Camino de Santiago - Camino Polaco

Camino de Santiago – the most famous European pilgrimage route, to Santiago de Compostela in western Spain, where - according to tradition - there is the tomb of St. Jacob the Apostle, also called Jacob the Elder.

For medieval Europeans, there were three distant places to which pilgrims went: the Tomb of Christ in Jerusalem, Rome and the tomb of St. James. Saint Jacob became not only the patron of pilgrims, wanderers and all travellers, but also became the patron of Spain and the only symbol of the united Europe.

Today, apart from Spain, their Camino routes - of which there were many in the Middle Ages - already have: Portugal (Camino Portugues), France (Camino Frances) and Germany (Jakobswege). In 1987, the trail was proclaimed the first European Cultural Trail, and in 1993 it was inscribed on the UNESCO World Cultural Heritage List. The trail sign consist of a blue square with a side of 15 cm, forming a background for a stylized yellow sea shell.

Nowe Miasto Lubawskie is on the Polish St. Jacob Trail – Camino Polaco (length - 523 km), which leads from the city of Ogrodniki (Poland-Lithuania border) through Olsztyn, Toruń to the city of Trzemeszno near Gniezno, where it is connected with Wielkopolska Trail of the St. Jacob.

Attractions:

1. Ruins of monastery walls in Łąki Bratiańskie (nearby Nowe Miasto Lubawskie)
2. The church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Nowe Miasto Lubawskie from the beginning of the XIV century.
3. The church of St. Jacob the Elder in Mikołajki (1780 r.)
4. The church of St. Maria Magdalena in Kurzętnik from the beginning of the XIV century.

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 [GPS](http://www.olesnicamala.info/pl/drogi-sw-jakuba-w-polsce)

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