

## TOUR OF POLAND MAY 2016

### **Day 1 – May 11 środa/Wed.**

10<sup>30</sup> – Pick up Group at the Airport and go to Old Town in Warsaw.

11<sup>00</sup> – Visit to Royal Castle and Old Town.

14<sup>30</sup> – Lunch followed by continued visit of Warsaw

17<sup>30</sup> – Departure to Sierpc.

19<sup>30</sup> – Arrival and Check into hotel in Sierpc. Supper

Note: This hotel has a sauna, pool and bowling alleys

### **Day 2 – May 12 czwartek/Thu**

8<sup>00</sup> – Breakfast

9<sup>00</sup> – Departure of people going on village visits, Box lunch provided.

The rest will visit the Open Air Ethnographic Museum in Sierpc

11<sup>00</sup> – Depart for Plock Archives.

12<sup>00</sup> – Lecture on archival materials in the Plock State Archives.

13<sup>30</sup>– Lunch

14<sup>30</sup>– Guided tour of Płock

18<sup>00</sup> – Departure to Ciechocinek

19<sup>00</sup> – Supper and hotel check-in in Ciechocinek (for those who wish, there is a possibility of going to a dance at the health spa)

### **Day 3 – May 13 piątek/Fri**

8<sup>00</sup> – Breakfast

9<sup>00</sup> – Guided tour of Ciechocinek

11<sup>00</sup> – Departure to Torun, noted for its Gothic architecture. Guided tour of Torun with a stop for lunch.

18<sup>00</sup> - Depart for Grudziądz.

19<sup>00</sup> – Hotel check in and supper

20<sup>30</sup> After supper a nighttime tour of the city for those who are interested.

#### **Day 4 – May 14 sobota/Sat**

7<sup>00</sup> - Breakfast

8<sup>00</sup> – Tour of Grudziądz (spichrza, wieża Klimek, kościół św. Mikołaja, sala Kawalerii w muzeum).

10<sup>00</sup> – Departure for Malbork.

11<sup>00</sup> – Visit to the Teutonic Knights Castle and special lunch on the castle grounds.

14<sup>30</sup> – Departure for Szymbark, visit the Education and Regional Tourist center in Szymbark

Ok. 19<sup>00</sup> Arrival at the hotel in Gdansk

20<sup>00</sup> – Check-in and supper

#### **Day 5 – May 15 niedziela/Sun**

8<sup>00</sup> - Breakfast

9<sup>00</sup> – Guided tour of Gdansk and lunch along the way. (Includes the Royal Route, St.Mary’s Basilica, Neptune Fountain, Solidarity Center etc.).

16<sup>00</sup> – Departure to Gdynia and the Immigration Museum, Visit the Cathedral and Park in Oliwa. Early evening arrival at the hotel, supper.

#### **Day 6 May 16 poniedziałek/Mon**

8<sup>00</sup> – Breakfast

9<sup>00</sup> – Departure to Nowy Dwor Gdański.

10<sup>00</sup> – Visit at the Zulawski Museum in Nowy Dwor.

11<sup>30</sup> – Departure for Olsztyn, brief visit of the Old Town, lunch at approx 1:30.

14<sup>30</sup> – Departure for Św. Lipka, brief visit and organ concert.

16<sup>30</sup> – Departure to Gizycko, brief town visit

18<sup>30</sup> – Departure to Suwałki.

20<sup>00</sup> – Hotel check-in and supper.

#### **Day 7 May 17 wtorek/Tue**

8<sup>00</sup> – Breakfast

9<sup>00</sup> – Village trips with box lunch provided

The rest of the group will visit the Basilica in Sejny, the monastery complex in Wigry, Suwałki, Wizajny, the coldest place in Poland, regional cheese tasting.

We will also view the point where the borders of three nations converge, the

bridges in Stancyki as well as Lake Hancza the deepest lake in Poland. Lunch along the way at approx. 1:30  
20<sup>00</sup> – Supper

### **Day 8 May 18 środa/Wed**

8<sup>00</sup> – Breakfast  
9<sup>00</sup> – Arrival at the port in Augustow.  
10<sup>00</sup> – Boat ride down the Augustow Canal  
12<sup>00</sup> – Visit the locks in Paniewo  
12<sup>30</sup> – Depart to Białystok via Suchowola (the geographical center of Europe) and Supraśl  
14<sup>30</sup> – Lunch.  
15<sup>30</sup> – Icon Museum in Suprasl  
16<sup>30</sup> - City tour of Białystok  
19<sup>30</sup>- Supper  
20<sup>30</sup> – Return to Supraśl.  
21<sup>00</sup> – Hotel check in.

### **Day 9 May 19 czwartek**

7<sup>30</sup> – Breakfast  
9<sup>00</sup> – Village trips with box lunch provided. The rest of the group will go to the Białystok Archdiocesan Museum and Archive.  
11<sup>30</sup> – 12<sup>30</sup> free time for shopping etc. for those not going to the archive (suggestion-stop in at the Wedel Chokolateria)  
12<sup>30</sup> City tour of Białystok and lunch. Visit to the stork village in Pentowo and the synagogue in Tykocin.  
Note: People returning from village trips should return to Tykocin.  
18<sup>30</sup> – Departure to Ostroleka.  
20<sup>30</sup>- Hotel check in and supper.  
(hotel has a paid Jacuzzi and sauna for those interested)

### **Day 10 May 20 piątek/Fri**

8<sup>00</sup> – Breakfast  
9<sup>00</sup> – Village trips with a box lunch provided  
the rest of the group will depart for Pułtusk  
10<sup>00</sup> – Guided tour of Pultusk with lunch (Castle of the Bishops of Plock, Old

Town, Basilica). Those who wish may visit the State Archives in Pultusk.

Note: Pultusk is New Britain's Sister City

16<sup>00</sup> - Return to the hotel. Free time.

18<sup>00</sup> – Special Festive Supper at the „Gospoda Pod Jemiołami”

ca. 23<sup>00</sup> – Return to hotel

### **Day 11 May 21 sobota/Sat**

8<sup>00</sup> – Breakfast

9<sup>00</sup> – Departure for Kadzidlo, folk art class on making “wycinanki” (paper cutouts). Visit the Outdoor Ethnographic Museum.

13<sup>00</sup> -Lunch.

14<sup>00</sup> – Departure to Drozdowo (Nature Museum Przyrody, manor house of the Noble Lutosławski family).

16<sup>00</sup> – Guided tour of Lomza (forts, cathedral, cemetery and Town Square).

Around 19<sup>30</sup> – return to the hotel in Ostroleka, supper.

### **Day 12 May 22 niedziela /Sun**

6<sup>30</sup> – Breakfast

7<sup>30</sup> – Departure for Warsaw. Visit to Wilanow Palace.

14<sup>00</sup> - Lunch

15<sup>00</sup> - Continued tour of Warsaw (Palace of Culture, Warsaw Uprising Museum).

19<sup>00</sup> - Supper

20<sup>00</sup> – Return to hotel

### **Day 13 May 23 poniedziałek/Mon**

8<sup>00</sup> - Breakfast

9<sup>00</sup> - Departure to airport and return to USA.

All times listed are approximate.