



P O L A N D

MARCH 24 – MARCH 31, 2019



LIVING WITNESS TOUR
with Holocaust Survivor Irving Roth

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Day 1 ~ Sunday, March 24, 2019

HOME CITY / EN ROUTE

Depart the United States flying overnight to **Warsaw**.

Overnight: En Route

Day 2~ Monday, March 25, 2019

ARRIVAL IN WARSAW

Welcome to Warsaw! Upon arrival, meet, assist, and transfer to the hotel. Later this afternoon, a visit to the **POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews**, featuring exhibitions that immerse visitors in the world of Polish Jews, from their arrival in Po-lin, as traveling merchants in medieval times, until today. The museum offers a memorable, transformative, and thought-provoking experience. This evening, gather together for a **welcome dinner**.

Overnight: Warsaw (D)

Day 3 ~ Tuesday, March 26, 2019

WARSAW

Today includes a visit to the orphanage of **Janusz Korczak**, the head of the Jewish Orphanage for Polish children who died a martyr's death alongside them in the Treblinka extermination camp. See the symbolic **memorial**, built in memory of Korczak. Next, **Umschlagplatz**, where Jews gathered for deportation to Treblinka, and **Mila 18**, the main Warsaw bunker during the Warsaw Uprising, where more than 100 Jews perished. Afterward, proceed to the **Villa in the Warsaw Zoo** to learn about the **Wartime secrets of the Warsaw Zoo**. Meet with the daughter of Jan Zabinski – **Teresa Zabińska-Zawadzki** – whose family provided exceptional aid to Jews, and are now recognized by Yad Vashem among Israel's Righteous Gentiles Among the Nations. While walking through the saloon in the villa, hear one of the compositions Anatonia Zabinski used to play frequently, who played a special tune that indicated danger, and another that signaled safety. Their story was the subject of the 2017 Hollywood production *The Zookeeper's Wife*. Enjoy a meal with the local community of **Beit Centrum Ki Tov**. Built after the Holocaust, the reform synagoge was created by individuals who grew up Christian during World War II, and later learned about their Jewish identities. Meet with the community and hear their personal stories of life during and after the Holocaust.

Overnight: Warsaw (B,L,D)

Day 4 ~ Wednesday, March 27, 2019

TYKOCIN / TREBLINKA / WARSAW

This morning, proceed to the town of **Tykocin** and hear about the thriving Jewish community that once was there before the Holocaust. See the **Tykocin Synagogue**, built in 1641, and now known as the tallest synagogue in Poland. Next, visit the **Lopuchowo Forest**, and learn about the mass extermination of Jews that occurred here. Afterward, a visit to the **Treblinka Extermination Camp**, the second largest extermination camp in Poland, where approximately 870,000 people were mercilessly killed within one year, majority being Jews from Poland. Two camps were established in Treblinka by Nazis: **Treblinka I**, operated between June 1941 and July 1944, was a penal labour camp for Poles and Jews, where approximately 20,000 people were imprisoned; and, **Treblinka II Extermination Camp**, which opened on 11 July 1942. According to the SS Brigadeführer Jürgen Stroop report, a total of approximately 310,000 Jews were transported in freight trains from the Warsaw Ghetto to Treblinka II. Return to **Warsaw** later this afternoon.

Overnight: Warsaw (B,L,D)

Day 5 ~ Thursday, March 28, 2019

LUBLIN / MAJDANEK / WARSAW

Depart for **Lublin**, once known as one of the most important centers of Jewish life, commerce, culture, and scholarship in Europe, and see the **Chachmei Lublin Yeshiva Synagogue**, the largest Torah center in the world, and still an active temple today. Founded by **Rabbi Meir Shapiro**, he created the concept of "Page of the Day," where students studying the Torah would study the same page everyday. Afterward, tour of **Majdanek Concentration and Extermination Camp**, a concentration and forced labour camp that, for a short time, was also used as a death camp. The camp opened in September 1941, initially for Soviet prisoners of war, and was later liberated by the Soviet Army in

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July 1944. During this time, approximately 360,000 victims died or were murdered at Majdanek -- 120,000 of them were Jews. Return to Warsaw later this afternoon.

Overnight: Warsaw (B,D)

Day 6 ~ Friday, March 29, 2019

KRAKOW

Early morning train to **Krakow**. Upon arrival, tour the **Jewish Quarter** and visit the **Temple Synagogue** and **Ramo Synagogue**. Next, walk through **The Market Square**, with the **Renaissance Cloth Hall**, one of the city's most recognizable icons. Continue to **Podgorze**, a district in Krakow that was once the Krakow Jewish Ghetto during Nazi occupation. Metal chairs are scattered all over the **Ghetto Heros Square** to represent and symbolize the tragedy of the Polish Jews that were deported from Krakow to death camps. See the "**Pharmacy under the Eagle**," ran and owned by Christians during the Holocaust. The pharmacy was located both inside and outside the Krakow ghetto, and was used as a way for Jews to escape. End the day with a tour of **Oscar Schindler's Museum**, housed in the administrative building of the former Oscar Schindler's Factory. A very enlightening and moving exhibition presents the two realities of the Holocaust: one involving the slaughter of millions of Jewish people; the other gaining perspective of the pain and terror that accompanied not only the Jews, but all of the inhabitants of Krakow. Gain insight into the sacrifice and heroic efforts of the thousands of people who risked their lives to rescue Jews. This evening, enjoy a special **Shabbat dinner** at the local **Jewish Community Center**.

Overnight: Krakow (B,D)

Day 7 ~ Saturday, March 30, 2019

KRAKOW / AUSCHWITZ-BIRKENAU

Begin today with a visit to the **Wawel Castle**, a testament to the golden times in the "City of Kings," and the political and cultural center of Poland until the early 17th century. Afterward, depart for **Auschwitz-Birkenau Concentration Camp**, known as the most infamous of the Nazi camps. It was a massive concentration, forced labor, and extermination camp at the center of a network of more than 40 satellite camps. The first Auschwitz camp, sculptors was established by the Germans in 1940 in the suburbs of the town of Oswiecim and was originally designed to house political prisoners. As part of the 'Final Solution,' the Nazis began building **Auschwitz-Birkenau** in the autumn of 1941 on the site of the village of Brzezinski, less than two miles from Auschwitz I. The local population were evicted from their homes. Their houses were demolished and used as building materials for the new camp. Auschwitz-Birkenau began operating as a death camp between March 1942 and January 1945. Upwards of 80 percent of Jews transported to Auschwitz-Birkenau were selected for immediate death, and the remainder selected for work. The majority of those selected for work died within a few weeks or months of their arrival at the camp because of overwork, mistreatment, disease or lack of food. Tour the **facility and museum**, which displays exhibits and documents all relating to Nazi crimes. End with a visit the **Oswiecim Jewish Center**, site of one of Oswiecim's many pre-Holocaust synagogues. Before Auschwitz became infamous as the ultimate symbol of the Holocaust, it was just an ordinary Polish town, known as Oswiecim, the majority of whose citizens were Jewish. Return to Krakow later this afternoon. Gather together in a **private room** at the hotel for reflection and a debrief session before departing for the **farewell dinner** at a local restaurant.

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Day 8 ~ Sunday, March 31, 2019

DEPARTURE

Early morning transfer to the airport with assistance in departure procedures for flights to the United States. Arrival to the U.S. later today.

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FROSCH INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

TOUR PRICE: \$3,550.00 per person, double occupancy
Single Supplement: \$495.00

All prices quoted are based on a specific number of participants traveling together in the group, on single or double occupancy at hotels, and on land rates in effect at the time of printing and are subject to change. FROSCH reserves the right and if warranted, will increase tour prices to reflect fluctuations in foreign exchange markets, or increased in government rail or airline taxes and/or fuel charges should they come into effect at any time prior to departure.

DEPOSITS & PAYMENTS

DEPOSIT \$500.00 per person to reserve space at time of reservation.

FINAL PAYMENT due on **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2018.**

**Payment plan available, please request terms from the Frosch Travel at (713) 568-4296 or cufipoland@frosch.com*

PASSPORT must be carried by each tour member and **must be valid 6 months beyond tour date.** Photocopies of the information pages of the passport should be submitted to FROSCH with the registration form but not later than final payment date. If you are in the process of obtaining a new or renewed passport, please submit the registration form, in order to confirm your reservation, while you await receipt of your passport.

WHAT IS INCLUDED

- 6 nights' hotel accommodation in Warsaw and Krakow with private facilities and including breakfast.
- All sightseeing as outlined on the itinerary by private motor coach with driver and English-speaking guides according to program.
- Services of full-time Tour Director throughout program.
- Meals as outlined on itinerary: 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch, and 6 dinners.
- Special Shabbat dinner at the local Jewish community center in Krakow.
- Roundtrip international economy class airfare from New York City.
- Local licensed guides throughout itinerary.
- All transfers as outlined on itinerary by private motor coach.
- 1st class train ticket from Warsaw to Krakow.
- Gratuities to Tour Director, local guides, and drivers.

◆ **AIR TRANSPORTATION** from New York. The airfare included in the tour price is based upon the Super Advanced Purchase Excursion fare in effect at the time of the printing, and is subject to change. The tariff governing this airfare contains conditions and restrictions on its use. These will be provided upon request.

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◆ **HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS** are provided on the basis of two persons sharing a twin bedded room with private bath, in the hotels selected for the tour. FROSCH and its subagents reserve the right to substitute hotels of the same category when necessary for the proper handling of the tour. **A limited number of single rooms are available at a supplement.** A tour participant must pay this supplement when he/she is the sole occupant of assigned accommodation. Please note that the term "single" refers to a person traveling alone and not as reference to marital status. **SHARED ROOM:** If a roommate is requested and one cannot be confirmed prior to the tour, the tour participant must pay the single supplement in order to receive final documents. If FROSCH succeeds in finding a roommate, but one of the parties intending to share the room should cancel, the remaining party must pay the single room supplement. Neither FROSCH nor CUFI assumes responsibility for roommate assignments that do not work out.

◆ **MEALS** included are 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch, and 6 dinners.

◆ **PERSONAL TIPS** to your guides, drivers, and tour managers.

◆ **TRANSFERS AND TOURING IN WARSAW AND KRAKOW** are provided by modern heated/air-conditioned motor coaches and includes the full touring program outlined in the itinerary. All entrance fees to the places listed in the itinerary are included.

◆ **TOUR MANAGER** is provided by government-licensed, English-speaking manager who will accompany the tour throughout the program and will assist with all formalities.

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED

◆ **DOMESTIC AIR TRANSPORTATION** from home city to/from New York City is not included in tour price. For assistance with domestic air, please contact Frosch Travel at cufipoland@frosch.com.

◆ **PERSONAL ITEMS** such as laundry and telephone calls.

◆ **PASSPORTS** must be carried by each tour member and must be valid 6 months beyond tour date.

Prices and Arrangements: Quoted tour prices include planning, handling and operational charges are based on current rates of exchange, tariffs and taxes as of this printing. **FROSCH Travel reserves the right and if warranted, will increase tour prices to reflect fluctuations in foreign exchange markets, or increases in government airline taxes and/or fuel charges should they come into effect at any time prior to departure.**

CANCELLATION PENALTIES

CANCELLATION OF LAND ARRANGEMENTS & AIR TICKETS

Land arrangements: Cancellation of land arrangements incurs the following penalties:

12OCT – 08NOV: \$250.00 per person

09NOV – 07DEC: \$500.00 per person

08DEC – Departure: Non-refundable

Air tickets: Cancellations and refunds are governed by the tariff applying to the Super Apex airfare and/or other tariffs of the airlines concerned. **This airfare is non-refundable once ticketed.**

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TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE IS RECOMMENDED AND IS AVAILABLE THROUGH FROSCH TRAVEL.

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RESPONSIBILITY

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