

Poland Trip

Oct 4, 2019

ELP - Flight LH7823- 1:00pm - 5:10pm ORD

United Flight UA3636 Seat 19B

ORD - Flight LH9269- 6:00pm- 9:40am MUC

United Flight UA952 Seat 35C

MUC - Flight LH1612- 11:05am-12:35pm WAW
Seat 15C

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WAW - Flight LH5715- 7:35am-9:45am FRA

FRA - Flight LH7586- 11:05am-1:25pm DEN

DEN - Flight LH8936- 3:40pm-5:38pm ELP

Morning

Sat - Oct 5

Taxi ride from airport to MDM hotel

Orientation at the Habitat office by Marta & Magic

Wiesz Co ziesz Restaurant for dinner

Sun - Oct 6

Took tram then train to Old Town (UNESCO World Heritage site), then lunch at Ceprownia Restaurant. Afternoon at the Warsaw Uprising Museum. Dinner at the Centrumswiati Restaurant.

Mon - Oct 7

Work day - took bus 1/2 hr drive to ReStore where we were given hard hats, ear plugs, etc and began deconstruction work. Tore down walls, removed trash, filled two dumpsters. Lunch at a nearby restaurant, then continued work until 2:30pm. Came back to hotel & took shower then bused to a local school to speak to high school kids about Habitat work. Dinner at the Sexy Duck Italian restaurant.

Tue - Oct 8

Work day - was given the assignment to build a new wall out of metal framework. Spent all day doing that with Darrell. Lunch was at the same place as yesterday. Dinner at the Saint Vincent. I had duck.

Wed - Oct 9

Work day - did the same as yesterday. Lunch at the same place. - had weiner schnitzel. Work ended at 3:00pm so we could visit the Royal Palace on the Water, Museum & Garden. We walked to it from the hotel. Next stop after 3 bus rides was the Palace of Culture & Science - tallest building in Warsaw

Thur - Oct 10

Work day - 8-4:00pm then dinner at a Thai restaurant near the hotel.

Fri - Oct 11

Work day - 8-2:00pm then a tour of the Jewish Museum in the Warsaw Ghetto then dinner at the Tandoor Indian restaurant.

Sat - Oct 12

Took a walk in the morning. At 11:30am we were picked up and taken to a Polish Habitat family for lunch. At 3:00pm we were picked up by 3 old Communist buses and given the Communism tour of the city. It included 4 stops where the guide spoke excessively about the era of Communism in Warsaw. The tour ended at the Museum of Life in the Poland People's Republic. After the tour we were dropped off at our farewell dinner Dawni Somali. Taken back to the hotel by the National Director for Habitat in Poland.

Sun - Oct 13

Got up at 4:15am and taken by taxi to the airport for the flight home.