

## What will we be doing? (continued)

### Adventure Park Gdynia

We will take the short train ride to Gdynia for a few hours of awesome activities. There will be a Zip Trek, Archery, Quad Biking and a Ninja Rope Park through the trees. All activities will be lead by qualified instructors.



### Chill out on the Beach

After the adrenaline of the adventure park, we will walk to the beach to chill out and play games - and probably a bit of splashing in the sea too!



### Pixel XL

This is a space full of addictive games that engage the body and mind. Reflexes, memory, coordination and logical thinking. There are interactive mats made of colourful, luminous tiles that respond to movement. This is a combination of physical activity and modern technology and a lot of fun!



### World Scout Jamboree Day Visit

We will take a coach to Sobieszewska Island for a day at the Jamboree. There will be a special programme for visitors and access to various parts of the site to see what is happening during the event.



### AmberSky

For unbeatable views of the city we will go up 60m in the sky in the highest and most technologically advanced observation wheel in Poland.



### Kayaking in Kashubia Region Tourky

Known for its breath-taking natural landscapes, Kashubia offers a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in serene beauty and tranquillity. This kayaking journey is not just a sporty endeavour, but a chance to connect with nature in one of Poland's most beautiful areas. This experience promises an unforgettable day of exploration and enjoyment. It will end with a campfire and sausages.



### Elbląg Canal & Malbork Castle

We take to the water on a canal cruise from the Buczyniec Slope to Jelenie. However, it is not just on water, as the boat goes over land! A unique experience everyone must do at least once. It's then onto the castle of the Teutonic Order for a tour. It was built in the 13th century and significantly expanded in the 14th century. It is the largest brick-built castle in the world.



### AquaPark Reda

It's back on a train to Reda to the only water park in Poland where a thrilling slide takes you through a tunnel under a real shark aquarium! Feel the rush on the AquaSpinner, and admire the underwater world in the "Deep Blue" diving pool. Ride the waves in the wave pool, float along the 315m "Water River", relax in the "Volcano" jacuzzi, and enjoy the family slides.



### Sopot Pier, Shopping & Museum of Illusions

On the way back from Reda, we will stop at Sopot. Here you will get to go on the longest wooden pier in the world (twinned with Southend), get to discover a world of delusions, a labyrinth of mirrors, a 3D aquarium, a VR zone in the Museum of Illusions and spend some time souvenir shopping.



### Pirate Boat Party

We finish the week with Pizza before boarding a pirate ship night cruise with live music. Dancing is optional - but encouraged!



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### Why Gdansk (Poland)?

Every two years we offer an international opportunity to the Scouts. We visit countries and places you wouldn't normally go to on a family holiday, so giving a unique experience and amazing memories. For past summer internationals we have visited Switzerland, Hungary, Germany, Iceland, Slovenia, Belgium, France, Poland (Krakow), The Netherlands and Czechia.

Although many Scouts may have heard of Poland, have they heard of Gdansk or have any idea where it is? By going to this part of Poland, it will offer the young people cultural experiences and awesome activities in a memorable location full of modern history and an amazing vibe. During the time we are there, the St Dominic's Fair will also be on - providing festival feel to the city.

We won't just be staying in the city, with activities planned at Elbląg, Malbork, Sopot, Gdynia, Reda and Kashubia. The Scouts will see Poland and the beauty of the Pomerania (Pomorze) Region.

The World Scout Jamboree is also taking place just outside Gdansk on Sobieszewska Island. We intend to spend a day there as visitors. This will provide the Scouts the opportunity to experience a World Scout Jamboree at the fraction of the cost and see what 30,000 - 40,000 Scouts from around the world can achieve and experience when they come together in unity and peace.

### About Gdansk

Gdansk is a city on the Baltic coast of northern Poland, and the capital of the Pomeranian Voivodeship. With a population of 486,492, it is Poland's sixth-largest city and its major seaport.

On 1st September 1939, it was the site of a military clash at Westerplatte, one of the first events of World War II. The contemporary city was shaped by extensive border changes, the expulsion of German speakers and Polish resettlement after 1945. In the 1980's, it was the birthplace of the Solidarity trade union and movement, which helped spark the collapse of communism in Europe.



Gdansk Shipyard



Neptune's Fountain



Location of Gdansk



Green Gate

### Who is the trip for?

The trip is open to current Scouts (that will still be in Scouts at the time of the trip), those that will have moved up from Cubs and any new members that are expected to have joined at least 3 months before the departure date. EVERYONE MUST BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF SCOUTING and regularly attending Troop Nights.

### How many can go?

This is a joint trip between 1st Silver End (Essex) and 1st Carnforth (Lancashire) to make sure we fill as many beds as possible as we have booked a hostel exclusively. Taking into consideration the membership of each Scout Troop the places on offer (excluding adults) will be:-

1st Silver End - 22 Scouts

1st Carnforth - 14 Scouts

If one Troop doesn't fill their quota, spare places will be offered to the other Troop. Similarly, if we have less volunteers available, adult places will be offered to Scouts.

### Where are we staying?

We will be staying at the Dzien Dobry Hostel. Only opened in the Summer of 2025, this brand-new hostel is on the outskirts of the city, but only a 5-minute walk into the heart of Gdansk. The hostel features air-conditioning, modern cosy rooms and numerous bathrooms. Additional facilities include a games room, lounge, and a full kitchen.

To avoid food wastage and make sure everyone has a breakfast and packed lunch they will eat, we will be making our own breakfast and lunches. A large supermarket (Biedronka) is close by. Evening meals will be at various restaurants throughout the city.



### How much will it cost

We have already got some guaranteed prices for 2027 for activities etc. and have secured some funding to bring the cost down. This means at the current exchange rate the cost is estimated at £498. If it is slightly more, then there will be an additional payment in July 2027 to cover the excess. Payments will be collected by monthly Standing Order.

### What does the cost include?

The fee of £498 includes, accommodation, all meals, activities, trips, tours, days out, uniform badge, UK Scarf (if you don't have one), T-shirt(s) and Travel insurance

### What is not included?

The cost does not include flights, UK airport transfers or ETIAS. Once flights are on sale we will work out the best combination of coach\airport\flights. We will try and offer fundraising opportunities to cover the costs. The current cheapest flights are from Stansted. With checked in luggage they are £272. With expected grants, we should be able to subsidise flights between £50 - £100. per person.

### What will we be doing?

#### WWII & Communism Adventure

We will explore Gdansk from the deck of a vintage Ikarus bus from 1989. The sightseeing route will be arranged in a way as to bring you closer to the history of Poland pre and post WWII. All the places we visit are directly related to the history of the times. We will travel in time and space and hear about the realities of life in a bygone era and all the absurdities associated with it. This is not another boring trip, the history is interesting and told in a very original way.

#### Europejskie Centrum Solidarności

This museum captivates visitors with its emotionally impactful and authentic atmosphere, thanks to its bold architecture and interactive exhibits. A guided tour will complete our day about learning the history and significant of the place we will call home for the next week.

