

POLAND and CZECH REPUBLIC TOUR

September 21 – October 1, 2022



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Poland has it all ~ mountains, lakes, river, seaside, beaches and wild forests. The Czech Republic is full of contrasts and surprises. Home to more than 1,200 castles and chateaus, it also has incredible natural and cultural sites.

Join Jeff Kuderski as he takes you on a customized adventure and cultural experience to both of this fabulous countries. Expect to be surprised....Expect to be in awe....Expect to come away wanting more! Come ~ Poland and the Czech Republic are waiting for you to discover their allure.

Register now— space is limited on this popular tour

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Warsaw, Poland
- Czestochowa, Poland
- Krakow, Poland
- Zakopane, Poland
- Olomouc, Czech Republic
- Kromeriz, Czech Republic
- Prague, Czech Republic
- Nelahozeves Castle Near Prague



INCLUDED FEATURES

- Free parking with roundtrip coach transfers to Chicago O'Hare Airport
- Roundtrip airfare – Chicago to Warsaw
- Nine nights hotel accommodations, as listed, or similar
- Sightseeing by luxury coach, as stated, in the itinerary by luxury coach
- Meals: Daily Breakfasts, 6 Lunches & 8 Dinners
- Welcome & farewell dinners
- All local taxes, hotel service charges & portorage for one suitcase per person
- Services of Local Polish & Czech Tour Guide
- Hosted & Escorted by Jeff Kuderski, Exec. Director
- Pre-Travel Informational & Document Distribution

TOUR ITINERARY

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Wednesday, September 21: Depart for Poland

Motor coach transfer from the Milwaukee area to Chicago O'Hare International Airport for overnight flight to Warsaw.

Thursday, September 22: Warsaw (Welcome to Warsaw!)

Upon arrival in Warsaw, you will be met and transferred to your hotel in the heart of the city for a group lunch. Time will be given to check in, rest and unpack before your adventure begins. At 6:00 PM, you will meet your tour manager in the hotel lobby. Enjoy your first night in Poland with a beautiful drive of the renovated Royal Route and its historical monuments. Stop for a short walk through Old Town, and then gather for a welcome dinner with typical Polish dishes and Zubroka, a famous Polish vodka. **Overnight: Mercure Grand Hotel, Warsaw** (Breakfast on flight, Lunch, Dinner).

Friday, September 23: Warsaw

After your included breakfast, you will be introduced to the highlights of Warsaw. Experience a half-day sightseeing tour including Old Town, beautifully rebuilt after World War II with the impressive Royal Castle, seat of Polish kings, and the beautiful Lazienki Royal Garden. At the Royal Castle, the May 3rd Constitution was proclaimed in 1791. It is the second oldest constitution in the world. After lunch on your own at a local restaurant, continue your tour with a drive to the former Warsaw Ghetto. The remainder of the day will be yours to explore the city. After a group dinner, your evening will be spent enjoying Warsaw. **Overnight: Mercure Grand Hotel, Warsaw** (Breakfast, Dinner).

Saturday, September 24: Warsaw – Czestochowa – Krakow

After breakfast, depart for Krakow. En route, stop in Czestochowa, the Polish National Shrine, to visit the Jasna Gora (Bright Mountain) Monastery and Black Madonna Shrine with its miraculous icon. A group lunch is planned en route to Krakow. Upon arrival and after checking in at the hotel, the guide will have an hour walking tour around the hotel area with some free time before a group dinner. **Overnight: Novotel Centrum, Krakow** (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner).

Sunday, September 25: Krakow – Optional Afternoon Tour to the Wieliczka Salt Mine

This morning's city tour features Wawel Hill with the Royal Castle, home to three dynasties of Poland's monarchs. Its stately chambers are filled with priceless medieval treasures including fabulous 16th century Flemish tapestries. You will also visit the Wawel Cathedral, where the 18 chapels are true architectural masterpieces. Here, the Polish kings were crowned and buried. Following a short break for coffee and cake, walk to the medieval Market Square, one of the largest in Europe. At St. Mary's Basilica admire the largest wooden altar and at the arcaded Cloth Hall, dating back to the 14th century, you can shop for souvenirs. The balance of the day is yours to explore with lunch on your own before a group dinner this evening at the hotel. **Overnight: Novotel Centrum, Krakow** (Breakfast, Dinner).

Monday, September 26: Krakow - Zakopane

Depart Krakow after breakfast for Zakopane in the Tatra Mountains. Upon arrival, you will tour around Zakopane where wooden architecture blends with natural landscapes. You will visit various religious sites in this beautiful town before ascending Gubalowka Mountain for breathtaking views of the Tatras. There will be time to shop for souvenirs of arts and crafts of the Highlanders at a local bazaar and shops. Along the way, a group lunch will be served. After the tour, there will be free time to explore on your own and, perhaps, you may want to enjoy a healthy thermal bath, prior to a group dinner. **Overnight: Crocus Hotel, Zakopane** (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner).

Tuesday, September 27: Zakopane - Olomouc

After breakfast we will say goodbye to our Poland Tour Guide as he turns the 'reins' over to your Czech Tour Guide. Depart with the group from the Zakopane hotel after breakfast and drive to Olomouc, Czech Republic. Enjoy the beautiful countryside as we travel toward our destination. A group lunch is included en route. We arrive mid-to-late afternoon for a tour of Olomouc followed by hotel check in. Enjoy a wonderful group dinner this evening. **Overnight: Clarion Hotel, Olomouc** (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner).

Wednesday, September 28: Olomouc – Kromeriz - Prague

After breakfast and hotel checkout, we continue our journey toward Prague, via Kromeriz. Here you will visit the beautiful flower gardens near the archbishop's chateau. The Flower Garden of Kromeriz, known as the Pleasure Garden, is an exceptional historic garden unequalled in the broader European and global context. Enjoy an included lunch in Kromeriz before departing for Prague. Upon arrival you will check into the hotel. A stroll around the surrounding area of the hotel before a group dinner is planned. **Overnight: Old Town Clarion Hotel, Prague** (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

Thursday, September 29: Prague

After breakfast, enjoy a half day tour of the beautiful and historic city of Prague. During our sightseeing tour, we will introduce you to Prague (UNESCO), the historical and architectural jewel of Central Europe. The coach transfer will take you uphill to Strahov where the mostly downhill walking tour starts, passing by Loreto, reaching Prague Castle (no entrance included) and Prague's most dominant feature - Saint Vitus' Cathedral. The tour continues via all Castle's courtyards to the Old Castle Stairs which takes you to the bank of the Vltava River. The Charles Bridge, the oldest bridge in Prague with its important gallery of Baroque statues, will take you across the Vltava River to reach Old Town Square. Taking small cobblestone streets through the oldest part of Prague, you will arrive at the Old Town Square with the world famous Astronomical Clock. The afternoon and evening are free for you to explore with lunch and dinner on your own. **Overnight: Old Town Clarion Hotel, Prague** (Breakfast).

Friday, September 30: Prague – Nelahozeves Castle – Prague

After breakfast, depart for a morning trip outside of Prague to the Nelahozeves Castle. The monumental Nelahozeves Castle, one of Bohemia's finest Renaissance castles, is situated on a gentle slope overlooking the Vltava River in the village of Nelahozeves (birthplace of the great Czech composer Antonín Dvořák). It is approximately 35 km north of Prague and less than a 1 hour drive away. The Castle belongs to the Lobkowitz Family which is among the oldest and most distinguished Bohemian noble families. They have played a prominent role in Central European history for over six hundred years. Successive generations have held the highest of noble titles, including Princes of the Holy Roman Empire, High Chancellors of Bohemia, Dukes of Sagan, and of Roudnice, plus, the Knights of the Order of the Golden Fleece. On a scale unimaginable today, they have commissioned magnificent architectural projects, ground-breaking music and collected paintings, manuscripts, books, musical instruments and decorative arts that enhanced their numerous residences while increasing their prestige in the courts. During the approximate 50 minute tour of the castle with your guide, you will learn about the family history, collections and life style. After the tour, you return to Prague for a group lunch which is followed by free time in Prague for final souvenir shopping and sightseeing. A farewell dinner is planned for this evening. **Overnight: Old Town Clarion Hotel, Prague** (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner).

Saturday, October 1: Depart for USA

After breakfast, transfer to Prague Airport for your flight home and transportation to Milwaukee. (Breakfast)



Tour Activity Level:



This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, upstairs, or on uneven walking surfaces, should be expected.

Terms & Conditions:

TOUR PRICING: This tour price is based on a minimum of 20 persons and includes planning, handling and operational charges and is quoted on the current rate of exchange, tariff rates and airfares based on June 27, 2021. In the event of a marked increase or decrease in foreign currency or in tariff rates, the cost is subject to revision. ELJO Travel will do everything possible to avoid an increase in the tour cost. However, should increases occur in any components of the tour, passengers will be notified accordingly. This is a customized package tour in which land tour costs and special group airfares have been / will be combined in the most advantageous way. Should you wish to take the land tour only or deviate from the package tour by changing your departure and / or return dates of travel, this will eliminate the advantages of the package tour price and special group airfares. There will be a service charge of \$100 per person for altering the airline itinerary, plus any additional charges assessed by the airlines.

TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE: Trip cancellation, baggage, health and medical insurance, meals or excursions not listed in the inclusions of this flyer, items of a personal nature, any upgrades / and / or changes made by the traveler. Passport fees, gratuities to the Driver/Guide and local guide(s), luggage handling at the airports, drinks with meals other than breakfast.

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENTS: To reserve your place on this customized tour, complete and sign this Reservation Form as an acknowledgement that you agree to the conditions of this contract. Mail your reservation form with your deposit of \$600.00 per person to **ELJO TRAVEL LLC**, P O Box 20934, Milwaukee, WI 53220-0934. *** If you are paying by credit card, we highly suggest that you call in your credit card to our office and mail the reservation form without filling in the credit card information.* Call (414) 321-8605 to make credit card payments. Reservations are on a first come – first served basis. Final documents will be distributed approximately 14 days prior to departure. Final payment is due May 18, 2022.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS: If after making your initial deposit you find it necessary to cancel from the tour for any reason, there will be a cancellation charge of \$25 per person, PLUS the following cancel fees apply: \$300 per person (150 - 125 days prior to departure), 30% per person (124 days – 66 days before departure), 50% per person (65 days – 34 days prior to departure), non-refundable (33 days or less before departure). **IMPORTANT:** Notice of cancellation must be made in writing to ELJO TRAVEL LLC., PO Box 20934, Milwaukee, WI 53220. Email: Jodie@eljotravel.com.

TRAVEL PROTECTION INSURANCE:

(Trip Cancellation/Interruption, Baggage, and Medical): ELJO Travel highly recommends Travel Insurance. ELJO Travel is offering Travel Insured International Group Deluxe Insurance. This product covers trip cancellation, trip interruption, baggage, accident & sickness medical expense coverage, plus additional coverages. For a complete description of coverage and to see all the covered reasons for cancellation, please call 414-321-8605 or email: Jodie@eljotravel.com, License Travel Agent.

PASSPORTS & VISAS: Your tour requires a valid passport that does not expire 6 months before your return date. No visas are required for your tour. However, if you are a citizen of a country other than the United States, you must advise us in writing with your reservation application, as other travel documents may be required.

AIRLINE TICKETING: For ticketing purposes legal names are required (identical to your passport). Once airline tickets have been issued and if a ticket requires a name change because of incorrect information supplied to our office, the client is responsible for any applicable airline charges. We ask that you send a copy of your passport prior to your final payment.

PASSENGER'S RESPONSIBILITIES: Passengers must check in at the appointed pick-up area at least 20 minutes before departure of motorcoach going to Memphis or Chicago. If meeting the group at the airport, check in at the airline ticket counter at least two hours prior to departure time of flight. In addition, you should be in the departure gate area no less than 50 minutes prior to flight time. Failure to comply could result in the loss of your seat to a standby passenger. Passengers are not permitted to alter their group ticket route, city of origin, or flight schedules. All passengers must have a valid passport, which is still valid for six (6) months after the return of this tour.

RESPONSIBILITIES of ELJO Travel LLC: ELJO Travel LLC (known as companies) are independent contractors that arrange travel services for individuals and groups. Companies are not agents of the customer or those providing travel services and do not, in any manner, directly provide accommodations, transportation, meals or other travel related services. Companies shall not be liable for any delayed departure, lost or misplaced luggage, termination of service, changes in fares or rates, or for the cancellation of reservations, which are beyond their control and without notice. All passengers and agents hereby release and hold harmless all listed parties and agree to these terms & conditions of participation.

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Registration & Payment Information

Names EXACTLY as they appear on your passport: (please mail a copy of your passport).

Name #1. _____ Name #2. _____

Date of Birth #1 _____ Date of Birth #2 _____

Passport Number & expiration: Name #1 _____

Passport Number & expiration: Name #2 _____

NOTE: Passports must be valid for 6 months or longer after the return of this tour.

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Sharing Room With: _____ (Please fill out separate form if not a married couple)

PRICE: Per Person Rate

Occupancy (please check)

Rate

☐ Double

\$4,249

☐ Single

\$4,799

Optional Travel Insurance:

☐ Yes, I/we are purchasing the Travel Insured International Group Policy at \$331.00 pp (single \$383.00)

☐ No. I/we are declining the optional travel insurance

FORM OF PAYMENT: (\$600.00 per person deposit is required, plus ins.)

CHECK # _____

Credit Card: ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover

Card # _____

Exp. Date: _____ Amount to be charged: \$ _____

Security Code: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

We do recommend that you call in your credit card number directly to ELJO Travel and return signed form without your credit card listed.

Make Check Payable & Mail to:

ELJO Travel LLC

P O Box #20934

Milwaukee, WI 53220-0934

Attn: Group Tour Department

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CONDITIONS: I/We have thoroughly read the terms and conditions listed on the attached page. We understand and agree to abide by all the stated cancellation, deposit, installment payment and travel conditions. We are aware of the Travel Insurance Option.

Signature

Date

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