

GETTING FROM KRAKÓW TO AUSCHWITZ (OŚWIĘCIM) ON YOUR OWN

WELCOME TO KRAKOW!

We know that navigating a new city and planning day trips can sometimes feel confusing, so we've prepared a simple guide on how to organize an Auschwitz visit on your own. We hope you find it useful and easy to follow.

Have a wonderful stay in Krakow!
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DISTANCE & LOCATION

Auschwitz–Birkenau Memorial is in Oświęcim, about 70–80 km (≈43–50 miles) from Kraków.

LOCATION

BY BUS (BEST BUDGET OPTION)

Departure point in Kraków:

- Małopolski Dworzec Autobusowy (MDA) – Bosacka 18, near Kraków Główny train station.
- LOCATION

Ticket & Timetable:

- Buses to Auschwitz run frequently (every ~20–40 min) throughout the day (roughly 6:00–19:00), though times change by season – check schedules at the MDA bus planner:
- ➤ <https://rozklady.mda.malopolska.pl> (enter “Cracow” → “Oświęcim” to see current times).
- Typical journey: ~1.5–2 hours each way.
- Price: ~16–22 PLN one way (around €4–€6).

Where to Get Off:

- Look for the stop “Auschwitz Muzeum” or similar – this is right near the museum entrance.
- Kraków MDA Bus Station: check signs at the station or ask at info desks upon arrival.

BY TRAIN + LOCAL TRANSPORT

Departure point:

- Kraków Główny (Main Train Station).

LOCATION

Train Info:

- Regional trains run from Kraków Główny to Oświęcim station.
- Trip: approx. 1 hr 30 min–1 hr 45 min.
- Tickets can be bought at the station or via Polish rail apps/sites (e.g., PKP/Polrail, Koleo).

From Oświęcim Station to the Museum:

- Walk: ~20–30 min on foot.
- **Local bus:** take a local MZK bus (line 0, 2, 3, 8 or special “M” shuttle in season) from the station to Muzeum I.
- **Taxi:** available outside the station (e.g., HALO TAXI +48 32 19 194).

Cost:

- Train: approx. 10–25 PLN (~€2–€6).
- Local bus: 2–5 PLN (~€0.5–€1.5).

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QUICK TIPS

- ✓ Always confirm return bus/train times before arrival.
- ✓ Booking museum entry ahead in peak season is strongly recommended.
- ✓ Take snacks and water — it's a long day with walking between sites.
- ✓ Respect the solemn nature of the memorial site.

BEFORE YOU GO: MUSEUM INFO

Ticket booking:

- Some entry times require booking in advance on the **official site**:
-  <https://www.visitauschwitz.net/visit> — check opening hours and reserve your slot.

Opening hours (varies by season):

- Winter: ~8:00–15:00
- Summer: ~8:00–19:00
- Check the official page before visiting.

Plan your time:

- A typical visit (Auschwitz I + Birkenau) takes ~4–5 hours including travel and transfers.

USEFUL WEBSITES & TOOLS

Official museum info & tickets:

- <https://www.visitauschwitz.net/visit>

Bus timetables from Kraków MDA:

- <https://rozklady.mda.malopolska.pl/visitauschwitz.info>

Train timetables:

- <https://koleo.pl> or <https://portalpasazera.pl> (for PKP regional trains)

Local transit app (Oświęcim bus):

- **MoBilet** (for local buses)

Helpful Phone Numbers

HALO TAXI Oświęcim: +48 32 19 194 (for station-to-museum transfers)

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