



Wieliczka

The Wieliczka Salt Mine is in southern Poland. According to a 700-year-old legend, a princess, the Blessed Kinga threw her ring into a salt mine at Marmaros in Hungary. While travelling from Marmaros to Cracow, she stopped at Wieliczka and she told her servants to dig a well. Instead of water, they discovered salt. In the first lump of salt Kinga's ring was found.

The miners were very religious so chapels were constructed underground and church services were held there. A special attraction is the chapel of the Blessed Kinga. The walls and floor of the chapel, as well as the statues, have been carved from rock salt.

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