

## Szlak historii ludzi, miejsc i wydarzeń

## Brzeskie nekropolie

Brzesko dzięki swej nietuzinkowej historii posiada kilka unikalnych nekropolii: poza parafialnym Starym Cmentarzem warto odwiedzić cmentarz żydowski oraz wojenne nekropolie z I. wojny światowej.

## english version

The parish cemetery, known as the Old Cemetery, in Kosciuszko Street was established in 1801 by parish priest, the Rev. Antoni Stachlewski, on land belonging to the Holy Spirit Hospital for the Poor that was founded in the 15th century. In 1925 the cemetery was extended. The Jewish Cemetery in Czarnowiejska street is chronologically the second cemetery in Brzesko and was established before 1824. In 1902, it was extended. It has an irregular shape and an area of approximately 1.45 hectares. War cemeteries - War cemetery 276 in Brzesko is adjacent to the southern end of the Jewish cemetery. It was established in 1916 by an Austrian architect, Lieutenant Robert Motka, and was built by prisoners of war under the supervision of engineer Captain Karl Schöllich. It served as a mass cemetery for local and field hospitals which existed in the area from November 1914 to May 1915 as well as a burial place for soldiers who died in later years. Buried here are 507 bodies of those killed in action, including 441 Austro-Hungarians, 63 Russians and 3 Germans. At the wall, on the left and right sides, there are graves of officers. The lewish War Cemetery No. 275 in Brzesko, also designed by Lieutenant Robert Motka, is located in the north-western part of the Jewish cemetery. In this section of the cemetery, dating back to the World War I, there are buried 21 soldiers of Austro-Hungarian Jewish origin. On the outskirts of the park, which formerly belonged to a manor in Okocim, is War Cemetery No.277, also designed by the same architect. Other war cemetery sections dating back to World War I are located in the parish cemeteries in Szczepanów (No. 273), Jadowniki (No. 278) and in the forests in Dziekanów-Sterkowiec (No. 279), all by Captain Robert Hank.







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