

# Dining al fresco



With the first rays of summer sunshine, the city and its surroundings bloomed with beer gardens, chairs and parasols. What can be more pleasant than enjoying your morning coffee in the open air, a lunch among the hustle and bustle of Stary Rynek or a dinner with a view of the purple sky over the Cathedral church?

Most eating establishments offer their patrons the opportunity to sit outside in a summer garden area. We encourage you to find your favorites - and below, we recommend a few of our choices. Places providing an interesting space with character under the open sky have been divided into a few thematic categories.

## A walk in the park

### **Umberto in Cytadela park** | restaurant by Muzeum Uzbrojenia (the Museum of Armory)

This restaurant is situated in the central part of the park, neighboring the kids' favorite Museum of Armory. Old planes and a playground right next door is a guarantee of great fun and a tasty family meal. Umberto's cuisine is a wide selection of pizzas, pastas and salads. Those with a bit of a sweet tooth will surely appreciate the dessert menu, many coffees and a huge freezer filled with various ice cream. There are comfy chairs outside the restaurant, where the parents can easily oversee their little ones at play. It is noteworthy that in Umberto, animals are also welcome.

### **Tarasy Cytadeli** | a cafe in the former sledding slope

Umberto's younger neighbor, Tarasy Cytadeli has only recently started spreading their culinary wings. Tables, chairs and deckchairs have been set up around this cafe, situated at the top of a former sledding slope. Colorful decor, parasols and rays of sunshine in the tree branches create an idyllic atmosphere of true relaxation.



### **Stary Browar** | courtyard and park at Ogródowa

Stary Browar's courtyard is a connector of sorts between the older and the newer part of the complex. It is also the place where a paved courtyard opens up onto a gorgeous, clean and well-maintained park. There are a few gardens in the courtyard which are worth a visit. You can remain there, or take your coffee to go and sit in the park. There are a few dozen deckchairs there, just waiting for you to sink into with a book, listen to music or even go to the land of nod for a while.



**Panorama** - HP Park restaurant | Baraniaka 77

Panorama is HP Park's restaurant, located at Lake Malta. Dishes and desserts a la carte can be ordered on a spacious terrace with a view of Lake Malta. Kids can run around freely on the hotel lawn, while the adults enjoy a cup of coffee in the shade of giant parasols. Panorama is a great stop on the way to the zoo, or Malta Ski's recreational part. You can leave your car in the hotel parking place. The parking is paid.

#### Breakfast

#### **Republika róż** | Plac Kolegiacki 2a

This place has long been famous for its breakfasts, grouped conveniently into a number of rich sets, available for around 20PLN (€5). The interior design of the venue, based only a few steps away from Stary Rynek, is especially appealing to the ladies, and so a great place for a romantic breakfast. The meal can be enjoyed both indoors and out, while admiring the lovely architecture of the City Hall. Free WiFi is also available on site.

#### **Bagels & Friends** | Wyspiańskiego 26

Breakfasts and lunches based on bagels are the speciality here. The selection is wide, and it is all fresh, tasty and very nicely served. Located in City Park complex opposite the Poznań Arena, the bright, elegant, Provencal-style interiors of Bagels & Friends are spacious and cozy. A parking area is yet another convenience. During the week, the locale opens at 8am; on Saturdays at 9am.

#### Let's go to lunch



### **Gospoda Pod Koziolkami | Sary Rynek 95**

The popular Koziółki is probably Poznań's best recognized restaurant serving regional food. The locale is divided into two levels - "Kredens", accessible from the street, and the basement known as "Piwnica grillowa" ("barbecue basement"). These two levels differ by both style and menus. Kredens offers mainly flour-based dishes, including their fantastic, hand-made pierogi (unleavened dough dumplings, boiled and then baked, with various stuffings). Piwnica grillowa offers a slightly pricier, heavier, meat-based menu. Staff in regional outfits and the meticulously renovated interiors make Gospoda an exceptional and original place. An additional reason to give it a try is their outside garden area, with a unique view of the Town Hall and Waga Miejska ( a former Weigh House - now a popular place for civil wedding ceremonies).



### **Whiskey in the Jar | Stary Rynek 56**

The heart of Stary Rynek, a biker-style interiors and a wide selection of lunch suggestions on the menu - this, in short, is Whiskey in the Jar. The burgers, steaks and ribs here are to die for. A local delicacy is "pyra z gzikiem" (a baked potato with quark cheese and chives) or "tatar" (steak tartare). The generous portions can be accompanied by cocktails and soft drinks served in specially designed jars - the name of the locale is Whiskey in the Jar, after all - going along great with the atmosphere of the place. In season, WitJ has a summer garden with a Stary Rynek view.

### **Cyryl - Lunch Coffee Wine | Libelta 1A**

Cyryl is a spacious interior, light lunch cuisine and wine by the glass. The design of this boutique venue is also such - light, creative, filled with light and air. You can eat salads, soups and bagels here. During lunchtime, be sure to check out their set lunch menu. In season, you can enjoy your dessert and coffee at an outside table.

Short and sweet

### **Weranda Cafe | Świątosławska 10**

One of Stary Rynek's most iconic summer gardens with an unforgettable character. Hidden in the back of an inconspicuous cafe, it surprises with a warm, almost fairytale atmosphere. It is the

perfect place for a meeting with a friend or taking the kids out for ice cream. Colorful smoothies, homemade pies and huge portions of ice cream are a true paradise for the sweet toothed.



**Cafe Bimba** | Zielona

A tiny cafe in Zielona Street is visible from afar. This is because it is an old tram, known in Poznań dialect as “bimba”, turned into a scrubbed and bright cafe. Cakes and coffee are on the menu, and in the evenings, you can treat yourself to something off the outside barbecue.



**Na trakcie** | corner of Dziekańska i Posadzego (Ostrów Tumski)

Na trakcie is a charming little cafe in Ostrów Tumski, situated opposite Śluza Katedralna (Cathedral floodgate). On the menu there is a variety of coffees, warm and cold beverages as well as homemade baked goods.

**Taczaka 20** | Taczaka 20

Taczaka 20 is a place which fights for the urban space, and its own place in that very space. A designer, street-fused locale offers cakes and coffee in the summer garden written into the landscape of Taczaka Street. It is an excellent stop on the way to Stary Rynek or Stary Browar.

Wine & dine



**Brovaria** | Stary Rynek 73- 74

Brovaria offers European cuisine with Polish influences. You can come for lunch and an exquisite

dinner. Depending on the occasion and the atmosphere of the meeting the bar, the beer hall, the restaurant area and the brick basement area are all at your disposal. The excellent in-house brewed beer complements the delicious, sophisticated cuisine. Four beer sorts are served here, as well as a wide selection of beer-based cocktails. A spacious outside area is located in the central part of Stary Rynek.



**Toga** | Plac Wolności 13 (at the back of Empik bookstore)

Toga is a restaurant which serves sophisticated, conscious cuisine for the fine palate. The menu, based on regional ingredients, is just the entrance to a culinary feast which, apart from the meal, consists of the unique atmosphere, created by the chef-owners. Cuisine lovers, story-tellers, culinary scholars - such is, in short, the description of Toga's hosts, who take each and every patron on a culinary journey of the highest caliber. Famous among gourmands from all over the globe, and valued by the Slow Food community, Toga comes highly recommended by TripAdvisor. In season, the restaurant also has an outside garden area with a view to Plac Wolności.



**Vine bridge** | Ostrówek 6

Poland's smallest restaurant is located in the historic of Śródka, at the foot of Jordana bridge. A unique view of the Cathedral church and Ostrów Tumski, together with the vicinity to ICHOT (Ostrów Tumski Interactive Historical Center), beg the culinary associations with the past. Vine Bridge picks up the gauntlet, surprising and provoking its patrons. Radosław Najman's innovative cuisine treats the tradition and regional products with the utmost respect. Sophisticated, designer dishes are a combination of the chef's solid craftsmanship and his creative calling. A dinner with a view of Jordana bridge and the sunset over the Cathedral church is a lasting memory worth creating. Due to the size of the locale, it is recommended to book a table via phone.

Beer, anyone?

### **Chmielnik** | Żydowska 27

Chmielnik is the younger brother of Basilium in Wielka Street. Chmielnik's official opening took place this season. Both places focus on Polish beers, offering their stunning selection. As many as 150 kinds of beer are on the menu. Chmielnik, as many other establishments in Żydowska, offers a

spacious outside garden area, located at the back of the locale.



**Dragon** | Zamkowa 3

Dragon is an iconic venue which every party goer is more than familiar with. The famous Dragon courtyard, braided around with precipitous stairs is a place known and loved. “Kuchnia dla Dragona” (“cuisine for Dragon”) is a rather new project, with an interesting and unorthodox menu. Local produce, culinary classics and complete novelties intertwine into one coherent whole. The food is great and the selection wide enough for even the most conservative of gourmands to find something for themselves.



**Fort Colomb** | Powstańców Wielkopolskich

Fort Colomb is situated in a historic fort in Park Marcinkowskiego (on the way from the train station to the University of Economics). In season, the locale offers a spacious outside garden area, open till late hours of the night. You can enjoy a nice frothy ale and watch broadcasts of many sports events.