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POLAND TOUR WITH HIGHLIGHTS OF BUDAPEST

18 Day Conducted Tour
for **\$5,975** per person twin share
This price includes airport taxes & levies

This great value tour includes:

- * Economy Class airfares from Sydney and Melbourne into Warsaw and out of Budapest with Qatar Airways, the recipient of the Skytrax Airline of the Year award for 2015.
- * A comprehensive 11 day tour of Poland, including the former concentration camp in Auschwitz, and the Jasna Gora Monastery with its world famous Black Madonna. The tour visits Warsaw, Krakow, Wroclaw, Torun and Gdansk.
- * A 3 night stay in Budapest including a cruise on the Danube.
- * 2 days in Doha, Qatar, with a Hop-On, Hop-Off bus pass.
- * Very good accommodation, mainly four star hotels with private facilities.
- * Many meals, as stated in the itinerary.
- * All transfers and transport and entrance fees to many attractions.
- * Services of local tour guides and if there are 15 or more participants there will be an Australian tour escort.



If you don't have anyone to share with but wish to travel at twin share rates, we will try to assign you with another traveller, but this is not guaranteed. For a single room there is an extra cost of \$1,460.



Tour departs Australia on the 27th April and returns 14th May 2017

We try harder to find you the best travel deal

Itinerary for Poland Tour with Highlights of Budapest

Included meals are indicated as B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

27.04.17 Australia – Doha, Qatar

Depart Sydney at 9.30pm on Qatar Airways flight QR 520, arriving in Doha at 5.20am the next morning.

Depart Melbourne at 10.05pm on flight QR 905, arriving in Doha at 5.20am the next morning.

28.04.17 Doha - Warsaw, Poland

(D) All passengers depart Doha at 8.05am on QF 259, arriving in Warsaw, Poland at 1.15pm. Upon arrival you are transferred to your hotel for a two night stay.

Welcome to Warsaw! The city has a blend of old-world charm and a modern energy.

Tonight meet your fellow passengers for a welcome dinner.

Accommodation: Mercure Warszawa Grand, Warsaw or similar

29.04.17 Warsaw

(B) Embrace the moving history of Warsaw, a city reborn after WWII, as we embark on a locally guided tour. Our journey through this capital city includes a stop at what remains of the Warsaw Ghetto. The afternoon is free to take in the alleyways and quaint cafes in the old town, explore a museum or simply relax.

Accommodation: Mercure Warszawa Grand, Warsaw or similar

30.04.17 Warsaw – Czestochowa - Krakow

(B/D) Travel south to Krakow, an enchanting city famous for its well preserved town centre. En route, stop in Czestochowa, the spiritual capital of Poland, where each year over 5 million pilgrims journey to pay their respects to the famous Black Madonna. Housed in the Jasna Gora monastery, we journey inside for an up-close look at this miraculous image. Arriving in Krakow, enjoy some free time to get acquainted with the city. This evening we are introduced to traditional Polish culture during a folklore show and dinner, complete with wine and beer.

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Krakow City Centre Hotel, Krakow or similar

01.05.17 Krakow

(B) This morning we explore the city on a tour with a local expert that includes visits to the Market Square, St. Mary's Church and the university. We will also visit Wawel Castle and explore this former residence of Polish kings. The rest of your day is at leisure. Perhaps you will stroll the quaint side streets of Krakow's famous old town, have coffee in one of the largest squares in Europe or walk along the river for views of the new sections of the city. You may also visit the Schindler Museum or join your fellow travellers on an optional excursion.

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Krakow City Centre Hotel, Krakow or similar

02.05.17 Krakow – Auschwitz - Wroclaw

(B/D) Today we embark on a poignant journey through history as we travel to Auschwitz. A local expert guides us through the former concentration camp where we will learn first-hand about the terrors as well as the resilience of the human spirit that occurred within those walls. Later this afternoon we arrive in the ancient city of Wroclaw.

Tonight, join our travelling companions for some locally brewed beer and a traditional 'home-style' dinner at a local restaurant.
Accommodation: Hotel Mercure Centrum, Wroclaw or similar

03.05.17 Wroclaw

(B) A morning tour of Wroclaw brings us up-close and personal to this large and ethnically diverse city. This could be the only location where we can find a Stare Miasto (Old Town) with a Synagogue, a Lutheran church, a Roman Catholic church and an Eastern Orthodox church standing near each other. The remainder of the day is at leisure to savour its idyllic parks and captivating culture.
Accommodation: Hotel Mercure Centrum, Wroclaw or similar

04.05.17 Wroclaw - Torun

(B) Today we travel to the town of Torun, a UNESCO World Heritage site and birthplace of Nicolaus Copernicus, the famous astronomer. Torun remains one of the best-preserved medieval towns in all of Europe and is one of the 'Seven Wonders of Poland'. On arrival, walk past Copernicus's house before stepping back into history while baking and sampling your very own gingerbread according to a 500 year old recipe.
Accommodation: Hotel Bulwar, Torun or similar

05.05.17 Torun - Gdansk

(B/D) This morning join a local expert for a walking tour of this unspoiled town. Next, travel to the port city of Gdansk. Make a stop at the Gdansk Shipyards site of the creation of the anti-Communist Solidarity movement in 1980 that helped liberate Poland from Soviet rule. This evening we enjoy an included dinner.
Accommodation: Radisson Blu Hotel Old Town, Gdansk or similar

06.05.17 Gdansk

(B) Join a local expert for an introduction to this strategic and historic city. Get to know its deep history on our tour which highlights City Hall and St. Mary's Church. Take a walk through the evolution of the democratic movement in Poland and throughout Europe at the newly opened Solidarity Centre. The remainder of the day is at leisure. Perhaps you will choose to take a stroll through a beautiful square, shop for local handicrafts or soak in the seaside atmosphere.
Accommodation: Radisson Blu Hotel Old Town, Gdansk or similar

07.05.17 Gdansk – Marienburg Fortress - Warsaw

(B/D) Our journey through Poland comes full circle with our return to Warsaw. En route, stop in the town of Malbork, home to Marienburg Fortress, the largest castle in the world. A guided tour of this 700 year old structure introduces us to the world of the Knights of the Teutonic Order. This evening join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner celebrating a fantastic journey.
Accommodation: Mercure Warszawa Grand, Warsaw or similar

08.05.17 Warsaw – Budapest

(B) Today we are transferred to the airport for our flight to Budapest with Lot Polish Airlines. Upon arrival in Budapest we are transferred to our hotel for a three night stay.
Accommodation: Hotel President Budapest

09.05.17 Budapest**(B/L)**

Today we have a tour of Budapest including the Great Synagogue and the Jewish Museum. The Jewish cultural and religious heritage in Budapest is very strong with approximately 100,000 Jews living in the country, with their history dating back to Roman times. Despite their persecution and terror of the 20th century, we can still find numerous monuments of the once thriving Jewish culture.

During the tour we visit Dohany Street Synagogue. Designed in Byzantine and Moorish styles in the mid 19th century by the Viennese architect Ludwig Forster, this is the biggest and most impressive synagogue in Europe and the second largest in the world. With its red and white brickwork, onion domes and rich ceramic ornamentation the Dohany Street Synagogue is one of the most distinctive buildings in Budapest. Next we visit the Jewish Museum, which is located alongside the synagogue. The museum houses an extremely rich collection of Jewish artifacts spanning the last two millennia.

We see the Holocaust Cemetery and Raoul Wallenberg Memorial Park with the Tree of Life Monument. The Tree of Life is a metal sculpture in the Synagogue's courtyard. It's metallic leaves carry the names of Holocaust victims.

Afterwards we visit the House of Terror Museum, which was opened in 2002 in the memory of those held captive, tortured and killed in this building. It is the only one of its kind. The museum contains exhibits related to the fascist and communist dictatorial regimes in 20th century Hungary. The exhibition contains material on the nation's relationships with Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union. Part of the exhibition takes visitors to the basement, where they can see examples of the cells that the AVH (Hungarian Secret Police) used to break the will of their prisoners.

During today's touring we enjoy an included 3 course lunch. At the conclusion of the tour we are returned to the hotel with the remainder of the day at leisure.

Accommodation: Hotel President Budapest

10.05.17 Budapest**(B)**

Today we enjoy a one hour panoramic sightseeing cruise on the Danube. On the cruise we will be able to experience how the legends of Budapest come alive. Look behind the walls of the Royal Palace, the Parliament, the bridges and other splendid sights. The cruise includes a glass of lemonade and your choice of one glass of champagne, wine, beer, soft drink or mineral water.

Afterwards we have inside visit to the impressive House of Parliament, which is Budapest's most revered building in the government district, and identified as the symbol of the city. At the conclusion of the tour we are returned to the hotel with the remainder of the day at leisure.

Accommodation: Hotel President Budapest

11.05.17 Budapest – Doha, Qatar**(B)**

This morning we are transferred to the airport for our flight to Qatar.

Depart Budapest at 12.15pm on Qatar Airways flight QR 200, arriving in Doha at 6.30pm.

Upon arrival in Qatar we are transferred to the hotel for a two night stay.

Accommodation: Amari Doha Hotel or similar

12.05.17 Doha**(B)**

Doha is the capital and largest city of Qatar, where 60% of the nation's population resides. It is also the economic centre of the country.

Today is at leisure in Doha to discover this beautiful city with the use of a 48 hour

Hop On Hop Off 'Doha Bus' with headphone commentary. The open-top buses give you a great vantage point and allows you to discover the city at your own pace. The main stops include Sharq Village, Fishermen Museum of Islamic Art, Corniche, Oryx, City Centre, Salam Mall, Rumailah Park, Souq Waqif and Qatar National Museum. The bus operates from 9am to 5pm daily.
Accommodation: Amari Doha Hotel or similar

13.05.17 Doha - Australia

(B) Today is at leisure in Doha. You will have the use of your hotel rooms until your late afternoon transfer to the airport.

Melbourne passengers depart Doha at 8.40pm on QR 904, arriving in Melbourne at 5.10pm the next day (14.05.17).

Sydney passengers depart Doha at 8.40pm on QR 908, arriving in Sydney at 5.35pm the next day (14.05.17).

14.05.17 Australia

This evening your flights arrive into Sydney and Melbourne.

Note: The ground operator in Poland is Collette



Conditions for Macleay Valley Travel's Poland Tour with Highlights of Budapest

Deposits and Payments: A non-refundable deposit of \$600 per person is payable within 7 days of booking. This deposit is not refundable should you later cancel. The balance is payable 10 weeks prior to departure.

Refunds and Cancellations: Cancellations after final payment will result in a refund limited to whatever we can recoup from the airline.

Insurance: Adequate travel insurance is essential. We can arrange this for you if desired. Macleay Valley Travel offers Suresave Travel Insurance. Please note that we can only process your travel insurance when we have received full payment for the insurance and the signed Suresave Travel Insurance application form, located on the last page of the Suresave Travel Insurance information booklet. Until this time the travel insurance cannot be processed and will not be valid. Macleay Valley Travel will bear no responsibility for any consequences that may occur as a result of an incomplete insurance application.

Passports: All travellers require a current passport with at least 6 months left on it at the end of the tour. Non-Australian passport holders require a re-entry visa for Australia. A visa for Qatar is required if you are travelling on an Australian passport and is obtained on arrival at a cost of 100 Qatari Riyals, which is approximately \$40 Australian Dollars. This visa fee is payable by credit card only. Please note that this price is subject to change.

Basic Tour Price and Taxes: Air taxes and fuel levies are included in the basic tour price if the tour is paid in full on or before the due date on the final invoice. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to charge for any increase in air taxes and fuel levies if the tour is not paid in full by the due date.

Not Included in the Cost: All items of a personal nature such as telephone calls, drinks, excess baggage, tips, meals, (except those specified in the itinerary), etc. Also travel insurance. Similarly, credit card payments can only be accepted if 2% is added to the price to help defray the heavy merchant fees charged to us by the credit card companies. There is a 3% surcharge for Diners Club.

Booking through other Agents: As we keep the cost of our tours as low as possible, there is insufficient margin for us to be able to pay commission to other travel agents, so some bookings can only be accepted if the client pays the other agent's commission.

Accreditation - Macleay Valley Travel is a fully accredited travel agency under the AFTA (Australian Federation of Travel Agents) ATAS - AFTA Travel Accreditation Scheme. As such, you are assured of a consumer focused and quality assured business, ensuring professional conduct and ethical business practices. We are happy for any prospective traveller with us to check us out with your local Consumer Affairs (Fair Trading) department.

Twin Share Bookings – If you do not have a travel partner, but wish to travel at twin share rates, we will try and assign you with another traveller but this is not guaranteed. We assign passengers by their gender, on a first come, first served basis and do not assign twin share passengers according to their age, profession, interests etc. There are risks with sharing a room with a person you do not know, and Macleay Valley Travel accepts no responsibility if you are incompatible with your assigned room mate. Additionally, if you are assigned a travelling companion to share with and they cancel off the tour prior to making the final payment, then you will either be required to pay the single room supplement or we will try our best to assign you with another twin share passenger, if one is available.

Breakaway Fee - All fully inclusive prices are based on group travel and any deviation from the set itinerary will incur a breakaway fee. The breakaway fee for most deviations including a post-tour extension on this tour is \$55 per person. Please inquire with our office for prices on any pre-tour extensions.

Health and Fitness: Macleay Valley Travel recommends that the passenger is reasonably healthy and/or fit to participate in this tour. Persons with a disability requiring special assistance must be accompanied by a companion. Macleay Valley Travel and their representatives cannot provide this service. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to accept/decline or terminate a passenger's participation in the tour under certain circumstances. Macleay Valley Travel is legally not permitted to provide medical advice as to vaccinations/injections which you may require for this tour and advise you to consult your local medical practitioner for specific medical advice. There are no compulsory injections required for this tour.

Limitation of Liability - As Macleay Valley Travel acts only as agent for the Airlines, Hotels, Coach Companies etc., providing accommodation, transportation and other services, Macleay Valley Travel shall not be liable or responsible for death or injury to any person or loss or damage to any property including baggage arising out of or connection with any transportation, accommodation or other services, or resulting directly or indirectly from acts of God, fire, breakdown in machinery or equipment, acts of Government or other authorities, de jure or defacto wars, whether declared or not, hostilities, civil disturbances, strikes, riots, thefts, epidemics, quarantines, medical or customs regulations, delays or cancellations caused by changes in schedules or itinerary, or over bookings or defaults or for any causes beyond Macleay Valley Travel's control or any loss or damage resulting from improper or insufficient passports, visas or other documents and neither Macleay Valley Travel, and its servants or employees shall be or become liable or responsible for any additional expenses or liability sustained or incurred by the tour member as a result of the foregoing causes. Additionally you must meet the entry requirements for each country you visit. Macleay Valley Travel will not be liable if you are denied entry to a country for any reason, including a past criminal history. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to decline bookings made for any group tour. Any tour booking confirmation is conditional, contingent on our view of the ability of a person to be able to participate in a tour without the likelihood of conflict between members of a tour whether perceived or actual.

Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to modify the itinerary or the accommodation if circumstances make this necessary, provided that the amended itinerary is of equal value or greater value than that of the original program.

MACLEAY VALLEY TRAVEL - BOOKING FORM

PLEASE PRINT DETAILS CLEARLY IN BLOCK LETTERS AND ALSO

A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT MUST BE SENT WITH BOOKING FORM

Name of Tour : _____ Departure Date: _____

Passenger 1 (as written in passport) _____

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Passenger 2 (as written in passport) _____

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Postal Address: _____

_____ **PostCode** _____ **Email** _____

Telephone / Fax Number: _____ **Mobile** _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiry Date: _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiry Date: _____

Passport Nationality: _____

Passport Nationality _____

(Passport must have 6 months validity from the time of tour completion)

Single room / Twin beds / Double bed: (Room type is subject to availability)

Circle which airport you wish to depart from: SYDNEY / MELBOURNE

Do you have any existing medical conditions?: _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Optional Extensions: _____

Would you like to receive details of our travel insurance?: YES / NO (Please Circle)

In case of emergency, please notify :

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please return this sheet with your non-refundable deposit of \$600 per person.

DECLARATION. I have read and understand fully the booking conditions and I accept them.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

A copy of passport is required to verify spelling of name; If this is not provided and the information we have for the airline is incorrect and ticket is issued, then the airline will charge a reissue fee.