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Travel: Find your favourite part of Poland

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FROM its beautiful northern beach resorts and forested hillsides of the south to its harrowing histories and vibrant city living, Poland doesn't easily fit into one particular box for holidaying Brits.

Exploring the main areas of this fascinating country, so often the borderland and fighting ground between political ideology dividing east with west, it quickly becomes clear that it's the complexity that makes Poland one of Europe's often overlooked destinations, particularly for UK travellers.



Disturbing histories of hopeless death and destruction now sit side-by-side with tales of hopeful resurrection and regeneration. It's a country that has much to offer with its focus firmly set on the future but without forgetting its tumultuous

Additionally, the pound's recent drop to the Euro has had British holidaymakers seeking an alternative destination where their money with go further. With that in mind. Poland surely has to be on any shortlist.

But that is simply an added bonus to the wide range of holidays this country seems to offer. From historic city adventures to beach breaks and mountainside spa retreats, all you have to do is decide the type of trip you want and you can bet Poland can provide.

Wroclaw:

Poland's simple, family-friendly city break.

Pulling up to Hotel Patio, just off Wroclaw's market square, we are met by a man and woman crouched down on the pavement outside.

The man stands up and takes a photo. The woman smiles and quickly consults the map in her hand.

As the man moves away our taxi driver points, smiling, and says "do you see? It's a

Sure enough, as we pass and carry our bags into our accommodation for the next two nights, there is indeed a bronzed, miniature statue of a gnome sleeping in a bed, his head slightly shinier from all the rubbing.

It's a strange start to our time in Poland's western city, just a few hours from Berlin across the border, but it's a quirky moment that hands us an early glimpse into this fun-packed city dubbed the nation's meeting place.



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