BISON SAFARI

4 DAYS IN THE
BIAŁOWIEŻA FOREST

Let our most experienced local guides take you to the best sites of the Primeval Białowieża Forest. Spend 3 nights at a comfortable guesthouse and find European Bison in the wild. None of our previous tours have missed Bison!
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HIGHLIGHTS

✓ Visit the Primeval Białowieża Forest – UNESCO World Heritage Site
✓ Find European Bison in the wild
✓ Go tracking Wolves at wintertime
✓ See the traditional Eastern Poland with an enthusiastic local guide
✓ Visit Warsaw old town

SPECTACULAR WILDLIFE EXPERIENCE IN THE UNSCAThed EASTERN POLAND

Białowieża Forest is the last remaining stand of a natural forest in lowland Europe where over 500 European Bison still roam in the wild. We offer comfortable accommodation, gorgeous local food and most importantly – quality wildlife guiding. We have seen Bison on all our tours in the last years!

Additionally, at wintertime we may offer Wolf tracking in the snow. At summertime there should be enough free time to use at your leisure, take a bicycle ride through the forest or just chill out in the garden.

Finally, the eastern Polish traditional landscape with colourful meadows, small wooden houses will surely add a unique taste to this holiday.

OUTLINE ITINERARY

Day 1: Pick up from Warsaw Airport and transfer to the Białowieża Forest
Day 2: Bison Safari trips in the morning and afternoon
Day 3: Guided walk in the Primeval Forest Reserve, UNESCO core area
Day 4: Transfer to Warsaw, walk and lunch in the Old Town
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DAY 1

The tour starts in Warsaw. Participants arrive at Warsaw F. Chopin Airport Okecie (WAW) at their own expense. If you fly into Warszawa Modlin (WMI), you should account for ca. 2 hrs to get to WAW airport.

13.00 (at the latest) pick up from Warsaw F. Chopin Airport Okecie (WAW) and transfer to Białowieża Forest. After ca. 4 hrs drive we will check in at our modest, family run guesthouse in Białowieża.

After a hearty Polish dinner the guide will introduce you to the area and talk about the plans. For the next two full days we will be exploring the Białowieża Forest and the surrounding areas.

If time allows, our guide will offer a short evening walk already on the 1st day so that you can get accustomed to the area and possibly see some wildlife!
DAY 2

BISON SAFARI

Early morning as well as in the evening our guide will take you for a trip in search of wild European Bison. There are over 500 Bison living in the wild in the Białowieża Forest and we have probably the best local knowledge on where to find them. We will have a short drive in our minibus to scan the forest edge or go for a walk or even visit a few different sites in a more safari style. All in order to give you the best possible chance of watching these majestic animals in their natural habitat. We have seen wild Bison on all our previous weekend tours so far!

After a substantial breakfast we will offer a guided trip at one of our favourite nature reserves in the forest. You will see the real wilderness, huge trees and get a chance to see more wildlife. It is not rare that we see some Deer, Pine Marten, Fox or some rare birds like Lesser Spotted Eagle or Pygmy Owl. There are also a few packs of Wolves and several Lynx in the Białowieża Forest and if you’re lucky we may see their tracks and signs, especially at wintertime.

We will have our packed lunch in the forest and the rest of the afternoon will be free for you to explore on your own, take a walk in the village, visit the National Park museum or chill out a local park, our hotel back yard or one of the small cafe’s.
DAY 3

PRIMEVAL FOREST RESERVE

After the usual hearty breakfast we will meet the National Park local guide and take a few hours walk through the strictly protected part of the Bialowieża National Park, the Biosphere Reserve and the core area of the UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Our trail takes you back in time a few thousand years, when most of Europe was covered with a similar habitat. The dense, natural mixed-deciduous forest of huge, centuries-old trees that host thousands of other species, many of which are on the verge of extinction.

This area is also home for several species of rare woodpeckers like Black, White-backed or Three-toed and we often see some of them. Large mammals, however, hide very well in the dense vegetation and are rarely seen on this walk as we mustn't get off the marked path.

This trip became a highlight of the tour for many of our previous visitors. Our expert guides share their deep knowledge with enthusiasm that changes the way you view nature.

After our usual traditional Polish dinner back at the lodge, we may offer a yet another short outing in search of Beavers or other nocturnal wildlife just to make the best use of your time out in the wilderness.
This morning, after our usual substantial breakfast (don’t worry, you will get used to it by the end of the holiday) we will set off for a ca. 3 hours journey back to Warsaw. We plan to arrive at Warsaw by 12:00, have a **short walk in the Old Town** and sit at a **small restaurant** for a **traditional Polish** lunch.

The tour ends when we arrive in Warsaw. Participants book a hotel there and flights home at their own expense. Around 16:00 we will drive you to the WAW airport or drop you off at a hotel, if you stay in Warsaw.