



**NEW** LUXURY TAILOR MADE TRAVEL

## Tailor Made Poland: Warsaw & Krakow

7 days from \$5,195

Private Journey

*Travel with your private party on this Luxury Tailor Made Journey, departing when you choose and with expert local guides leading the way; you can even customize the itinerary to your interests.*

Discover Poland's great cities, Warsaw and Krakow, admiring fairy-tale cathedrals, palaces and castles, and honoring the past with a visit to the site of the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, on a private journey that reveals aspects of this storied nation that are both inspiring and poignant.

### A&K Advantages

Stay at historic properties with luxurious amenities in Poland's two key cities, Warsaw and Krakow

See the fairy-tale façades of Warsaw's old town, including the Cathedral of Saint John, Castle Square, 180-acre Lazienki Park, the Chopin Monument and Warsaw University Library with its beautiful rooftop garden

Discover Warsaw's stunning palaces, including the Royal Castle, Lazienki Palace and Wilanow Palace and Gardens

Travel by concierge rail from Warsaw to Krakow, taking in views of the beautiful landscape en route

Pay contrasting visits to Schindler's Factory, now a museum that tells the stories of Oskar Schindler and the Jewish prisoners of Plaszow, and Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, where over one million Jews and many other prisoners perished

Explore Krakow historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, seeing the impressive Royal Castle and Cathedral on Wawel Hill, St. Mary's Basilica with its 15th-century altar, and Market Square, the largest medieval square in Europe

### Itinerary

*Luxury Tailor Made Journeys depart on the dates that work for you and feature expert local guides throughout your journey. The itinerary below can be customized to your interests.*

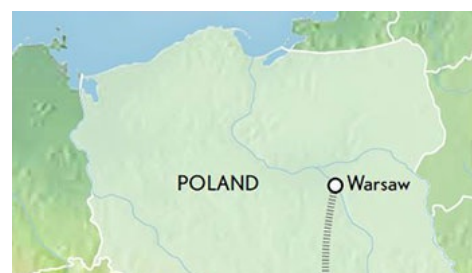
#### DAY 1 ARRIVE WARSAW, POLAND

Arrive in Warsaw, where you are met by your Guardian Angel and transferred by private vehicle to your hotel.

Mamaison Hotel Le Regina Warsaw | Meals: Breakfast

#### DAY 2 WARSAW | MAGICAL ARCHITECTURE

Discover Old Town's fairy-tale façades, continuing to the Royal Castle and 14th-century Cathedral of Saint John. Then, follow the Royal Route from Castle Square to 180-acre Lazienki Park, a stunning



green space and palace complex. See the Chopin Monument and visit neoclassical Łazienki Palace, the summer residence of the last Polish king.

Mamaison Hotel Le Regina Warsaw | Meals: Breakfast



### DAY 3 WARSAW | WILANOW PALACE AND GARDENS

Begin your day at Wilanow Palace and Gardens, a breathtaking residence owned by several noble Polish families over the years. Spend the afternoon at leisure, perhaps at the Warsaw University Library, which — along with quaint shops and cafés on the ground floor — houses one of the most beautiful rooftop gardens in Europe.

Mamaison Hotel Le Regina Warsaw | Meals: Breakfast

### DAY 4 KRAKOW | TRAVEL BY RAIL

Today, board a train to Krakow, relaxing in your reserved, first-class seat. Upon arrival, you are greeted by your Guardian Angel and transferred to your hotel. After checking in, enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Hotel Copernicus | Meals: Breakfast

### DAY 5 KRAKOW | MEMORABLE MEDIEVAL ARCHITECTURE

Set out on a full-day exploration of the UNESCO-listed city of Krakow, one of the oldest and most beautiful cities in Eastern Europe. The royal capital of Poland until the 17th century, Krakow is known for its impressive medieval architecture. Visit the Royal Castle and the Cathedral located on Wawel Hill. The city's centerpiece is magnificent Market Square, the location of St. Mary's Church with its famous 15th-century altar created by Wit Stwosz. Before leaving the town center, stroll through the impressive medieval university complex. Travel out of central Krakow to Kazimierz, the former Jewish Ghetto area, and see the factory of Oskar Schindler, now transformed into a museum showcasing the effects of World War II on Krakow.

Hotel Copernicus | Meals: Breakfast

### DAY 6 KRAKOW | VISITING AUSCHWITZ

Pay a sobering visit to the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, preserved as a memorial to the more than one million Jews who lost their lives here, along with tens of thousands of others, including Poles, Roma and Soviet prisoners of war. Afterward, return to your hotel for the balance of the day at leisure. You may opt to further explore on your own, perhaps visiting the Cloth Hall Museum — the center of the textile industry in the 14th century.

Hotel Copernicus | Meals: Breakfast

### DAY 7 DEPART KRAKOW

Transfer to the airport and board your departure flight.

## Enhance Your Journey

Elevate your experience with a host of options available for an additional cost.

### TAKE A FOOD-THEMED WALKING TOUR

Join a food expert for a half-day walking tour of Warsaw, learning the stories behind iconic local dishes. En route, sample an array of regional Polish specialties — including *zapiekanka krakowska*, borscht with pierogi and risotto-like *kashetto* — at four cherished establishments.

### SET OUT ON AN EVENING VODKA TOUR

Immerse yourself in a local tradition — vodka drinking — alongside a resident connoisseur in Warsaw or Krakow. Visit “shot bars,” learning about vodka varieties, production and traditions, and sampling vodkas alongside Polish fare.

### ATTEND A FOLKLORIC DINNER SHOW

Spend an evening enjoying Polish fare and folklore in a medieval wine cellar in Krakow. As you learn about local traditions, watch colorful, costumed performers dance. Meanwhile, partake in an authentic four-course meal, complete with borscht, pierogi and vodka.

### MEET LOCAL CRAFTSPEOPLE

Privately visit local folk artists in the Lowicz region. See weaponry and artifacts at the Ethnographic Museum and visit a Wycinanki artist in the small village of Boczek. After meeting a local wood carver and seeing his intricate figurines, visit a potter, who demonstrates his craft and paints clay creations.

### EXPLORE A SALT MINE

Discover the fascinating Wieliczka Salt Mine, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Descend 150 feet to explore its underground network of chambers and lakes and see the subterranean Chapel of the Blessed Kinga.

### HIKE OR BIKE THROUGH OJCOW NATIONAL PARK

Take in the scenic landscapes of Ojców National Park on foot or by bike. Learn about local legends as you intersect the woodlands. See water-sculpted, limestone rock formations that date back to the late-Jurassic period, along with cultural monuments, Kazimierz Castle and well-preserved Pieskowa Skała Castle — a beloved example of Renaissance architecture.

# Dates & Prices

Priced from \$5,195

*Prices are per person, double occupancy for the itinerary as published for 2019 travel. Supplements may apply over holidays, festivals and special events. Subject to availability. International air not included.*

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