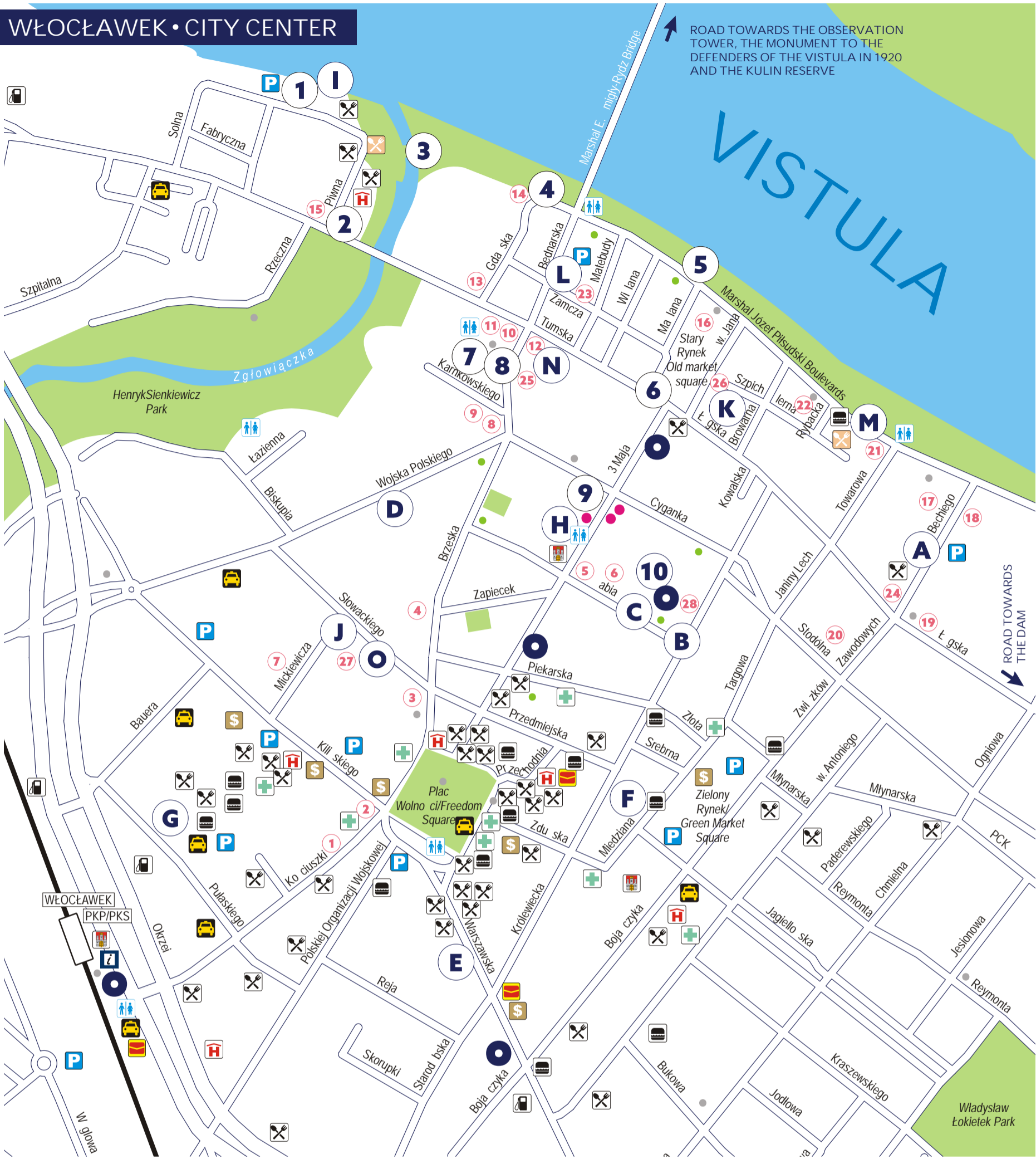


WŁOCŁAWEK • CITY CENTER



MAP LEGEND

- Restaurants/cafes
- Fast food
- Hotels
- Gas stations
- Taxi
- Post office
- Monuments and memorials
- Handicraft studios
- You can buy faience here
- Seasonal restaurants
- Parking lots
- Pharmacies
- Public toilets
- Currency exchange
- Włocławek City Hall
- Murals

- A. Browar B. Cultural Center
- B. Treasury of Faience
- C. Old Fire Station Club
- D. Impresario Theater
- E. Public Library
- F. Contemporary Art Gallery
- G. Multikino
- H. Civic café "ródmi cie Cafe"
- I. Marina
- J. Museum of the Kujawy and Dobrzy Regions - Main Building
- K. Museum of the History of Włocławek
- L. Art Collections (
- M. Ethnographic Museum
- N. Diocesan Museum
- O. Kujawy Branch of the Polish Tourist and Sightseeing Society PTTK



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TOURIST APP

WORTH SEEING (AND LISTENING TO)

- The sail-boat marina
- Woonerf at Piwna Street
- Lovers' Bridge
- The road to the old bridge
- The most beautiful boulevards in Poland and a view of Zawi le
- Stanisław Zagajewski's bench
- Nicolaus Copernicus monument
- Sundial
- Bust of Beethoven and Haydn or Mozart
- Listen to the City's Trumpet Call

ON THE TRAIL OF MONUMENTS

- Cohn Palace
- Muhsam Palace
- Franciscan Monastery
- Evangelical-Augsburg Church
- Rector's Office of the Polish Academy of Sciences (PANS)
- Former Fire Station
- Kujawy Region High School (LZK)
- Church of St. Witalis
- Seminary
- Cathedral of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- Prelate's House
- Bell Tower
- Former Canonry
- Bishop's Palace
- Black Granary
- Church of St. John
- Steinhagen's Villa
- Maria Konopnicka High School Building
- Catholic School Complex Building
- Former Jewish Hospital Building

- Former granary
- Former granary
- Former granary
- Former brewery
- Former College of Vicars
- Baroque tenement houses
- Headquarters of the Kujawy Branch of the Polish Tourist and Sightseeing Society
- The former seat of the Włocławek Mutual Credit Society

You don't have to travel far to spend time pleasantly in a friendly space, actively, surrounded by monuments and taste the specialties of cuisine from different continents. Do you think that all this can be found in Włocławek? See for yourself, rediscover our beautiful city! Where is the best place to start sightseeing? From the Old Town, of course!

START: TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE

The place from which we recommend starting a walk around the oldest district of Włocławek is the Tourist Information Centre in Włocławek, which operates at 65 Okrzei Street (the Train station building). Here, anyone interested will obtain information on the tourist offer of the city and region, attractions, monuments, recreational places and a list of recommended accommodation and catering points. The Information Centre also offers interesting gadgets related to Włocławek and Kujawy Region, which will certainly be useful when visiting Włocławek. We warmly encourage you to visit this place!



The pearl of the oldest part of Włocławek is the neo-Gothic Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is an amazing place filled with history, monuments and art, a witness to many important events for the city and Poland.

CULTURE, MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES DISTRICT

The real pearl of the City Centre is undoubtedly the Interactive Faience Centre - Faience Treasury at 2 Abia Steet, where anyone interested can immerse themselves in the over 150-year history of Włocławek ceramics! In the modern cultural institution established in 2023, the main emphasis is placed on the promotion of local traditions, history and art. The Faience Treasury takes the recipient to the extraordinary, multimedia world of Włocławek ceramics, referring to the 150-year tradition of faience production. The heart of the Faience Treasury is the amphitheatre, which houses a permanent exhibition presenting unique faience works. Interactive educational and exhibition spaces, divided into paths, adapted to the age of visitors, will help discover new pages of history related to today's iconic works of ceramic art. The Faience Treasury is also a modern space for creative activities, with permanent art sections and workshops dedicated to people of all ages. The offer includes workshops on shaping clay vessels, painting faience flowers and 3D printing. The seat of the Faience Treasury, operating within the structure of the Browar B. Culture Centre, is a complex of two buildings: the historic one, the former headquarters of Włocławek's financial institutions from 1911, and a building from 1993. The Browar B. Culture Centre is a modern cultural and entertainment centre, located in the former Boja czyk Brewery at 28 Ł gska Steet, with over 9000 m2 of creative space full of exhibitions, concerts and artistic events from almost every field of art, as well as educational and artistic workshop classes aimed at people of all ages. Among other things, the following are organised here: concerts, performances, exhibitions and other artistic events, including outdoor events, as well as various celebrations, conferences, author meetings and lectures. Various forms of art are presented in 5 galleries. In the Chamber of Tradition of the Song and Dance Ensemble "Kujawy" there is a collection of folk costumes and stage costumes of the ensemble, an exhibition of musical instruments, awards of the ensemble, souvenirs and publications illustrating the history of the ensemble.

An important element of the Browar B. offer is also the Włocławek Collection of Weights and Measures, which contains over 10,000 exhibits – measures and scales, from commodity, merchant and shop ones to home, postal, pharmacy and jewellery ones, many unique devices and objects from many eras, starting from the Middle Ages. In City Centre, we also recommend visiting the Contemporary Art Gallery (2 Miedziana Steet), presenting interesting exhibitions by artists from all over Poland, the Old Fire Station (8 Abia Street) with the richly decorated Meeting Room and a monumental wall painting by Józef Bergman entitled "Let's put out the fire" (here you can also listen to the Włocławek Bugle Call every day at 12:00), the Włodzimierz Gniazdowski Impresario Theatre (13 Wojska Polskiego Street) offering performances with the participation of stars of the Polish stage and events related to the world of theatre (and not only), the Zdzisław Arentowicz Municipal Public Library (11/13 Warszawska Steet, and branches: 28 Ł gska Street and 9 Olszowa Steet), as well as the Diocesan Museum, devoted to the history of the Włocławek Diocese, which has shaped the directions of development of not only Włocławek but also the entire country for centuries.

An important point of the Old Town is the Museum of the Kuyavian and Dobrzy Region. The Main Building - located at 1a Słowackiego Street - is a modernist architectural gem designed by Stefan Narbski.

The early medieval sword found at the bottom of the Vistula can be seen in the Włocławek History Museum. This amazing artifact attracts crowds of residents and tourists visiting Włocławek every day.

Visitors can enjoy an exhibition of Włocławek portraits and an exhibition of Włocławek faience. In the Art Collections - another branch of the Museum located at 10/12 Zamcza Street in a 19th-century granary - anyone interested has the opportunity to see the gallery of Polish art and the exhibition of Stanisław Zagajewski, an outstanding artist associated with the so-called art-brut movement. Another branch - the Ethnographic Museum, operating in another 19th-century granary at 6 Bulwary Marszałka Józefa Piłsudskiego Street - provides an incredible opportunity to get to know the world of old folk culture of Kujawy and Dobrzy Land. The last downtown branch of the Museum - the Włocławek History Museum - is dedicated to the past of the capital of Kujawy. Here you will find nearly 3,700 historic objects, presented in chronological order - from prehistoric times to the turn of the 1980s and 1990s. The museum, located in charming baroque tenement houses, is also the seat of three departments: Archaeology, History and Numismatics, Medals and Historical Metrology.

THE ONLY SWORD OF ITS KIND FROM WŁOCŁAWEK

The most famous artifact exhibited in the Włocławek History Museum, and at the same time a magnet attracting tourists to Włocławek, is undoubtedly the early medieval sword from the so-called northern cultural circle, dated to the 9th-10th century, which was found in 2024 during the deepening of the port basin of the Jerzy Boja czyk Water Port at 1a Piwna Street. The richly decorated artifact, dated to the 9th-10th century, was initially attributed to the Vikings, who, as is known, appeared on the Vistula. However, experts reserve that determining the origin of this incredible treasure, as well as the circumstances in which this unique weapon ended up in the castle on the Vistula will be extremely difficult. The sword underwent conservation work immediately after being found and quickly returned to Włocławek. Currently, it is an important part of the museum exhibition of the Włocławek History Museum and attracts crowds of residents and tourists every day.



Residents and tourists are attracted by the Lovers' Bridge, which stretches over the Zgłowi czka River, right at the mouth of the Vistula. Come with your sweetheart and bring a commemorative padlock with your initials.

ARCHITECTURE AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

Walking around the centre of Włocławek, you will certainly notice many valuable examples of architecture, both sacral and secular. The most important temple and the most valuable monument is the Cathedral of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, recognized by the regulation of the Republic of Poland - a Monument of History. This is an amazing place filled with history, monuments and art, a witness to many important events for the city and Poland, a unique facility for residents and tourists. Also noteworthy is the Franciscan monastery, St. John's Church, the Evangelical church, and the bell tower located right next to the cathedral basilica. In the city's architecture, walkers and tourists will encounter many architectural styles, from Art Nouveau to modernism. We strongly encourage you to pay attention to the many impressive buildings, some of which have been renovated in recent years. We encourage you to pay attention to architectural details, especially on the facades of historic buildings, which



The downtown murals refer to the past of Włocławek and historical places, motifs, events and figures important to the local community.

remind us of the architecture of old Włocławek and the craftsmanship of builders who shaped the image of Włocławek in the past.

ON THE MURAL TRAIL

Street art in the centre of Włocławek is represented primarily by murals. Most of the colourful paintings refer to the city's past, historical places, events and figures that have left their mark on local history. We encourage you to follow the mural trail and discover what themes each of them is associated with.

ACTIVE RECREATION SURROUNDED BY GREENERY

One of the advantages of Włocławek is its location on the Vistula River. Come to the Marshal Józef Piłsudski Boulevards and enjoy your rest surrounded by greenery with a wonderful view of Zawile, a district of Włocławek located on the right bank of the Vistula. Through the Lovers' Bridge (over Zgłowi czka River) you will reach the Jerzy Boja czyk marina with a very interesting sail shape and the parks over Zgłowi czka - the Henryk Sienkiewicz City Park, Park na Pompce and Park Słodowo -



The Interactive Faience Centre - Faience Treasury, which is very popular among residents and tourists, is located in a renovated building complex: the former bank headquarters from 1911 (pictured above) and a contemporary building from 1993.

creating one of the most beautiful park areas in Poland. This is a space whose charms are worth discovering every season!

FLAVORS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD

When walking around the city centre, you can't forget to take a moment for a tasty meal or a hot coffee or tea. In the city centre of Włocławek, there are dozens of restaurants serving Polish, Italian, Japanese and Arabic cuisine, as well as cafes. You can locate all of them thanks to the map, available on the second page of our guide.

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