

# Spring in Poland

May 3 – 14, 2023

With Eddie Forman Orchestra & John Gora

Warsaw ■ Lowicz ■ Wroclaw ■ Tychy ■ Zakopane ■ Krakow



**WED, MAY 03** OVERNIGHT TRANSATLANTIC FLIGHT TO WARSAW (NOT INCLUDED IN THE LAND TOUR PRICE)

**THU, MAY 04** ARRIVE WARSAW (Welcome dinner)

Transfer to our hotel and enjoy the afternoon at your leisure.

In the evening join us for our Welcome dinner to meet the group – old friends and new!

*Overnight in Warsaw at the Sofitel Victoria, ul. Krolewska 11, tel: 48 22 657 8011*

**FRI, MAY 05** WARSAW (Breakfast, Lunch)

Our walking tour of the Old town includes the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Castle Square, Old Town Square. We continue by coach for a driving tour that takes us past the Palace of Science and Culture, the former Warsaw Ghetto and National Opera House. Stopping at Lazienki Park to see the famous Chopin Monument and stroll through this wonderful green space in the heart of Warsaw to see the Palace on the Water. Our next stop will be the increasingly trendy "Praga" district of Warsaw. Here we will visit the newly opened Polish Vodka Museum and end our tour today with lunch at one of the popular restaurants in Praga.

After lunch enjoy the rest of the day exploring Warsaw at your leisure. Perhaps visit one of Warsaw's fine museums.

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**SAT, MAY 06** WARSAW (Breakfast, Dinner)

In the late morning we take a short drive along the Royal Route leading from the Royal Castle in Warsaw to the wonderful baroque Royal Residence of King John Sobieski III in Wilanow. After our visit in Wilanow, the afternoon is at your leisure until we meet again in the evening to spend our last evening in Warsaw enjoying a delicious dinner at one of Warsaw's finest restaurants.

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**SUN, MAY 07** WARSAW – LOWICZ – WROCLAW (Breakfast, Lunch)

After breakfast we leave Warsaw and drive west stopping to visit the Open-air museum of Łowicz's Folk Culture in Maurzyce which is located on the outskirts of Lowicz. Lunch at a local inn and then we continue to Wroclaw.

After checking in to our hotel the evening is free to relax or enjoy at a café in Wroclaw's old town square.

*Overnight in Wroclaw at the Wyndham Wroclaw Old Town, Sw. Mikolaja 67, tel: +48 71 358 83 00*

**MON, MAY 08** WROCLAW (Breakfast, Dinner)

Wroclaw, the city of bridges - built on 12 islands and connected by 112 bridges!

Our walking tour will start in the oldest part of the city "Ostrow Tumski" (Cathedral Island), one of the most beautiful and perfectly preserved sacral architecture complexes in Europe. Cross "lover's bridge" and visit the colorful market hall before arriving at the Old Town Market Square where we end our tour. Wroclaw is famous for its little "gnomes", so be careful where you step! Dinner tonight at a local restaurant featuring local delicacies of the region.

*Overnight in Wroclaw at the Wyndham Wroclaw Old Town, Sw. Mikolaja 67, tel: +48 71 358 83 00*

**TUE, MAY 09 WROCLAW – TYCHY – ZAKOPANE (Breakfast, Brewery tour & Tasting)**

Today we leave Wroclaw and drive to the southernmost part of Poland. Enroute we will stop in Tychy, for a tour of the “Tyskie” brewery including beer tasting before arriving Zakopane in the late afternoon. Evening to enjoy Zakopane on your own.

*Overnight in Zakopane at Bachleda Resort, ul.Tetmajera 16, tel +48 18 202 3100*

**WED, MAY 10 ZAKOPANE (Breakfast, Dinner with folklore)**

After breakfast see the highlights of Zakopane including the wooden chapel at Jaszczurowka, the ski-jump hill, and the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima. Our tour will end with a cable car (funicular) ride to the top of Gubalowka Mountain for a great view of the Tatra Mountains. After descending from Gubalowka you have free time to shop the colorful open market place where you will find leather goods, sheepskin items, local cheese, and all kinds of wonderful gifts and souvenirs for yourself and for friends at home. In the early evening we will take a short drive to the village of Chocholow famous for its unique log-houses. We will stop to visit a local wood-carver and afterwards we enjoy dinner at a nearby highlander inn with lively music and folklore.

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**THU, MAY 11 ZAKOPANE – SPLYW DUNAJCA - KRAKOW (Breakfast, Lunch)**

In the morning we leave Zakopane and take a short drive to enjoy a relaxing and picturesque river rafting experience on the Dunajec River (weather permitting). Winding through the spectacular scenery of the Pieniny National Park we will be zig-zagging back and forth across the Polish and Slovak border. Lunch at a local inn and then we continue our drive to Krakow. After checking in to our hotel enjoy the ambience of Krakow's old town at your leisure.

*Overnight at the Mercure Krakow Old Town, ul. Pawia 18 B, tel +48 12 225 1111*

**FRI, MAY 12 KRAKOW (Breakfast)**

This morning we will have a walking tour of Krakow including the Royal Wawel Hill, the Old Town with the Cloth Hall, the Barbican, St. Mary's Church with the 15th century Witt Stwosz Altar inside, and Florianska Gate.

After the tour, the rest of the day is at your leisure to explore Krakow further or do last minute shopping.

*Overnight at the Mercure Krakow Old Town, ul. Pawia 18 B, tel +48 12 225 1111*

**SAT, MAY 13 KRAKOW (Breakfast, Farewell Dinner)**

In the late morning we take a short drive to Wieliczka to visit this amazing UNESCO Heritage Site. This salt mine has been operating since the 13th century. The underground is an unforgettable attraction and Poland's most visited attraction with underground chambers, grottoes, and chapels all carved from salt. Return to Krakow for an afternoon at leisure. In the evening we invite you to our Farewell dinner to reminisce with friends before leaving Poland.

*Overnight at the Mercure Krakow Old Town, ul. Pawia 18 B, tel +48 12 225 1111*

**SUN, MAY 14 DEPART KRAKOW (Breakfast)**

\*\*\* Itinerary is subject to minor adjustment that may be necessary due to unforeseen circumstances \*\*\*

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Cost of the land tour is \$ 2999 USD per person based on double occupancy

Single room Supplement add \$ 640 USD

Land only tour starts in Warsaw on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Air & Land package from New York or Boston : US \$ 4399 p.p. dbl. (subject to availability)

Please ask about airfares from your departure city .

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