KRAKOW

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ZŁOTY (PLN)

≯ FOUR TIMES WEEKLY

SLEEP Named after the cosmetics tycoon born on this very street, the Hotel Rubinstein (Szeroka 12, 12 384 00 00, rubinstein.pl, rooms from PLN300/€70) is a comfortable home away from home in the heart of the Jewish Quarter of Kazimierz. A 15th-century townhouse, the elegant Rubinstein also offers fine views of the city from its roof terrace. **EAT** Just south of the main square, **Pod** Aniolami (Grodzka 35) offers classic Polish cuisine in historic surroundings. Try the delicious smoked meats, created from old recipes from nearby rustic Nowa Wies Szlachecka. **CULTURE** Scottish-born. Polish-based



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BUS Buses 292 and 208 leave 20 minutes past the hour to the city centre. Journey time is around 40 minutes and tickets cost PLN4/€1 from the machine outside arrivals.

TAXI A taxi from the airport has a fixed fare of PLN4/€16 and should take around 30 to 35 minutes into town.

TOURIST INFO krakow.pl



musician Ray Wilson plays at the Krakow Philharmonic

(filharmonia.krakow.pl) on 8 February, concentrating on his work as Phil Collins' replacement in Genesis.

SHOP Kopernik (Grodzka 14/16) is the place to go for local gingerbread treats in every shape and size.

LATER Goraczka (Szewska 7) has been

catering to late-night partygoers since 2000. Everyone's last port of call, it can get a little messy way past midnight.

TIP The Krakow Tourist Card

(krakowcard.com) allows entry to 30 museums and attractions, plus free city transport while you go round. There are versions for two (PLN75/€17) and three days (PLN95/€22). Peterion Cresswell



MALAGA

SLEEP The sleek, contemporary rooms

and spectacular swimming pool on the

rooftop terrace help make the five-star

Vincci Seléccion Posada del Patio

(Pasillo Santa Isabel 7, 951 001 020,

one of Malaga's best hotels. The

EAT Situated next to the port,

Manuel Augustín de Heredia 2)

serves up traditional Andalusian

bluefin tuna with pineapple and

raspberry or turbot with prawns, garlic and a paprika gratin.

Malaga joins in the festivities with

CULTURE February is carnival season

in Spain, marking the beginning of Lent.

dishes with a modern twist. Think

from €20 a day.

property also offers private parking

Restaurante Manducare (Avenida

vinccihoteles.com, rooms from €135)

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parades, music, masquerades and fireworks. Celebrations culminate on Ash Wednesday (18 February this year) with the Burial of the Sardine ceremony.

SHOP Pick up some traditional Malagueño produce to take back with you from deli La Mallorquina (Calle Sagasta 1), such as local cheeses, Ibérico hams, olive oils and bottles of sweet Malaga wine.

LATER Decked out in classic blue and white Andalusian tiles, the oldfashioned Casa Lola (Calle Granada 46) is the ideal place for a drink. Try the homemade vermouth on tap.

TIP This is an exciting year for Malaga, with a number of new galleries opening in the city, including branches of both St Petersburg's State Russian Museum and Paris's Pompidou Centre. Esme Fox



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BUS The Malaga Airport Express city bus A75 leaves from outside Terminal 3 and takes you right into Malaga city centre. The journey takes approximately 15 to 25 minutes and costs €3.

TAXI A taxi from the airport to the city centre costs between €28 and €32.

TOURIST INFO malagaturismo.com

