



Cracow Trip

with YFU Poland

**7-9
February
2020**

DEAR YFU-er!

Would you like to discover one of Europe's most iconic regions? How about a fun weekend together with international YFU students and volunteers? If your answer to either question is "Yes, please", keep on reading! Every year YFU Poland organises a 3-day trip to Cracow, country's second largest and most loved city. It is an opportunity to visit some of the most important places to, not only Polish, but also European history and culture. All in a company of exchange students, like you, spending their year in Poland's neighbouring countries. More details below!

TRIP OVERVIEW

The trip includes sight-seeing of some of Cracow's most important touristic sites, e.g. the Old Town, the Jewish District, Schindler's factory and Auschwitz Concentration Camp, as well as a bus trip to a nearby town Wieliczka to visit a famous underground salt mine

ACCOMODATION & FOOD

- Participants will be staying in one of Cracow's youth hostels.
- Breakfasts will be provided by the hostel.
- Other meals will be served in local restaurants.

ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE

- The best way to get to Cracow is by train or a bus.
- Arrival: Friday (Feb 7th) around noon
- Departure: Sunday (Feb 9th) after 5 p.m

PARTICIPATION FEE: 100 EUR

Fee includes

- accommodation,
- meals,
- all transportation
- all tourist attractions included in the programme

Fee does not include

- transportation to and from Cracow



PROGRAMME*

MARIACKI CHURCH

built in the 14th century is the largest and most important churches in Cracow and Poland. Known for its rich and breath-taking artistic interior and particularly, the encrusted wooden altair, carved by Veit Stoss.

SUKIENNICE - THE CLOTH HALL

said to be the first shopping mall in the world. Nowadays it functions as a market for tourists with all kinds of Polish crafts and souvenirs available there.

WIELICZKA SALT MINE

a world class monument, featuring among twelve objects on the UNESCO's List. One of the most valuable tourist destinations in Poland (visited every year by over a million tourists from across the world)

KAZIMIERZ DISTRICT

the centre of Jewish life in Cracow for over 500 years. Today it is Cracow's most exciting district – a vivid, bohemian neighbourhood packed with historical sites, atmospheric cafés and art galleries.

WAWEL CASTLE

the residence of our kings, placed on top of a hill is by far one the most important buildings in Poland. A symbol of national pride, hope, self-rule, and fierce patriotism.

AUSCHWITZ CONCENTRATION CAMP

the scene of martyrdom of millions of people during World War II. Place, where the Nazis were carrying out their genocidal plan of exterminating the whole nations, mainly Jews, Poles and other people of Slavic origins.

SCHINDLER'S FACTORY

this impressive interactive museum covers the Nazi occupation of Cracow in WWII. It's housed in the former enamel factory of Oskar Schindler, known a famous film „Schindler's List”.



* the programme may be subject to some changes due to unforeseen circumstances

HOW TO SIGN UP

1. Go to yfu.org.pl/discover-poland/ and fill out the application form
2. Check your inbox for a confirmation e-mail which guarantees you were put on the participants list
3. About four weeks before the date of the trip you should receive an e-mail containing trip schedule, accommodation details and packing tips. In case you've not received it, contact our trip coordinator immediately at zuzanna.nowak@yfu.org.pl
4. With the help of your local YFU office (or independently) book your travel tickets accordingly to the arrival and departure times included in the trip schedule
5. Come over to Poland and enjoy the best weekend ever!

WHO CAN SIGN UP

YFU Exchange Students

If you are currently on a student exchange in one of our partner National Organizations: Germany, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Lithuania, Ukraine, Latvia, Estonia or Finland

YFU Host Siblings

If your family is currently hosting a YFU exchange student

YFU Volunteers

If you are currently volunteering for one of our partner National Organizations: Germany, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Lithuania, Ukraine, Latvia, Estonia, Finland

HOW TO PAY

The trip participation fee should be transferred to the following bank account no later than

January 15th 2020

Recipient

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CRACOW2020 + Participant's Last Name

