

**GRÓJEC – OUR HOME TOWN**

# HISTORY OF OUR TOWN

- Grójec is an old town with a rich history. Our town received city rights in 1419. In 2019, the inhabitants of Grójec celebrated the 600th anniversary of the city getting city rights. During the ceremony, participants could taste dishes made of apples from the surrounding orchards and a dance show presented by people dressed in colorful folk costumes.
- At the turn of the 16th and 17th centuries, the city produced beer and lute strings.





# ORCHARD CENTER OF EUROPE

- The Grójec region is called "the largest orchard in Europe". The history of horticulture in Grójec dates back to the times of Queen Bona, who in the 16th century established the first plantation of fruit trees, especially apple trees, in the region of Grójec. Over the next centuries, apples from the vicinity of Grójec landed not only on Polish tables but became famous all over the continent. Currently, orchards, which are cultivated in Grójec provide 40% of the domestic apple production



# BEST APPLES IN EUROPE

- In 2011, apples were entered into the EU register as Protected Geographical Indication. Products bearing this mark are distinguished by a specific quality and reputation. Grójeckie apples owe their exceptional, unique taste to the special climatic conditions in the Grójec region. Apples from the Grójec region stand out from other apples not only in taste and color, but also in smell.





# MONUMENTS OF GRÓJEC – TOWN HALL

- The Town Hall in Grójec was built in 1809. Currently, the building of the town hall houses the Registry Office and the City Council. The last ground part of the building was finished in 2007. The monument was entered into the register on March 23, 1962. From 2021, the inhabitants of Grójec can hear the city's bugle call resounding from the Town Hall building. The building is built in the classical style.



# CITY SYMBOL

The sculpture located in the town square was created in 2016. It shows the symbol of the Grójec, which is an apple. The sculpture was made of bronze. Since its inception, the sculpture has attracted the attention of young children who like to play and take pictures there.



# THE TITLED MURAL

- One of the characteristic places in the city is the mural depicting Grójec from 1867. The work was created in 2012 by Sebastian Krawczyk, who did all the work with a pencil. The artist worked on the mural for 240 hours and used about 1,000 pencils to create it.

A few years later, the work of the artist from Grójec was entered in the Guinness Book of Records for the largest pencil-painted painting in urban space.





# CITY ATTRACTIONS

The city offers its inhabitants many attractions. One of them is the weekend cinema. During the week in the cinema building are organized artistic activities for both children and adults. In the building of cultural culture in Grójec, there are often organized concerts, art exhibitions and different types of competitions. There are also many dance schools in the city, where residents can develop their dance skills.





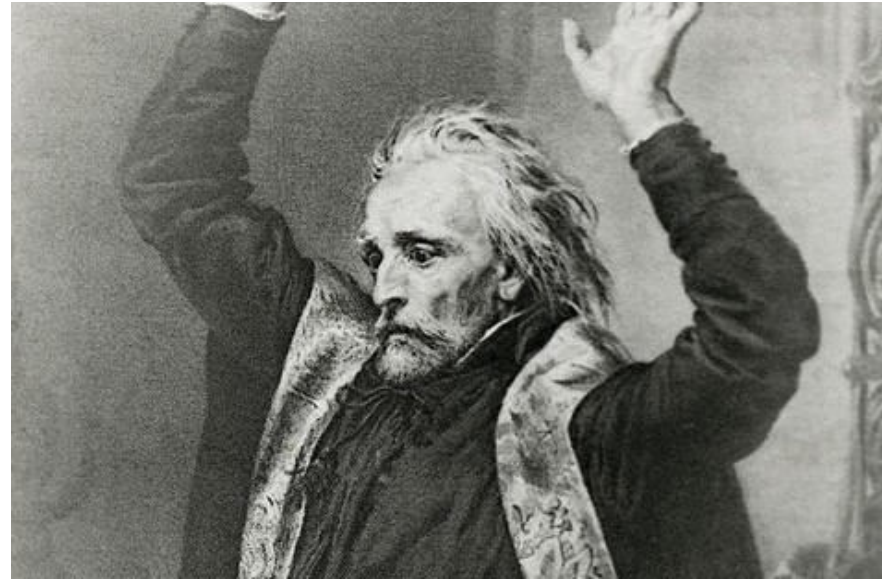
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The inhabitants of Grójec can also go to various editions of the sport. One of them is football. The city has its own football team called „Mazowsze”. Grójec also offers its residents an indoor swimming pool, where are usually organized swimming competitions for young people. In the swimming pool, in addition to the sports tracks, you will find slides and saunas. Next to the swimming pool we can also find a small skatepark.



# FAMOUS PERSON FROM GRÓJEC

- The most famous inhabitant of Grójec is priest Piotr Skarga. He was a theologian, Jesuit and preacher. Piotr Skarga is also famous for being the author of „Lives of Saints” and „Sejm sermons”. He was a professor at the Kraków Academy and in 1579 he became the first rector of the Wilno Academy.







# ST. NICOLAS CHURCH

- The oldest building in our city is the church of St. Nicholas. It was established in 1480. The building is built in the Gothic style.

## THE MOST FREQUENTED PLACE BY YOUNG PEOPLE



Sport field

## THE TALLEST BUILDING



Hospital



# THE MOST ATTRACTIVE PLACE FOR VISITORS – THE TOWN SQUARE





# THE MOST ENTERTAINING PLACE

- Every year in our city there is a city festival called 'blossoming apple trees'. During this holiday in our city there are concerts, competitions, dance performances and when moving the amusement park.