.** After breakfast, your coach journeys to Olsztyn. En route, stop at the Teutonic Knights Castle in Malbork, the largest 13th century fortified castle in Europe. After lunch continue to Olsztyn, a town located in a region of lakes and forests. In the evening, enjoy a picnic-style dinner with a folklore entertainment in Gietrzwałd. [Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner]

**14th Day/Thu - OLSZTYN-Olsztynek-Lowicz-WARSAW.** On a way to Warsaw, visit the Ethnographic Park in Olsztynek, site of the an open-air Ethnographic Museum of the 19th century village. For lunch you are invited to a home of a Lowicz couple. You will be welcomed in a typical Polish way, with bread and salt, experience Polish hospitality and talk about their daily life. Overnight in Warsaw. [Breakfast, Dinner]

**15th Day/Fri - WARSAW.** After breakfast, termination of tour services. [Breakfast]

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## ABOUT POLAND . . . .

**POLAND** is situated in a very central part of Europe and covers an area of 121,733 square miles - comparable to that of the state of New Mexico. It is the seventh largest country in Europe. Administratively the country is divided into 16 voivodships(states) and has a population of about 38 million.

**CLIMATE:** Poland is situated in a zone of moderate climate with a considerable influence of sea climate along the Baltic seacoast belt. The climate resembles that of New England. Normal seasonal clothing is adequate but a warmer garment should be included. Comfortable shoes are a must.

**CURRENCY:** There is no limit to the amount of foreign currency that may be brought into the country. Polish monetary unit is Zloty divided into 100 groszy. 1 dollar = about 4 zloty.

It is suggested you take mostly cash as travelers checks are not accepted in currency exchange places called KANTOR. ATM machines are available in major cities.

**ELECTRICITY:** 220v/50 cycles. All-purpose transformer and 2-prong adapter is required for U.S. appliances.

**TIME:** Six hours ahead of U.S. Eastern Daylight Time. The 24-hour clock is used.

**CREDIT CARDS:** VISA, Master Charge and American Express credit cards are accepted in major shops, restaurants, hotels and night-clubs. Discover card is not accepted. Also AX card is not widely used.

**STORE HOURS:** With the exception of food stores, shops are open between 10/11:00 am and 6/7:00 pm. Grocery stores between 8:00 am-7:00 pm. On Saturdays, most shops are opened until 2:00 pm except department stores which usually close at 7:00 pm. On Sundays, most stores and malls are closed except for souvenir shops.

**TIPPING:** Not obligatory, but appreciated. Cab drivers and waiters accept between 10-15%. There is also a nominal charge for use of public rest rooms.

## TOUR CONDITIONS

**RESERVATIONS/PAYMENTS:** A deposit of \$200 per person is required at the time of booking. Full payment is due 45 days before departure.

**TOUR COST:** Tour price is based on currency exchange levels in effect in 2022. It is subject to adjustment in the event of significant changes.

**Children discounts:** Children 7 - 11 years old receive 20% discount of the total tour price when sharing room with parents. Children under the age of seven are not accepted on motor coach tours.

**TOUR/AIR ARRANGEMENTS:** Every effort will be made to provide lowest possible airfare available at the time of booking.

Hotel accommodations will be provided in twin bedded rooms with private bath or shower. Single rooms are available at the supplement shown. While every effort will be made to provide sharing of accommodations for persons booking alone, when requested, it cannot be guaranteed and single supplement must be paid before departure when billed. Triple rooms are not available except for children under 11 yrs. Hotels specified can be changed within the same category.

Unused hotel accommodations or any other unused features of this tour are not refundable nor exchangeable for other services. The right is reserved to substitute hotels and sightseeing features if it becomes necessary.

Each tour member must be able to get on and off the motor coach unaided and not require walking devices or wheelchairs. Due to strict traffic regulations, motor coaches are not able to drop tourists directly at the site to be visited. Many streets are pedestrian only with often uneven surfaces. You must be prepared to walk and climb stairs. We regret we cannot provide individual assistance to a tour member for walking, or getting on/off motor coaches.

**NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR COST:** Transfers on arrival and departure, baggage handling, cost of passports, items of a personal nature; laundry, insurance, gratuities to escorts and drivers.

**BAGGAGE:** On the tour, one piece of luggage per person is allowed. Make sure your airfare includes one piece of luggage not exceeding 50 lbs. and 62 in. (sum of three sides). One carry-on bag is free of charge.

**TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:** A valid U.S. or foreign passport is required. To apply for passport, contact your local U.S. Post Office. Your passport must be valid for at least three months after your return date.

**VACCINATIONS:** No vaccinations are required.

**CANCELLATIONS:** All cancellations must be made

in writing to PAT TOURS. Full refund of LAND tour will be made for cancellations received up to 46 days prior to departure less a \$25 administrative fee. Between 45-36 days before departure, \$200 deposit is non refundable. No refund will be made for cancellations received less than 35 days prior to departure. AIRLINE TICKETS, when issued, are subject to the airline cancellation policy applicable to the airfare used. After completion of the tour, claims for refund must be made in writing within 30 days.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Travel insurance with coverage for (trip cancellation, emergency medical, baggage delay, and trip delay) is recommended and will be offered to all tour participants with confirmation. If you have a pre-existing condition, insurance must be purchased at the time of deposit. Insurance premium is non-refundable once purchased. Cost of insurance premium depends on age and coverage chosen. Call us to apply or visit our web site.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** The travel agency PAT TOURS, 1446 Riverdale St. W. Springfield, MA 01089, act only as an agent for tour operator in Poland who makes arrangements for hotels, sightseeing tours, and transportation or any other service in connection with the itineraries of individual tour members who by acceptance thereof, acknowledge that the sponsoring organization and/or its agents and suppliers shall not be liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity, liability or expense to person or property due to act or default of any hotel, carrier or other company or person providing or rendering of services included in the tours. Further, the sponsoring organization and/or its agents accept no responsibility for any sickness, pilferage, labor disputes, machinery breakdown, government restraints, wars, whether declared or not, riots, theft, weather condition, defect in any vehicle of transportation or for any misadventure or casualty or any other causes beyond their control. PAT TOURS reserves the right to cancel, change, substitute any service and to decline to accept or retain any tour member at any time for any reason including insufficient number of participants.

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To make reservation, complete the form below and return with a copy of your passport to:

### PAT TOURS

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e-mail: info@pattours.com

## 2023 TOUR RESERVATION FORM: MANY FACES OF POLAND

Enclosed is my deposit check \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$200 per person) payable to PAT TOURS to reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s) on this tour starting in WARSAW on \_\_\_\_\_. *Deposit can also be made by credit card.*

Please charge the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my (AX, VI, MC, DS) # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_;

**Flight reservation:** Need round trip flights departing on \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ returning on \_\_\_\_\_. Preferred airline (if any) \_\_\_\_\_.

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE NAME (as appear in your passport)

Tel: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been in Poland before: Yes \_\_\_\_\_; No \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Special requests: \_\_\_\_\_

ROOM OCCUPANCY: Double room: One bed \_\_\_\_\_; Two beds \_\_\_\_\_;

*Responsibility Waiver: All travel is subject to global health guidelines. PAT TOURS follows the CDC's and local government's travel recommendation to stay safe during the tour. By signing this waiver, I/we accept any risks connected with COVID-19 and release PAT TOURS of responsibility and any claims that may arise during the tour. Travel insurance is strongly recommended.*

Single room \_\_\_\_\_; Need roommate \_\_\_\_\_.

*I have read and accepted the Conditions and Waiver on behalf of the above persons:*

Sharing with: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*If requesting a roommate, please advise if smoking or non.*

*\*If you applied for your passport, complete this form and provide a copy of your new passport when available.*