



2-day Krakow Itinerary



Krakow



Krakow: A Journey Through Poland's Royal Heritage

Welcome to Krakow, Poland's former royal capital and a UNESCO World Heritage site. This comprehensive 2-day guide will immerse you in the city's medieval charm, rich Jewish heritage, and fascinating history, perfect for first-time visitors.

Historical Overview

Krakow's history spans over a millennium, serving as Poland's royal capital from 1038 to 1596. The city miraculously survived World War II largely intact, preserving its magnificent medieval and Renaissance architecture. Today, it stands as a testament to Poland's cultural and historical legacy.

Iconic Landmarks

- **Wawel Castle:** The crown jewel of Krakow, this royal castle complex showcases Polish architecture through the ages.
- **St. Mary's Basilica:** Famous for its hourly trumpet signal and stunning wooden altarpiece.
- **Main Market Square:** Europe's largest medieval town square, surrounded by historic townhouses.
- **Sukiennice Cloth Hall:** A Renaissance masterpiece housing traditional Polish crafts and souvenirs.

Cultural Treasures

- **Kazimierz Jewish District:** A historic neighborhood showcasing Jewish heritage and culture.
- **Oskar Schindler's Factory:** A powerful museum dedicated to Krakow during Nazi occupation.
- **Old Synagogue:** The oldest surviving Jewish temple in Poland.
- **Wieliczka Salt Mine:** An underground marvel featuring salt chambers and sculptures.

Charming Neighborhoods

- **Old Town:** The historic center enclosed by the Planty Park.
- **Kazimierz:** The former Jewish quarter, now a vibrant cultural and artistic hub.

- Podgórze: A historic district with important World War II sites.

Krakow Lifestyle

- Cuisine: Try traditional Polish pierogi, żurek soup, and obwarzanek (Krakow-style bagels).
- Café Culture: Enjoy coffee and pastries in historic cafés around the Main Square.
- Shopping: Browse traditional crafts in Sukiennice and modern shops on Florianska Street.

Green Spaces

- Planty Park: A green belt surrounding the Old Town.
- Błonia Park: A vast meadow perfect for recreation.
- Vistula Boulevards: Scenic riverside walks with views of Wawel Castle.

Practical Travel Tips

- Transportation: The Old Town is walkable; trams and buses connect outer areas.
- Best Times to Visit: Spring (April-May) or Fall (September-October) for mild weather.
- Language: Basic Polish phrases are appreciated; English is widely spoken in tourist areas.
- Safety: Krakow is generally very safe; exercise normal precautions.

2-Day Itinerary Highlights

Day 1: Wawel Castle, Wawel Cathedral, St. Mary's Basilica, Main Market Square, Sukiennice Cloth Hall, Planty Park

Day 2: Kazimierz Jewish District, Oskar Schindler's Factory, Old Synagogue, Remuh Synagogue

This guide presents a curated selection of over 30 locations, allowing you to customize your Krakow experience. Each stop offers insight into the city's rich history and cultural heritage.

Krakow is more than just a destination; it's a journey through time where medieval

charm meets modern Polish culture. As you walk the cobblestone streets, explore historic churches, and discover Jewish heritage sites, you'll understand why Krakow remains one of Europe's most beloved cities.

Let this magical city captivate you with its stories, architecture, and warm Polish hospitality. Enjoy your adventure in Krakow!



Itinerary Preview

2 days

DAY 01

Wawel Cathedral

Wawel Royal Castle-State Art Collection

St. Mary's Basilica

MNK Sukiennice

Planty

DAY 02

Kazimierz

Oskar Schindler's Enamel Factory

Old Synagogue

Remuh Synagogue





Daily Events



Day 1

09:00

Wawel Cathedral

Wawel, 31-001 Kraków, Poland

10:30

11:00

Wawel Royal Castle-State Art Collection

Wawel 5, 31-001 Kraków, Poland

12:00

12:45

St. Mary's Basilica

plac Mariacki 5, 31-042 Kraków, Poland

14:45

15:15

MNK Sukiennice

Rynek Główny 3, 31-042 Kraków, Poland

16:45

Day 1 (continued)

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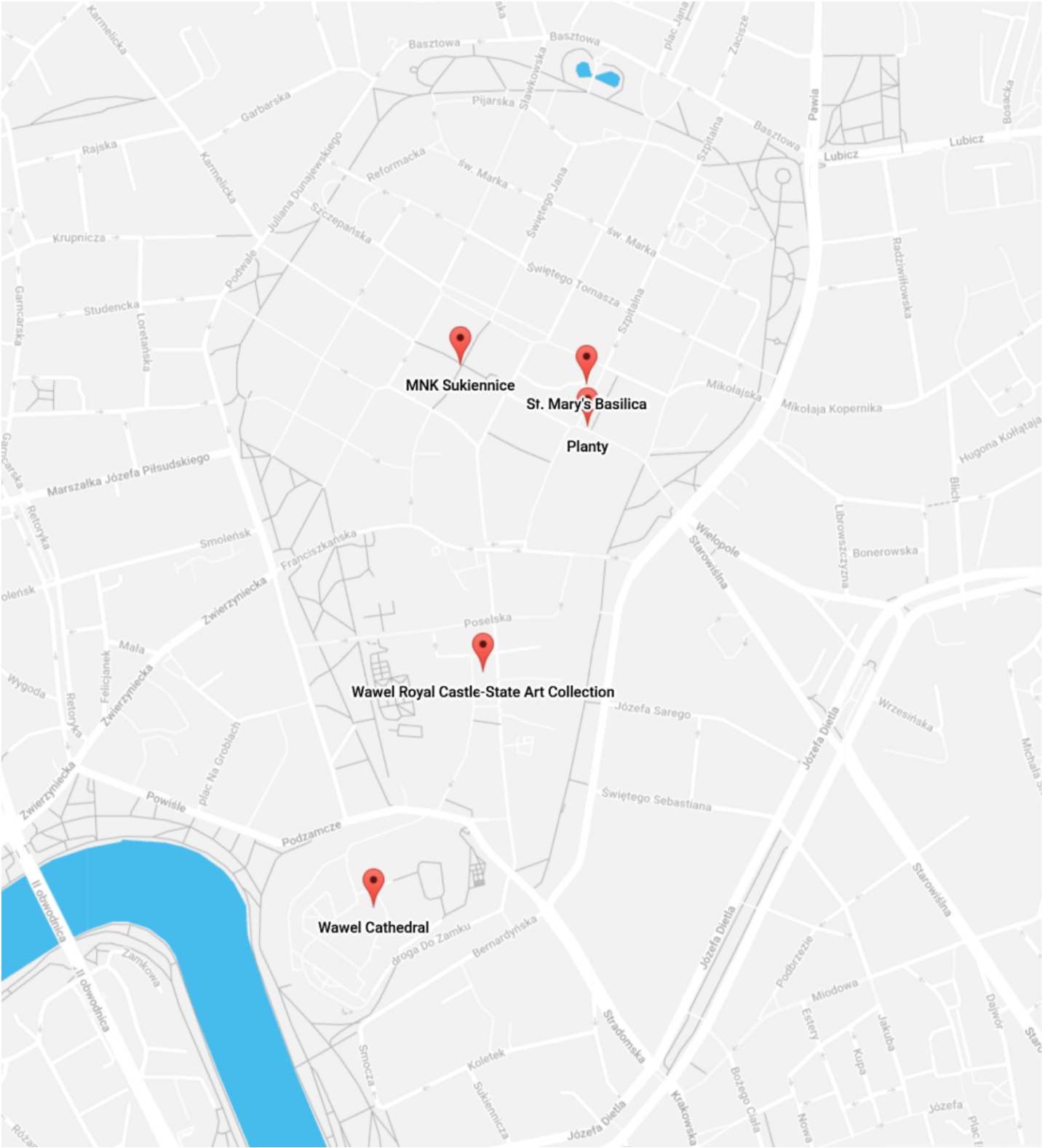


Planty

31-041 Kraków, Poland

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Map for Day 1



Day 2

09:00

Kazimierz

Kazimierz, Kraków, Poland

10:30

11:00

Oskar Schindler's Enamel Factory

Lipowa 4, 30-702 Kraków, Poland

12:30

13:15

Old Synagogue

Szeroka 24, 31-053 Kraków, Poland

14:30

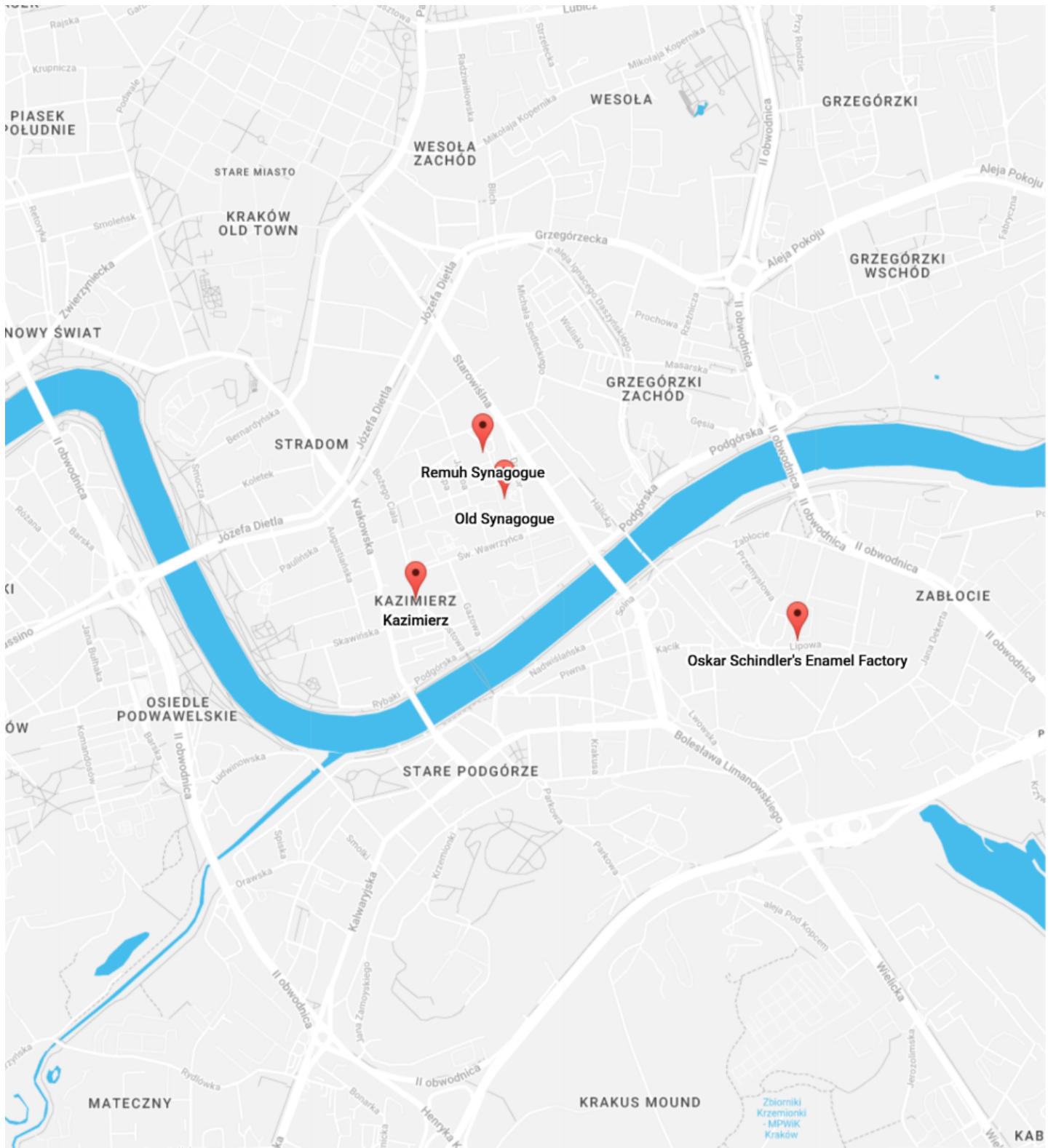
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Remuh Synagogue

Szeroka 40, 31-053 Kraków, Poland

16:30

Map for Day 2





Spots



Seweryn Udziela Ethnographic Museum in Krakow

plac Wolnica 1, 31-060 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Permanent & rotating exhibits on Polish history & culture in a stately museum open since 1911.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

12 430 60 23



Apteka pod Orłem

Plac Bohaterów Getta 18, 33-332 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Tadeusz Pankiewicz's former pharmacy, with displays tracing the WWII Jewish holocaust in Krakow.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: Closed

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

12 656 56 25



Juliusz Słowacki Theatre

plac Świętego Ducha 1, 31-023 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Historic 19th-century venue staging concerts, theatrical performances & other events.

Phone:

12 424 45 00



Bazylika Franciszkanów św. Franciszka z Asyżu

plac Wszystkich Świętych 5, 31-004 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Restored Gothic church known for its stained glass windows, murals & its copy of the Turin Shroud

Opening Hours:

Monday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Thursday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

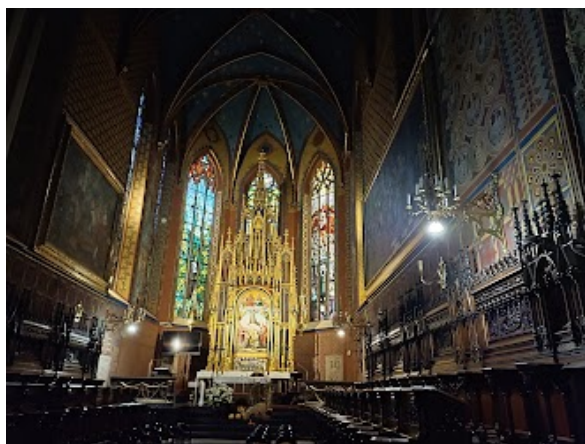
Friday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Saturday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Sunday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Phone:

12 422 53 76



Blonia Park

33-332 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Bordered by walking & cycling paths, this large, open green space is a popular spot for events.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours
Tuesday: Open 24 hours
Wednesday: Open 24 hours
Thursday: Open 24 hours
Friday: Open 24 hours
Saturday: Open 24 hours
Sunday: Open 24 hours

Phone:

12 201 02 40



Czartoryski Museum

Pijarska 15, 31-015 Kraków, Poland

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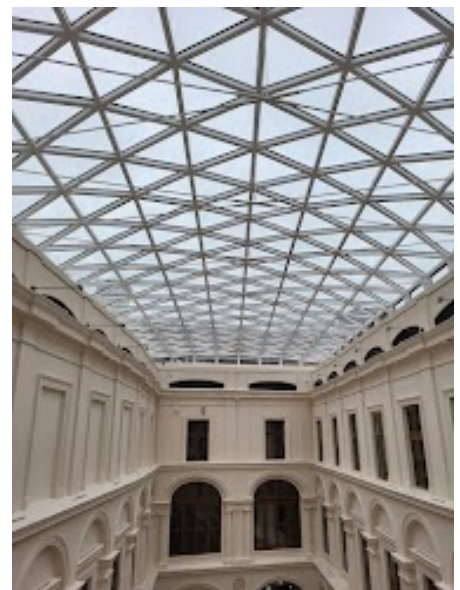
Museum founded in 1801, exhibiting artworks & handicrafts, including a painting by Da Vinci.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Sunday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

12 370 54 60



Botanical Garden of the Jagiellonian University

Mikołaja Kopernika 27, 31-501 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

1000s of plant species from orchids to carnivorous plants in 18th-century gardens & glasshouses.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Phone:

12 663 36 35



Plac Bohaterów Getta

Plac Bohaterów Getta, Kraków, Poland



Kościuszko Mound

al. Waszyngtona 1, 30-204 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Artificial mound built in 1820 to commemorate Tadeusz Kosciuszko, a military hero.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Phone:

12 425 11 09



The Cracow Philharmonic

Zwierzyniecka 1, 31-103 Kraków, Poland

Phone:

12 619 87 21



Museum of Contemporary Art in Krakow MOC AK

Lipowa 4, 30-702 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Ultra-modern, 3-story art museum displaying contemporary, sometimes provocative, multimedia works.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Wednesday: 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Thursday: 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Friday: 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Saturday: 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Sunday: 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Phone:

12 263 40 01



Nowa Huta Cultural Centre

al. Jana Pawła II 232, 31-913 Kraków, Poland

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Thursday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

Phone:

12 644 02 66



Kraków Zoo

aleja Kasy Oszczędności Miasta Krakowa 14, 30-232 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Zoo in a forest setting with 300 animal species, including an array of brightly colored pheasants.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Phone:

12 425 35 52



Szeroka Square

Szeroka 2, 33-332 Kraków, Poland

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours

Tuesday: Open 24 hours

Wednesday: Open 24 hours

Thursday: Open 24 hours

Friday: Open 24 hours

Saturday: Open 24 hours

Sunday: Open 24 hours

Phone:

12 422 67 90



Vistulan Boulevards in Kraków

Vistulan Boulevards in Kraków, Kraków, Poland



St. Joseph's Church

Jana Zamoyskiego 2, 30-523 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Landmark Gothic-style church from the early 1900s, known for its imposing brick facade & bell tower.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday: 7:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday: 7:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Thursday: 7:30 AM - 8:00 PM

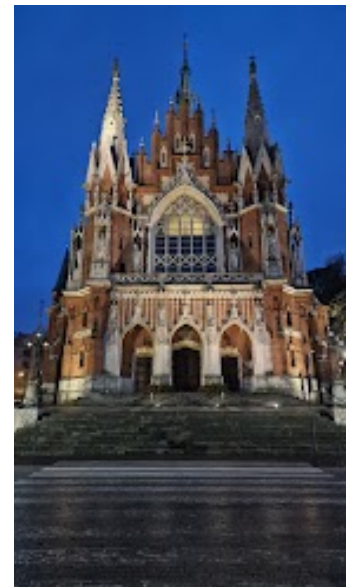
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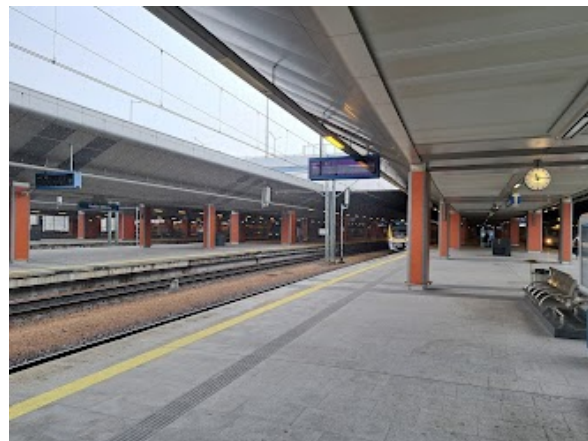
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Kraków Main Station

Pawia, 31-154 Kraków, Poland



Planty

31-041 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

4km chain of gardens with walkways, trees & lawns encircling the historic centre of Kraków.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours
Tuesday: Open 24 hours
Wednesday: Open 24 hours
Thursday: Open 24 hours
Friday: Open 24 hours
Saturday: Open 24 hours
Sunday: Open 24 hours

Phone:

12 201 02 40



National Museum in Kraków

al. 3 Maja 1, 30-062 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

3 permanent galleries displaying artworks & historical artifacts from Poland & elsewhere in Europe.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

12 433 55 00



Old Synagogue

Szeroka 24, 31-053 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Restored synagogue dating from the 15th century housing a museum of Krakow Jewish culture & history.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

12 422 09 62



Wawel Cathedral

Wawel, 31-001 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Coronation site of the Polish monarchs, with visits to the Sigismund Bell, royal tombs & museum.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Sunday: 12:30 - 4:30 PM

Phone:

12 429 95 16



St. Mary's Basilica

plac Mariacki 5, 31-042 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Roman Catholic basilica with a carved altarpiece & hourly trumpet calls from the Gothic watchtower.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday: 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 2:00 - 6:00 PM

Sunday: 2:00 - 6:00 PM

Phone:

12 422 05 21



Town Hall Tower

Rynek Główny 1, 30-001 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Restoration of 14th-century tower built as part of the city hall & containing city history exhibits.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Sunday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

12 426 43 34



Saints Peter and Paul Church

Grodzka 52A, 31-044 Kraków, Poland

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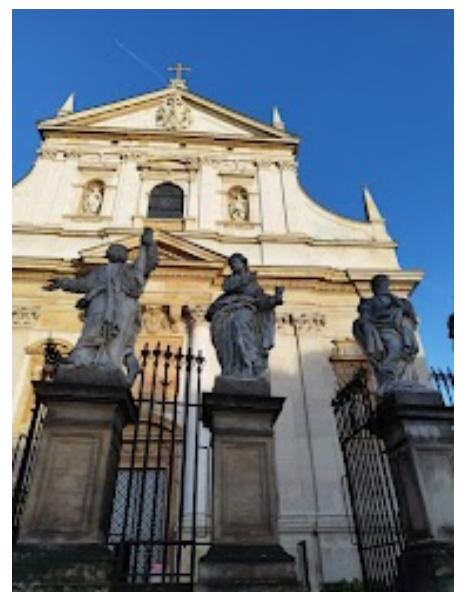
Ornate baroque-style Catholic church with weekly Foucault pendulum demonstrations.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday: 10:00 PM - 12:00 AM
Sunday: 12:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Phone:

12 350 63 65



Muzeum Uniwersytetu Jagiellońskiego Collegium Maius

Jagiellońska 15, 31-010 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Medieval university building with an arcaded courtyard & cloisters, plus museum on its history.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Thursday: 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Sunday: Closed

Phone:

12 663 14 48



Wieliczka Salt Mine

Daniłowicza 10, 32-020 Wieliczka, Poland

Summary:

Underground tunnels & mine with chapels, chambers & saline lakes, plus themed tours for all ages.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

12 278 73 02



Floriańska

Floriańska, Kraków, Poland

Summary:

One of the first city streets features St. Florian's Church & townhouses with age-old murals.



Remuh Synagogue

Szeroka 40, 31-053 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

This Jewish house of worship, dating to the 16th century, is one of the city's oldest synagogues.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Thursday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

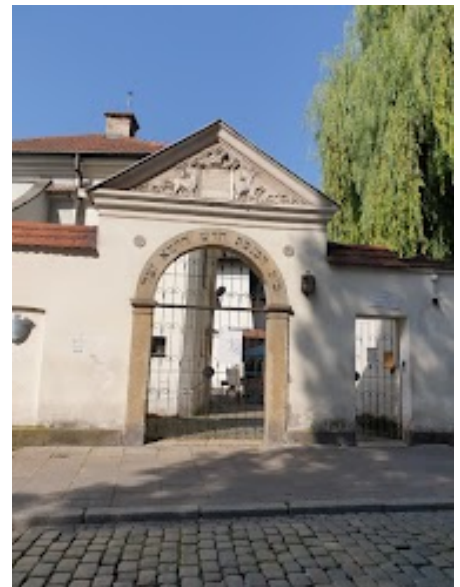
Friday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Saturday: Closed

Sunday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Phone:

12 429 57 35



St. Florian's Gate

30-001 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Medieval Gothic gate tower dating from the 14th century & adjoining the city's fortified walls.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: Closed



MNK Sukiennice

Rynek Główny 3, 31-042 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Renaissance-style market arcade with 13th-century origins & a 19th-century Polish art museum.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

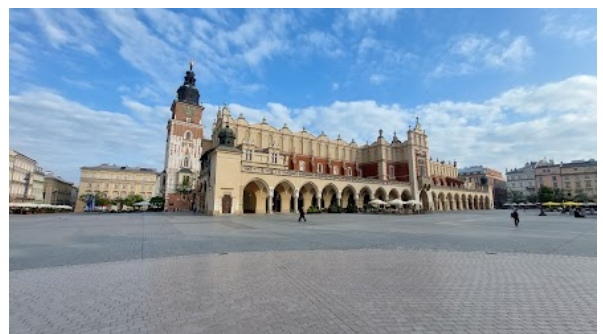
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Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

12 433 54 00



Kazimierz

Kazimierz, Kraków, Poland



Wawel Royal Castle-State Art Collection

Wawel 5, 31-001 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Fortified hilltop castle, initiated in the 14th century & prettified in a variety of later styles.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Phone:

12 422 51 55



Oskar Schindler's Enamel Factory

Lipowa 4, 30-702 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Renovated former administrative office of Schindler, who saved local Jews during Nazi occupation.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Phone:

12 257 00 96



Rynek Główny

Rynek Główny, 31-422 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Large medieval town square, dating to the 13th century, surrounded by palaces & churches.



Rynek Underground Museum

Rynek Główny 1, 31-042 Kraków, Poland

Summary:

High-tech subterranean museum charting the city's history amid excavated streets and buildings.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Thursday: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

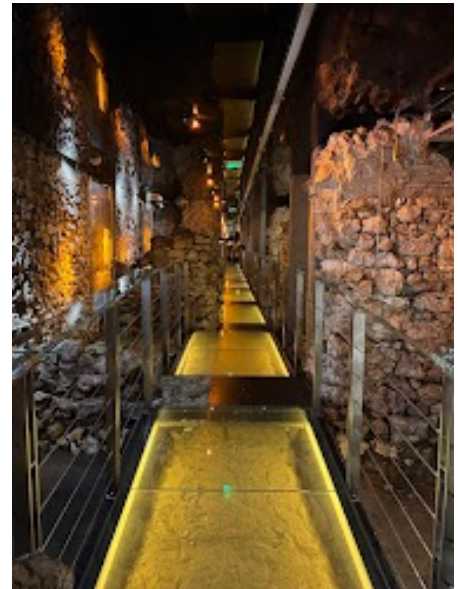
Friday: 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Phone:

12 426 50 60



Smok Wawelski

Stare Miasto, Kraków, Poland

Summary:

Fire breathing statue located near to the home of a legendary dragon that is steeped in folklore.

Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours

Tuesday: Open 24 hours

Wednesday: Open 24 hours

Thursday: Open 24 hours

Friday: Open 24 hours

Saturday: Open 24 hours

Sunday: Open 24 hours

