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PLAN A CITY BREAK IN KRAKOW
WITH GRAND ASCOT HOTEL****

COMPLETE SIGHTSEEING
PLAN

CITY BREAK KRAKOW



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Complete sightseeing plans

Guide for each day



Day 1

Day at AUSCHWITZ-BIRKENAU

You can book the trip by yourself on the website.

Tickets to Auschwitz - online

Guests of Grand Ascot Hotel**** can count on the support of our team.

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This trip will take approximately 6 hours, including travel and sightseeing.

After the trip – our suggestions:

Dinner in town – we recommend **Restauracja FOUR**

After dinner, an evening walk through the streets of the Old Town – walking from Grand Ascot Hotel**** along the Planty through Św. Anny Street straight to the Main Market Square.

Late evening plan – live music clubs, we recommend:

Single Scena Music Bar
Piano Rogue
Harris Piano Jazz Bar
Chicago Live Music

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Day 2

After breakfast, head to Schindler's Factory (FREE on Mondays).

Buy tickets to Schindler's Factory

Opening hours:

Monday: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Tuesday – Sunday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Closed on the first Tuesday of the month

After the visit, take a walk through the Zabłocie district – you'll find many cafes, restaurants, and wine bars.

After lunch, visit

Museum of Contemporary Art – MOC AK

Opening hours:

Tuesday – Sunday: 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Here you can buy tickets to MOC AK

After the trip – our suggestion:

Grab something to eat to-go in town, go to Krakus Mound, and enjoy the sunset with a view over Krakow. This is one of the best spots to watch the sunset in Krakow.

At Grand Ascot, **you can rent city bikes** and quickly reach any Mound in Krakow – ask our reception for details.

If you skip room service during your stay you can get
1 day of bike rental FREE



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Day 3

Wawel and Krakow City Center

After breakfast, head to Wawel

The Cathedral and the exterior areas with courtyards and squares **are FREE**.

Buy tickets for Wawel – here (if you want to tour the entire site)

During your visit, don't forget to stop at the Stefan Batory Courtyard at Wawel. Enjoy a coffee in one of the elegant spots.
The visit can take several hours depending on your pace.

After exploring Wawel, take a walk along the Planty or Kanonicza Street up to Krakow's Main Market Square. **What to see in the city center?**

Main Market Square
St. Mary's Basilica
Cloth Hall (Sukiennice)
St. Florian's Gate
Słowacki Theatre
Jagiellonian University
Franciscan Street and the Papal Window
Church of St. Peter and St. Paul

Have lunch, rest at the hotel, and in the evening go on a relaxing Vistula River cruise at sunset.

Our suggestion for late afternoon and evening:
Vistula River boat trip – we recommend a 1-hour cruise.

Guests of Grand Ascot Hotel**** – our team can book the cruise for you.

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Day 4

Exploring Kazimierz – Krakow’s Jewish district

We recommend exploring this district with a guide who can bring the history of this part of the city to life. [On this page](#), you’ll find a list of certified guides.

What’s worth seeing in Kazimierz?

- Kupa Synagogue, Old Synagogue, and New Synagogue
- Old Tram Depot and Museum of Engineering and Technology
- Wolnica Square and the Church of Corpus Christi
- Nowy Square
- Courtyard from Schindler’s List
- Szeroka Street and the Great Mikvah (former ritual bath)
- Church on the Rock (Kościół Na Skałce)

In Kazimierz, you’ll find plenty of great restaurants for lunch and an afternoon espresso. You can also buy unique souvenirs – [list of recommended places here](#).

Idea for an active afternoon:

Bike trip along the Vistula towards the Bielany-Tynieć Landscape Park, ending at [Mech Cafe in Wolski Forest](#) (click the name to open in Google Maps), where you can enjoy good coffee and dessert. The route takes about 30 minutes one way – **bikes can be rented at Grand Ascot**.

If you prefer something less demanding, borrow a blanket and a bike from our hotel and have a picnic while relaxing on the Vistula boulevards. We recommend [this spot](#) from the Dębny side with a beautiful sunset view.

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Day 4

At Grand Ascot, you can rent city bikes and easily reach the Vistula

Boulevards or head towards Tyniec – ask our reception for details.

If you skip room service during your stay, you can get

1 day of bike rental FREE.

On our website, in the SPRING and SUMMER offers, bikes are FREE for 1 day.

[Check the offer here.](#)



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Day 5

Trip to the Wieliczka Salt Mine

The drive to the Salt Mine takes about 30–40 minutes one way. The guided tour of the Salt Mine lasts approximately 2.5 hours.

[Book the trip online here](#)

The reception at Grand Ascot Hotel**** can also make the reservation for you.

After visiting the Salt Mine, go shopping at Forum Design – Polish design and fashion (a great idea for a gift or a souvenir from Krakow) – located right next to the National Museum.

A list of shops with unique souvenirs can be found later in the Guide – [here](#)

Suggestions for afternoon:

Botanical Garden and coffee at Milin Café

*throughout the summer, open-air concerts take place in the Botanical Garden.

[Check the details here](#)

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Day 6

Nowa Huta District

Nowa Huta in Krakow is considered the best-designed district in the city due to its urban layout and Socialist Realist architecture. This part of Krakow is definitely worth visiting.

What to see:

- Central Square (stop for ice cream at Lodowa Huta – some of the best in Krakow)
- Beksiński Exhibition at the Nowa Huta Cultural Centre
- Nowa Huta Museum
- Coffee and chill at Łan Cafe with a view of the Łąki Nowohuckie meadows or lunch at Przestrzenie Nowohuckie
- Former Lenin Steelworks, later transformed into T. Sendzimir Steelworks

More about exploring Nowa Huta (in Polish and English)

In the afternoon, go shopping – we recommend interesting places to buy unique souvenirs:

- Albums and books (in museums, e.g., the book “Socmodernizm” available at the International Cultural Centre)
- Miss Quote Jewelry – jewellery
- Le Szapo – hat shop
- FLY Room Store – circular fashion / samples / archive collections / Polish brands
- Krakow Glassworks (Krakowska Huta Szkła)
- Infinii by Burtan – handmade belts
- Turnusy – second-hand store / ceramics / local creators / jewelry / accessories
- Bolesławiec Ceramics – DekorArt Polish Pottery Cracow
- Kobalt Pottery & More – Polish Bolesławiec ceramics
- Cracov Poster Gallery – poster gallery / Polish artists
- Forum Design – Polish design
- Forum Mody – Polish brands
- Mapaya – clothing sewn in Krakow from Polish linen
- Vinyl record from Paul’s Boutique Record

*Detailed descriptions with photos of the above souvenir spots can be found in **this part of the guide**

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Day 7

**Day for a city game with friends and chill at Bagry bathing area
(street food, wakeboarding, pedal boats, rowing boats, SUP)**

We recommend two city games as a great way to spend time and explore Krakow.

1. MoonStreet Game

Game in the center of Krakow which combines an outdoor city game with an escape room

More information – [Click HERE](#)



2. Gry Miejskie

Game in the center of Krakow / city game

More information – [Click HERE](#)



Bagry Park and bathing area – 20 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

SUP, pedal boat, and rowing boat rentals
Food truck area / beach / playgrounds / jogging paths
WakePoint Bagry

Accessible by public transport

How to get there? [Click HERE](#)

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Day 8

Trip outside Krakow – we recommend 9 interesting places.

Ojców National Park – a gem of the Krakow-Częstochowa Jura
25 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Krakow Valleys – a dizzying walking experience
25–30 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

The most interesting routes include, among others, Bolechowiecka Valley with its beautiful waterfall and viewpoints, Mnikowska Valley with the Pórzeczki Gorge, Raclawki Valley, the forested Kluczowa Valley, and Eliaszkówka Valley with the ruins of the Devil's Bridge and the Prophet Elijah's spring.

Przyłasek Rusiecki – a paradise for anglers and a bathing area
30–35 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****
Street food / pedal boat / SUP rentals

“The Second Wawel” - in Niepołomice and the stunning Niepołomice Forest
50–60 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Lavender fields in Ostrów – Little Polish Provence near Krakow
50–60 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Visit to the town of angels – Lanckorona
40 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Błędowska Desert

60–70 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Ogrodzieniec Castle

1.5 hours by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****
Eagles' Nests Landscape Park

Brama in Gorce

1.5 hours by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****
Playground for children / mini zoo / walking trails / dining options

**Detailed descriptions with photos of the above places
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Free attractions in Krakow

Explore Krakow for FREE

*some attractions are completely free, others on selected days

Free attractions in Krakow

***some attractions are completely free, others on selected days**

1. Wawel Hill and Cathedral
2. Walk along the Vistula Boulevards
3. Main Market Square and St. Mary's Church with the bugle call in the background
4. Playing Clock at Collegium Maius
5. Twardowski Rocks
6. Aviation Museum – free on Tuesdays
7. Krakow Mounds – except Kościuszko Mound (entrance fee 28 PLN)
8. Amber Museum
9. Museum of Contemporary Art – free on Thursdays
10. National Museum in Krakow – free on Tuesdays (only permanent exhibitions)
11. 19th-Century Polish Art Gallery in the Cloth Hall – free on Sundays (permanent exhibitions)
12. Bishop Erazm Ciołek Palace – free on Sundays (permanent exhibitions)
13. Old Synagogue – free on Mondays
14. Rynek Underground – free on Tuesdays (advance reservation required)
15. St. Adalbert's Church Underground – free on Mondays
16. Oskar Schindler's Factory – free on Mondays (permanent exhibitions)
17. Arsenal – Ancient Art Gallery at the Princes' Museum – free on Sundays, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
18. Jagiellonian University Museum – on Saturdays, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM (last entry 1:30 PM)
19. Jan Matejko House – free on Sundays
20. Józef Mehoffer House – free on Sundays

A photograph of a family of three—a woman with blonde hair, a young girl with braided hair, and a young boy—smiling and looking at a map they are holding together. They are outdoors in a city street with buildings and a clear blue sky in the background.

Krakow with a child

Museums with children
Best parks for kids
Playrooms and indoor playgrounds
Cafés with attractions
By the water
Sports activities

Krakow with a child – playrooms and indoor playgrounds

Dzika Bawialnia

ul. Grzegórzecka 79C/LU6; Krakow

Playroom and café
Workshops for children
Birthday parties

More information – [Click HERE](#)



Małopolska Science Center Cogiteon – Children's Academy

ul. Stefana Steca 1, Krakow

Educational playroom with a sensory nature exhibition
Thematic workshops
Restaurant

More information – [Click HERE](#)



GoJump Trampoline Park

ul. Rzemieślnicza 20G; Krakow

Activities for children
Trampoline zone and ball pits

More information – [Click HERE](#)



Ale Klocki – the largest playroom with building blocks

ul. Jasnogórska 11; Krakow

The largest playroom with building blocks

More information – [Click HERE](#)



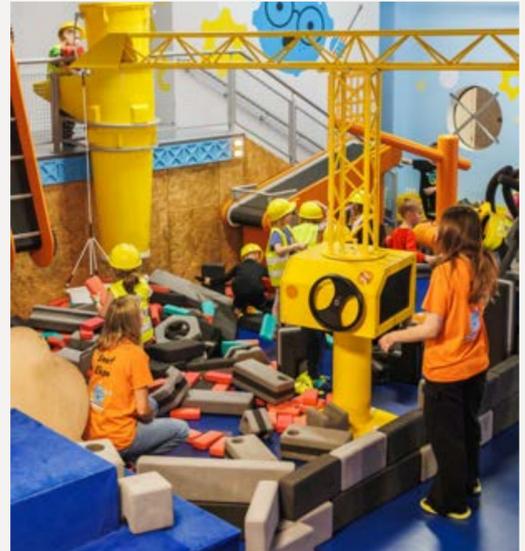
Krakow with a child – playrooms and indoor playgrounds

Smart Kids Planet

Kazimierz Moll

Building zone
Smart shopping zone
Safe travel zone

More information – [CLICK HERE](#)



Blonia Kids **Aleja 3 Maja 57; Krakow**

Activities for children
Birthday parties / day camps

More information – [Click HERE](#)



Krakow with a child – interesting cafés with attractions

Be Happy Museum

The first Polish chain of Happiness and Illusion Museums

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Bunny Café – Rabbit Café

Café with live rabbits
Advance reservation required

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Cat Café

Interactive entertainment – light drawing, creating shadows, and unforgettable moments in an upside-down world

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Krakow with a child – educational centers and museums

Obwarzanek Museum

ul. Ignacego Paderewskiego 4, Krakow

Make your own obwarzanek
An interesting way to spend time with children

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Natural History Museum

ul. Świętego Sebastiana 9, Krakow

Tropical forest in the center of Krakow
18 large aquariums with fish from around the world
and much more

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Krakil Illusion Museum

ul. Floriana Straszewskiego 15, Krakow

Interactive entertainment – light drawing, creating
shadows, and unforgettable moments in an upside-down
world

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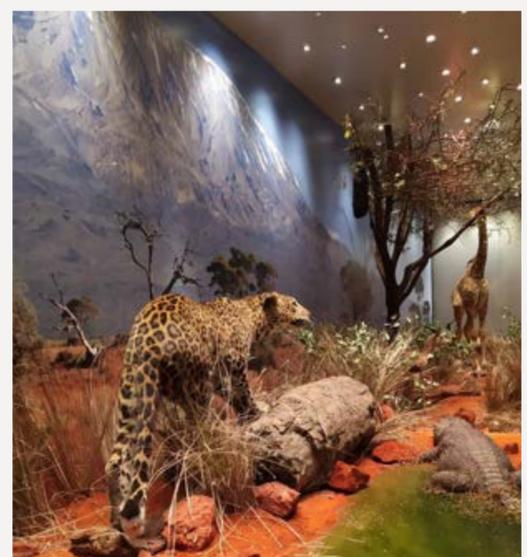


Natural Education Center

ul. Gronostajowa 5; Krakow

History of life on Earth
Astronomy
Geography...

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Krakow with a child – educational centers and museums

Ethnographic Museum

plac Wolnica 1; Krakow

Workshops for children

Workshops for families

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Museum of Engineering and Technology

ul. Św. Wawrzyńca 15; Krakow

Building block zone

Yoga with children

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Symbioza Center for Ecological Education

Aleja Żubrowa 15; Krakow

Workshops / walks / exhibitions

Near Krakow Zoo

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Brick & Figs – LEGO Minifigure Museum

ul. Henryka Dąbrowskiego 20; Krakow

Collection of LEGO minifigures and sets

LEGO shop

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Krakow with a child – parks

Experiments Garden

aleja Pokoju 68; Krakow

Science playground
Sand planet / acoustics
Awesome playground

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Krakow Park

aleja Mickiewicza; Krakow

Lantern of the Dead
Pond / playground
Sculpture gallery by Prof. Roman Tarkowski

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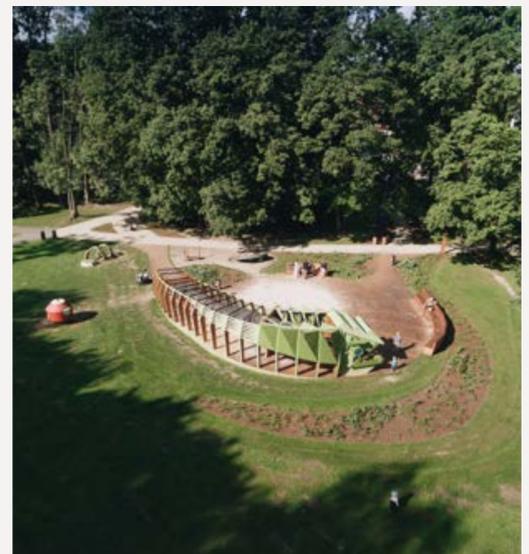


Decjusz Park

ul. Królowej Jadwigi; Krakow

Villa
Playground / free parking

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Krakow with a child – by the water

Pool area in Jordan Park near Krakow Błonia

Outdoor play area for children
Pools / cafés / chill zone in the park

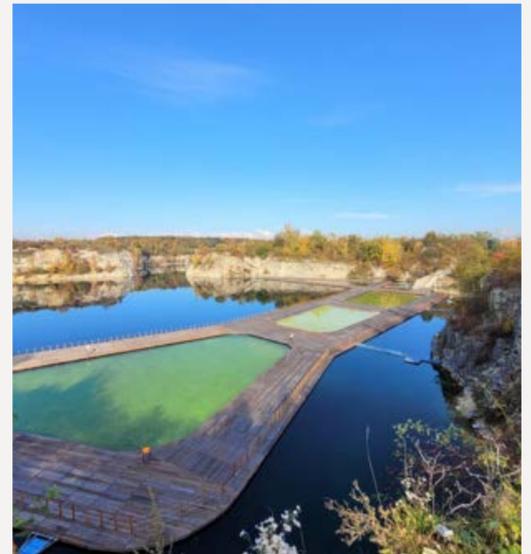
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Pools at Zakrzówek

Pools for children and adults
Café / parking

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Bagry Park

Beach / playgrounds
Picnic area / food trucks
Equipment rental

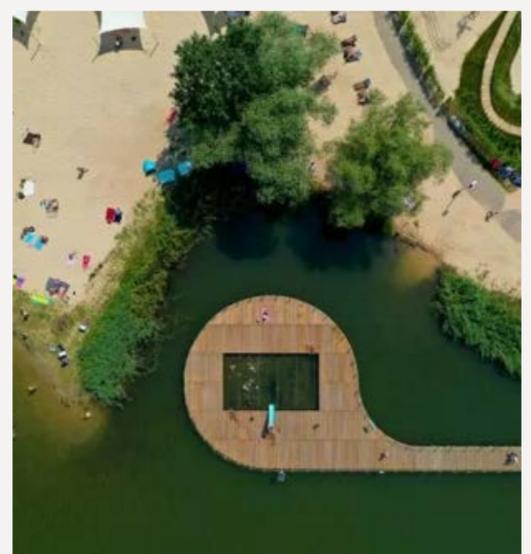
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Przylasek Rusiecki

Beach / playgrounds
Picnic area / food trucks
Equipment rental

[How to get there – Google Maps](#)



Krakow with a child – sports activities

Mood Boulder Climbing Wall ul. Stanisława Klimeckiego 14B

Café / bakery
Climbing / children's area

[More information – Click HERE](#)

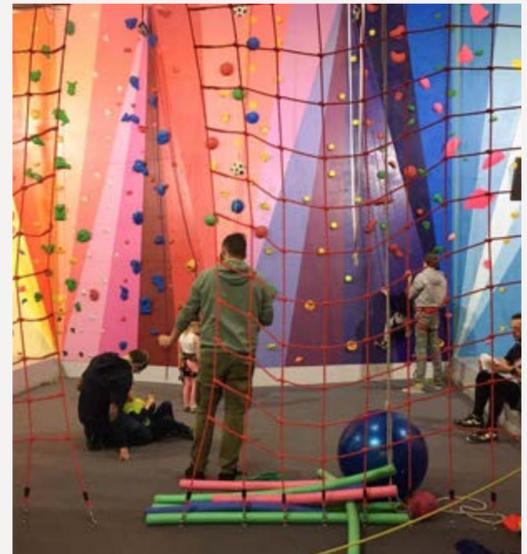


FORTECA Climbing Center

ul. Ludowa 6
ul. Raławicka 60
ul. Rydlówka 32

Children's area

[More information – Click HERE](#)



GOKidz – amusement park ul. Rzemieślnicza 20G; Krakow

Sports activities
Entertainment zone

[More information – Click HERE](#)





Krakow by the water

6 coolest places for summer

Krakow by the water

Bagry Park – 20 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

SUP, pedal boat, and rowing boat rentals
Food truck area / beach / playgrounds / jogging paths
WakePoint Bagry – open daily 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM

How to get there? [Click HERE](#)



Vistula River – 12 minutes by bike from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Boat trips / kayaking / SUP
Water tram
Food spots on the water



Przylasek Rusiecki – 35 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Beach / chill zone and food trucks
Biking and running trails
Children's attractions / paid parking

How to get there? [Click HERE](#)



Krakow by the water

Zakrzówek Pools

Entrance to the bathing area is free, with a limited number of visitors
Free parking nearby / stroller access may be difficult
Café / SUP rental / barbecue area

[How to get there? Click HERE](#)



Water playground in Jordan Park

Free attraction
Playgrounds in the park
Located in the city center

[How to get there? Click HERE](#)



Kryspinów Reservoir – 20 minutes by car from Grand Ascot

Regular ticket 20 PLN / children under 6 FREE
Dog beach / dog park
Playground / outdoor gym / water equipment rental

[How to get there? Click HERE](#)





Apps that will make your visit to Krakow easier

6 useful apps for sightseeing in Krakow

Apps that will make your visit to Krakow easier



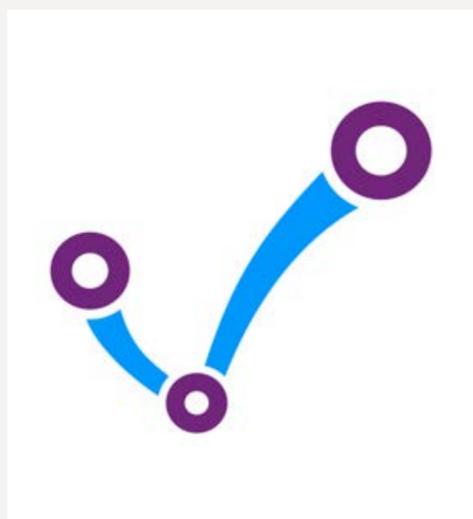
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Rides / TAXI



Traficar
Car-sharing / Free parking



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Public transport tickets
Paid parking
Long-distance transport



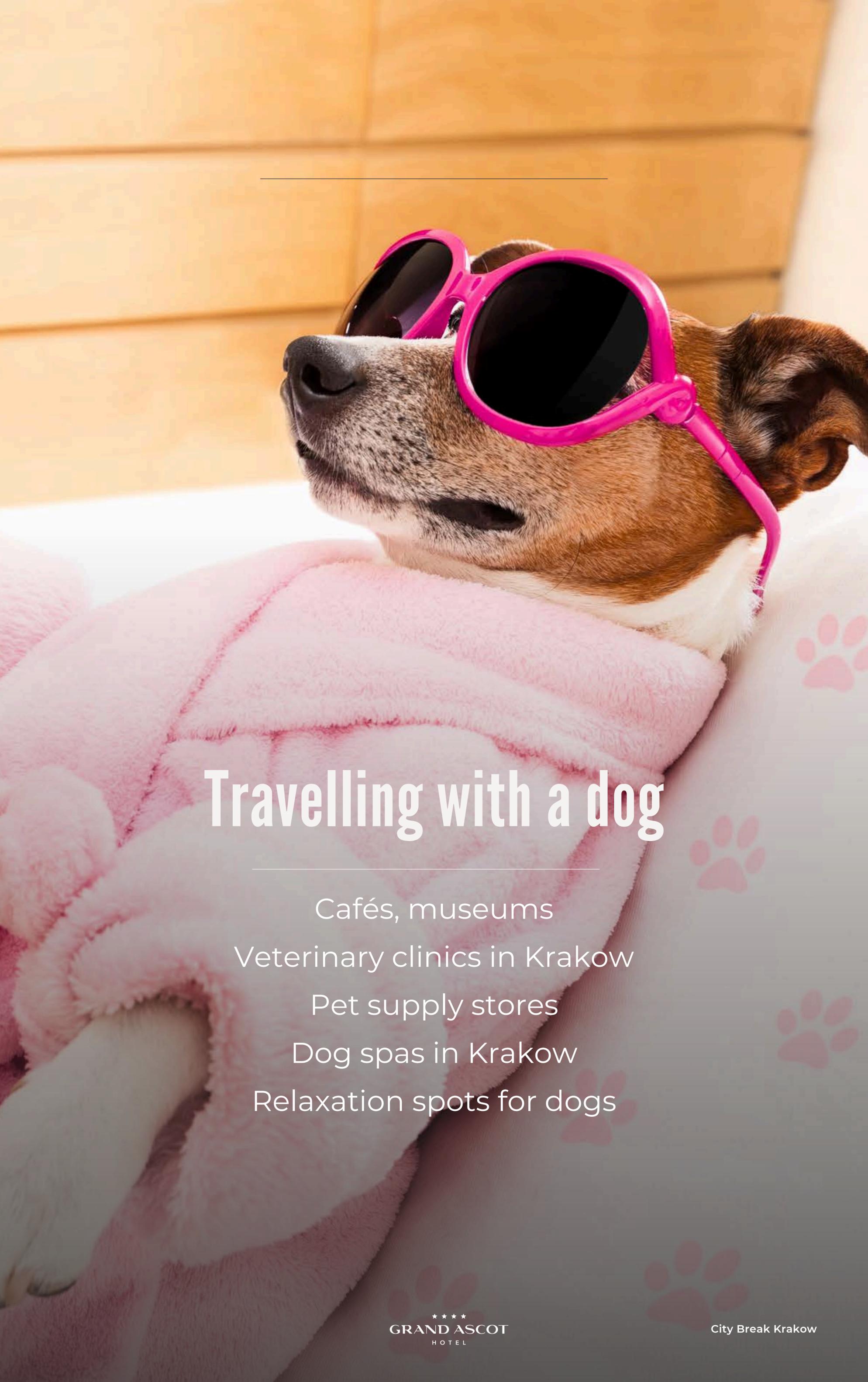
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Public transport tickets
Bus and tram schedules



Vice Versa App
Discounts at cafés, restaurants,
and bars
Discounts on services



Fine Bite
Reservations made through the
Finebite app allow you to try
dishes or cocktails from the
menu at a 50% discount.

A close-up photograph of a dog's head, likely a Jack Russell Terrier, wearing bright pink sunglasses. The dog is lying down on a soft, pink, textured blanket. The background is a warm, wooden wall. The overall mood is cozy and relaxed.

Travelling with a dog

Cafés, museums
Veterinary clinics in Krakow
Pet supply stores
Dog spas in Krakow
Relaxation spots for dogs

Travelling with a dog

Dog-friendly spots in Krakow

Places to relax with your dog

- Bagry Reservoir – dog beach
- Przylasek Rusiecki bathing area
- Kryspinów Reservoir – Budzyń 135, Cholerzyn, dog beach
- Krakow Błonia
- Ojców National Park

Places you can enter with your dog

- Psikawka Café – dog menu, Mazowiecka 8, Krakow
- Stained Glass Museum and Workshop – al. Z. Krasińskiego 23, Krakow
- Polish Aviation Museum – Aleja Jana Pawła II 39, Krakow
- Galicia Jewish Museum – ul. Dajwór 18, Krakow
- Krakil Illusion Museum – ul. Straszewskiego 15, Krakow
- Film Art Club Mikro&Mikroffala – ul. Lea 5, Krakow
- Kino Pod Baranami – Rynek Główny 27, Krakow

Shops with dog accessories

- Galeria Bonarka – Henryka Kamieńskiego 11, Krakow
- Galeria Bronowice – Stawowa 61, Krakow
- Karusek – pet shop, Nad Sudołem 6A, Krakow
- Kundelove – pet shop, ul. Pod Dębami 1/1, Krakow
- Psyjaciele.com – Hotel Cracovia, Focha 1, Krakow

Dog SPA

- Psia Paczka Spa dla Psa – Osiedle Dywizjonu 303 62b, Krakow

Veterinary clinics

- Veterinary Clinic Sławomir Szpeyer – Profesora Władysława Szafera 1, Krakow; tel. 12 412 19 89
- Veterinary Clinic Krzysztof Serwacki – ul. Kordiana 60, Krakow; tel. 12 654 24 00
- Krak-Vet Veterinary Clinic – ul. Beskidzka 15, Krakow; tel. 12 655 55 33
- Bajeczna Veterinary Clinic S.C. – ul. Bajeczna 1, Krakow; tel. 12 414 33 33

At Grand Ascot Hotel****

Pets are welcome (extra fee). A treat will be waiting for your dog in the room, and **20% of the pet fee is donated** to the “Przytulisko w Charbutowicach” Foundation.



Spring-Summer Festivals

Details and tickets

Spring-Summer Festivals

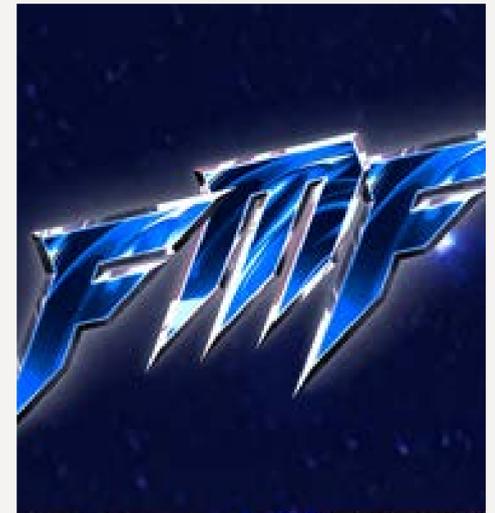
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Film Festivala



Krakow Film Festival



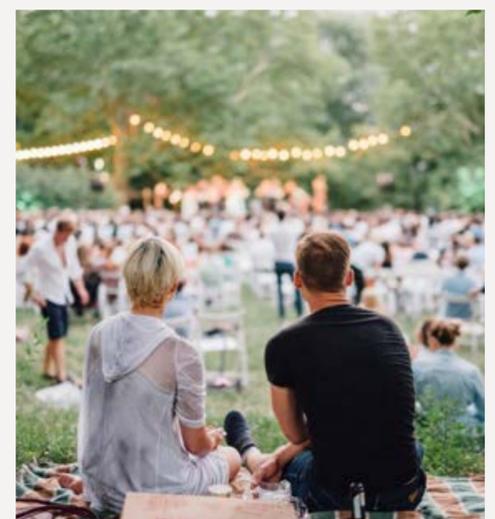
Film Music Festival



Dragons Parade



Krakow Wianki Festival



Concerts in the Botanic Garden

Spring-Summer Festivals

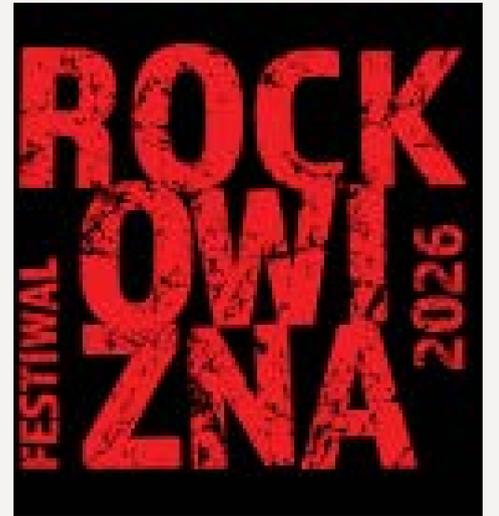
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Summer Jazz Festival Krakow



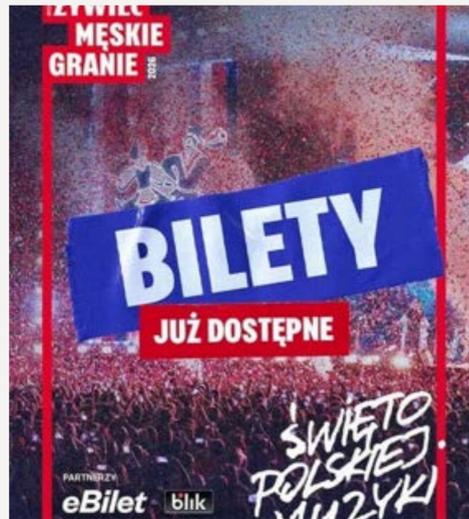
Letnie Brzmienia Festival



Rockowizna Festival



Pierogi Festival
Small Main Square



Męskie Granie Festival



Jewish Culture Festival

Spring-Summer Festivals

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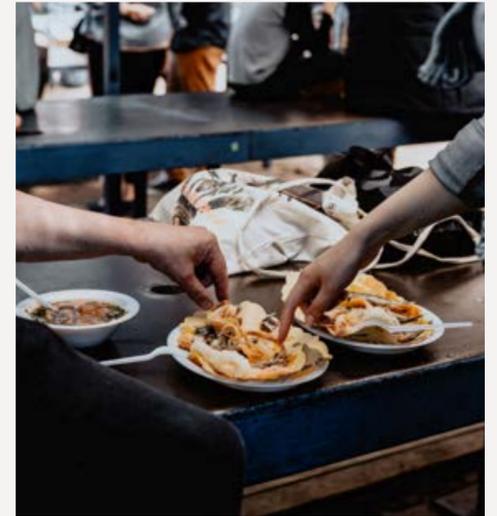


Kiermasz

It is a fair for independent fashion and design.



Flowers Festival



Art & Food Bazar

Culinary festival at Stary Kleparz
Seafood
Wine / Polish wine



Targ staroci na Hali Targowej

Every Sunday from 7:00 AM



Targ Pietruszkowy

Vegetables / fruits

Local suppliers

Grzegórzki / Saturday 8:00 AM–
1:00 PM

Rynek Podgórski / Wednesday
and Saturday 8:00 AM–1:00 PM



Polish cuisine in Krakow

We recommend the best restaurants with
Polish and European cuisine

Polish cuisine in Krakow

FOUR

ul. Szujskiego 4; Krakow

European cuisine / Polish dishes

Local meats

Contact: +48 453 257 721

[More information and online reservations](#)



Restauracja Galicyjska

Pijarska 9; Krakow

Polish dishes

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Chłopskie Jadło

ul. Grodzka 9; Krakow

Polish dishes / pierogi

Pajda with lard / bigos

[More information – Click HERE](#)



Marchewka z Groszkiem

ul. Mostowa 2; Krakow

Polish dishes / pierogi

Polish soups / desserts

[More information – CLICK HERE](#)



Polish cuisine in Krakow

Bufet Krk

ul. Dajwór 8; Krakow

Polish / seasonal cuisine
Local ingredients

More information – Click [HERE](#)



Jadłodajnia u Stasi

Mikołajska 16; Krakow

Polish dishes / milk bar

More information – Click [HERE](#)



Smakołyki

ul. Straszewskiego 28; Krakow

Polish dishes / homemade cuisine

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Kluska na placu

Plac Szczepański 7; Krakow

Silesian cuisine / traditional dishes

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Polish cuisine in Krakow

Wiśniowy Sad

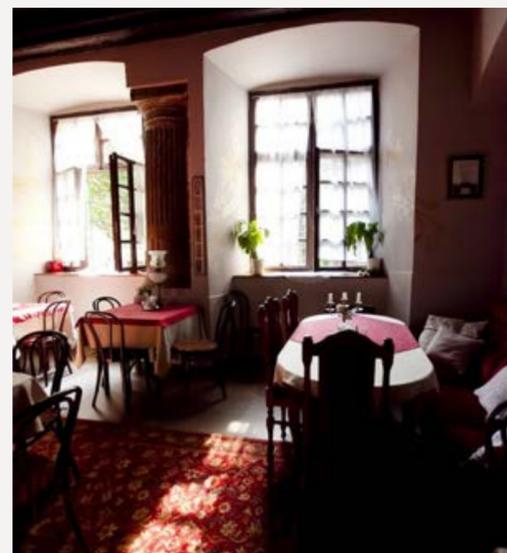
ul. Grodzka 33; Krakow

Polish / European cuisine

Pierogi

Polish soups

More information and online reservations



Eat Pierogi

ul. Mazowiecka 26B; Krakow

ul. Pędzichów 22; Krakow

Polish dishes / milk bar

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Lokalna Restauracja

ul. Józefińska 4/3; Krakow

Polish dishes / homemade cuisine

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Restauracja U Babci Maliny

ul. Szpitalna 38; Krakow

Polish cuisine / traditional dishes

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Interesting places off the tourist trail

Bookstores / vinyl records / second-hand shops ...

Interesting places off the tourist trail

Paul's Boutique Record Store

ul. Bożego Ciała 24; Krakow

Concerts
Vinyl record shop

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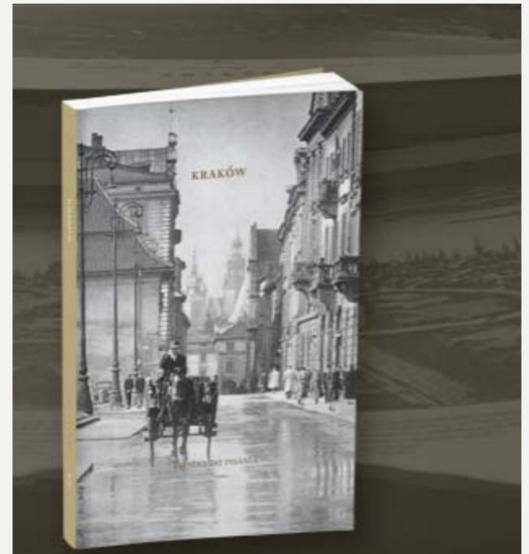


Austeria

ul. Szeroka 6; Krakow

Jewish bookstore

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la glina

ul. Emaus 20/2; Krakow

Art studio
Ceramics workshops

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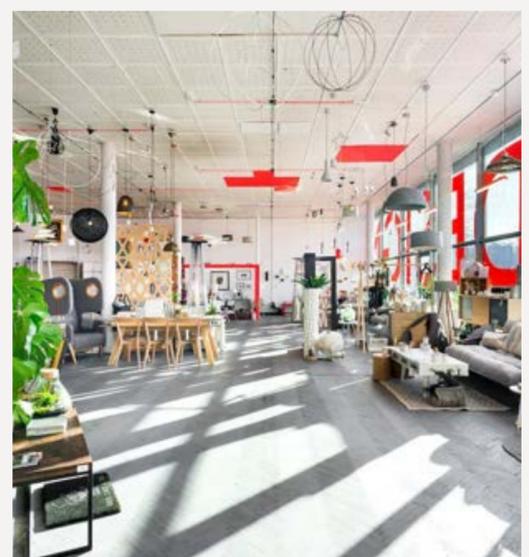


Forum Designu

ul. Aleja Marszałka F. Focha 1; Krakow

The largest showroom of Polish furniture
In the former Hotel Cracovia / Krakow souvenirs

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Interesting places off the tourist trail

URBAN Ceramics

ul. Dolnych Młynów 5; Krakow

Cafe combined with a ceramics studio

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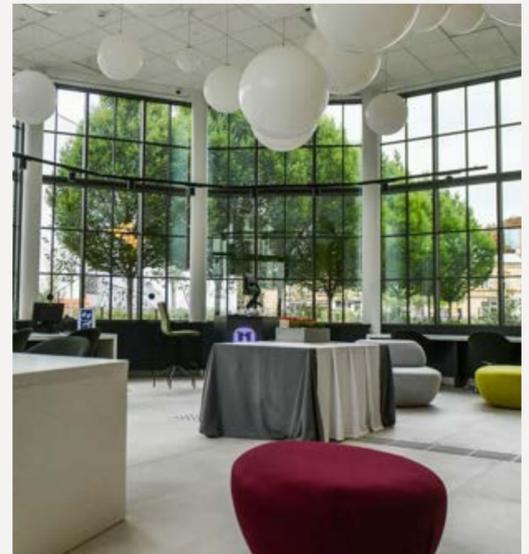


Library and Reading Room

ul. Rajska 1; Krakow

Reading room with a view of Wisława Szymborska Park

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Nowa Huta Cultural Centre

al. Jana Pawła II 232; Krakow

Exhibitions – including Beksiński
World Press Photo

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Turnusy

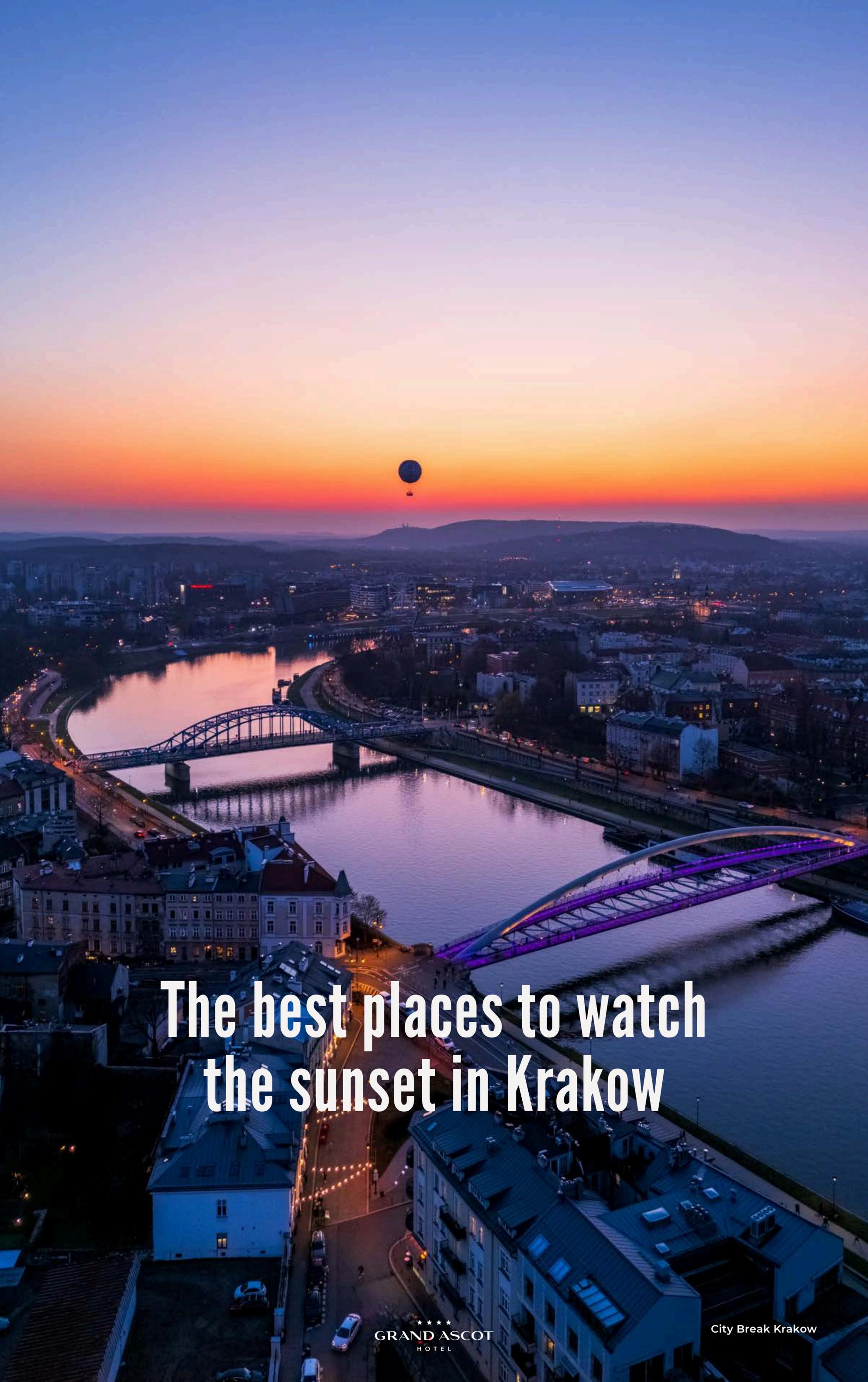
ul. Smoleńsk 15; Krakow

ul. Krakowska 26; Krakow

Clothing – second-hand items
New items from designers and Polish brands

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The best places to watch the sunset in Krakow

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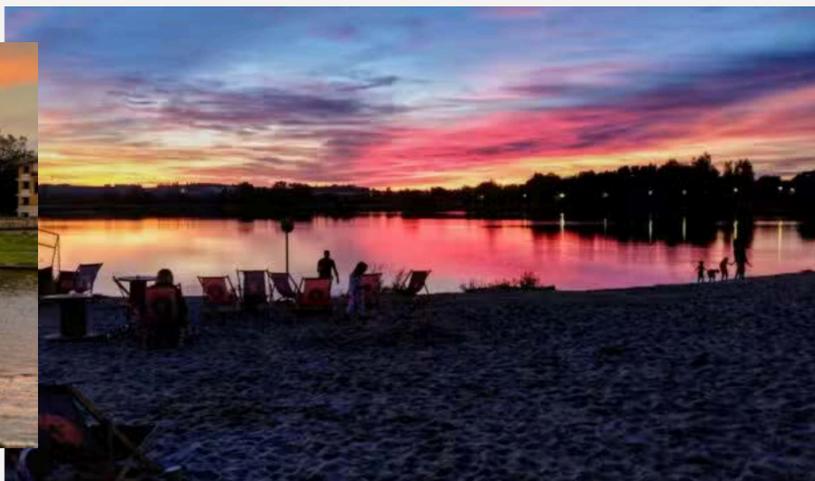
Krakus Mound or Piłsudski Mound

On the Vistula – SUP or boat with a view of the Benedictine Abbey

Przegorzały Castle

Wołyński Boulevard – with a perfect view of Wawel

Bagry Reservoir – unique atmosphere with the sun reflecting on the water



An aerial photograph of Krakow, Poland, taken during a dramatic sunset. The sky is filled with large, dark clouds that are illuminated from below by the setting sun, creating a vibrant orange and yellow glow. The city below is a dense collection of buildings with red-tiled roofs. In the center, the Wawel Castle is prominent, featuring a large tower with a green roof. To the right, the Vistula River winds through the city, with a bridge crossing it. The overall scene is a panoramic view of the city from an elevated position.

Viewpoints with panoramic views of Krakow

The Krakow Mounds

Viewpoints with panoramic views of Krakow

Krakus Mound

It's also worth planning a picnic there

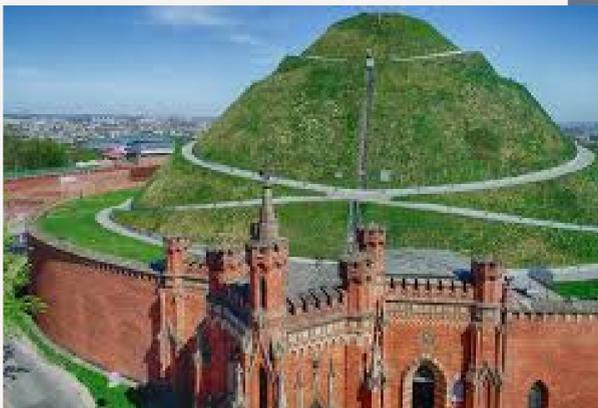
Green area with a view of Krakow



Kościuszko Mound

The mound is open daily from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Paid entrance



Piłsudski Mound

Approximately 1 km below the Zoo. To reach the mound from this point, first go to the Zoo and then continue walking along Wędowników Avenue.



A scenic view of a wooden observation tower and walkways in a forest. The tower is multi-story with a glass-enclosed upper section and a wooden structure below. It is situated on a hillside covered in dense green trees. A wooden walkway with railings leads up to the tower. The sky is blue with some clouds.

One-day trip from Krakow

Trips outside Krakow – 9 suggestions

One-day trip from Krakow

Ojcowski National Park – a treasure of the Kraków-Częstochowa Jura

25 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Krakow Valleys – a walking paradise

25–30 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Some of the most interesting routes include Bolechowice Valley with its beautiful waterfall and viewpoints, Mników Valley with the Pórzeczki Gorge, Raławka Valley, the forested Kluczwoda Valley, and Eliaszkówka Valley with the ruins of the Devil's Bridge and the Prophet Elijah's spring.

Przylasek Rusiecki – a paradise for anglers and a swimming area

30–35 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

“The Second Wawel” in Niepołomice and the stunning Niepołomice Forest

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Będowska Desert

60–70 minutes by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Ogrodzieniec Castle - Eagles' Nests Landscape Park

1.5 hours by car from Grand Ascot Hotel****

Gorce Gate

Playground for children / mini zoo / walking trails / dining options

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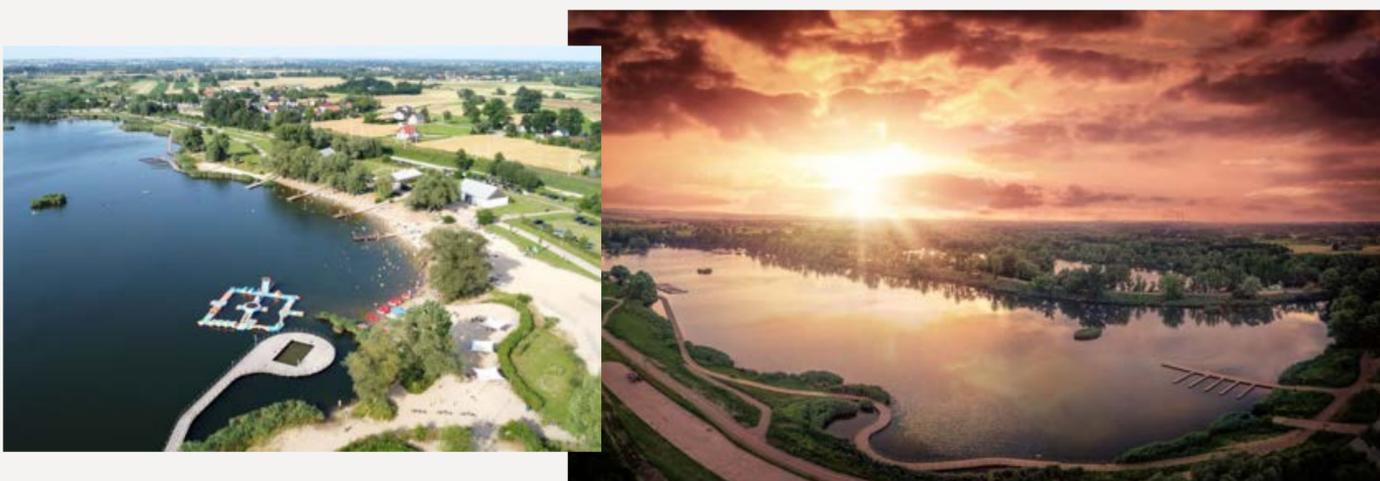
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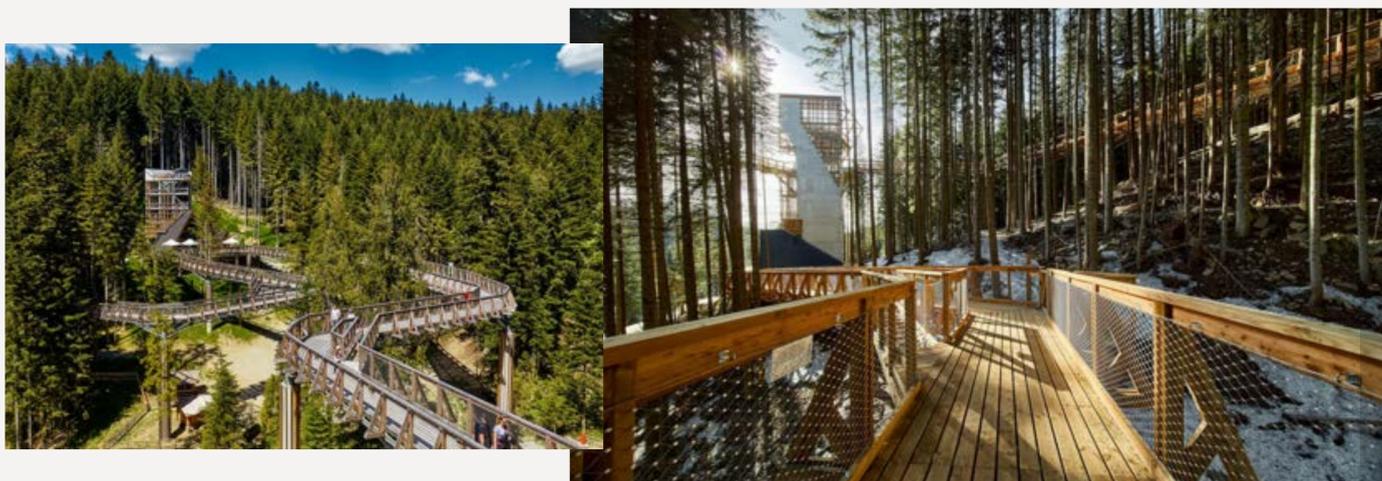
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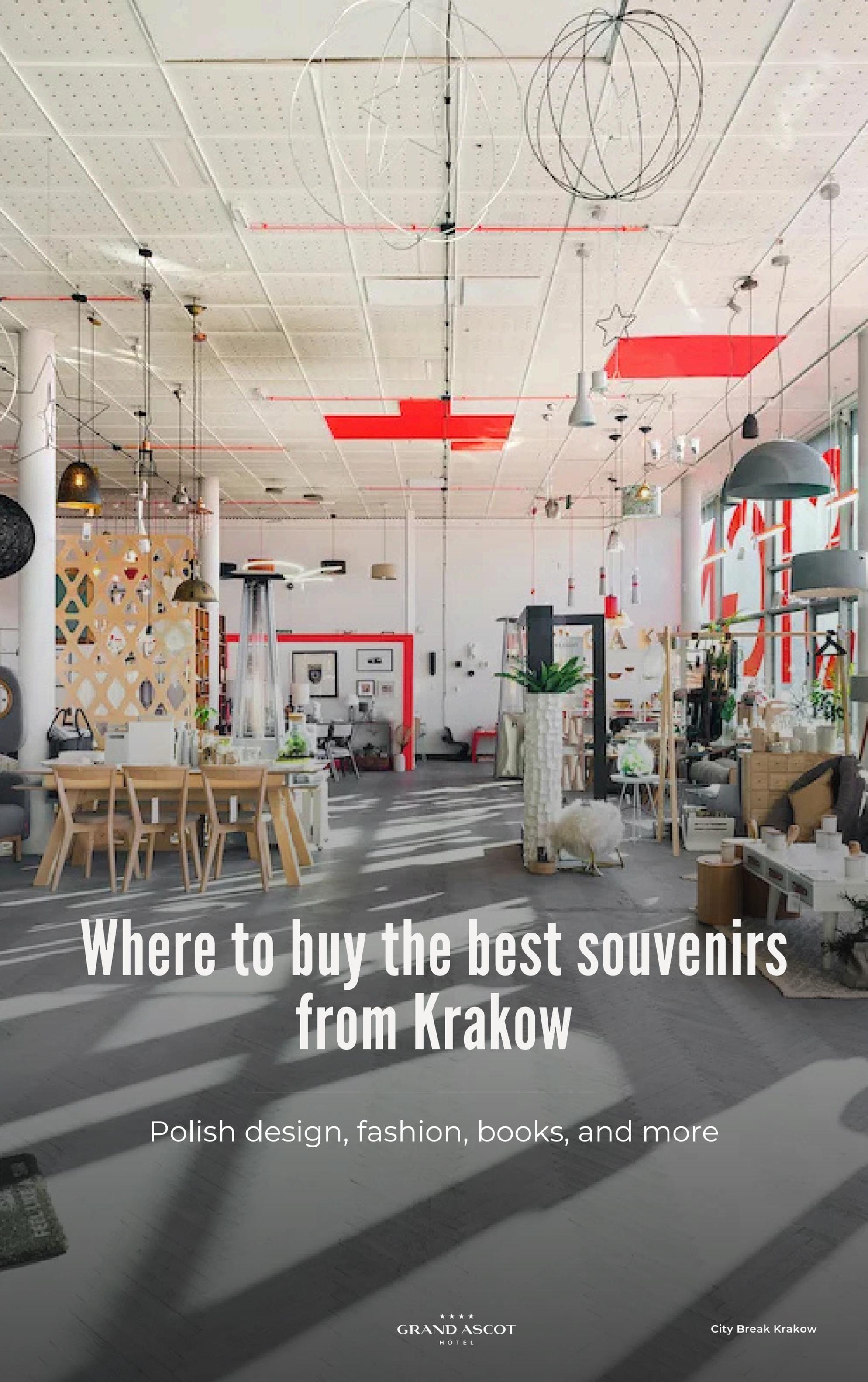


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Where to buy the best souvenirs from Krakow

Polish design, fashion, books, and more

Unique souvenirs from Krakow

- Albums and books (available in museums, e.g., the book “Socmodernizm” can be purchased at the International Cultural Centre)
- Miss Quote Jewelry – jewelry
- Le Szapo – hat shop
- FLY Room Store – circular fashion / samples / archival collections
- Krakow Glassworks
- Infinii by Burtan – handcrafted belts
- Turnusy – second-hand shop / ceramics / local creators / jewelry / accessories
- Bolesławiec Ceramics – DekorArt Polish Pottery Cracow
- Kobalt Pottery & More – Polish Bolesławiec ceramics
- Cracow Poster Gallery – poster gallery / Polish artists
- Forum Designu – Polish design
- Forum Mody – Polish brands
- Mapaya – clothing made in Krakow from Polish linen
- Vinyl records from Paul’s Boutique Record

Unique souvenirs from Krakow

Albums and books (in museums)

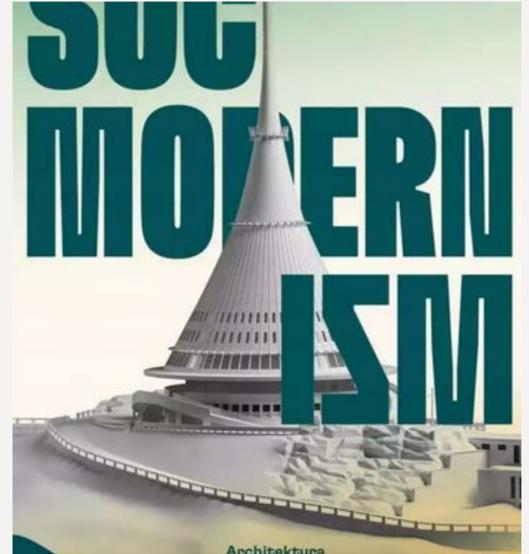
The most interesting books can be purchased in museums

Stationary shops in Krakow museums

We recommend Socmodernizm

Łukasz Galusek, Michał Wiśniewski

Available at the International Cultural Centre – Rynek Główny 25; Krakow



MISS QUOTE – personalized jewelry shop
ul. Starowiślna 64; Krakow

Polish jewelry

[More information](#)



Le Szapo – hats
ul. Stradomska 2; Krakow

Hats / caps / berets

[More information](#)



Unique souvenirs from Krakow

Krakow Glassworks

ul. Lipowa 3; Krakow

Tours / shop
Regular ticket – 28 PLN

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Infinii by Burtan – handcrafted belts

plac Jana Matejki 2; Krakow

Handcrafted leather belts

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Turnusy

ul. Smoleńsk 15; Krakow

ul. Krakowska 26; Krakow

Second-hand shop / ceramics / local creators / jewelry /
accessories

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DekorArt Polish Pottery Cracow

ul. Sławkowska 11; Krakow

Bolesławiec ceramics

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Unique souvenirs from Krakow

Kobalt Pottery & More

Grodzka 62; Krakow

Bolesławiec ceramics

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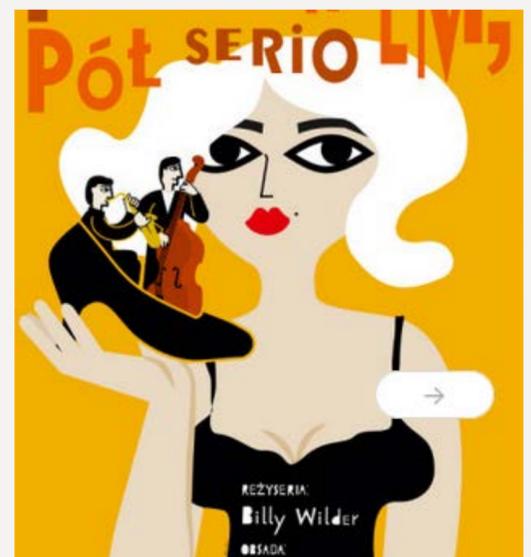


Cracov Poster Gallery

ul. Stolarska 8-10; Krakow

Poster gallery / local artists

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FLY Room Store

Zwierzyniecka 4; Krakow

Circular fashion / samples / archival collections

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Live music clubs

4 of the best clubs with live music in
downtown Krakow

Live music clubs

Single Scena Music Bar

ul. Św. Marka 21

Live music 7 days a week

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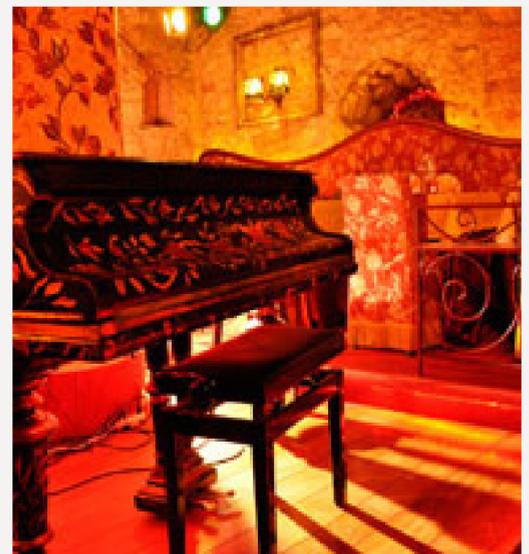


Piano Rogue

Rynek Główny 4; Krakow

Daily concerts in a smooth jazz atmosphere

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Harris Piano Jazz Bar

Rynek Główny 28; Krakow

Live music daily

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Chicago Live Music

ul. Sławkowska 11; Krakow

Open daily from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM

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Museums in Krakow

4 of the most interesting museums
worth visiting

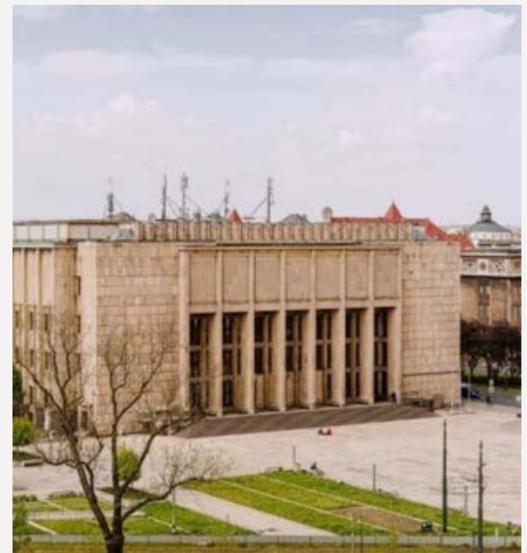
Museums in Krakow

National Museum in Krakow

al. 3 Maja 1; Krakow

Free admission on Tuesdays

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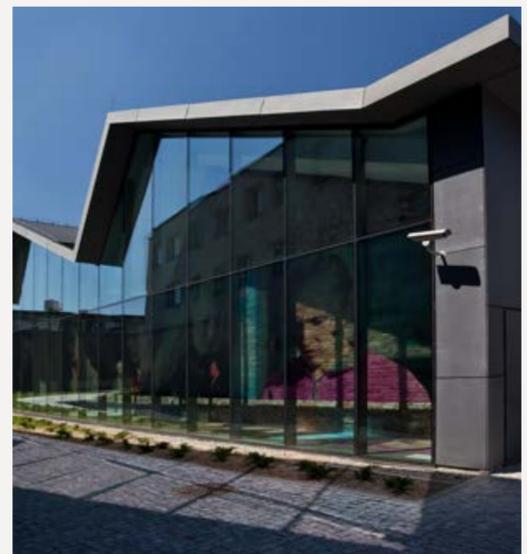


MOCAK – Museum of Contemporary Art

ul. Lipowa 4; Krakow

Tuesday–Sunday 11:00 AM–7:00 PM

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Museum of Photography

ul. Rakowicka 22A and ul. Józefitów 16; Krakow

Two branches

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Nowa Huta Cultural Centre

al. Jana Pawła II 232; Krakow

We recommend the exhibition of Beksiński's works

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A top-down photograph of a wooden tray containing several slices of crusty, golden-brown bread. The bread is topped with a dark, textured spread, possibly chocolate or a fruit preserve. To the right of the bread is a white ceramic cup filled with milk, and below it is a glass bowl containing a dark jam with a wooden stick. The background is dark and textured.

The best bakeries in Krakow

We recommend 3 best
bakeries and patisseries

The best bakeries in Krakow

Breaking Bread – 3 locations

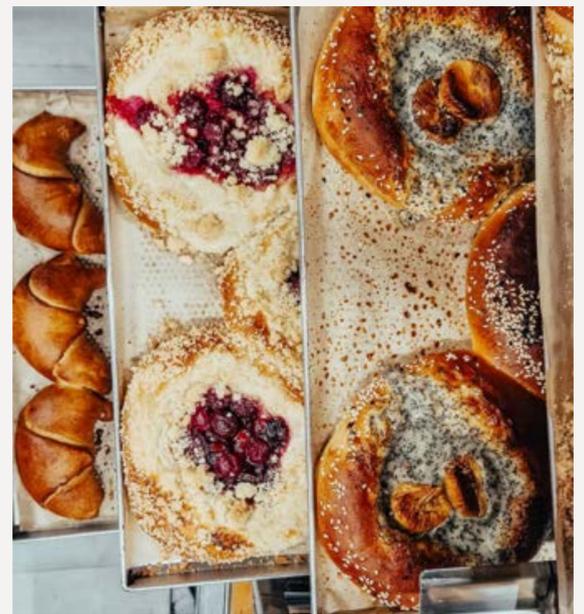
Tuesday to Sunday – Kalwaryjska 83 (breakfasts)

Wednesday to Sunday –

Pianissimo, Marka Stachowskiego 4

Budka at Nowowiejski Square

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Świeżo Upieczona Bakery

Monday–Friday 7:30 AM–7:00 PM

Saturday–Sunday 8:30 AM–6:00 PM

Coffee / Pastries / Breads

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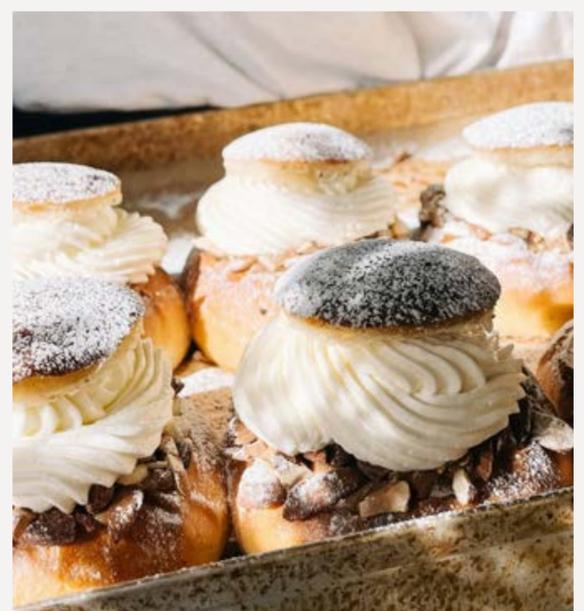


Zaczyn – breakfasts and baked goods

Monday–Friday 7:00 AM–6:00 PM

Saturday–Sunday 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

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The best parks in Krakow

6 parks for families with children and more

The best parks in Krakow

Jordan Park

basketball court / tennis court / playground
boules court / climbing wall / skate park
sledding hill / cafés / city parking by the Kraków Błonia or the Cracovia stadium

[How to get there? Click HERE](#)



Polish Aviators Park

basketball courts / playgrounds / pump track bike track
outdoor gym / near the Stanisław Lem Experiments Garden
Dragon Square / Chill Zone and food trucks by TAURON Arena Kraków

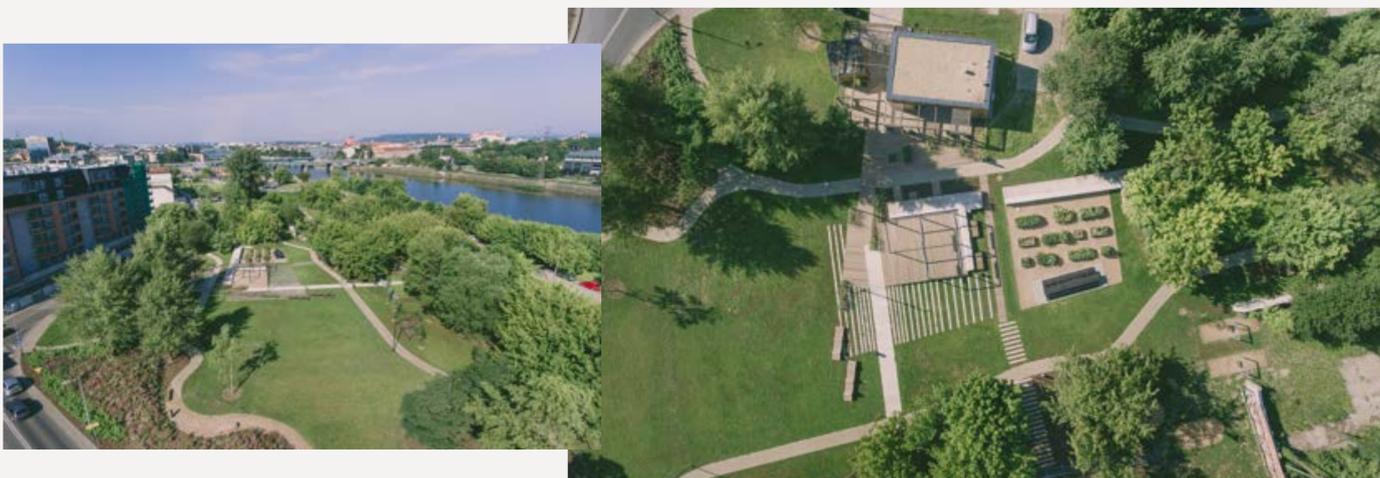
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Stacja Wisła Park

multi-functional pavilion with a food and restroom area / located by the Vistula River
outdoor stage and dance floor / flower meadow
“Stacja Wisła” community garden / playground equipment for children

[How to get there? Click HERE](#)



The best parks in Krakow

Park of Wojciech Bednarski

playground / picnic area / running trails
wooden educational trail / outdoor gym
plaza area for older children with a set of towers, slides, and bridges

[How to get there? Click HERE](#)



Wisława Szymborska Park

in the city center / next to the Provincial Library
cafés and restaurants all around

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Nowa Huta Reservoir Park

beach / gym / fitness area
multi-purpose sports courts / food truck and chill zone
running, rollerblading, and cycling paths / brine graduation tower

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Parking in Krakow

paid parking zone

Paid parking zone

City Parking

Kraków has 3 paid parking zones – A / B / C

All zones are payable from 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM

Zones B and C are free on Sundays

Zone A is paid 7 days a week

- Subzone A (city center): 9 PLN for the 1st hour, 10 PLN for the 2nd hour, 11 PLN for the 3rd hour, 9 PLN for each additional hour
- Subzone B: 8 PLN for the 1st hour, 9 PLN for the 2nd hour, 10 PLN for the 3rd hour, 8 PLN for each additional hour
- Subzone C: 7 PLN for the 1st hour, 8 PLN for the 2nd hour, 9 PLN for the 3rd hour, 7 PLN for each additional hour

Tickets can be purchased at street ticket machines or via mobile apps such as moBILET.

Why it's worth booking parking at Grand Ascot Hotel****

Grand Ascot Hotel**** is located in Zone A

Underground parking at our property costs 120 PLN / per day

The fee is nearly the same as city parking, and your car is safe in a monitored parking lot in the city center.

Advance reservation is required.

Book your stay at Grand Ascot Hotel****
Use the code GRAND10 and get a 10% discount on the website

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Bicycle Routes

Ready to go - maps in Google Maps

Bicycle Routes

Here are our suggested bike routes – click the link to open the ready to go routes **in Google Maps.**

1. Old Town: <https://goo.gl/maps/QU56HoRTL8tHDpo6>

Short, basic route for those who want to spend just a little time on a bike but still see as much as possible. Loop around the Old Town:

- Main Market Square
- St. Mary's Basilica
- Cloth Hall (Sukiennice)
- St. Florian's Gate
- Słowacki Theatre
- Jagiellonian University
- Franciscan Street and the Papal Window
- Church of St. Peter and St. Paul

2. Kazimierz: <https://goo.gl/maps/M1M1s9Nx5PkamKGZA>

Also a short route through the picturesque corners of Kraków's Kazimierz district and must-see spots in Kraków – Wawel Royal Castle:

- Wawel Royal Castle
- Nowy Square
- Wolnica Square
- Oskar Schindler's Factory
- Bernatka Footbridge
- Szeroka Street

3. Tyniec: <https://goo.gl/maps/xrJRCjHVGLCPFBXZ6>

Cycling along the Vistula River to the Benedictine Abbey in Tyniec. This is the most popular cycling route in the city. The scenic route runs mainly along the bike path by the river embankments. The path is very straightforward and enjoyable.

4. Nowa Huta <https://goo.gl/maps/eDitmnh8o8M2t2th8>

If during your stay in Kraków you plan to visit Nowa Huta, we recommend going there by bike. The ride from the Main Market Square to Ronald Reagan Central Square is a considerable distance, but the trip offers the chance to see the main attractions of Nowa Huta:

- Central Square
- Nowa Huta Meadows
- Nowa Huta Cultural Centre
- Róża Avenue
- Stylowa Restaurant
- Nowa Huta Reservoir
- T. Sędzimir Steelworks
- Wanda Mound
- Jan Matejko Manor

Rent a bike

At Grand Ascot, you can rent city bikes and easily reach the Vistula Boulevards or head toward Tyniec – ask our reception for details.
If you skip room service during your stay, you can get
1 day of bike rental FREE OF CHARGE

On our website, in the SPRING and SUMMER offers, bikes are free for 1 day

[Check the offer here](#)



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Plan a City Break in Krakow with Grand Ascot Hotel****



Book your stay in the center of Krakow



- **Hotel on a quiet street, 8 minutes on foot from the Main Market Square** (Szujskiego 4; Kraków)
- **Underground parking** – reservation required and additional fee applies
- **Pets welcomed** – 20% of the pet fee is donated to the “Przytulisko w Harbutowicach” foundation
- **Bike rental** – book the SPRING or SUMMER offer and get 1 day of bike rental FREE
- Comfortable rooms and apartments
- **Sauna and fitness room**
- **Unlimited access to drinking water 24/7 (still/ sparkling)** – water dispensers installed on every floor
- **FOUR Restaurant** – award-winning and highly regarded Kraków restaurant
- **Bar** – open daily until midnight
- Possibility to book **tours to Wieliczka and Auschwitz**

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Book a table at FOUR Restaurant



Polish products
Polish and European cuisine
Steaks / pasta / salads / soups ...



[Book a table](#)