



GOLDEN FRONTIER

POLAND

OCTOBER 12 TO 21, 2017



INCLUDED IN THE TRIP

- Round trip air from St. Louis, Chicago, Kansas City or Indianapolis into Warsaw and return from Krakow. Other major U.S. cities may be available, rates vary, ask our office for price.
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- Three evenings in Warsaw, and five evenings in Krakow.
- All breakfasts and dinners en route and in Poland including Polish folkloric dinner show
- Deluxe motor coach throughout Poland
- English speaking Polish guide throughout Polish program and all English speaking local guides
- English speaking escort from the United States throughout the trip
- All entrance fees for sights listed in itinerary
- *Up to \$350 fuel surcharge allowance per person

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TRIP

- Airline Baggage Fees or Excess Baggage Charges, Flight Delay/Trip Interruption Expenses
- Airline taxes, approx. \$150.00; Documentation Fee, \$25.00; E-ticket service fee, \$55.00
- Fuel Surcharges exceeding \$350 per person; Airport/Airline Security Fee
- Optional tours, travel insurance, passport,
- One dinner and lunches not designated
- Items of a personal nature such as laundry, valet services, wines, liquors, telephone, and after dinner coffee (Coffee is included with breakfast only.)
- Tour Escort and driver gratuities at trip's end



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**Ten-Day Trip
\$3,244.00***

**Including round trip air
from St. Louis, Chicago,
Indianapolis or Kansas City**

TEN-DAY TRIP TO POLAND - October 12 to 21, 2017

This application and fee is to be sent to Golden Frontier Office, 4100 North Illinois Street, Swansea, IL 62226. **\$300.00 per person registration fee** must accompany this application. Please make your check payable to **GOLDEN FRONTIER**. Cancellations and requests for refunds must be submitted in writing to Golden Frontier and will be issued in agreement with the cancellation policies of this brochure. **Your registration indicates acceptance of all terms and conditions of this brochure.** Confirmation will be sent upon receipt of your deposit and application.

A copy of the inside identification pages of your Passport is required prior to ticketing by enclosing with this application, fax to 618-234-9861, or email to request@goldenfrontier.org with "Passport 2017 Poland Trip" in the subject line.

roommate is found and single accommodations are used, single supplement is charged.

Airport of departure: _____

Wadowice, Kalwaria & Auschwitz option @ \$90.00 per person

Wadowice and Kalwaria option only @ \$72.00 per person

I have dietary restrictions: _____

My roommate for this trip is: _____

I/We are traveling with friends: _____

Nick name(s) on name tags _____

Deposit check enclosed and bill my balance of payment, **or**

X

Please charge my MasterCard VISA Discover

Single room requested @ \$465.00 additional cost

I am single and will accept a room mate if GF can find a room mate. If no



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Our trip to Poland begins with our air trip to Warsaw, features first class hotels in Warsaw and Krakow, and visits and Masses at various Polish shrines and churches including Poland's famed Our Lady of Chestehowa. From here we visit the royal Castle, History Museum, and Ghetto, sightseeing in the countryside around the city.



After our three night stay in Warsaw, we move to the ancient capital of Poland, Krakow for a five night stay. Visits from here include the Wawel, the castle of the Kings of Poland and Salt Mine of Wieliczka.

Shopping at the Cloth Hall in the Old Market Square is thrilling when pricing exquisite Polish crystal.

One day is devoted to the most famous Marian shrine in eastern Europe, *Black Madonna of Jasna Gora* located in Chestochova. The Pauline monastery founded in 1382 has been the site of pilgrimage not only for the Polish people, but for millions of people worldwide. Even in 1945, when the monastery was invaded by Nazi troops, pilgrims still came. The communists also failed to crush devotion to Our Lady, and as late as 1987, the famed shrine was threatened. With the fall of communism, the faith in God and trust in the Blessed Virgin has changed all of eastern Europe.

Day 1. We are on our way to our Polish adventure. Dinner will be served as we cross the Atlantic Ocean. (Dinner)

Day 2. Breakfast will be served before landing in Warsaw. Upon arrival, we transfer to our Warsaw hotel, our base for the next three nights. There is a short sightseeing program this afternoon. (B,D)

Day 3. Breakfast is served each day in the hotel's breakfast room. Morning Mass is available. Today offers a full day of sightseeing in Warsaw including St John Cathedral, Monument of the Uprising, former Ghetto area with Umslagplatz and Monument, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and more. (B,D)

Day 4. We have a second day of touring Warsaw including a Mass opportunity at the major shrine today. Our visit today focuses on the St. Stanislaw Kostka Church and sanctuary. This shrine contains the grave and museum dedicated to Blessed Fr. Popielusko who was murdered by the secret communist police in 1984. (B,D)

Day 5. After morning Mass, we depart Warsaw and journey toward Jasna Gora, to Krakow. En route, we visit Jasna Gora, the home of Poland's famed Marian shrine, *the Black Madonna of Czestochowa*. We continue to Krakow, our base for the next five nights. (B,D)

Day 6. This morning is filled with a sightseeing program in the historic city of Krakow. We celebrate Mass at the Cathedral of Krakow and the tomb of St. Stanislaus. We see the palace and courts of the Kings of Poland. There is a great photo opportunity with Krac's dragon! The afternoon has time for independent sightseeing or shopping. This evening features a festive dinner with a folkloric show. (B,D)

Day 7. Today we have a day of sightseeing with a visit and celebrate Mass at St. Sister Faustina's convent. St. Faustina inspired the Divine Mercy Novena and was canonized in 2000. This afternoon we visit the Wieliczka Salt Mine. (B,D)

Day 8. Today there is time for independent activities. There is also an optional trip to Wadowice, Kalwaria, the home of Pope John Paul II and the infamous Auschwitz Concentration Camp. The option is priced at \$72.00 for Wadowice and Kalwaria. With guided visit of Auschwitz included the option price is \$90.00. Guests not including Auschwitz on the option have time to shop or explore



independently before returning to Krakow for the evening meal. (B,D)

Day 9. Today we have a full day excursion to Zakopane. This delightful highland village is located at the foot of the Tatra Mountains on the border of the Slovak Republic. The town is famous for the traditional wooden architecture of the highland peoples and for the beautiful scenery. During winter this is a favorite eastern Europe ski resort. (B,D)

Day 10. Farewell to Poland! This morning we pack for the last time for our return flight from Krakow. (B,L)

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS are available: the Wadowice and Kalwaria Option. Travel to these famous cities which were the Polish homes of Karol Woytwa, Pope John Paul II. We visit the parish church, see the Holy Father's baptismal font, the childhood home of Karol Woytwa, and attend Mass at the Holy Father's parish church. The \$72.00 price includes admissions, guide and transportation. Lunch not included. *Add \$18.00 and extend the option to include guided visit to WWII Auschwitz Concentration Camp including view of St. Maximilian Kolbe's cell.*

Due to advance planning, options are best booked at the time of your trip application. If space permits, options may be booked while on tour; an \$8.00 per person surcharge applies. Due to guarantees, no refunds apply to your cancelled optional excursion reservation.

PRICE for the nine-day trip is \$3,244.00, priced per person based on double occupancy. Single supplement is \$465.00 for the ten-day tour. Price includes round trip air transportation between Poland and St. Louis, Chicago, Kansas City or Indianapolis. Other major U.S. departure cities may be available, prices vary, our office can advise these rates. \$300.00 deposit per person accompanies registration and is deducted from the total cost. Balance of fee is due 91 days prior to departure. Triple accommodations can be requested. Fees not received by due date may force your reservation to be cancelled for non-payment. You will receive a bill for final payment. Registration should be made 120 or more days prior to departure. Reservations made 120 days or less prior to departure are subject to availability of hotel and airline space.

Guests often ask us when is the best time to register. Reserved hotel and air space can fill 6 months or more prior to departure. Your application and deposit should be submitted to us 4 months or more prior to departure prior to departure to guarantee your place. Registrations received less than 4 months prior to departure are subject to hotel and airline availability. Registrations within 3 months of departure are subject to availability and require payment in full at time of confirmation.

HOTELS used are comfortable first class accommodations with private bath. All groups use four star Warsaw hotel for three nights and Krakow hotel for five nights. One Golden Frontier advantage is hotel arrangement. Although we travel extensively throughout Poland, the program is arranged to return to one of two hotels each night, eliminating the need of packing and unpacking. Guests have the option of not participating in some programs favoring individual pursuits.

DRESS CODE for the entire trip including evening meals is casual. Comfortable walking shoes are essential. Gentlemen wear comfortable medium weight clothes: jackets, slacks and sport shirts. Jeans are acceptable. Women dress casually by day and slacks are acceptable.

WEATHER in this area of Europe should be very similar to weather in the central U.S. October temperatures range from overnights in the mid 40's to daytime highs in the mid 50's. It is a good idea to take a jacket or all-weather coat. Light/medium weight jackets, and sweaters that can be layered on and off as the day warms are better than one heavier weight jacket or coat. A folding travel umbrella is a good item to have on the trip.

The participants acknowledge receiving, reading, and agreeing to the terms and conditions set forth below covering the inclusive tour charters to be operated by Golden Frontier.

RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS. A \$300.00 deposit per person holds your reservations. **Balance is due 91 days before departure.** Make checks payable to Golden Frontier. MasterCard, VISA and Discover payments are accepted.

PASSPORTS. United States citizens must have a valid Passport. **Passport validity must extend through six months after the completion of the trip.** All others must have valid passports and necessary visas. Visas are not required for U.S. citizens with a valid U.S. Passport. **There are no refunds if you are denied boarding by local officials at the airport or border entry for lack of a valid passport or visas, if required.**

BAGGAGE. Each member is limited to one checked bag not to exceed 62" linear total (height+length+width), 50 pounds maximum weight, and one carry-on bag not to exceed 22" x 14" x 9" and 26 1/2 pounds. Golden Frontier Tours is not responsible for loss or damage to passenger's baggage and belongings. Airlines liability for loss, damage, or delay of baggage in connection with air transportation it provides is limited by its tariff to approximately \$9.07 per pound of checked baggage and is approximately \$400.00 per passenger in case of unchecked baggage or other property.

INSURANCE for trip cancellation, health, and accident coverage is available. A brochure will be sent to all applicants.

CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS must be requested in writing. Written cancellations received in Golden Frontier's office 110 days and more prior to departure receive a full refund of all monies paid. Cancellations received from 109 to 99 days prior to departure forfeit one half deposit. Cancellations received from 99 to 92 days prior to departure forfeit full deposit. Cancellations received 91 days and less prior to departure receive only those moneys recoverable by Golden Frontier Tours from various suppliers. All refunds are made following completion of trip. Airline tickets are not refundable once purchased. Trip cancellation insurance is available with separate application.

Golden Frontier shall not be obligated to refund any portion of a fare for a passenger who must leave the trip prematurely for medical or other reasons. No refunds are made for unused tour features. Golden Frontier Tours reserves the right to cancel any tour prior to departure for any reason, including insufficient number of participants. Should this happen, entire guest payment will be refunded automatically without further liability on the part of Golden Frontier.

Carrier reserves the right pursuant to U.S. Civil Aeronautics Board requirements to cancel any flight for any reason, including unavailability of fuel. Landing and uplift rights are subject to government approval. Golden Frontier Tours reserves the right to require any individual to withdraw from any tour, at any time, if Golden Frontier Tours determines his acts of conduct detrimental. A complete refund covering portions of the unfinished tour will be made to such individuals as soon as possible, but without further obligation or liability on the part of Golden Frontier Tours.

TOUR PRICES are quoted for air transportation between St. Louis, Chicago, Kansas City or Indianapolis and Poland and land arrangements based on rates, including foreign exchange rates, expected to be in effect at the time of departure and, accordingly are subject to change. Other major U. S. departure cities may be available, prices vary, our office can advise these rates. Tour prices do not include transportation between home city and airport, air taxes, U.S. customs and immigration fees, airport facility use fees, arrival or departure taxes, flight delay/trip interruption expenses, items of personal nature such as laundry, meals, beverages, after dinner teas, coffees, wines, etc., and gratuities not specifically mentioned.

RESPONSIBILITY. Golden Frontier Tours is the principal and is responsible to the participants in making the arrangements for all services offered herein, except to the extent such services cannot be supplied due to delays, sickness, weather, strike, war, quarantine, or other causes beyond the control of Golden Frontier Tours for any delay or damage to or loss of property or baggage or injury or deaths of persons due to any act of negligence of a direct air carrier, hotel, bus company, or service company of any kind or any other person or persons rendering any of the services being offered in connection with this inclusive tour charter, except due to negligence on the part of Golden Frontier of Swansea. Golden Frontier Tours reserves the right to substitute aircraft equipment, accommodations, or tour features where advisable or necessary during the progress of any tour. Should any substantial changes be made in the tour itinerary prior to departure, participants will be notified and given the opportunity to cancel with full refund provided they do so in writing within seven days after such notice. Should the charter price increase, passengers may elect to cancel without penalty upon notification thereof. Tour members are advised that the provisions of the Warsaw Convention Treaty apply to the air transportation of these tours. The convention in most cases limits the liability to direct air carriers and other air carriers to passengers for death or personal injury to approximately \$10,000 or \$20,000 except to the extent that the direct air carrier has agreed to a higher limit: pursuant to tariffs filed with the Civil Aeronautics Board. Carrier has agreed to proven damages not to exceed \$75,000 per passenger. The tour members are also advised that in the event the air carrier providing the air transportation described herein is delayed in performance or unable to perform, the provisions of the Special as well as the Economic Regulations of the Civil Aeronautics Board tariffs filed by the air carrier with the Civil Aeronautics Board may govern the rights and obligations of the parties. Golden Frontier is legally independent of the Diocese of Belleville. Participants agree to the use of their photo or image which may be taken on this trip in future Golden Frontier publications and presentations without compensation by or claim to CSP.