

# **Cracow Incentive**

<u>Cracow</u> - Poland's prime tourist attraction and a must in Central Europe boasts numerous world-class monuments, charming vistas, delightful atmosphere, and the best restaurants.

Piasts' dynasty incorporated the Krakow province into their principality in the 990s and thus the Kingdom of Poland was born. In the year 1000 Krakow got its own bishop, and in 1038 the city became Poland's capital. The city's Golden Age came by the end of the 15th century when it was the thriving metropolis of a vast and prosperous kingdom stretching from the Black Sea to the Baltic Sea.



Krakow remained Poland's official capital till 1791 but from 1609 on successive kings after their coronation in Krakow chose to reside in Warsaw where the country's political centre moved with them. On the German-occupied territory the Nazis created a protectorate with their governorgeneral's residence in Krakow. Fortunately, the historic city survived almost intact the Soviet offensive in January 1945. After the WW II Krakow retained its status as Poland's second most important city and vied with Warsaw for the cultural supremacy.

#### **PROGRAMME PROPOSAL:**

## Day 1st

Arrival to Balice Airport near Cracow. Transfer by bus, separate luggage transfer.

On the way - welcome drink on the Kościuszko's Hill with panoramic view of Cracow.



**Transfer to the Hotel**, check- in, short rest.



#### Trip to the Salt Mine Wieliczka.

Salt mine, which has been working from XIII century is the oldest enterprise of salt industry on Polish land! Today is the most willingly visited Polish tourist object. Its impressive and picturesque underground consists of nearly 300 km of galleries and 3000 chambers. 3,5 km route 64-135 m below ground level.





Magnificent chapels, captivating underground lakes, original tools and equipment, traces of mining works give the comprehension about people's fight against the elements, their work, passion and beliefs. Since 1978 Mine is inscribed in UNESCO's 1st World List of Cultural and Natural Heritage.

#### Gala dinner in Wieliczka's interiors with live concert of Miners Brass Band.





Return transfer to the hotel.

## Day 2nd

# Medieval Magician City Game – visiting Krakow in an alternative way.

An scenario game, during which participants will discover charming Cracow.

XII century...a magician is working on the Philosopher's Stone (which gives immortality, and changes every metal into gold)...Suddenly during one of his experiments... he moves to the present times!

That's how it begins – **Magician comes to the hotel** and ask participants to help him to get back to his times. The goal is to gather secret information placed in the different parts of the city (according to the instructions), put it together and solve the final answer



Each team will get detailed instructions in a special album (medieval, rich-decorated book full of pictures and photos of the Cracow's highlights). The will need the album to fulfill the tasks and **it will be a great souvenir from Cracow!** They will use such a different means of transportation as bike or medieval carriage.





## Lunch in the restaurant in the Old City

In the afternoon - **golf academy** in one of the biggest golf complexes in central Europe.

Krakow Valley is a full-blown recreational complex, centred around an 18-hole Championship Course designed by world-famous course designer Ronald Fream from California.

**Golf Academy:** 

- Presentation of golf equipment, rules and golf etiquette
- Learning of full swing and training at Driving Range
- Training of putting and chipping





**Competitions:** Best Put, Chipping Competition, Longest Drive, Nearest to the Pin Texas Scramble: Even beginners may participate in a real golf tournament! We propose you a Texas Scramble competition organized on the 6-hole Academy Course.





# Dinner at Jewish restaurant on Kazimierz district with jewish music concert

## **Kazimierz - The Old Jewish Quarter of Krakow**

Originally laid out by King Kazimierz as its own town on the other side of Stary Wisla (a lesser branch of the river Wisla which was eventually filled in), Kazimierz has always had its own distinct atmosphere separate from that of the Old Town

# Day 3rd

**One day trip to Tatra Mountains** - the most beautiful and the only Alpine-like mountain range in the country.

## **Rafting on Dunajec River:**

After bus drive south bond of Cracow we will get to the small village where rafting trip begins. Running down 23 km along the Dunajec River Gorge will take around 2 hours and will finish in village Krościenko. The Gorge makes 7 loops in its length. The surrounding rock reaches 300 m in height almost all the way through. It is featured on UNESCO's Tentative List of World Heritage Sites in Poland.



## Lunch in a regional restaurant

Coach **transfer to Zakopane** - **the highest located town in Poland**, situated at the foot of the Tatra mountains. It has been enchanting visitors with its unique atmosphere for over 100 years. The town has long been regarded as the winter capital of Poland (the largest centre of winter sports), but it is also the tourist capital of the country.

Walking tour of Zakopane - Krupówki street, market.



**Gubałówka hill tour** - a cable and ground railway will take you to the one of most beautiful viewing points, located on 1123 m above sea level, where you can admire the panorama of the Tatra Mountains and clearly visible, situated at the bottom Zakopane.



**Ride by carriages to Butorowy Wierch** (1160 m above sea level) from which we can take a ride down on a double chair-lift back to Zakopane. The ride on the chair-lift gives an unforgettable feeling, not only because of the beautifully visible panorama of the Tatra Mountains but also for the sake of peace and quiet.

## Folklore dinner with traditional music and dance show.



Return to Kraków.

Day 4<sup>th</sup>

Breakfast

Departure