

NEW!

SPIRITUAL HIGHLIGHTS of POLAND


TOUR 5380—8 days from Warsaw to Warsaw

Priced From \$1,557^{CA}



BASILICA MINOR, WADOWICE

YOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES

Headsets throughout the tour 

SIGHTSEEING: Visits to the Ghetto in Warsaw, Franciscan Monastery in Niepokalanow, St. Casimir Church in Swinice Warckie, Jasna Gora Monastery in Czestochowa, Basilica Minor in Wadowice, Auschwitz Concentration Camp

■ Inside visits and special features as shown in UPPERCASE in the tour description, including admission charges where applicable.

GUIDES: Local Guides for city sightseeing in Warsaw and Krakow; services of a professional Tour Director while touring

TRANSPORTATION: Touring by private first-class air-conditioned motorcoach.

HOTELS: Listed below or equivalent; includes rooms with private bath or shower, hotel taxes, portorage, tips, and service charges

WARSAW Radisson Blu Sobieski (F), **CZESTOCHOWA** Mercure Centrum (ST), **KRAKOW** Conrad (F)

MEALS: Buffet breakfasts (B) daily, 4 dinners (D)


 **MASS:** Warsaw, Czestochowa (subject to change)

MyCOSMOS: Personalize your tour ahead of time with additional excursions. Visit our website for details and conditions.

NOTE: Departure 0416 Easter in Warsaw (April 16)

Day 1, Sun. ARRIVE IN WARSAW, POLAND. Check into your hotel. The rest of the day is free to explore the Polish capital and prepare yourself for your upcoming spiritual journey. Tonight, meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers for a welcome dinner at your hotel. (D)

Day 2, Mon. WARSAW. Guided sightseeing of Warsaw includes a visit of the GHETTO, the

largest of all Jewish ghettos in Nazi occupied Europe during WWII. Later, celebrate  Mass at ZYTANIA STREET CHURCH, home to the Congregation of our Lady of Mercy, where St. Faustina Kowalska entered the convent at the age of 20. During her life, she had visions of Jesus and conversations with him, which she wrote about in her diary. The afternoon and evening are at leisure to further explore this fascinating city. (B)



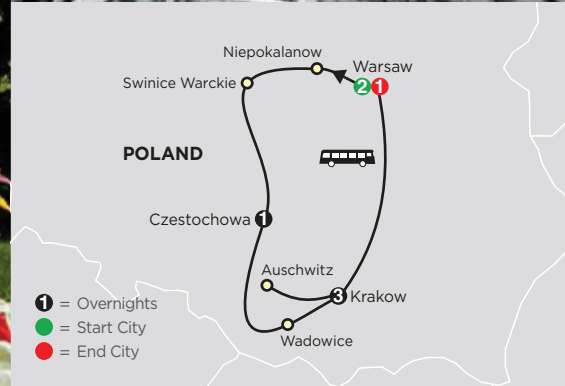
JASNA GORA MONASTERY, CZESTOCHOWA



WAWEL CASTLE, KRAKOW



WARSAW GHETTO MEMORIAL



Day 3, Tue. WARSAW-NIEPOKALANOW-SWINICE WARCKIE-CZESTOCHOWA. This morning, head towards Niepokalanow (City of the Immaculata) and visit one of the largest FRANCISCAN MONASTERIES in the world, founded by St. Maximilian Kolbe, who volunteered to die in place of a stranger at the Auschwitz concentration camp during WWII. Continue to Swinice Warckie and visit the 700-year-old PARISH CHURCH OF ST.

CASIMIR, where St. Faustina was baptized. Head south to Czestochowa, spiritual capital of Poland, and attend ☪ Mass at JASNA GORA MONASTERY, founded in 1382. Here, you can pray before the *Black Madonna*, a sacred national treasure. (B,D)

Day 4, Wed. CZESTOCHOWA-WADOWICE-KRAKOW. Journey to Wadowice this morning, birthplace of Pope Saint John Paul II. Find out more about his early life and visit BASILICA MINOR, where he was baptized, before continuing to Krakow, where he served as archbishop. Here, a Local Guide offers insight into this beautiful city, founded in the 7th century. Stop for a prayer at ST. MARY'S BASILICA, home to the largest gothic altarpiece in the world. In 1941, during Nazi occupation, the altar was dismantled and shipped to the Third Reich. It was discovered in 1946, in the basement of Nuremberg Castle, and was returned to Krakow a decade later. Also on today's agenda is a stop at remarkable Wawel Castle, former residence of Polish kings. (B,D)

Day 5, Thu. KRAKOW. EXCURSION TO AUSCHWITZ. Travel to Auschwitz for a somber visit of the former CONCENTRATION CAMP with St. Maximilian Kolbe's cell. Declared the "Patron Saint of Our Difficult

Century," the Polish Franciscan friar was canonized by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1982. Return to Krakow to visit the SHRINE OF DIVINE MERCY and spend a few moments of prayer at the tomb of St. Faustina. (B)

Day 6, Fri. KRAKOW. The entire day is free to explore Krakow, nestled at the base of the Tatra Mountains. You may enjoy the optional excursion to Zakopane, the "Winter Capital of Poland." This is where Pope Saint John Paul II spent time in prayer on some of the countless nature trails. Before returning to Krakow, visit quaint Jaszczurówka Chapel, dedicated to Pope Saint John Paul II. A superb example of the Zakopane architectural style, the small arcaded chapel features a traditional log cabin perched on a high stone foundation. (B,D)

Day 7, Sat. KRAKOW-WARSAW. Leave Krakow and travel north back to Warsaw. Spend an afternoon at leisure or further explore the capital. (B)

Day 8, Sun. WARSAW. Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (B)



AUSCHWITZ

TOUR 5380 DATES & PRICES

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Departure Number	Start Warsaw*	End Warsaw	Land Only	Departure Number	Start Warsaw*	End Warsaw	Land Only	Departure Number	Start Warsaw*	End Warsaw	Land Only
0319	Sun 19 Mar	Sun 26 Mar	1557	0521	Sun 21 May	Sun 28 May	1596	0903	Sun 03 Sep	Sun 10 Sep	1648
0416	Sun 16 Apr	Sun 23 Apr	1596	0611	Sun 11 Jun	Sun 18 Jun	1596	0910	Sun 10 Sep	Sun 17 Sep	1648
0423	Sun 23 Apr	Sun 30 Apr	1596	0723	Sun 23 Jul	Sun 30 Jul	1596	1008	Sun 08 Oct	Sun 15 Oct	1596
0515	Mon 15 May	Mon 22 May	1596	0827	Sun 27 Aug	Sun 03 Sep	1648	1105	Sun 05 Nov	Sun 12 Nov	1596

*Dates & Prices above do not include international air travel. When planning your trip, allow one extra day before tour date for travel between CANADA and Europe.

Prices based on double room occupancy. Single room supplement: \$312; guaranteed shares available; no triple room reduction.

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