

Wadowice - the family home and birthplace of John Paul II is located in an exceptionally picturesque Małopolska Region, combining natural landscape wealth and many tourist attractions of the Little Beskids and Wieliczka Foothill. The best way to get to know the east part of the Beskid Mały Mountains, is to choose of the recommended tourist routes. They all follow the designated tourist trails of Polish Tourist Association (PTTK). The shortest route is 10.4 km and the longest covers 22.3 km. They were designed in a way so that the starting point of the tour was at the same time its finish line. Their level of difficulty encourage the entire families to spend their free time in an active way, but they are also perfect for more experienced walkers. There are many attractions for nature and history lovers. You can also admire the panoramic view of Wadowice, the Skawa River or the dam in Świnna Poreba. For more information on tourism routes visit our website: www.it.wadowice.pl.





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# Backpacking trips to the **Little Beskids**



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Wadowice is a great starting point, from which **WADOWICE** you can begin your adventure in Małopolska.

### To The Jaroszowicka Góra Mount



## To Łysa Góra Mount



#### **To Leskowiec Mount**





• Distance: 10,7 km • Time to complete the track: ok. 3 h 15 min.

• Level of difficulty: Easy

 Route: Bridge over the Skawa River in Jaroszowice – Jaroszowicka Góra (Mount) – Under Mount Howiec – Emil Zegadłowicz Museum – Bridge over the Skawa River in Jaroszowice

The route is clearly marked with yellow and black markings. We start the trip past the bridge over the Skawa River in Jaroszowice, where before entering the forest we can leave the car by the river. After about 1.5h we reach the top of Jaroszowicka Góra(Mount, 541 m a. s. l.). From the top of the asphalt road we reach the bridge from which we admire the dam in **Świnna** Poręba. Following the trail we reach the national road No. 28, from where after about 10 minutes we reach the "Czartak" Restaurant, where we can enjoy our meal and rest before our further walk. We leave national road and follow the black trail, traversing the slopes of Iłowiec (472 m a. s. l.). Going down we reach the nineteenth century manor house, which houses the Emil Zegadłowicz Museum. Leaving the museum on the right, we go back the asphalt road towards the national road No. 28 again. After passing the road, along the yellow trail we reach the bridge in Jaroszowice, where we

admire the Skawa River and the slope of Jaroszowicka Góra. The route is relatively easy, but climbing to the top can be a bit difficult.



• Distance: 15,2 km • Time to complete the track: approx. 5 h 05 min.

#### • Level of difficulty: Medium

Route: Wadowice – Kościuszki Square – Czesław Panczakiewicz Pass – Łysa Góra (Mount) – Iłowiec (Mount) – Chapel on the Hill Dzwonek (Bell) – Wadowice Solidarności Square

We start the tour on Kościuszko Square in Wadowice, where we can leave the car in the parking lot. Blue route leads us to Karmelicka Street near the Monastery of Discalced Carmelites. This is the first place on the tour that is worth visiting. The next kilometers of the asphalt road lead us between the buildings of Zawadka. Before making the sharp left turn were the bus stop is, we go right. The blue trail goes up and into the forest. After about 30 minutes we reach the Czesław Panczakiewicz Pass, where we can sit on a bench and rest before further walking. We leave the blue trail behind and from that moment on we will follow the yellow one. After climbing a slight hill, we reach a wooded hill of Łysa Góra (554 m a. s. l.). From that moment on, the trail systematically runs down, except for **Iłowiec** (472 m a. s. l.), before which we will have a short approach. While going down the Ilowiec Mount, the yellow trail connects to the black. By using the asphalt road we reach the intersection, where on the right we can see the

nineteenth century manor house where the Emil Zegadłowicz Museum is housed. The black trail leads us into the forest, where there is the Nature Trail on the Hill Dzwonek (Bell). After a short stretch up, we reach the chapel on the Hill Goryczkowiec (Dzwonek, 373 m a. s. l.), where we admire the beautiful panoramic views dominated by Babia Góra Mount. Going further along the black trail, we enter between the buildings of Gorzeń Dolny until we reach the roundabout on Niwy Street, on which we turn left into Wolności Avenue. On the way we can visit over a hundred-vear-old Town Park. From there the road leads us to the intersection by the Discalced Carmelites, from where we only have a short walk down to the Kościuszko Square parking lot. The tour is dedicated to more experienced walkers.

- Distance: 21,4 km Time to complete the track: ok. 7 h 20 min.
- Level of difficulty: Hard
- Route: Czartak Iłowiec Mount Łysa Góra Mount Ponikiew Groń of John Paul II -Leskowiec Mount - Groń of John Paul II - Kamień Mount - Chobot - "Czartak" Restaurant

We start the tour at the "Czartak" restaurant, where we can leave the car at the parking lot. Following the black trail along the asphalt road, after a moment we turn right and lightly climb up to the place where the route reaches a bifurcation of trails - we choose the yellow trail. We start to climb the Iłowiec (472 m a. s. I.). From here we are about an hour's walk to the Cz. Panczakiewicz Pass. We can take a short lunch break by the chapel. Then we leave the yellow trail and go down the blue one to Ponikiew village. When going off the trail for a moment, we can see the St Alexis's Church form the mid-nineteenth century. We go down the main road to get to the bus loop. Right behind the bus stop on the left, the blue trail leads us by gravel road to the border of the forest. As the height increases, the trail gets harder and harder. Just before getting to the Groń of John Paul II (890 m a. s. l.), we can enjoy the view of the Skawa Valley extending from the Forest Clearing Beskid. After reaching the mountain hostel of Polish Tourist Assocation (PTTK) "Leskowiec", we are

ready for a well-deserved rest. The Chapel of Our Lady, Queen of the Mountains is definitely worth visiting. From the hostel the red trail leads us to the top of Leskowiec (922 m a. s. l.), from which we have the panoramic view over the Tatras, Babia Góra Mount, Pilsko and other mountain ranges. We go back to the hostel using the same way - we choose the yellow trail. We will go down this trail right to the "Czartak" Restaurant. On our way we can admire interesting rock ledges on top of Żar (680 m a. s. l.) and Kamień (678 m a. s. l.). The descent is relatively mild. After entering the road between the buildings, there is a short walk to the parking lot.



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 The Monastery of Discalced Carmelites. - St Joseph Sanctuary – to see the cell of St Rafał Kalinowski and the monastery church with the collection of mementoes of John Paul II. Emil Zegadłowicz Museum, can be visited after reservation: tel. +48 532 788 635