



destination UPDATE **POLAND**

Poland is situated in Central Europe between the Baltic Sea and the Carpathian Mountains and borders with Germany, Czech Republic, Slovakia and a number of former Russian countries. Poland is over 1000 years old and in its early history was a monarchy. Latterly, due to invasion, it became a communist country but since 1989 it has transformed into a democracy with a fully active market economy. In addition, Poland has recently joined the European Union.

From an incentive and conference point of view it is a new destination, but has the necessary infrastructure and knowledge to successfully handle this type of business. Much of this is due to companies like MAZURKAS TRAVEL, our recommended DMC in Poland, who have pioneered much of what is on offer and who have fine-tuned the services required to offer you and your clients the best possible service. Like all relatively new democracies, shaking off the shackles of previous systems takes time and bureaucracy can be a bit unwieldy, but with companies like MAZURKAS TRAVEL attitudes are changing fast.

The future potential for the EUR 2012 has had a huge impact on infrastructure in Warsaw and currently there is estimated about 50.000 beds at hotels and improved motorway systems etc.

Hotels in Warsaw are also great value for money, with competitive rates for a room at a 5-star hotel costing you around 100 – 200 EUR per room/day depending on season. There are also full-day conference packages, which include two coffee breaks and lunch costing from about 70 EUR per day.

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WARSAW

Poland's thriving capital was virtually destroyed in 1944, with 90% being left totally dilapidated, but over a ten-year period it was completely rebuilt - an amazing feat in such a short time. You can feel a deep respect and great admiration for its surviving citizens who have made Warsaw rise again from the ashes. Whilst the austere communist-built blocks remain, a tour of the city will enable you to discover the modern architecture, the business developments of offices and commercial enterprises where new and modern buildings and skyscrapers have emerged. The best face of Warsaw however is the reconstruction of the Old Town and Market Square where old buildings and villas have survived and cafes, bars, restaurants and shops bustle with activity. New buildings and developments are sprouting up all over Warsaw giving ample evidence of the growing confidence in Poland's economy and future. Along with its parks and gardens, the rich cultural life and most of all the friendliness of its people, all make Warsaw a cosmopolitan city.

HOTELS IN WARSAW



HILTON *****

The newest 5-star acquisition in Warsaw is conveniently located just next to the city centre, close to its financial and business district. The hotel is an ideal venue for a meeting for up to 1850 pax. All Day Restaurant, two bars, Fitness Club and Spa with its 200 sq. metres indoor swimming pool as well as underground car park for 1200 vehicles, are just a few of the property's advantages. The Hilton has the biggest convention centre of the city.

Built: 2006

Rooms number: 314

Conference capacity maximum: 1850

Number of conference rooms: 14

Banquet capacity maximum: 1040

Reception capacity maximum: 1500

Sauna/fitness: yes/yes

Swimming pool: yes



HOTEL LE ROYAL MERIDIEN – BRISTOL *****

Founded in 1901 by Ignacy Jan Paderewski – the famous concert pianist, composer and Prime Minister of Poland in 1919 - this architectural masterpiece and prestigious hotel is located at the "Royal Route" – the most elegant street of Warsaw, just five minutes walk from the Old Town, the Royal Castle and the Opera. Rooms are of outstanding beauty, individually furnished, offering traditional elegance and contemporary comfort.

Built: 1902

Room number: 206

Conference capacity maximum: 160

Number of conference rooms: 11

Banquets capacity maximum: 250

Reception capacity maximum: 300

Sauna/fitness: yes / yes

Swimming pool: yes



HOTEL SOFITEL – VICTORIA *****

Perfect located in the historic centre of the city, a few steps from The Opera House and 10 minutes walk from the Old Town area, as well as next to the financial and commercial centre of Poland's capital. The first 5-star hotel in Poland's capital, refurbished in 1999, offers to its guest lavishly decorated rooms and very modern banqueting and conference facilities. Another of the hotel's advantage is its excellent cuisine – based on the best recipes of the traditional Polish cuisine in two of its restaurants.

Built: 1976

Room number: 340

Conference capacity maximum: 600 / Number of conference rooms: 8

Banquets capacity maximum: 500 / Reception capacity maximum: 1000

Sauna/fitness: yes/ yes / Swimming pool: yes



HOTEL MARRIOTT *****

This modern hotel – one of the highest skyscrapers of Warsaw with its 42 floors - is situated in the business and commercial centre of the city, next to the Central Railway Station and one of the symbols of Warsaw – Palace of Culture and Science.

Built: 1989

Room number: 523

Conference capacity maximum: 700

Number of conference rooms: 16

Banquets capacity maximum: 520

Reception capacity maximum: 1000

Sauna/fitness: yes/yes / Swimming pool: yes



SHERATON WARSAW HOTEL & TOWERS *****

This very modern hotel is located in the heart of the city, adjacent to its nerve centre – embassies, ministries, the stock exchange – and, therefore, in a tranquil and elegant area of one of the most beautiful squares in Warsaw – the Three Crosses Square, with its elegant Classical church in the middle.

Built: 1996

Room number: 350

Conference capacity maximum: 700 / Number of conference rooms: 12

Banquets capacity maximum: 365 / Reception capacity maximum: 700

Sauna/fitness: yes / yes



THE HYATT REGENCY *****

The Hyatt Regency is a modern & luxury hotel located close to the Lazienki Park and just next to the monumental building of the Russian Embassy, in a very quiet district, only 2 kilometres from the city centre, as well as financial and commercial districts of Warsaw.

Built: 2001

Room number: 250

Conference capacity maximum: 430 / Number of conference rooms: 13

Banquets capacity maximum: 300 / Reception capacity maximum: 550

Sauna/fitness: yes/yes

Swimming pool: yes



THE WESTIN WARSAW*****

A modern 20 storey sky-scraper located in the heart of the new part of the city in "Warsaw Manhattan" – at John Paul II avenue, close to the Central Railway Station and the symbol of the city – Palace of Culture and Science. The hotel is situated within walking distance to the Old Town area. The facade of the building is dominated by a glass tube, in which panoramic lifts are located.

Built: 2003

Room number: 361

Conference capacity maximum: 600

Number of conference rooms: 10

Banquet capacity maximum: 420

Reception capacity maximum: 550

Sauna/fitness: yes/yes

Swimming pool: no



HOTEL INTERCONTINENTAL*****

The highest hotel of Warsaw (45 floors) – and the most extraordinary hotel building in the city with its one "leg" rising up to the middle of the structure. The whole facade is covered by glass. Location is perfect – just a few steps from the Central Railway Station and the Palace of Culture and Science – in the heart of business centre of the city.

Built: 2003

Room number: 406

Conference capacity maximum: 600 / Number of conference rooms: 7

Banquet capacity maximum: 350 / Reception capacity maximum: 700

Sauna/fitness: yes/yes

Swimming pool: yes



HOTEL MAZURKAS AND CONFERENCE CENTRE ****

This is a Best Western Hotel and is situated 12km away from the centre of Warsaw and 11km from the International Airport – Fryderyk Chopin. The hotel is very modern and contemporary in style and boasts 130 double rooms, which comprises of 119 standard rooms, 7 executive rooms and 4 suites. The newly refurbished conference centre consist 34 multifunctional rooms with the largest room holding 1000 pax theatre style as well as 12 air conditioned conference rooms ranging from 23 to 370 square metres in size, which allow for gala dinners, meetings, functions and exhibitions etc. The Hotel can offer expert catering services and can combine their expertise in organising parties of all kinds to create a fantastic 'Food Ceremony' and were delighted to have achieved 4th place in the 2004 Warsaw Business Journal.

WHAT TO SEE IN WARSAW

A must is a **city tour** to include the superb Old Town with its historic palaces and royal residences, The Grand Theatre, Chopin's Monument, the Royal Castle, Lazienki Palace and Park and the monument to the Warsaw uprising.

Visit the **Wilanow Palace**, the summer baroque residence of King Jan 111 Sobieski or the **Lazienki Royal Palace** for a Chopin tour, the name of Frederic Chopin is well known worldwide among lovers of classical music. His mazurkas, etudes, polonaises and scherzos have become a test of measure of any pianist's talent. A glass of champagne during intermission will be served. To add to this spectacular tour you can transfer by historical cars (old timers made in 30's and 40's like Buick, Austin, Mercedes or Russian made ZIS) from the hotel to the Lazienki Park.

Drive to Zelazowa Wola to visit **Chopin's house** for a piano recital followed by lunch at a traditional Polish restaurant.

One great idea is a **Military Competition** at a Warsaw Pact Military Testing Range. Here you will dress up in military uniforms, drive Russian off-road vehicles over a challenging course, try your hand at paintball shooting, high impact archery or even hot air ballooning. The final event is to drive a famous T-55 tank before being presented with a diploma and/or prizes to reward your accomplishment.

Historical Museum of Warsaw: The History Museum is one of the best of Warsaw's museums. Its three-stories are crammed with fascinating exhibitions covering every aspect of Warsaw's history and life, from its beginnings to the present day, and there are old photographs, clippings and articles on display from everyday pre-war city life. The museum's special feature is a documentary film showing the destruction and reconstruction of the city, with footage shot by the Nazis during their calculated and systematic annihilation. The film is shown in English at 12pm Tuesday to Saturday.



Klepisko

Klepisko is situated by Zegrzynski Lake around approximately 40 minutes from Warsaw town centre. A great venue for team building activities including ribs, Jet Ski, cycling, quads, horse riding, and hovercrafting. Afterwards you can enjoy an evening meal with different specialties from Poland such as: fried sheep cheese with cranberries, dumplings with cabbage and

mushrooms or borsch with kvass soup. Vodka or beer tasting can be an evening highlight as well as a folklore music performance (or any other kind of music).



The Mazowsze National State Dance and Folk Company

The Mazowsze is located in the town of Karolin and consists of 100 dancers, singers and musicians and their 1500 magnificent and traditional Polish costumes. It began almost 10 decades ago (in 1948) when the Culture and Art Ministry decided to create a folk group that would preserve certain aspects of traditional Polish culture, such as the songs and dances of the Mazovian

countryside.

The Mazowsze performs traditional folklore which is carefully staged and depicted by a constant kaleidoscopic array of movement and colours, as during every performance each artist changes 7 to 10 times and a single change of costumes must not take more than 3 minutes.

The Mazowsze has given over 6,000 performances in Poland and abroad. The performances are a great insight into something traditionally Polish and are a great idea for Incentive groups looking for that real 'feel-good' activity.

SOME SUGGESTED RESTAURANTS & BANQUETING VENUES



The Belvedere is a multi-faceted restaurant situated in Lazienki Park. The restaurant Belvedere offers banquets for up to 50 persons in the main restaurant, 80 persons in the Orangerie and cocktails for 80 and 150 respectively.

The Palace on the Isle is a copy of a Royal Residence and is full of antique décor, with a total capacity for up to 200 for banquets or 300 for cocktails. Individually the Ballroom holds 100 and 150 respectively, Salomon's Hall 60 and 120, the Picture Gallery 50 and 100 and the Dining Hall 40 and 100 persons.

Lastly there is the classical style **Myslewicki Palace** for small groups of 24 – 50. A little less spectacular, but more relaxed.

Within the park there is also an Amphitheatre which can be used for formal events and a candle-lit wine cellar open for parties and wine tasting for up to 40 persons.

A speciality in the historic surroundings of the Lazienki Park Palaces is to host a feast in genuine royal chambers with music, poetry, ballet and service in costumed outfits from the King Stanislaw era, of old Polish recipes from the King's chef.

One really unusual venue is the **Kitchen of the Sheraton Hotel** served as a behind-the-scenes lunch where a specially designed menu is served and prepared right in front of your eyes.

In the Old Town in Warsaw is one of the best folklore restaurants called the '**Karczma Polska – Wojtkowice**'. It has a unique, warm atmosphere and is full of original folk artwork.



Sekret (The Secret) Restaurant specialises in Polish cuisine and is situated next to the Old Town Square within a maze of XVI-century cellars. Its unique atmosphere and decor make diners feel they have moved back in time to a beautiful, past era. The food served in Sekret combines Polish culinary traditions with a modern, sophisticated approach to cooking.



AleGloria is a new restaurant located in the very heart of the city, within the basement of the so-called Dom Dochodowy at Trzech Krzyzy Square. Here, strawberry trees are in bloom and white geese have flown in.

This restaurant presents Polish cuisine in a whole new dimension, injecting a new contemporary style into the more traditional dishes. For example borsch is prepared with raspberry syrup and beets, marinated in balsamic vinegar. In addition guests will witness their food being prepared right in front of them.

The AleGloria basement is decorated with large mirrors, wooden floor, lace tablecloths, comfortable armchairs. At the entrance one's attention is drawn by a huge tree with red strawberries and the strawberry motif is repeated a number of times through the restaurant.



u szwejka restaurant is a Czech-style restaurant in the centre of Warsaw, right next to the Constitution Square. It serves typical Czech cuisine, beer and Becherovka - the favorite drink of the Good Old Soldier Švejk. The restaurant is located on three floors with more than three hundred seats and there is a band that performs live everyday from 7 p.m. till 11 p.m. There are a great variety of dishes to choose from, including tasty golden fried pork leg, or boiled pork leg with Bavarian sauerkraut, or bramborak – pork chop in potato pastry, barbecued ribs in honey sauce, roast duck and delicious, barbecued salmon to name but a few.



Dom Polski Restaurant is located within an old secluded villa of the Saska Kepa district. The décor is homely, the food tasty and has a beautiful summer garden. The restaurant serves traditional Polish cuisine but with a more modern style and offers dishes such as wild boar, trout and venison. On Sundays and Mondays there is live music.

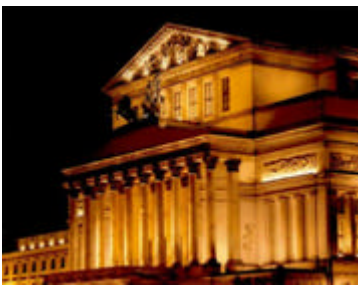


Congress hall at the Palace of Culture and Science

The Palace of Culture and Science is the largest congress centre in Warsaw and the Palace halls can accommodate over 4500 participants, with the Congress Hall allowing for up to 3000 persons and smaller meeting rooms for 80 - 100 persons.

The Palace interiors have a sound amplifying system and a unique wireless Internet access (allowing several thousand computers to be working online simultaneously) as well as conference equipment (such as audio/video facilities, screens and slide projectors)

Extensive backup and technical facilities, cargo lifts and professional staff adds to the quality of services offered at the Palace. In addition, the congress centre offers in-house medical care and other such service as translation and catering.



The National Opera Theatre and the National Theatre

Built in 1833 and located within the same building, both are ideal venues for conferences, because of two reasons. Firstly this monumental complex is probably the most prestigious place of its kind in Warsaw, with its giant facade and very richly decorated interiors. The second reason is the multiplicity of rooms adjacent to the main auditorium, which could be used for other sessions, such as receptions etc. The maximum conference and reception capacity is 1800 and the Byzantine luxury of the interiors is a good advantage over other such locations within the city. Incentive / teambuilding groups would not feel out of place here, as exciting and motivating activities such as group percussions can be organised within the large areas.

Porczynski Gallery

Porczynski Gallery is a very popular venue for companies to celebrate important events, such as Gala Dinners. The Gallery consists of a collection of almost 400 paintings and sculptures donated by Janina and Zbigniew Porczynscy and is recognised as one of the most valuable museums of its kind in Poland.



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Fabryka Trzciny Artistic Centre

The Fabryka building, originally constructed in 1916, is one of the oldest industrial sites located on Warsaw's east riverbank, in the Praga district. In its early days it housed a marmalade production facility and even later a food processing plant and



"Fabryka Trzciny" is one of the few, if not the only place, concentrating on all forms of artistic endeavour: painting, photography, theatre, music, as well as a mini-library and spaces for meetings and promotion of modern writers, publicists, politicians and interesting personalities. It comprises of a Performance Hall, Theatrical Stage, Exhibition Hall, Club & Lounge, as well as a multitude of spaces designated for film

screenings, fashion shows, symposiums, conferences, specialist training and other private or corporate events. The redesign lasted nearly two years, during which 2,000 square metres were renovated.



Evening at the Warsaw Technical University

This unique building was constructed in 1900. A patio under the glass roof with three floors of Eclectic balconies gives a unique impression for the guests, especially when appropriately illuminated. A short performance of the Representative Orchestra of the Polish Army, using historical costumes from Napoleon's period, would be a good beginning for an event. Cocktails on the first floor balcony can be

followed by dinner on the ground floor. During the dinner a dancing music band can perform for the guests till late.

Maximum banquet capacity: 700 ground floor + 200 balcony level
Maximum reception capacity: 700



Warsaw International Expocentre

Expo XX1 Warsaw International Expocentre is the newest and most sophisticated congress and exhibition venue in the country with fantastic meeting and convention facilities. It opened its doors in September 2001 and has already successfully hosted several local and international medical events. The venue offers fully equipped, air-conditioned and flexible facilities, which can easily accommodate an auditorium for up to

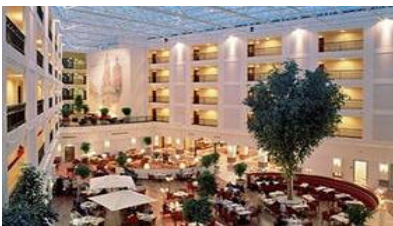
5,000 people. The conference rooms available are: the Sun Room (up to 130 delegates), the Azur Room (up to 130 delegates) and the Lunar Room (up to 650 delegates).

KRAKOW

The royal city of Krakow, once the capital of Poland, is very different from Warsaw, as it escaped the ravages of the Second World War and each century of its history has left its mark from Romanesque to Gothic to Baroque. It has also become the artistic centre of Poland with theatres, galleries and even its own Philharmonic Orchestra. The city has changed very little over the years with its geometric street pattern centred on the impressive market square, the largest in medieval Europe, the Royal Castle at Wawel Hill, the 14th century Cathedral and its university, the second oldest in Europe. Krakow with its architecture and cultural life is a beautiful and exciting city. On UNESCO's list of World Cultural Heritage it became the European City of culture in the year 2000, the millennium year, and an ambitious programme covered the cultural range, from a rock concert in the amazing Wieliczka salt mine to classical performances and art presentations. The streets, squares and open spaces of Poland's former capital became the open-air stage for Europe's first big cultural happening of the 21st century.

HOTELS IN KRAKOW

SHERATON KRAKOW* * * * *



First 5-star hotel in the historical capital of Poland, this modern structure is perfectly located – at the footsteps of the Royal Wawel Hill, overlooking the Royal Cathedral and the Vistula River, just ten minutes walk from the heart of the historical part of Krakow - Old Town Square. All hotels rooms are spacious, elegant and modern.

Built: 2004

Room number: 238

Conference capacity maximum: 400 / Number of conference rooms: 8

Banquet capacity maximum: 300 / Reception capacity maximum: 550

Sauna/fitness: yes/ yes / Swimming pool: yes

RADISSON SAS*****



One of the best locations in Krakow –five minutes walk to the Royal Castle at the Wawel Hill and to the Old Town Square. The hotel boasts excellent views to the Planty – a green belt surrounding the Old Town – established at the former defence walls area, the Franciscan Monastery and the Archbishop Palace. Interiors of the hotel are designed in bright colours with many wooden details. Breakfast buffet is widely known as the most varied in the city.

Built: 2003 / Room number: 196

Conference capacity maximum: 60 / Number of conference rooms : 3

Banquet capacity maximum: 150 / Reception capacity maximum: 200

Sauna/fitness: yes/ yes / Swimming pool: no

HOTEL COPERNICUS ****



Completed in 2000 the Hotel Copernicus blends the very best of the old with the new, situated at the foot of the Wawel Castle Hill and only 5 minutes walk from the Old Town Square. The name of the hotel came after the most famous Polish astronomer spent a few months living in the building, which is 600 years old.

Room number: 29

Conference capacity maximum: 30

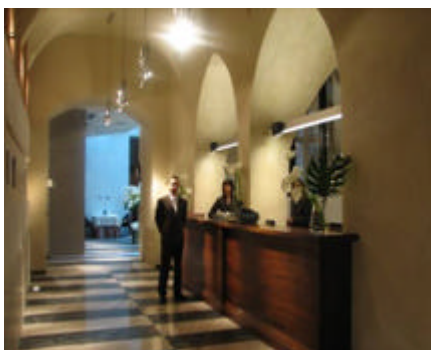
Number of conference rooms: 1

Banquet capacity maximum: 50

Reception capacity maximum: 100

Sauna/fitness: yes/yes

Swimming pool: yes



STARY*****

One of the newest hotels in Krakow, stylish and charming, is located just about five minutes walk from the Old Town Square. Standing at the centre of Krakow the hotel retains its original character combined with comfort of careful restoration. Guest and multifunctional rooms as well as restaurant and bars are uniquely furnished and tastefully decorated. The restaurant serves delicious dishes of Polish cuisine.

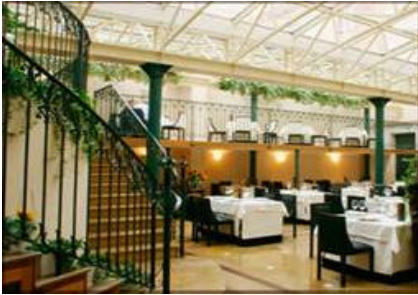
Built: 2001

Room number: 154

Conference capacity maximum: 50 / Number of conference rooms: 7

Banquet capacity maximum: 150 / Reception capacity maximum: 200

Sauna/fitness: no/yes / Swimming pool: no



POD ROZA *****

The oldest hotel in the city, with its tradition going back to the 18th century is famous of its visitors one being the Tsar of Russia – Alexander I. Pod Roza has a perfect location – at Florianska – the main street of the Old Town, just a few steps from the Market Square, and a internal patio with a glass roof, which houses the Italian restaurant .

Built: 1795

Rooms number: 57

Conference capacity maximum: 100 / Number of conference rooms: 2

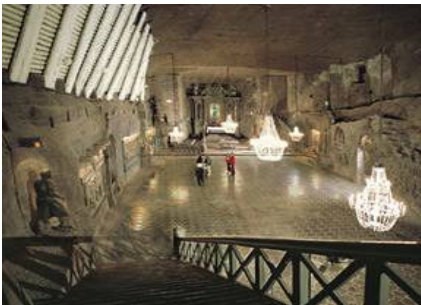
Banquet capacity maximum: 150 / Reception capacity maximum: 300

Sauna/fitness: no/no / Swimming pool: no

WHAT TO DO – WHAT TO SEE

A visit to this beautiful old city is a must, including the **Royal Castle Wawel**, the magnificent Cathedral, St. Mary's church, the market square with all its wonderful old buildings, restaurants and bars, the Barbican etc. Remember, Krakow has been included on the UNESCO World Heritage List as a city of very special interest since 1978.

The Royal Castle at Wawel Hill is well worth a visit all on its own. One of the most valuable monuments of Polish history and culture, the present form of the castle dates from the 15th century. The halls and rooms are wonderfully decorated and the armoury and the crown treasury is where the regalia of the Polish Kings have been stored.



Perhaps the most amazing place to visit is the **Wieliczka Salt Mines**. In one of the oldest salt mines in Europe – is a unique museum of salt works, amazingly well preserved statues made by the mine worker's themselves, nine floors of working mines going down to 327 metre's below the surface, superb galleries, chambers and underground lakes. The best and most amazing chamber is the Saint Kinga's Chapel, which is a masterpiece created by the miners with rock salt

carvings depicting many of the major events from the bible; even the chandeliers are made of salt. This chapel can be used for the most atmospheric banquets, conferences or cocktail parties. There are also some other chambers for smaller group events plus the Warsaw Chamber, 125 metre's below ground, which can be used for cultural and sports events.

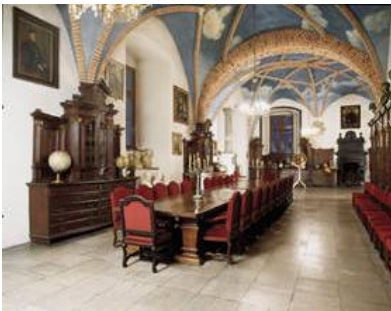
Maximum banquet capacity: 350 / Maximum reception capacity: 800
Maximum concert capacity: 300



In addition to the Wieliczka Salt mines, the **National Museum** in Krakow situated in the Old Town Square occupies the first floor of the building and consists of a very rich collection of pictures painted by great Polish artists. Conferences can be held for up to 200 pax and the hall & stage area may be modified & expanded. The concert hall includes audiovisual equipment for conferencing, seminars, lectures, trade & promotion shows etc. Lighting equipment and Barco projection systems (7 x 4.5m) enable

images from all types of projectors or direct from a computer. Its excellent acoustics have made the venue popular for Piano recitals and theatre performances.

An exclusive reception at this exceptional venue could be organised, helping to create a unique atmosphere of a very personal contact with the fine arts. A string quartet, performing works of the greatest Polish composers, would be a suitable supplement to this event.



Collegium Maius of Jagiellonian University

During this event, participants will have a unique chance to travel back in time to the late medieval Krakow, when the most famous astronomer of the world, Nicolaus Copernicus, lived and studied in this exceptional city.

The Collegium Maius is a magnificent example of the late Gothic architecture with a large courtyard and the beautiful Hall of the Sessions of the University authorities. A formal reception or a dinner could be organised in both places.

A concert of medieval chamber music performed by artists dressed in historical costumes is an excellent proposal for the beginning of such an event.



Slowacki Theatre

A private opera and ballet performance at the most beautiful theatre of Poland. Guests will be stunned by the beauty of the interior as well as the magnificent curtain, hand-painted by Henryk Siemiradzki – one of the greatest Polish painters of the 19th century.

Such an interior creates an unforgettable impression and atmosphere. A formal cocktail party following the performance can be organised in the theatre's foyer.

Maximum performance capacity: 520 / Maximum reception capacity: 600

Auschwitz

The death camp in the suburbs of the city of Oswiecim, known as Konzentrationslager Auschwitz, was in fact a complex of camps, the largest Nazi death factory, where more than two million people, mostly Jews, perished. The Auschwitz camp consisted of several units, including the largest one at Brezinka (Birkenau). Of the millions of people brought there in the period between 1940 and 1944 only 60 to 70 thousand utterly emaciated victims were alive at the time of liberation of the camp – at present the National Museum of Oswiecim is situated on the site of the former camp. Duration: 4 hours.

SOME SUGGESTED RESTAURANTS AND BANQUETING VENUES



Chlopskie Jadlo Restaurant

An excellent and informal restaurant to use for lunch, in combination with a visit to the Royal Castle at Wawel Hill.

Location - in the centre of the city, just a few steps from the Wawel Hill.

Description - The interiors are accurate copies of a typical farm house from the turn of the 18th century. The arrangement of the first room replicates a stable. The main chamber is an improvisation – a combination of a barn and a coal stove room. The discreet sounds of a highlander's folk band emphasise the unique climate and mood of the "Chlopskie Jadlo".

Cuisine - the best village-style cuisine in Poland.

Menu Highlights: "Peasant plate" – a bit of roasted pork, veal, beef and chicken, served with potato pancakes or buckwheat. Roasted sheep and cheese served with cowberry sauce.

Seating Capacity: 180 / Number Of Rooms: 7

Wierzynek Restaurant



Krakow's oldest and most popular restaurant serving traditional Polish cuisine.

Location - at the Old Town Square overlooking the Cloth Hall and the St Mary's Church. Situated on four floors.

Description - In 1364 a town councillor called Nicolaus Wierzynek threw a feast for King Casimir the Great's guests, who had arrived for the wedding of the king's granddaughter, Elizabeth. Among the invited guests were many European Kings. Since that time, Wierzynek has been spoken of as a royal restaurant, known not only in Poland. The restaurant rooms with magnificent decor are very stylish.

Cuisine - menu contains old Polish dishes prepared strictly according to royal, traditional recipes.

Menu Highlights: royal mushroom soup, roasted duck served with apples, cheese cake - Kraków style. **Seating Capacity: 200 / Number Of Rooms: 8**

Villa Decius is a delightful, elegant restaurant in a Renaissance Villa. There are 3 floors with small rooms perfect for smaller groups who wish for private dining. In the main restaurant on the ground floor dinner is accompanied by live music. The rooms can also be used for small meetings for up to 60 persons. Style and elegance are the key words here.



Ogniem i Mieczem Restaurant

Location – approximately ten minutes drive from the Old City area.

Description - One of the newest restaurants in Krakow. The interiors are decorated in a style typical of the manor houses of Polish noble families from the 17th and 18th centuries. It has a very special, alluring atmosphere which makes you feel comfortable and gives you an opportunity to enjoy the world-famous Polish hospitality.

Cuisine – traditional Polish.

Menu Highlights – Polish dumplings – “pierogi” - stuffed with meat, cabbage or mushrooms. **Seating Capacity: 150 / Rooms: 4**

Wentzl Restaurant



Location – superb, at the Old Town Square.

Description - One of the most prestigious restaurants in Krakow is located within a house built in the 14th century. The interiors are decorated with 19th century furniture as well as with paintings from Polish artists, such as Józef Pankiewicz. All ceilings are wooden and hand-painted and have been there since the house was originally constructed. The very special, discreet atmosphere makes you feel safe and large windows give an exceptional view of the Market Square.

Cuisine – Polish and French

Menu highlights – duck marinated in “zubrówka” – polish bison vodka, crayfish soup. **Seating capacity – 100 / rooms – 3**



Klezmer Hois Restaurant

Location - in the Kazimierz district, the former Jewish quarter of Kraków, approximately 5 minutes by bus from the Old Town.

Description - Across from the Remu'h Synagogue, yet another of Krakow's unique dining experiences takes place in a Jewish style apartment of the interwar period, with authentic 19th century furniture. Jewish music concerts are performed every night.

Cuisine – typical Jewish, based on old traditional recipes of Polish Jews.

Menu Highlights: One of the very few places in Poland where one can sample goose liver in raisin and almond sauce, as well as other specialties of the Jewish cuisine.

Seating Capacity: 180 / Number Of Rooms: 4

FLIGHTS

We sampled the services of LOT Polish Airlines and other airlines to Poland, including EasyJet, Polish Airlines, British Airways and British Midland.

FLIGHT ROUTES TO THE UK

Warsaw – up to 10 flights daily to Heathrow, Gatwick, Luton, Stansted

Krakow – up to 6 flights daily to Gatwick, Luton, Stansted.

CONCLUSION

Poland is a surprising country. Viewed, generally by those who have not visited the country, as a dull, grey, former Eastern European satellite. Poland has over 1000 years of history, impressive historical buildings, beautiful scenery, an age-old tradition of hosting international events and excellent accommodation.

This of course does not totally guarantee a successful event – the missing factor is your partner in Poland – our DMC MAZURKAS TRAVEL have proved their understanding of overseas markets and run very much as a hands-on operation and have successfully developed conferences and incentives into Poland.