

DISCOVER TORUN!

TORUŃ





City located in <u>Northern</u> Poland is the birthplace of **Nicolaus Copernicus**. In the Middle Ages Toruń was a prominent trade centre - called 'Krakow of the North'

Toruń is the most <u>Gothic</u> urban complex in Poland, one of the most important and crowded tourist centres of unique value, right after Krakow the <u>2nd</u> richest of original and best preserved historical monuments city in Poland.









<u>Toruń Old Quarter</u> consists of <u>3</u> historical urban sections - included in the UNESCO World Heritage List.:

- Old City (1233) - New City (1264) - the Teutonic Knights' Castle (mid. 13th c.).



Toruń is also one of the most important <u>science</u> and <u>cultural</u> centres in Poland with its <u>biggest</u> and <u>oldest</u> university in the North.



TORUŃ QUICK FACTS

population: 203,319

· location: on the <u>Vistula</u> River banks

· region: Chełmno Land

· telephone area code: (+48) 56

Toruń did not suffer damage from <u>WWII</u>, the city offers a mixture of **Polish** and **German** history.

The unique atmosphere of Gothic is the greatest attraction of Toruń. That is why Toruń is visited by over 1.5 million of tourists each year. It is here where one can find vast Gothic cathedrals, magnificent Gothic Old City Town Hall, ruins of the very first in Poland Teutonic



Castle, the Gothic Leaning Tower, city defence walls with Gothic gates and turrets.



Nicolaus Copernicus



Gingerbread of Torun



Teutonic Order

Everyone visits Nicolaus Copernicus Museum - the greatest astronomer's who moved the <u>Earth</u> and stopped the <u>Sun</u> and the Sky.

You can visit the <u>Gingerbread</u> of Toruń. They have been baked here since the 14th century in the traditional moulds.

History lovers should first of all tour the CHELMNO LAND with its medieval towns, churches and Teutonic castles.



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WATCH THE VIDEO AND COMPLETE:

Take a tour of Medieval Town of Toruń in Toruń, Poland -- part of the World's Greatest Attractions travel video series by GeoBeats.

Torun is one of Poland's <u>greatest</u> cities, renowned for both its exceptional beauty and its incredible history.

The city dates as far back as the <u>seventh</u> century AD, though the area was first settled in the <u>eleventh</u> century BC.

The city is bursting with sights, including <u>churches</u>, a <u>town hall</u>, and <u>medieval</u> houses, such as the home of <u>Copernicus</u>.

This famous <u>astronomer</u> is one of Torun's heroes and is the subject of several monuments and a <u>museum</u>.

Key among the medieval buildings of this Polish city are several beautiful Gothic churches.

Through Torun flows the <u>Vistula</u> River, which is a large and beautiful body of water, ideal for boating.



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