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JOURNEY TO POLAND

Project Inspire Long Island 6 Days Journey to Poland Tuesday 4 March 2025 - Sunday 9 March 2025

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Arrive Warsaw Airport

Warsaw Jewish Cemetery

Visit the life of the Jewish people pre-war through the Jewish Cemetery of Warsaw. The cemetery allows us to understand the richness and diversity of life prewar

Warsaw Ghetto

A walking tour of the area of the Warsaw Ghetto, the Umschlagplatz monument, Ghetto Uprising monument and Miła 18.







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Wednesday 5 March 2025

Yeshivat Chachmei Lublin

Jews lived in Lublin since the 14th Century and it was one of the most important Jewish communities in Poland. Before the war, Yeshivat Chachmei Lublin was the most famous Yeshiva in Poland, if not the world. It was led by the dynamic Rabbi and member of the Polish Parliament – Rabbi Meir Shapiro.

Majdanek

The infamous Majdanek concentration camp was located three kilometres from the centre of Lublin and was in operation from October 1941 until July 1944.

Lezajsk (Lizensk)

The grave of R' Elimelech of Leżajsk attracts pilgrims from around the world making the surviving cemetery one of the largest sites of Jewish pilgrimage in Poland and still an important Chassidic center.











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Thursday 6 March 2025

Auschwitz-Birkenau

The largest of Nazi Germany's concentration camps and extermination camps operational during World War II, the camp took its German name from the name of the Polish town of Oświęcim in which it is located. Most victims were killed in Auschwitz II's gas chambers using Zyklon B; other deaths were caused by systematic starvation, forced labour, lack of disease control, individual executions and purported "medical experiments".





Overnight in Krakow

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Friday 7 March 2025

Krakow Old Town

The historic central district of Kraków, it is one of the most famous old districts in Poland today and was the centre of Poland's political life from 1038. The highlight is the Rynek or the town's main square, the largest medieval town square of any European city.

Free Time in Krakow

Explore parts of the amazing city of Krakow on your own

Shabbat in Krakow

Kabbalat Shabbat in one of Kraków's old Synagogues

Shabbat Dinner

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Saturday 8 March 2025

Tefilla

Kiddush

Kazimierz

The Jewish quarter in Kraków, known as Kazimierz, comprises the most intact and significant collection of Jewish buildings in Central Europe today, including seven remaining synagogues. It was home to Krakow's Jews for hundreds of years and was one of the most important Jewish communities in Europe.

Shabbat Lunch

Shabbat Ends and Havdalla

Krakow Ghetto

Over the bridge from Kazimierz is the former WWII ghetto situated in the Podgórze area of the city where traces of the ghetto wall can still be found.

Schindler's Factory

The orginal enamelware factory acquired by German industrialist Oskar Schindler during WWII. It eventually became the place in which he saved over 1000 Jews and was made famous by Steven Speilberg's 'Schindler's List'. Schindler was awarded Yad Vashem's award of Righteous Among the Nations in 1993.

Plaszow

The area of Płaszów was home to one of Krakow's Jewish cemeteries before the war. The cemetery was destroyed to make way for the Płaszów Labour camp under the command of the infamous Amon Goeth. Today, standing in the same place as the ruins of the camp is a memorial to the founder of the Beis Yaacov Girls' School network, Sarah Schenirer.











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Sunday 9 March 2025

Bendin (Bedzin)

At the turn of the twentieth century over 60% of Bendin was Jewish. We will explore the final remnants of the community including the Mizrachi Shul and the Great Synagogue as well as addressing the ghetto and the Bendin Uprising.

John Paul II Krakow-Balice International Airport



