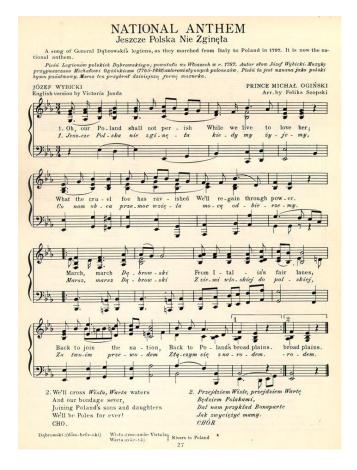






National Anthem





Current official lyrics

Jeszcze Polska nie zginęła,
Kiedy my żyjemy.
Co nam obca przemoc wzięła,
Szablą odbierzemy.
Marsz, marsz, Dąbrowski,
Z ziemi włoskiej do Polski.
Za twoim przewodem

Przejdziem Wisłę, przejdziem Wartę, Będziem Polakami. Dał nam przykład Bonaparte,

Złączym się z narodem.

Jak zwyciężać mamy.

Marsz, marsz...

Jak Czarniecki do Poznania Po szwedzkim zaborze, Dla ojczyzny ratowania Wrócim się przez morze.

Marsz, marsz...

Już tam ojciec do swej Basi Mówi zapłakany — Słuchaj jeno, pono nasi Biją w tarabany.

Marsz, marsz...

English translation

Poland has not yet perished,
So long as we still live.
What the alien force has taken from us,
We shall retrieve with a sabre.
March, march, Dąbrowski,
From the Italian land to Poland.
Under your command
We shall rejoin the nation.
We'll cross the Vistula and the Warta,
We shall be Polish.

Bonaparte has given us the example Of how we should prevail.

March, march...

Like Czarniecki to Poznań
After the Swedish occupation,
To save our homeland,
We shall return across the sea.

March, march...

A father, in tears,
Says to his Basia
Listen, our boys are said

To be beating the tarabans.

March, march...



Some Facts about Poland

- Poland is located in central Europe.
- It has a population of 38 million people.
- It's largest River is the Vistula or Wisla in Polish.
- Warsaw is the capital city.
- Poland is divided into 16 districts called Viovodship
- Poland is famous for its Vodka
- The largest mountain range is the Tatra Mountain range and its highest peak is Rysy which is 2499 metres high.
- The Poles speak a Slavic language, English is the most popular foreign language in Poland.
- Most people live in the cities.
- There are a large number of cities: Warsaw, Krakow, Gdansk, Lodz, Poznan, Wroclaw.



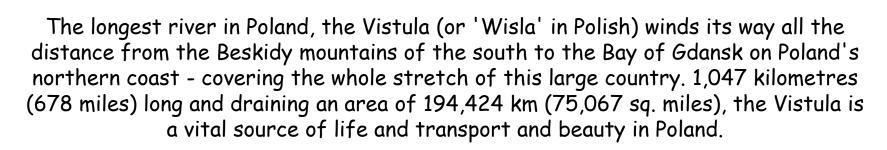
POLAND'S LOCATION AND NEIGHBOURS

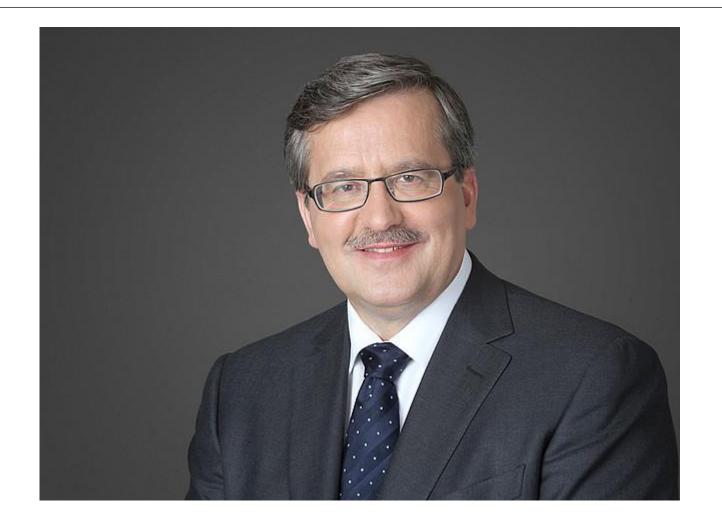




Vistula River







Polish President Bronislaw Komorowski



Prime Minister Ewa Kopacz



Warsaw



Warsaw is the capital city of Poland. It is located on the river Vistula in east central Poland roughly 260 kilometres from the Baltic sea and 300 Kilometres from the Carpathian mountains.

Warsaw



Lazienki Park



Palace of Culture and Science





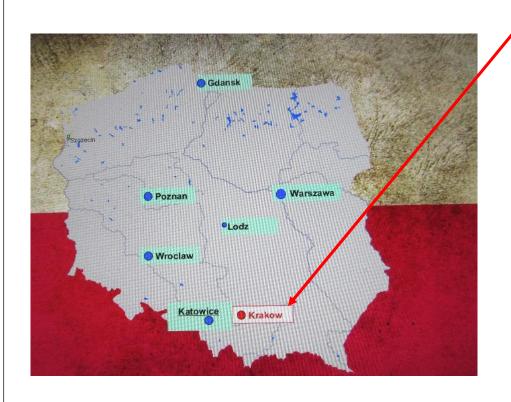
Army Museum Warsaw





Pollin Museum History of the Polish Jews Warsaw

Kraków

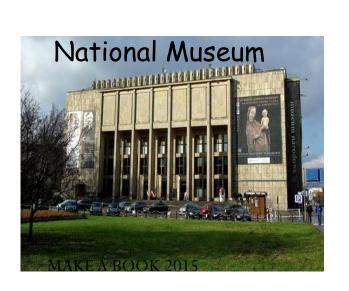


Kraków also Cracow, is the second largest and one of the oldest cities in Poland.
Situated on the Vistula River, the city dates back to the 7th century.

Kraków



Main Square





St Mary's Basilica







St. Florian's Gate

St. Florian's Gate or Florian Gate in Kraków, Poland, is one of the bestknown Polish Gothic towers, and a focal point of Kraków's Old Town.





Spodek

Spodek is a multipurpose arena complex in Katowice, Poland, opened in 1971. Capacity 11,500









Famous Painting



- In Cracow there is a unique painting by Leonardo Da Vinci
- "Lady with Ermine"

Gdansk





This city is popular with both tourist and holiday destination. Situated by the sea, it has a lovely climate and beautiful beaches. A famous seaside resort Sopot is nearby.

In 1980 it saw the birth of the Solidarity movement, which brought about the end of Communism.

Gdańsk



St. Mary's Church



Old Town



Artus Court

Sand Sculpting





This is great fun and now in its fourth year, a well-known feature of the Gdańsk summer. Last year featured symbols of Gdańsk, buildings from the old town made from sand, there are also statues of famous people like: Lech Wałęsa, Pope John Paul II, Martin Luther King, Nelson Mandela, Mother Theresa, Bono and Brad Pitt all made using 2000 tons of sand.

Sand Sculptures







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Poznan

Poznań known also by other historical names is a city on the Warta river in west-central Poland.



Miejski Stadium



Lake Malta MAKEA BOOK 2015

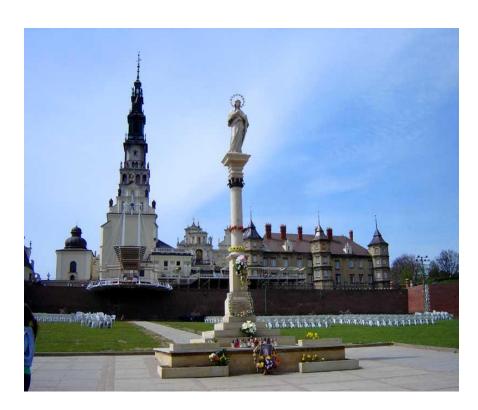


Imperial Castle





CZESTOCHOWA



Czestochowa is an important pilgrimage destination. The icon known as Black Madonna of Czestochowa crowned in 1656 as the Queen and Protector of Poland is credited with many miracles.



Katowice

Katowice is a city in south western Poland. It has a population of about 2 million. It is also the birthplace of Pope Jan Pawel 11



Silesian Museum



Cathedral of Christ the King

Bydgoszcz

Bydgoszcz is a city located in northern Poland, on the Brada and Vistula rivers. With a city population of 363,926.

Bydgoszcz is the 8th-largest city in Poland.



Man Crossing River Statue



Church of the Holy Cross

Łódź

Łódź is the third-largest city in Poland. Located in the central part of the country. It is the capital of Łódź Voivodeship, and is approximately 135 kilometres south-west of Warsaw.





Grand Theatre

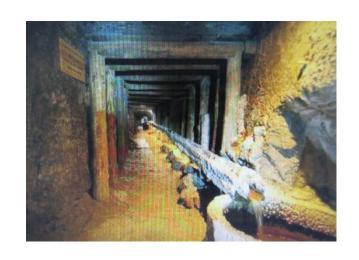
Alexander Nevsky Cathedral

Oswiecim (Auschwitz)



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- Over 6,000,000 Polish civilians died during the war, of which 2,900,000 were Jewish.
- During World War II in the largest Nazi extermination camp around 1.5 million people perished.



The Zloty is the official currency in Poland



Currency Zlotych

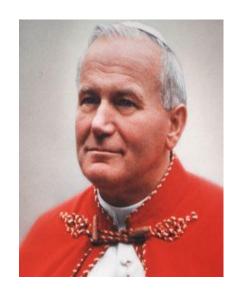




Famous People



Soccer Player -Robert Lewandowski



Pope John Paul II



Frederic Chopin Pianist

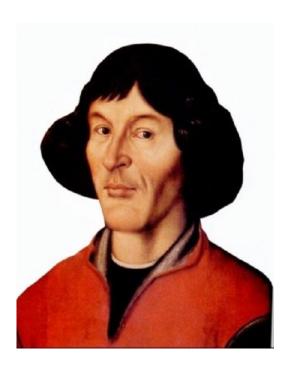
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Wojciech Szczesny Soccer Player



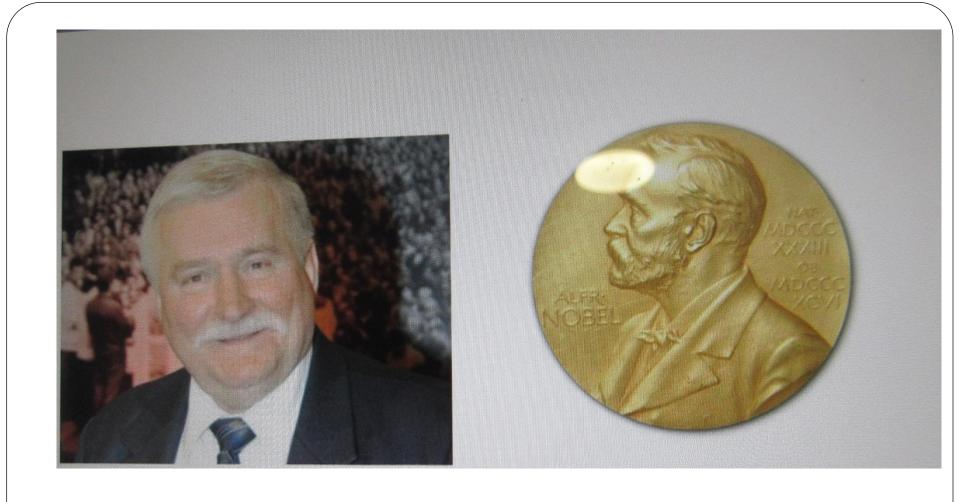
Madame Curie Scientist



Nicolaus Copernicus
Astronomer



The Fryderyk Chopin Museum - Warsaw



Lech Walesa founder member of the Solidarity Movement in the 1980's which brought about the end of communism. He was elected President of Poland 1990-1995.

He won the Nobel Peace Prize 1983

Famous People



Ola Jordan Dancer



Joanna Krupa Model



Ross Martin Actor

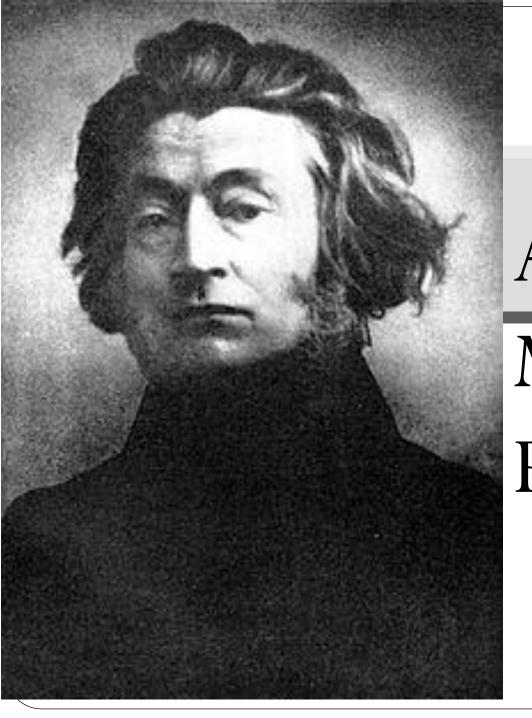
Mirosław Hermaszewski.



Kamil Stoch

Ski jumper
Kamil Wiktor Stoch is a Polish ski
jumper. He is the 2013 World Champion
on the large hill and the 2014 double
Olympic champion on the normal and
large hills. He also competed in the 2006
and 2010 Winter Olympics.



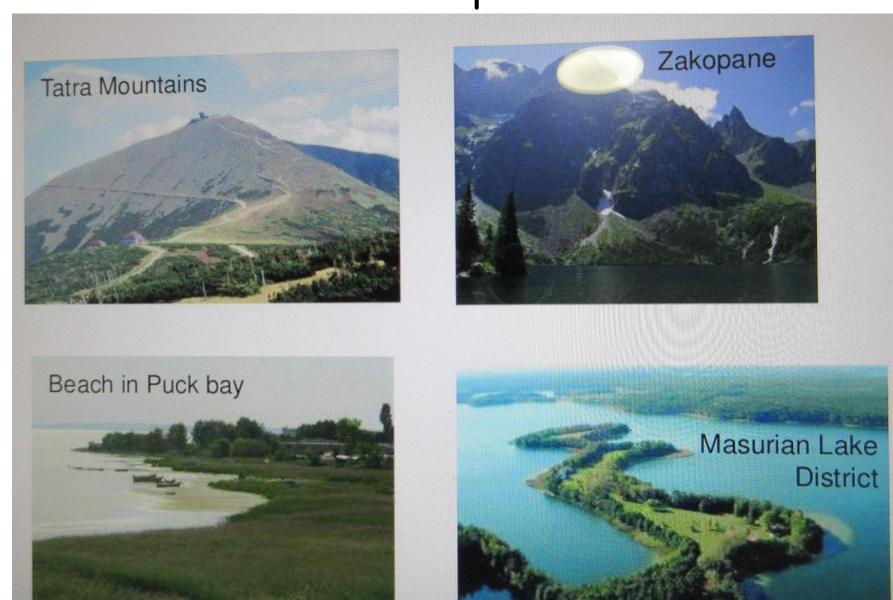


Adam

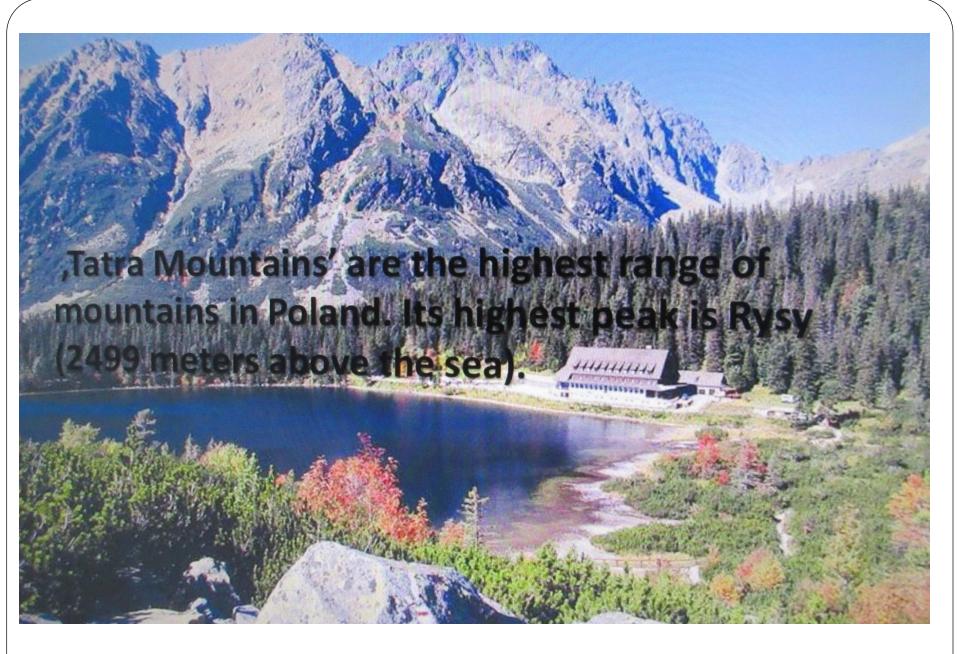
Mickiewicz.

Poet

The Landscape



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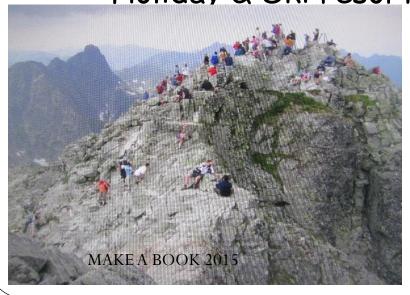


Zakopane



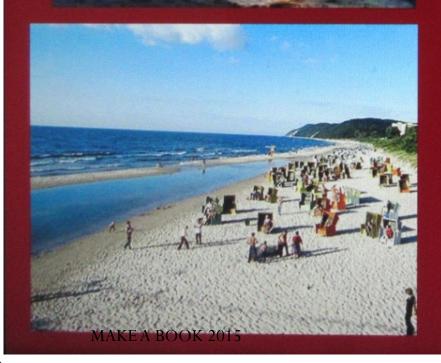


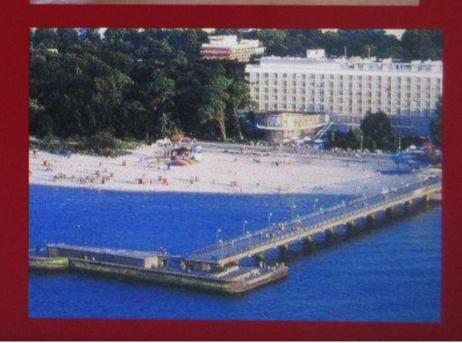
Holiday & Ski resort in the Tatra Mountains.













Kompot • Compote

Piwo • Beer 2015

Polish Drinks



Oranzada · Orangeade



Nalewki • Liqueurs



Wodka • Vodka



Miod pitny • Mead

Polish Food



Pierogi (dumplings)



Kielbaso (sausage)



Zurek served in bread (soup)



Zapiekanka (halved baguette)



Golabki (cabbage roll)



Bigos (meat and cabbage stew)



Polish Fashion

Next to Paris, Milan, London and Antwerp, <u>Warsaw</u> could very well be the next major European fashion capital.

Fashion and folklore apparel in Poland has been influenced by the resources available, and also by the other cultures such as. German, Czech, Russian, Lithuanian, Hungarian, and other influences. There are roughly 60 unique costumes attributed to the different areas in Poland, each region of Poland has its own local traditional dress.





Polish Traditional Dress







Traditional Costume

Polish head cover

Traditional Dancers

Paper cut outs from Poland are renowned throughout the world for their artistic ingenuity.. The cut outs are used specially for Christmas and Easter home decoration. An interesting off shoot of this art is the wafer cut outs. Flour and water are the basic raw material out of which Polish women, devoid of any fine art training, shape designs of astonishing beauty.







Wycinanki was traditionally used by Polish peasants to decorate their cottages and they often depicted scenes from daily life, such as weddings or holidays. This beautiful art form is still popular and widely practised in two regions of Poland, Kurpie and Lowicz.



POLISH PAINTINGS





Thanatos (Malczewski)

Battle of Grunwald (Jan Matejko)



Women Coast's (Duda Gracz)



Royal jester (Jan Matejko)

POLISH FESTIVALS

November 1st All Saint's Day

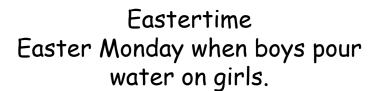
November 30th St Andrew's
Day People pour wax
through keyholes & predict
the future from wax
figures.





POLISH FESTIVALS

21ST March First Day of Spring. The Drowning of Marzanna (A doll made of straw which is the symbol of Winter)





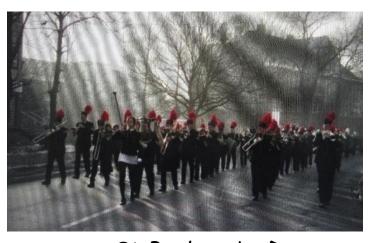


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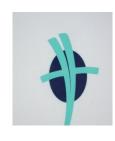
Santa Claus Day December 6th.





St Barbara's Day December 4th Traditional Day of Coal Miners







SCHOOL OF THE DIVINE CHILD BALLINTEMPLE CORK



