Day 1 Warsaw
Arrive in Warsaw Airport, where you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Spend the balance of the day at leisure and enjoy dinner at your hotel.

Day 2 Warsaw
Spend this full day sightseeing around Warsaw, the country’s capital that for centuries was one of the great Jewish centers of Poland. See monuments and memorials located within the Jewish ghetto, including Nozyk Synagogue, the Ghetto Heroes Monument, the Jewish Cemetery, the Jewish Historical Institute, the Ghetto Wall, and the Jewish Theater. Visit also Łazienki Palace and Park and the Royal Castle. Enjoy a welcome dinner at a local Warsaw restaurant.

Day 3 Warsaw/Treblinka/Tykocin
Travel to Treblinka, the former extermination camp for Jews and Poles. Then visit Tykocin, where many learned Torah scholars lived and the Waad Arba Arcot was located. This town still has the layout of a typical Jewish shtetl with many old buildings and a 17th century synagogue. The cellar of the small synagogue is currently home of Tejsza Restaurant, which makes the best tzimmes, kugel, and kreplach donuts in town. Buy some for the road before heading back to Warsaw.

Day 4 Warsaw/Góra Kalwaria/Kazimierz Dolny/Lublin
Drive to Góra Kalwaria, former seat of the famous Hassidic dynasty founded by Tzaddik (Rebbe) Meir Alter. In the afternoon, travel to Kazimierz Dolny, a prosperous mercantile town in the 14th century whose heritage is evident in the former Lustig House. See the local synagogue, the Jewish Cemetery and the collection of ritual objects at the Silverware Museum. Travel to Lublin and visit the site of the Old Town, which is home of a centuries-old Jewish community. See the former city ghetto and its 19th century synagogue. Lublin also boasts the Yeshivat Chachmei Lublin – a modern talmudical college.

Day 5 Lublin/Majdanek/Leżajsk/ Łańcut/Rzeszów
Journey to Majdanek, a former Nazi camp where most of Lublin’s Jewish community perished. Continue to Leżajsk, once home to a Hassidic center established in 1772 by Rebbe Elimelech. Then tour Łańcut. Visit the Jewish Museum, the old cemetery, the new cemetery, and the old synagogue from 1761. Then travel to your hotel in Rzeszów.

Day 6 Rzeszów/Krosno/Rymanów/Tarnów
In Krosno, see 200 preserved Jewish gravestones and the statue of Bernard Munz, shaped in the form of a broken tree. In Rymanów, the town that was birthplace of Nobel Prize laureate Isidor Isaac Rabi, stand before the grave of Tzaddik Menachem. After lunch at a local restaurant, arrive in Tarnów, a city of Gothic and Renaissance architecture. See the old synagogue and the Jewish cemetery’s stone monument to the Jews who perished in WWII.

Day 7 Tarnów/Krakow
Visit the Jewish Quarter of Kazimierz in Krakow. In spite of the destructive events of WWII, many of the district’s buildings, some still with Yiddish inscriptions, have survived and been restored—now the district’s fashionable cafes, restaurants and bars thrive. See Szeroka Street where Schindler’s List was filmed, High and Old Synagogues, Remu’h Synagogue and Cemetery, and the Pod Orłem Pharmacy. Tonight, enjoy dinner in a Jewish restaurant in Kazimierz.

Day 8 Krakow/Auschwitz/Lódź
Leave Krakow for the Auschwitz-Birkenau Concentration Camp Museum of Martyrdom. This visit includes a film and other sites in a moving testimony to the number of lives lost through Nazi atrocities. In the afternoon, tour Łódź, where the Jewish community played a major role in its industrial growth. A small cemetery and monument commemorate the victims of Nazism. Partake in a farewell dinner in Łódź.

Day 9 Łódź/Warsaw to USA (or extend your stay)
Transfer to Warsaw Airport for your departure flight.

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