

# The Castle School

## History Tour to Berlin & Kraków

4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> April 2020



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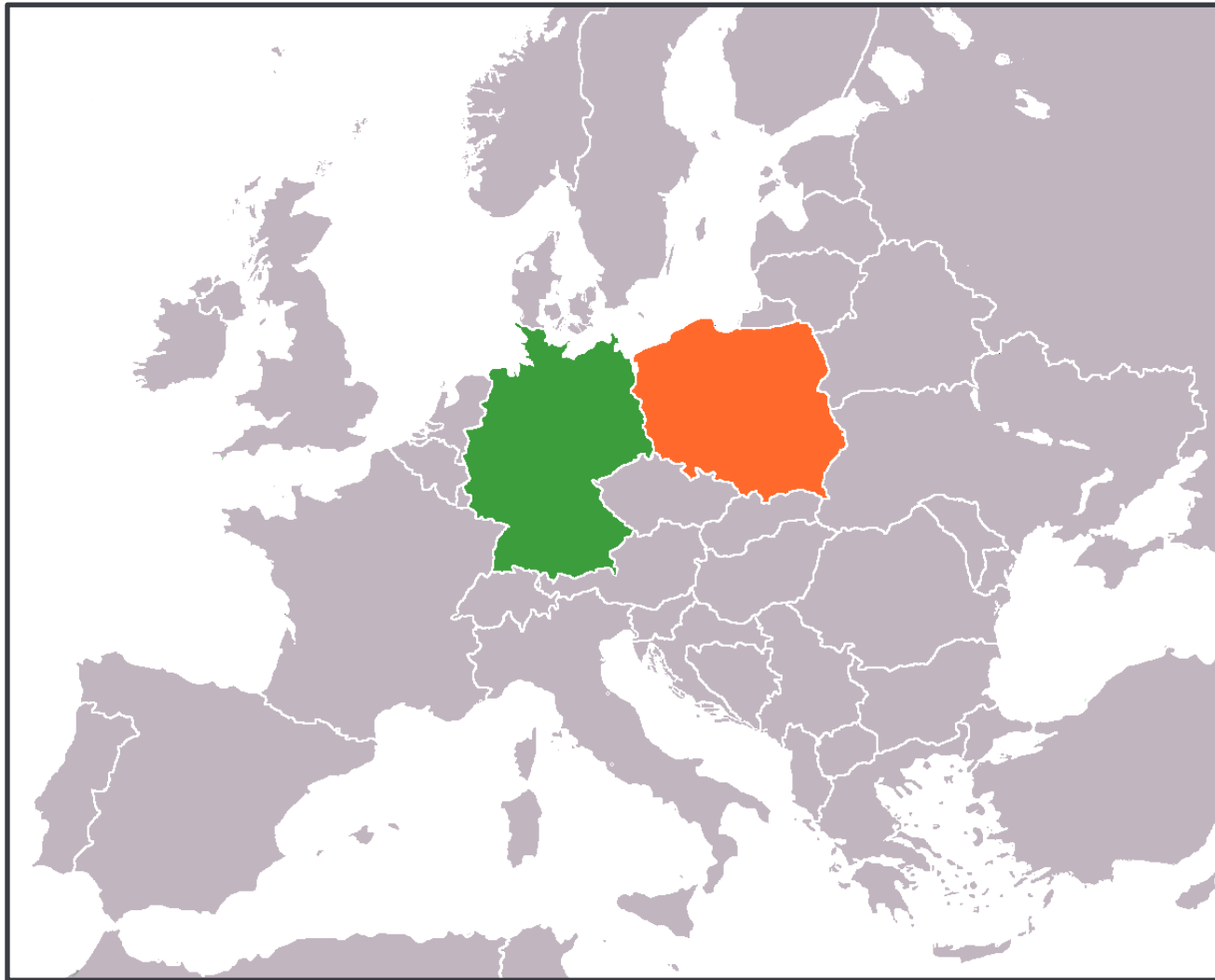
# The Rayburn Tours Difference

## The Rayburn Tours Team

- A family-run company
- Unforgettable international experiences for young people
- Over **50 years'** experience
- Team of **90 dedicated specialists**
- Delivering on promises of safety, support, service and experience time and time again

## Our Customers

- Taking care of the travel arrangements for **23,000 young people** each year
- Average customer service rating of **4.8 out of 5**



Map of Germany and Poland





# Key Information

- 5 day, 4 night tour
- Flight from London Gatwick to Berlin Schönefeld (Return from Kraków Airport)
- 2 nights' accommodation at the **Meininger Hotel Berlin Central Station**
- 1 night's coach travel from Berlin to **Kraków** (9 hours travel)
- 1 night's accommodation at the **Wilga Hotel Kraków**
- Meals are included on a **Half Board** basis (breakfast and packed lunch)
- All excursions listed in your provisional itinerary
- Comprehensive Endsleigh travel insurance is included

# Accommodation in Berlin:

## Meininger Hotel Berlin Central Station



# Accommodation in Krakow: Wilga Hotel



# Outbound Travel Arrangements

We will meet at SCAT bus stop at 1am for a 1:15 leaving time.

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020

06.20hrs Check in opens at London Gatwick Airport (North Terminal)

08.20hrs Easyjet Flight EJU8209 departs for Berlin Schönefeld Airport

11.30hrs Flight arrives at **Berlin Schönefeld Airport**

15kg of hold luggage is allowed per person



# Day 1 – Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020

- 12.30hrs            Group loads luggage onto coach and departs for Meininger Hotel
- 13.15hrs            Group arrives at **Meininger Hotel**
- 13.45hrs            Group departs for **Hackescher Markt** using public transport (+ free time for lunch)
- 15.00hrs            Meet **Insider Tour Guides** for a 3hr walking tour of Berlin
- 18.00hrs            Evening meal in central Berlin before returning to the Hotel

# Day 2 – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2020

- Breakfast at Meininger Hotel and collect packed lunches
- 10.15hrs **House of the Wannsee Conference** – permanent exhibition of **The Wannsee Villa** where the final solution to exterminate the Jews of Europe was contracted
- 12.15hrs **Platform 17 Memorial** – former freight station which was a major site of Jewish deportation from Berlin (+ free time for lunch)
- 14.00hrs **Sachsenhausen** 2-hour guided tour – Nazi concentration camp from 1936-1945 and Soviet disciplinary camp from August 1945 to March 1950.
- 17.00hrs **Jewish Museum** – museum dedicated to Jewish history and culture
- 18.30hrs Evening meal in central Berlin before returning to the Hotel

# Day 3 – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020

- Breakfast at Meininger Hotel and collect packed lunches
- 11.00hrs            **Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe** (Holocaust Memorial)
- 12.15hrs            Sightseeing in the **Tiergarten** (+ free time for lunch)
- 15.00hrs            **German Resistance Memorial Museum** – site of the attempted coup to overthrow the Nazi regime in 1944
- 17.00hrs            Free time around **Kurfürstendamm** – famous shopping street
- 18.00hrs            Evening meal at the **Hard Rock Café**
- 20.15hrs            **Reichstag dome and rooftop terrace** – Seat of the German parliament
- 22.30hrs            Coach departs for the overnight journey to Kraków (approx. 9 hours)

# Day 4 – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2020

- 07.30hrs Coach arrives at the **Hotel Wilga** in **Kraków**
- 08.30hrs Breakfast at Hotel Wilga or nearby café
- 09.30hrs Suggested walk into the Kraków Old Town to explore the main sights, including: **Cloth Hall, St Mary's Church, Wawel Castle, Wawel Dragon Statue, Jagiellonian University** (+ free time for lunch)
- 13.00hrs Coach departs for **Auschwitz I & Auschwitz II-Birkenau**
- 14.30hrs Coach arrives at **Auschwitz I** for a guided tour followed by a guided visit to **Auschwitz II-Birkenau**
- 17.30hrs Coach departs for **Kraków**
- 18.30hrs Coach arrives in **Kraków**
- 18.45hrs Evening meal in **Kraków Old Town**

# Day 5 – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2020

Breakfast at Hotel Wilga and collect packed lunches

- 08.00hrs Meet local guide at Hotel Wilga for the **Schindler's Route Walking Tour** – including visits to the Schindler Factory Museum, Synagogue and Jewish Cemetery
- 13.00hrs Coach departs for Kraków Airport
- 13.45hrs Check in opens at Kraków Airport
- 15.45hrs Easyjet Flight EZY8514 departs for London Gatwick (North Terminal)
- 17.20hrs Easyjet Flight EZY8514 arrives at London Gatwick (North Terminal)

# Walking tour of Berlin



# House of the Wannsee Conference



# Sachsenhausen Memorial and Museum





# Jewish Museum



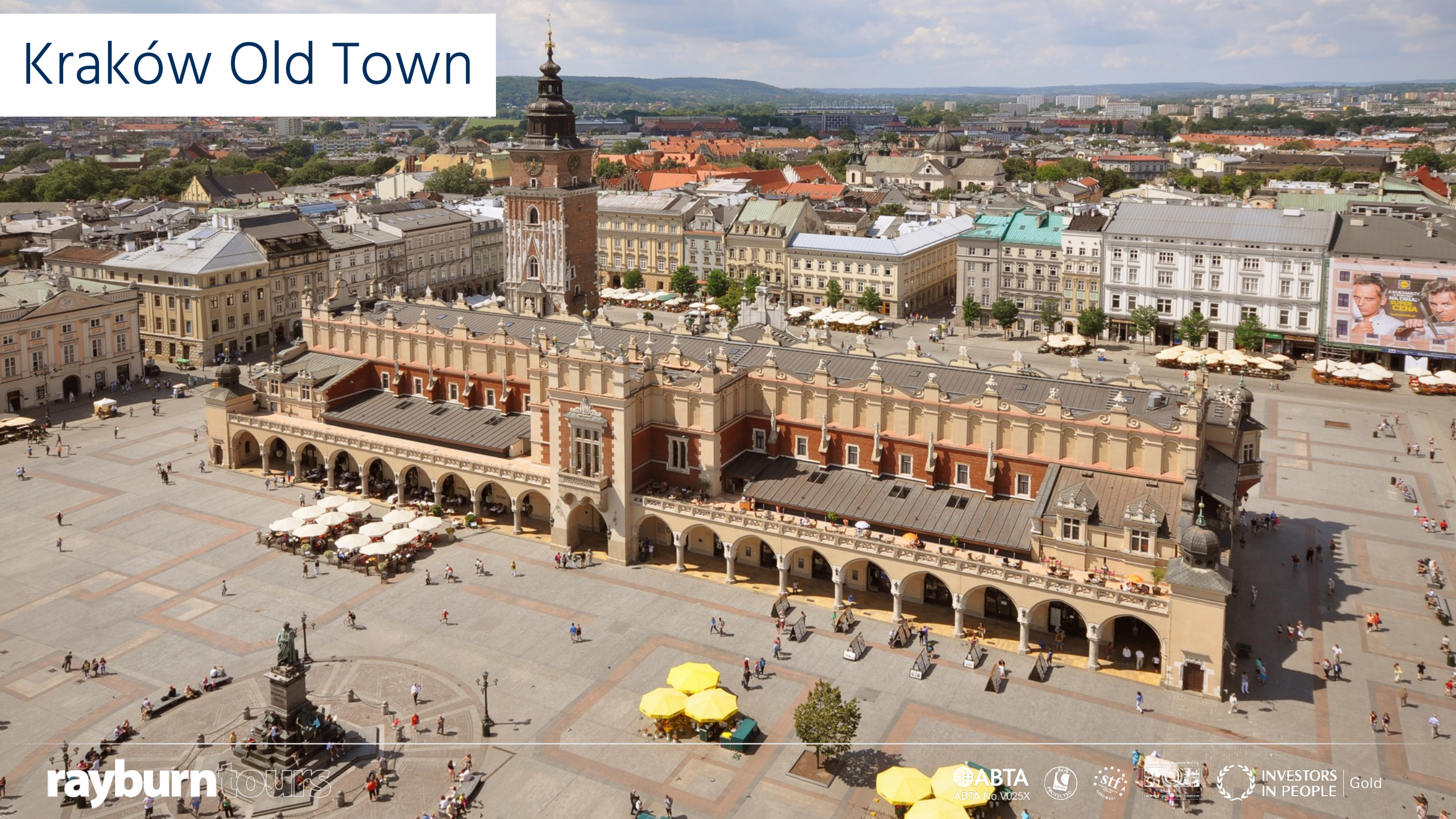
# Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe





# The Reichstag

# Kraków Old Town



# Wawel Castle



# Auschwitz I



# Auschwitz II-Birkenau



# Schindler's Route Walking Tour





# Inbound Travel Arrangements

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15:45hrs            Easyjet Flight EZY8514 departs for London Gatwick Airport (North Terminal)

17:20hrs            Flight arrives at London Gatwick Airport (North Terminal)

# Safety Matters

- Passenger safety on tour is paramount
- All aspects of safety and risk on tour are carefully monitored
- Rayburn Tours are founding committee members of the **School Travel Forum (STF)**
- In-house Health and Safety Manager
- Partnerships with external health and safety organisations

# Safety Management System

Robust Safety Management System includes:

- A guide to Safety and Risk Management on Tour
- Accommodation and Coach Operator Audits
- Crisis Management System
- 24-hour on-tour emergency contact
- DBS checked staff, couriers and coach drivers



# Financial Security

Rayburn Tours offers additional peace of mind with financial security in the form of:

## ABTA Bonding

- Ensures that in the unlikely event of a tour operator failure your money is financially protected and can be recouped.
- If on tour, assistance will be available to ensure the tour can be completed and you are returned home.



## ATOL Licensing

- When booking a flight tour, ATOL membership ensures that in the unlikely event of a tour operator failure your money is financially protected and can be recouped.
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# Insurance

- Rayburn Tours is a partner of Endsleigh Insurance Services Limited, who specialise in cover for young people.
- Further details regarding insurance, including full details of Endsleigh insurance cover are available at [www.rayburntours.com](http://www.rayburntours.com)



# Your Child's Learning & Development

- With 100% of educational experiences tailored to complement the **National Curriculum, GCSE and A level** specifications (or equivalent), you can be confident that your child's learning needs will be supported.
- The quality of these educational experiences is reinforced by the Learning Outside the Classroom accreditation

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# Questions?