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# Tour East Europe

## POLAND

9 DAY ITINERARY

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THE JOURNEY

# Tour East Europe, Day by Day

Tour East Europe Tour East Europe offers captivating travel experiences through the diverse and enchanting region of Eastern Europe. Our meticulously crafted tours showcase the rich history, vibrant cultures, and breathtaking landscapes of countries like Poland, Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Ro...

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## THE ITINERARY

DAY 1

DAY 01

### Kraków - Wawel Castle

01

Begin your journey in the historic city of Kraków, starting with a visit to Wawel Castle, a symbol of Polish national identity. This stunning example of Renaissance architecture sits atop Wawel Hill and offers breathtaking views of the Vistula River. Explore the castle's lavish interiors, which include the Royal Apartments and the Crown Treasury. Don't miss the opportunity to see the iconic Wawel Dragon statue nearby, which adds a touch of legend to this cultural treasure. Stroll through the castle grounds and immerse yourself in the rich history that this remarkable site embodies.

DAY 2

DAY 02

### Kraków - Auschwitz-Birkenau

02

On the second day, take a solemn journey to Auschwitz-Birkenau, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the most significant memorials to the victims of the Holocaust. This former concentration and extermination camp is a powerful reminder of the atrocities of World War II. A guided tour will provide insights into the history and the personal stories of those who suffered here. Walk through the barracks, visit the memorials, and reflect on the importance of remembrance and education. This experience is both emotional and enlightening, deepening your understanding of human resilience.

DAY 3

DAY 03

### Kraków - St. Mary's Basilica

03

On your third day in Kraków, visit the majestic St. Mary's Basilica, renowned for its stunning altarpiece crafted by Veit Stoss, one of the largest Gothic altars in the world. Each hour, the iconic trumpet signal, known as the Hejnał, is played from the church's tower, echoing across the Market Square. Explore the basilica's breathtaking interior, adorned with vibrant stained glass windows and intricate frescoes. The atmosphere is deeply spiritual, making it an ideal place for reflection. After your visit, enjoy a leisurely walk around the Main Market Square, soaking in the vibrant culture and history of this beautiful city.

DAY 4

DAY 04

## Kraków - Wieliczka Salt Mine

04

On day four, venture to the Wieliczka Salt Mine, another UNESCO World Heritage site famous for its remarkable underground chambers and intricate salt carvings. This historic mine has been in operation since the 13th century and offers a fascinating glimpse into the world of salt mining. Guided tours lead you through stunning chapels, including the breathtaking Chapel of St. Kinga, adorned with salt sculptures and chandeliers. The mine's cool, subterranean atmosphere provides a unique contrast to the vibrant city above. Prepare to be amazed by the artistry and history encapsulated within these ancient walls.

DAY 5

DAY 05

## Warsaw - Old Town

05

Travel to Warsaw on the fifth day and explore the meticulously reconstructed Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage site that showcases beautiful architecture and vibrant culture. Stroll through the cobblestone streets, admiring the colorful buildings and historic landmarks such as the Royal Castle and the Market Square. Visit the Warsaw Uprising Monument, which pays tribute to the bravery of the Polish resistance during World War II. Enjoy a meal at one of the charming cafes and soak in the lively atmosphere that permeates this historic area. Experience the spirit of resilience that defines Warsaw's history.

DAY 6

DAY 06

## Warsaw - Warsaw Uprising Museum

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On day six, visit the Warsaw Uprising Museum, an engaging tribute to the resilience of the Polish people during World War II. The museum's interactive exhibits and multimedia presentations provide a comprehensive understanding of the 1944 uprising against Nazi occupation. Walk through the reconstructed city streets, view personal stories, and learn about the sacrifices made during this pivotal event. The museum serves as a powerful reminder of courage and determination in the face of adversity. After your visit, take time to reflect on the lessons of history and the enduring spirit of Warsaw.

DAY 7

DAY 07

## Gdańsk - Main Town

07

On day seven, travel to Gdańsk, a historic port city known for its beautiful Gothic and Renaissance buildings. Start your exploration in the Main Town, where you can admire the stunning architecture of the Neptune Fountain and the Great Armory. Visit the historic Gdańsk Crane, a symbol of the city's maritime heritage, and learn about its significance in the shipping industry. Stroll along the Motława River, enjoying the vibrant atmosphere and perhaps stopping at a local restaurant to taste traditional Polish cuisine. Gdańsk's rich history and cultural scene make it a delightful addition to your Eastern European journey.

DAY 8

DAY 08

## Częstochowa - Jasna Góra Monastery

08

On day eight, visit Częstochowa and the Jasna Góra Monastery, a significant pilgrimage site that houses the revered Black Madonna icon. This monastery is a center of spiritual life in Poland, attracting millions of visitors each year. Explore the beautiful church complex, which boasts intricate baroque architecture and a peaceful atmosphere. Attend a mass or simply enjoy the serene surroundings as you learn about the history of the Black Madonna and its importance to Polish culture. The experience will deepen your appreciation for Poland's spiritual heritage and the faith that has shaped its history.

DAY 9

DAY 09

## Tatra Mountains - Nature and Culture

09

Conclude your Eastern European adventure in the stunning Tatra Mountains, where breathtaking landscapes meet traditional highlander culture. Spend your day hiking through the picturesque trails, taking in the majestic peaks and serene valleys. If you're visiting in winter, enjoy skiing in one of the popular resorts. Experience local culture by visiting highlander villages, where you can taste traditional foods and learn about local customs. The Tatra Mountains offer a perfect blend of nature and culture, leaving you with unforgettable memories of your journey through Eastern Europe.

## Your Journey Awaits

Every detail of your journey through Tour East Europe has been thoughtfully arranged. Our team is here to help you make it unforgettable.

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