



POLAND
POLSKA



Poland Facts

- **Poland, officially named the Republic of Poland, is a country located in Eastern Europe. Poland has lots of very rich history and has a population of around 38.5 million people, making it the fifth most populous country in the European Union. Poland is a very interesting country with lots to learn about.**



The capital of Poland is Warsaw

- Poland is home to many key cities such as Kraków, Gdańsk and Łódź, however, Warsaw is Poland's capital city. Warsaw stands on the largest river in Poland, the Vistula, and it's estimated that the population of the city is around 1.8 million people. A resident of Warsaw is known as a Varsovian.



Poland has a very famous salt mine

- **Poland is also home to a huge tourist attraction called the “Wieliczka” Salt Mine. The mines are the largest underground attraction in Europe. While the mines are a tourist attraction, they were actually used to excavate table salt continuously from the 13th century to 2007. These fantastic salt mines actually contain an entire underground society. There are several chapels inside the mine with religious symbols carved from salt. There are natural lakes and even a restaurant where guests can go to eat. Every room inside the salt mines is carved from salt and there is even the opportunity to stay overnight in the mine itself. The salt mines have existed for over seven centuries and have welcomed over 45 million guests.**

Wieliczka



Poland has diverse land and climate

- **There are many types of landscapes in Poland. Ranging from beaches, hills and even mountain ranges. There are three major mountain ranges and these are largely located in the southern region of Poland. This diverse landscape is accompanied by a diverse climate. Poland has warm summers that can reach very hot temperatures, while in winter the mountains become snow-covered. More than half of the land in Poland is used for crops. Poland is also considered the European capital of horse breeding. There are also many animals that are native to Poland which include, deer, wild pigs, gophers, wild cats and elks.**



The Polish alphabet has 32 letters

Unlike the English alphabet that is made up of only 26 letters, the Polish alphabet has 32! The alphabet is very similar to the English one as it is based off of the Latin alphabet, however, there are a few extra letters that have diacritics which appear differently and require a different pronunciation.

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A a U	Ą ą ON, OM	B b B	C c TS	Ć ć CH
D d D	E e E	Ę ę EN, EM	F f F	G g G
H h CH	I i I	J j Y	K k K	L l L
Ł ł W	M m M	N n N	Ń ń NY	O o O
Ó ó U	P p P	R r R	S s S	Ś ś SH
T t T	U u U	W w V	Y y Y	Z z Z
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Poland is bordered by 7 countries

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- Poland is central to Europe, and it is bordered by 7 other countries. These countries are Germany, the Czech Republic, Ukraine, Slovakia, Lithuania, Belarus and Russia. Where the southern border is mountainous, the northern border is surrounded by the Baltic Sea coast. Poland was actually only established as its own independent country on November third, 1918.