



# Kraków – Wrocław – Berlin

## EXCLUSIVELY FOR YIVO

JULY 1 – JULY 12, 2022

Journey with noted historian Dr. Samuel Kassow and acclaimed Australian Jewish author Arnold Zable as we examine the fascinating ways Jewish culture was shaped in these lands. The Study Tour will kick off with Kraków's hugely popular Jewish Culture Festival. We will travel via Częstochowa to Wrocław, formerly Breslau, with its beautiful White Stork Synagogue. Then via Dresden on to Berlin, staying at the storied Hotel Adlon.

In Berlin we will go to the Jewish Museum Berlin and meet with its Director, visit Wannsee, and Sanssouci. We will meet young Jews who are reestablishing and reinvigorating these communities. We will also examine the role that Eastern European Jews played in Berlin's enormously popular cabaret and film scene in the '20s and '30s, topping it off with a performance at the Komische Oper of an all singing-and-dancing Yiddish revue!

*The tour will be chaired by Irene Pletka, vice-chair of the YIVO Board of Directors.*

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**\$5,901** per person, double occupancy | **\$1,590** single supplement

# ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

## **EARLY ARRIVALS / THURSDAY, JUNE 30 / ARRIVAL IN KRAKÓW**

- Transfers from airport to the hotel
- Check-in at the hotel
- Evening Concert: “Alibi Folk. A Return to Yiddish World. The Alibi Sisters”
- Hotel Stay

## **DAY 1 / FRIDAY, JULY 1 / ARRIVAL IN KRAKÓW**

- Transfers from airport to the hotel
- Check-in at the hotel
- Czartoryski Museum and Ghetto Heroes Square with Piotr Lewicki
- PM Galicia Jewish Museum: Discussion. Chris Schwarz Memorial Lecture: Choice and Human Behavior in the Holocaust with Jan Tomasz Gross, Michał Bilewicz, moderated by Krzysztof Persak
- Tempel Synagogue: Concert: “Bajgelman, Get to Tango.”
- Shabbat Dinner at the JCC
- Hotel Stay

## **DAY 2 / SATURDAY, JULY 2 / KRAKÓW**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Schindler’s Museum
- JCC: Debate Latke vs. Hamantaschen
- Wawel Castle – Private apartments of Polish royalty
- Dinner
- Hotel Stay

## **DAY 3 / SUNDAY, JULY 3 / KRAKÓW**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Walking tour in Kazimierz
- Lunch at Dwór Sieraków Manor
- Wieliczka Salt Mine
- Return to Kraków in the late afternoon
- Hotel Stay

## **DAY 4 / MONDAY, JULY 4 / KRAKÓW – ZAKOPANE – KRAKÓW**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Excursion to Zakopane in the Tatra Mountains
- Brief stop en route in Chochołów
- Cog-wheel train to Gubałówka Mountain
- Lunch
- Walk in Old Zakopane
- Return to Kraków in the late afternoon
- Hotel Stay

## **DAY 5 / TUESDAY, JULY 5 / KRAKÓW – CZĘSTOCHOWA – WROCŁAW (formerly known as Breslau)**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transfer to Częstochowa
- Visit Częstochowa
- Transfer to Wrocław
- Check-in at the hotel
- Dinner
- Evening cruise
- Monopol Hotel

## **DAY 6 / WEDNESDAY, JULY 6 / WROCŁAW**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Walking tour in Wrocław Old Town
- Lunch at Wrocław University and the Jewish Studies program with international scholars
- The White Stork Synagogue
- Performance at the White Stork Synagogue with Bente Kahan & Arnold Zable
- Monopol Hotel

## **DAY 7 / THURSDAY, JULY 7 / WROCŁAW – DRESDEN – BERLIN**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Departure for Dresden
- Lunch upon arrival
- Dresden and the Third Reich
- The Police Headquarters, old Dresden Synagogue memorial (outside view of the new synagogue), Brühl's Terrace (Architecture of the Third Reich), Schloßplatz, Theaterplatz (formerly Adolf-Hitler-Platz), Zwinger – the pomp and splendor in the Third Reich
- Continue to Berlin
- Topography of Terror
- Check-in at the hotel
- Adlon Hotel

## **DAY 8 / FRIDAY, JULY 8 / BERLIN**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Brandenburg Gate, Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe, Checkpoint Charlie, Jewish Quarter: Rosenstraße Memorial, Otto Weidt Workshop for the Blind, Oranienburger Neue Synagogue
- Rykestraße Synagogue
- Lunch
- Lauder Foundation with CEO Josh Spinner
- Adlon Hotel

## **DAY 9 / SATURDAY, JULY 9 / BERLIN**

- Breakfast at the hotel
- German Historical Museum
- Lunch
- Berlin Jewish Museum with Director Hetty Berg
- Adlon Hotel

## DAY 10 / SUNDAY, JULY 10 / BERLIN

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Excursion to Potsdam
- Cecilienhof
- Lunch
- Sanssouci
- Return to Berlin in the afternoon
- Barrie Kosky's All-Singing, All-Dancing Yiddish Revue
- Adlon Hotel

## DAY 11 / MONDAY, JULY 11 / BERLIN

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Wannsee Villa
- Grunewald Station
- Liebermann Villa and Art Gallery
- Pergamon Museum: Babylonian & Assyrian exhibition
- Cabaret Culture around Ku'Dam
- Farewell dinner
- Adlon Hotel

## DAY 12 / TUESDAY, JULY 12 / KRAKÓW – HOME FLIGHTS

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Transfers to the airport

*\* Itinerary is subject to change.*

*\* Dietary restrictions will be accommodated if possible.*

**\*\* Please see visa information on page 6.**



# RATES

**\$5,901** per person, double occupancy

**\$1,590** single supplement

*\* Based on a minimum of 14 participants. If more than fourteen people sign up, the cost per person will be reduced.*

## **THE PRICE IS BASED UPON THE FOLLOWING INCLUDED SERVICES:**

- All private services throughout the tour
- All transfers on arrival and departure day (July 1 and July 12)
- Full time Tour Director (Dariusz Kuzniar)
- Deluxe hotel accommodations in Kraków, Wrocław, and Berlin
- Daily breakfast buffet at the hotels
- 7 lunches
- 4 dinners (alcoholic beverages are not included)
- All entrance fees as per the program
- All taxes and fees
- Tips (except to drivers, guides and Tour Director)

## **NOT INCLUDED SERVICES:**

- Flights to and from Europe
- Transfers on other days than the announced arrival and departure dates
- Pre- or post-tour hotels or other arrangements
- Meals and services not mentioned
- Tips to guides and drivers
- Travel insurance – mandatory
- Any personal expenses

## **PAYMENT:**

To sign up for the tour, each traveler must complete a reservation form. Upon receipt of the reservation, YIVO will issue an invoice. The first installment (50%) is due upon registration, and the second and final installment no later than May 17th (45 days prior to departure).

## **CANCELLATION AND REFUND:**

For all cancellations, we will refund payment less the following cancellation fees:

<u>Prior to the departure</u>	<u>Cancellation fee</u>
60 to 46 days	\$2000 per person
45 to 31 days	\$2500 per person
30 days or less	Full Payment

## **CHANGES:**

Participants requiring individual travel arrangements in conjunction with this tour must inform the Tour Operator as early as possible. Individual arrangements can be made pre- or post-tour. All expenses involved with individual travel arrangements will be the responsibility of the individual traveler.

## MEALS:

Breakfasts are served buffet-style at the hotels. Other meals are served at restaurants or at the hotels and are based upon set menus reflecting local traditions. However, alternatives are provided for travelers requiring special meals, such as vegetarian or fish options. Lunches will vary according to the time and the place. Alcoholic beverages are not included.



## AIRPORT TRANSFERS:

Momentum Tours & Travel offers complimentary transfers on the listed arrival and departure dates. These are July 1, 2022, and July 12, 2022. For pre-tour arrivals or post-tour departures, individual transfers, hotels, or other services can be arranged upon request and must be paid directly to Momentum Tours & Travel by the individual travelers.

## TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN:

**Due to the uncertainty of COVID, travel insurance is mandatory.** Momentum Tours & Travel sells travel insurance on behalf of TravelSafe.

TravelSafe offers the option to waive pre-existing conditions if the purchase of insurance is made at the time of initial payment (deposit or other payments). Purchase of insurance can be canceled free of cost within 21 days. TravelSafe also offers insurance with a “cancel for any reason” option. Questions about travel insurance must be made directly to Momentum Tours. Participants may purchase travel insurance from other providers. Please note that travel insurance providers have different rules regarding coverage and how pre-existing conditions can be waived. It is up to the individual traveler to obtain and review the rules for all policies.

## PASSPORT AND VISA:

Visas are **not** required for this departure. Each traveler must possess a valid passport. The passport must be valid for at least six months after the tour has been completed.

## TRAVEL DURING COVID:

The safety and security of our participants are of the utmost importance. Travel is currently open for residents from the United States. Our tour will be following rules and regulations set forth by local government officials. Trip participants will agree to abide by all COVID protocols set forth by both governing bodies, our tour operator, and by YIVO staff. Travel always assumes some risks, and participants are aware of the medical risks associated with travel. This trip is subject to COVID protocol updates, changes, and cancellation.

Momentum Tours and YIVO can under no circumstances be held responsible for any COVID-related outbreaks that affect your travels. Due to COVID, we require that each traveler purchase travel insurance. Prior to the flight back to the United States, a negative COVID test is required (subject to change).

## DISCLAIMER:

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