

# Poland

## Travel Facts



### US State Department Travel Advisory

The US State Department currently recommends US citizens exercise normal precautions in Poland.  
<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

### Passport/Visa Requirements

For the latest passport and visa requirements for this country, please consult the US State Department's "Learn About Your Destination" search tool, available through the link below.  
<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html>

### US Embassy/Consulate

[48] (22) 504-2000; US Embassy Warsaw, Aleje Ujazdowskie 29/31, 00-540  
Warsaw, Poland; acswarsaw@state.gov; <https://pl.usembassy.gov/>

### LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US State Department's International Travel page.  
<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html>

### Telephone Code

48

### Local Emergency Phone

112, 999

### Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Poland: hepatitis A, polio, tick-borne encephalitis, rabies, hepatitis B, influenza, COVID-19, pneumonia, meningitis, chickenpox, shingles, Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) and measles, mumps and rubella (MMR). <http://www.who.int/>

### Climate

Temperate with cold, cloudy, moderately severe winters with frequent precipitation; mild summers with frequent showers and thundershowers

### Currency (Code)

Zlotych (PLN)

### Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, E



Type C



Type E

### Major Languages

Polish, Silesian

### Major Religions

Catholic (includes Roman Catholic, Greek Catholic, Armenian Catholic, and Byzantine-Slavic Catholic), Orthodox, Protestant

### Time Difference

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins last Sunday in March, ends last Sunday in October

### Potable Water

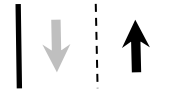
Opt for bottled water

### International Driving Permit

Suggested

### Road Driving Side

Right



### Tourist Destinations

Gdansk Old Town; Bialowieza Forest; Wieliczka & Bochnia Royal Salt Mine; Malbork Castle; Slowinski Sand Dunes; Masurian Lakeland; Wawel Castle & Cathedral; Krakow; Warsaw (includes Wilanow Palace, Palace on the Water); Auschwitz

### Major Sports

Soccer, motorsports, volleyball, ski jumping, track and field

### Cultural Practices

Jaywalking, drinking in public places and smoking in non-designated areas are all generally frowned upon. People are expected to be punctual in both professional and social situations.

### Tipping Guidelines

Tipping is expected for good service in restaurants, especially in tourist areas such as Krakow or Warsaw. The norm is to tip around 10-15%. Hotel housekeepers do not expect a tip, but leaving a small amount (10 zlotych), is appreciated. Tipping a tour driver 10-15% is customary.

### Souvenirs

Amber jewelry and decorative items, natural linen, painted ceramic pottery and stoneware, traditional costumes, vodka

### Traditional Cuisine

Bigos — a stew of white cabbage, sauerkraut (fermented cabbage), mushrooms, tomatoes, ham, and meats such as pork, beef, veal, bacon, or venison; Pierogi — small dumplings stuffed with either savory or sweet fillings including cheese, onions, ground meat, mushrooms, potatoes, sauerkraut, or various berries

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