



Royal Castle in Warsaw (photo: [www.zamek-krolewski.art.pl](http://www.zamek-krolewski.art.pl))

## THANKSGIVING IN OLD TOWN WARSAW

Polish cuisine is famous for its delicacies, and therefore it cannot be missed to celebrate Thanksgiving in the Polish capital – Warsaw! The American tradition of Thanksgiving turkey will meet the Polish tradition of hospitality – which is the perfect blend for a wonderful Thanksgiving weekend. Warsaw is a city full of history, and a booming place with bright perspectives for the future. You are most welcome to come over, and experience its past and present. You will not be disappointed!



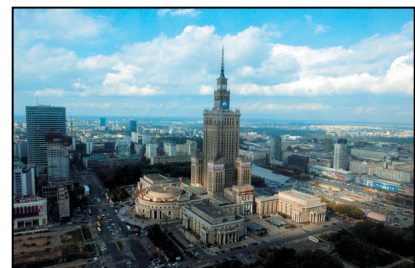
A selection of Polish desserts  
(photo: [www.folkgospoda.pl](http://www.folkgospoda.pl))

### Day One

This is the day where all tour participants arrive to Warsaw. Warsaw International Airport has many direct connections with most of the main cities in Europe. We can arrange any flight connection for you – in order to do so, please contact our office before making a reservation for the tour.

Upon arrival to Warsaw, a pre-arranged taxi driver will wait for you in the arrivals hall with your name. This is how you will reach the hotel, where you will meet your tour guide, who will accompany you during your stay in Poland.

In the evening, we will get to one of the finest Warsaw's restaurant for the Thanksgiving Dinner. The magnificent interiors will be a perfect background for a delicious dinner menu, with traditional turkey accompanied by Polish cuisine specialties.



A Warsaw landmark from the 1950s:  
Palace of Culture and Science  
(photo: [www.warsawtour.pl](http://www.warsawtour.pl))



The Royal Castle and Old Town  
(photo: [www.warszawa.pl](http://www.warszawa.pl))

### Day Two

This day is dedicated to sightseeing in the city. Because of the expected cold weather, we will spend most of the time in museums and on a motor-coach, but you will be shown all most important and most interesting places in Warsaw.

We will start from the Royal Castle, which was rebuilt in 1971 from the WWII damage. It was a residence of the Mazovian princes and Polish Kings. The sessions of the Parliament were held here before the partitions at the end of the 18th century. The Castle is a prime monument of national history and culture. Each



Old Town Market Square in Warsaw  
(photo: [www.warszawa.pl](http://www.warszawa.pl))

year hundreds of thousands of visitors enrich their knowledge of history and deepen their aesthetic appreciation within its walls. It provides the setting for cultural events and official state ceremonies, as well as visits by figures from international political life.

The Castle apartments, which we will see, were recreated on the basis of original source materials, according to their functions during the reign of King Stanisław August (1764 - 1795). Their interiors are decorated with art works rescued from the old furnishings of the Royal Castle, including paintings by Bernard Belotto (known as Canaletto), Marcello Bacciarelli, and

Jan Bogumił Piersch; sculptures by André Le Brun and Jakub Monaldi; bronzes by Phillipe Caffieri; and French furniture from the second half of the 18th century. We will see the King's Apartments, the Court Rooms and the Houses of Parliament.

After the visit to the Castle, we will have a short walk through the picturesque narrow streets of the Old Town. You will see the Old Market Square with a status of siren – symbol of Warsaw. We will continue on to the Barbican – part of the medieval city walls, and we will board our motor coach near the Warsaw Rising Memorial.



Barbican in Warsaw  
(photo: [www.warszawa.pl](http://www.warszawa.pl))

The motor coach will be a very convenient way to explore Warsaw and to see all the most important locations. We will ride along the Royal Mile – which connected the Royal Castle with the summer residence of Polish kings in Wilanów. The Royal Mile is full of historical buildings, many of which are still used for public functions: Kazimierzowski Palace, Three Crosses Square, Belvedere Palace, Presidential Palace (currently the residence of the President of Poland).



The Palace On Water in Lazienki Park  
(photo: [www.warszawa.pl](http://www.warszawa.pl))

We will stop at the Lazienki Park with a very famous Chopin Memorial. The Lazienki Park is the most beautiful park of Warsaw, and was set up in the 18th century. Between the trees and the charming alleys, many wonderful historical buildings are hidden. Weather permitting, we will walk to the Palace on Water.

We will also see the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, stop at the Warsaw Ghetto Rising (1943) Memorial, and visit Wilanów – the summer residence of Polish kings.

In the late afternoon, we will visit the Warsaw Rising Museum, which – opened in 2004 – documents the dramatic fight for freedom of this city and its destruction in the summer of 1944.

The dinner will be served in the hotel restaurant.

### Day Three

Today there is a chance to rest after the intensive sightseeing of yesterday.

You can use the day to explore Warsaw on your own. If you choose this option, you will receive a guidebook about Warsaw, and the city map. You can consult the tour guide for the places you will want to visit.



Wilanow Palace  
(photo: [www.warszawa.pl](http://www.warszawa.pl))



A Polish folk music group  
(photo: [www.folkgospoda.pl](http://www.folkgospoda.pl))

The second option is shopping, as the Christmas will not be far away. Warsaw has many modern shopping centers. The rich offer of the shops, general price level and the exchange rate between Polish Zloty and Euro (or US dollar) make shopping in Poland very attractive. We will take you to the newest, largest and most modern shopping center in Warsaw. On five levels there are over 200 shops, 20 restaurants, car parks for four thousand cars, and a 15-screen movie theater (all foreign movies have subtitles in Polish – no dubbing!).

We will regroup for dinner, which we will enjoy at an excellent Polish cuisine restaurant, with live Polish folklore music.

## Day Four

This is the last day of your stay in Warsaw. After having a breakfast in the hotel, you can make arrangements to get back to the airport, or - if your flight departure time allows - to return to the city for more sightseeing or shopping. We hope to see you on our other tours to Poland!



Arkadia – the largest shopping center in Central Europe  
(photo: [www.arkadia.com.pl](http://www.arkadia.com.pl))



## TOUR INFORMATION SUMMARY

Price: from 395 Euro per person\*  
Minimum number of participants: 19  
Reservations closing date: 24 October 2005

Included in price:

- ! One day sightseeing program, including:
  - ! Warsaw Royal Castle
  - ! Old Town
  - ! City tour in an air-conditioned motor-coach: the Royal Mile with Kazimierzowski Palace, Three Crosses Square, Belvedere palace, Presidential Palace, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Lazienki Park with Chopin Memorial (a walk to the Palace on Water will be included – weather permitting), Warsaw Ghetto Rising (1943) Memorial, Wilanow – summer residence of Polish kings
  - ! Warsaw Rising (1944) museum
- ! The Thanksgiving Dinner
- ! A dinner with live Polish folk music
- ! Accommodation in double rooms in a tourist class hotel. For a single room supplement, please contact our office.
- ! Breakfasts, lunches and dinners (from the Thanksgiving dinner on day 1 to breakfast on day 4, *but without lunch on Day 3*)
- ! A professional English speaking tour guide who will take care of you during your whole stay in Poland
- ! English-speaking city guide
- ! All entrance fees
- ! Flights to and from Warsaw

NOT included in price:

- ! airport transfers
- ! additional drinks at the meals
- ! travel insurance
- ! tips and gratuities

*\* The individual price depends on the departure airport, the chosen airline, and the time of making the booking.*

*When traveling to Poland, a valid passport is required.  
U.S. citizens do not need entry visas to Poland.*

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**Participant information** (name exactly as it appears on your passport)

Last Name

Middle Initial  First Name

Preferred Name for Name Tags

Phone  Fax  E-mail

Tour Name: <u>Thanksgiving</u>	
Departure Date:	11/24/2005

**Mailing Address**

Street

City  State  Zip

**Passport Information** (as it appears in your passport)

Number  Issue Date  Expiration Date

**Additional Information**

Special requirements (dietary, seating, health, etc.)

Willing to share room:  No, and will pay for a single room  Smoking  
 Yes, and want to share the room with (name)

**Emergency contact**

Name  Relationship

Phone Number  E-mail

**Payment**

Yes, I have read and accept the Terms and Conditions as outlined on the BestWeDo Travel's website. If paying by credit card, I hereby authorise BestWeDo Travel –Alicja Serwatka to charge my credit card in the amount equal to the full tour price of  \* EUR. I agree that 10% of the tour price will be charged when the reservation confirmation will be sent to me, the remaining 90% will be charged 60 days before the beginning of the tour.

Signature  Date

Credit Card type  Visa  MasterCard  Diners  American Express CVV2 number\*\*

Credit Card number  -  -  -  Expiration Date

Name as it appears on the card

***We strongly suggest that you make a copy of this reservation for your own records.***

\* As the price varies depending on your departure point and the time of making the flight booking, please contact our office to receive a price quotation, before submitting the reservation form.

\* the CVV2 number is printed on the back of the credit card in the signature area, directly after the credit card number