

SILESIA, THE SOUTH GATE OF POLAND

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1. SOME HISTORY AND STATISTICS

WHAT IS PART OF THE SILESIAN VOIVODESHIP?

Silesian Lowland, Silesian-Cracow Upland, The Oświęcim valley, West foothills Beskidy, West Beskid. Eastern part of Upper Silesia and western part Małopolska voivodeship, including Zagłębie Dąbrowskie, Zagłębie Krakowskie, Żywiecczynę i Częstochowę.



SOME STATISTICS

In Silesia lives 4,57 mln people. Silesia is a voivodeship, which the highest degree of urbanization and population density. Katowice city is headquarters of voivodeship authority.

**THE MOST IMPORTANT HISTORICAL
MOMENTS:**

SILESIAN UPRISINGS:

- I Silesian uprisings – from 16 august to 24 august 1919 r.
- II Silesian uprisings – from 19/20 august to 25 august 1920 r.
- III Silesian uprisings – from 2/3 may (after plebiscite) to 5 july 1921 r.

**2. WHAT SILESIA IS
FAMOUS FOR?**

MINES AND INDUSTRY

- There are 25 coal mines in Silesia.



DIALECT

- Silesians have their original language, which is a mixture of German, Russian and Czech language.
e.g PL: Motyl ENG: Butterfly ŚL: Szmaterlok
 PL: Ser ENG: Cheese ŚL: Kyjza
 PL: Podłoga ENG: Floor ŚL: Zola

SUNDAY DINNER

- Silesians are famous in Poland for their silesian dinners, which are cooking mandatory in every sunday. The first dish is chicken soup; second dish is silesian roulade, red cabbage, silesian dumplings and sauce.



3. SILESIAN TRADITIONS

LEGEND ABOUT DROWNER

Drowners inhabit both natural and artificial bodies of water, from rivers and lakes to mill ponds and city sewers. It is commonly thought that these creatures are drowned men, somehow arisen from the dead to prey on the living.



LEGEND ABOUT BOGEYMAN

Bogeyman is monster, which was create to scare kids. You might say, that bogeyman is some sort of help in rearing and chastising silesian children.



EXCEPTIONAL CHRISTMAS EVE DISHES

- Moczka



- Makówki



„Silesia is always in my heart”

-Piotr Kupicha