

POLISH FOLKLORE IN CHOPIN'S MUSIC



There is evident connection of Chopin's environment with the artist's work. The landscape, customs, folk music – Chopin was meeting from his birth, have branded his work and decided that folklore played enormous role in many of his compositions, especially in dances. Mazurkas and Polonaises are samples of distinctly Polish works. Nevertheless Chopin did not use folk tune literally, he rather created in its mood.

Day 1 – WARSAW

Arrival to Warsaw. Transfer to your hotel and accommodation. In the afternoon – walking the Old Town streets, after we invite you for dinner at a local restaurant with folk band presenting dances and songs from Mazovia region (can be noticed evident influence of folk music on Chopin's work). Return to the hotel for overnight.

Day 2 – WARSAW OF FREDERICK CHOPIN

After breakfast guided tour and we visit places connected with life and creation of Frederick Chopin: Czapski Palace with the Chopins' drawing room, Church of St. Cross where the urn with Chopin's heart is buried, Ostrogski Palace with Chopin's museum, Royal Łazienki Park with Chopin's monument. Lunch. In the afternoon unforgettable piano recital in one of Warsaw Palaces with a glass of champagne. Overnight.

Day 3 – WARSAW-ŻELAZOWA WOLA-BROCHÓW-WARSAW

After breakfast departure for Żelazowa Wola – Frederick Chopin's birthplace (the village situated outside Warsaw). After visit continue to St.Roch Church in Brochów where the composer was baptized. After lunch drive to Łowicz to visit the museum with excellent folk exhibition of the region. On the way back to Warsaw a short walk in the sentimental-romantic park of Arkadia. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 4 – WARSAW-OPINOGÓRA-OLSZTYNEK-OLSZTYN

Breakfast. Drive to Opinogóra, the place connected with distinguished romantic poet, count Zygmunt Krasiński. Miniatural neogotic palace in spacious park was built as a wedding gift for the poet. Today, there is the Museum of Romanticism. On the way to Olsztyn visit to heritage park (museum on open air)in Olsztynek. In the evening picnic (polish traditional way) with folk group. Overnight.

Day 5 – OLSZTYN-GDAŃSK

After breakfast drive to Gdańsk. 1000 years old Gdańsk is one of the most beautiful town in northern Europe. Gdańsk has not only numerous monuments but stormy history as well. After accommodation sightseeing of the Tricity: Gdańsk with Długi Targ , where is the Artus Court and shops with amber jewellery, Sopot pier, organ concert in Oliwa Cathedral, Gdynia. Dinner at local restaurant. Overnight.

Day 6 – GDAŃSK-TORUŃ-WARSAW

Breakfast. Departure for Toruń, the city of Nicolas Copernicus (famous polish astronomer) birthplace, famous from multitude monuments, university and ginger bread. After sightseeing drive to Warsaw. Accommodation, farewell dinner and overnight.

Day 7 – WARSAW

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your flight home.

