

## POLAND BY TRAIN – GRAND TOUR OF POLAND 2019

<p><b>Day 1</b></p>	<p><b>ARRIVAL IN WARSAW</b>          The 700 years old capital is a symbol of the Polish nationhood and the will to survive against great odds. In WWII, the historic heart of Warsaw was completely destroyed and then subsequently magnificently reconstructed – this work by the local population earned Warsaw a listing on the UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Take time to visit the famous Royal Route from the magnificent Castle Square to Lazienki Park and Palace.  <b>Overnight: Warsaw</b></p>	
<p><b>Day 2</b></p>	<p><b>WARSAW</b>          Poland's capital is a vibrant and large city. Enjoy the bustle and dynamism of Warsaw. Warsaw is a rich tapestry of nearly every European architectural style, from gothic to neoclassical, with wide modern avenues in striking contrast to the narrow lanes of the Old Town. Enjoy the complexity of this historically rich city.  <b>Overnight: Warsaw</b></p>	
<p><b>Day 3</b></p>	<p><b>WARSAW – TORUN</b> (about 2 ½ hours)          Torun, on the Vistula River, was the birthplace of the renaissance astronomer Copernicus, and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is the best preserved Gothic town in Poland. Visit the captivating Old Town with the ruins of a 13<sup>th</sup> century Teutonic Knights' castle as well as many Gothic churches and houses.  <b>Overnight: Torun</b></p>	
<p><b>Day 4</b></p>	<p><b>TORUN – GDANSK</b> (about 3 hours)          Take a morning train to Gdansk. Gdansk has a fascinating history dating back to the 10<sup>th</sup> century when it became an important trading centre on the Baltic Sea. With a busy riverside waterfront and charming narrow streets with a Renaissance splendour, Gdansk is a vibrant city with a fascinating past.  <b>Overnight: Gdansk</b></p>	
<p><b>Day 5</b></p>	<p><b>GDANSK</b>          See the historic parade route of the Polish kings from the Upland Gate to the Foregate, Golden Gate and Green Gate. View the beautiful ul Długa on the way. Take time to also visit Gdansk Old Town which was almost totally destroyed in 1945 and has been faithfully reconstructed. The beautiful Old Town with its spires and cobbles is renowned for its gemstone and amber workshops.  <b>Overnight: Gdansk</b></p>	

<p><b>Day 6</b></p>	<p><b>GDANSK – POZNAN</b> (about 3 h 45 min)  Head further west to Poznan, one of the country's oldest cities and a part of Polish history for the past 1000 years. Poznan was the capital of Poland until 1038 when the royal capital moved to Krakow. Visit the beautiful Old Town with the Old Market Square, lined with restaurants and small museums.  <b>Overnight: Poznan</b></p>	
<p><b>Day 7</b></p>	<p><b>POZNAN – WROCLAW</b> (about 2 hours)  Wroclaw is a vibrant and young university city. Enjoy the delightful mix of Gothic and baroque styles in Wroclaw's delightful Old Town. For an alternative view of Wroclaw, get a Gnome Map from the tourist office and go gnome-spotting across the city.  <b>Overnight: Wroclaw</b></p>	
<p><b>Day 8</b></p>	<p><b>WROCLAW – KRAKOW</b> (about 3 ½ hours)  Dating back to the 7<sup>th</sup> century, Krakow is held up by many as Poland's most beautiful city. It was the country's capital for over 500 years; today it is the cultural capital. Take time to visit the Wawel Hill, the Royal Castle and the Royal Cathedral. Enjoy a walking tour of the Old Town and visit the Main Market Square, Renaissance Cloth Hall and St. Mary's Church.  <b>Overnight: Krakow</b></p>	
<p><b>Day 9</b></p>	<p><b>KRAKOW</b>  While in Krakow, take the opportunity to visit the Wieliczka Salt Mine (optional), a renowned mine that produced table salt continuously from the 13<sup>th</sup> century to 2007. Or encounter sobering history on a visit to what is left of the Auschwitz concentration camp (optional), a chilling reminder of the Holocaust.  <b>Overnight: Krakow</b></p>	
<p><b>Day 10</b></p>	<p><b>DEPARTURE</b>  Depart from Krakow.</p>	

**Package Price:** from € 880 per person sharing

**Includes:** 9 nights with breakfast in 3\* hotels,  
Train tickets, 2<sup>nd</sup> class with seat reservation for the whole route