

# Baltic Quintet

15 Nights / 16 Days

2N Vilnius / 3N Riga / 2N Tallinn / 2N Helsinki / 3N St. Petersburg / 3N  
Moscow

## Day 1 ARRIVAL DAY

Arrival in Vilnius, you will be transferred to your hotel. Check-in your hotel. Welcome meeting with your escort. Welcome drinks on arrival. (D)

Overnight in Vilnius

## Day 2 VILNIUS

Vilnius is known for its more than 1.200 medieval buildings and 48 churches. The morning sightseeing tour includes a panoramic tour of the city and a walking tour of the Old Town with Vilnius Cathedral, Gediminas Tower, Peter and Paul Church, St. Anne's Church, Old University and the Gates of Dawn. The afternoon offers an excursion to Trakai, the medieval capital of Lithuania, with the well preserved Trakai Castle, beautifully located on an island in Lake Galve. In the evening enjoy an optional folklore dinner at Restaurant Belmontas. (B,D)

Overnight in Vilnius

## Day 3 VILNIUS-RIGA

Heading for Riga, the first stop is the Hill of Crosses, one of the most holy sites of Catholic Lithuania. After crossing into Latvia we soon reach the magnificent Rundale Palace, the former summer residence of the Duke of Courland. Following a guided tour of the palace we travel through the rolling hills of Southern Latvia to reach Riga at late afternoon, check-in at your hotel. (B,D)

Overnight in Riga

## Day 4 JURMALA

Founded in 1201 by the German bishop Albert, Riga is the largest of the three Baltic capitals and boasts a real kaleidoscope of architectural styles. The walking tour of the Old Town includes Riga Castle, the Dome Cathedral, St. Peter's Church, the Swedish Gate, the Three Brothers, the Large and Small Guilds and the Freedom Monument. The afternoon is reserved for an visit to Jurmala, the vibrant Latvian sea resort, famous for its wooden architecture and sandy beaches. The evening offers an optional organ concert at the Dome Cathedral. (B,D)

Overnight in Riga

## Day 5 GAUJA NATIONAL PARK

After we got acquainted with Riga we have the possibility of discovering medieval Latvia. The tour for this morning takes us to the stunning scenery of the Gauja National Park and the town of Sigulda. We listen to the medieval Latvian legend of the Rose of Turaida and see the ruins of the Episcopal Castle and of the Castle of the Knights of the Sword before we return to Riga. The afternoon offers an optional visit to the Ethnographical Open Air Museum, a spacious exposition of 18th century country life. In the evening enjoy an optional Latvian dinner at the stylish Restaurant Forest. (B,D)

Overnight in Riga

## Day 6 RIGA-TALLINN

The tour continues along the coastal highway to the Estonian summer resort of Parnu. We do a short tour of the resort before we continue through the North Estonian land of forests and arrive in Tallinn early afternoon, check-in at the your hotel. (B,D)

Overnight in Tallinn

## Day 7 TALLINN

Tallinn is a charming blend of medieval tranquillity and modern urban life. The medieval Old Town is a busy place in the summer with its many shops, galleries, souvenir markets, outdoor cafés and restaurants. The sightseeing tour takes us around the old medieval city walls and into the Old Town where we see Toompea Castle, Dome Church, Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, medieval Old Town Hall and Great Guild Hall. In the afternoon an excursion is offered to Kadriorg Park and visit to KUMU, the award-winning new Estonian Art museum, with its collections of classic and contemporary fine art. The evening offers an optional medieval dinner at Restaurant Maikrahv. (B,D)

Overnight in Tallinn

## Day 8 TALLINN-HELSINKI

This day offers first an day excursion to Lahemaa National Park, where we visit Palmse Manor, a memorial to the von Pahlen family, and Sagadi Manor. The tour ends with a visit to the charming 16th century Vihula Manor and the Vodka Museum. After lunch break, we head back to Tallinn to take the ferry to Helsinki and enjoy a refreshing tour through the Finnish archipelago before arriving in Helsinki. Upon arrival we are transferred to our hotel and check-in at your hotel. (B,D)

Overnight in Helsinki

## Day 9 HELSINKI

Helsinki is truly located at the crossroads of Western and Eastern culture and this is reflected everywhere in the green and lively Finnish capital. The sightseeing tour takes us around the harbours and the Senate Square with the Lutheran Cathedral, up central Mannerheim Street and by the Parliament Building, the Finlandia Hall, and the Sibelius Monument and for a visit at the famous Church-in-the-Rock. The afternoon offers an excursion to Suomenlinna Fortress, a cultural treasure which construction was started in the 18th century as a sea fortress. Located on an island, fortress is a unique attraction for visitors. (B,D)

Overnight in Helsinki

## Day 10 HELSINKI-ST. PETERSBURG

Today we continue eastbound to St. Petersburg. Shortly after crossing the border into Russia we arrive in Vyborg, where we take time for a short sightseeing tour and a photo-stop at Vyborg Castle. In the late afternoon we arrive in St. Petersburg and check-in at your hotel. (B,D)

Overnight in St. Petersburg

## Day 11 ST. PETERSBURG

St. Petersburg is an amazing city. Its imperial palaces and museums enjoy worldwide fame, while the Neva River and the many canals have deservedly given the city the title of Venice of the North. During the morning sightseeing tour we get acquainted with all the splendours of the city: the Peter-Paul Fortress, the Winter Palace, St. Isaac's Cathedral, the Church of the Bleeding Savior, the Nevsky Convent and much more. The afternoon offers an optional excursion to Zarskoye Selo with the impressive Catherine's Palace and the Amber Room, which vanished during World War II and was restored for St. Petersburg's tri-centennial celebrations. In the evening enjoy an optional visit to the Nikolaevsky Palace with an exciting Russian folklore show and Russian „champagne” and snacks. (B,D)

Overnight in St. Petersburg

## Day 12 ST. PETERSBURG

The morning is reserved for an visit to Peterhof, an uncontested masterpiece of the time of Peter the Great, with the impressive Grand Palace, Grand Cascade and Water Avenue and its wonderful parks. In the afternoon, an optional visit to the world-famous Hermitage Art Museum is offered. In the evening enjoy an optional Russian dinner at Restaurant Pryanosti & Radosti. (B,D)

Overnight in St. Petersburg

## Day 13 ST. PETERSBURG-MOSCOW

The early morning is reserved for an optional St. Petersburg channel cruise. Around noon we go to the Moscow Railway Station and board the Sapsan high-speed train bound for Moscow. The train ride takes us through endless Russian landscapes along the River Volga. In the late afternoon we arrive to Moscow and check in at Hotel. (B,D)

Overnight in Moscow

## Day 14 MOSCOW

Moscow, The Mother of Russia, is a genuine Russian city with the Kremlin and its onion domed cathedrals. The dramatic changes over the last decade have made the city to one of the most dynamic metropolis in the world. The morning sightseeing tour includes the highlights of the vast city: the Red Square with St. Basil's Cathedral, the Theatre Square with Bolshoi Theatre and Sparrow Hills with Moscow University and we visit the Kremlin grounds and one of the cathedrals. In the afternoon is offered an optional visit to the Moscow Metro including the historical stations on the Ring-Line and a guided stroll along the famous pedestrian Arbat Street. The evening offers an Moscow-by-night tour including an unforgettable river cruise with the White Flotilla. (B,D)

Overnight in Moscow

## Day 15 MOSCOW

The day offers an optional full day excursion to the quaint town of Sergiev Posad, where we visit the Trinity Lavra of St. Sergius, the most important Russian monastery and the spiritual heart of the Russian Orthodox Church. The whole Lavra has been beautifully restored for the 700-years celebrations of the birth of St. Sergius of Radonezh. The evening offers an optional visit to the Old Russian Circus. (B,D)

Overnight in Moscow

## Day 16 DEPARTURE DAY

After breakfast, you will be transferred to your airport for your flight. (B)

**(B) = Breakfast, (L) = Lunch, (D) = Dinner**

# Information

## Inclusions

15 overnights at centrally located 4 star hotels  
Includes 15 BB, 15 x 3 Course dinners meals as per itinerary (BB= buffet breakfast, D= Dinner).  
Welcome meeting with champagne-cocktail or juice  
Personalised welcome package  
Entrances to Old University in Vilnius, Rundale Palace, medieval Great Guild Hall in Tallinn, Church-in-the-Rock in Helsinki, Peter-Paul-Fortress in St. Petersburg and Moscow Kremlin  
Service of English and German speaking tour escort on all tours  
Service of Italian only speaking tour escort on Baltic countries segment and Italian and Spanish speaking tour escort on Finish-Russian segment on tours GBX08, GBX10, GBX12-GBX20  
Service of Italian and Spanish speaking tour escort on tours GBX05, GBX07, GBX09, GBX11 and GBX21  
Service of 1st class motor coaches or 1st class minivans throughout the itinerary  
Ferry Tallinn-Helsinki OW  
Sapsan high-speed train St. Petersburg-Moscow OW (2nd class)  
Portage at hotels and railway stations

## Highlights

Visit to Trakai Castle.  
Gauja National Park.  
Excursion to Jurmala.  
Kadriorg Park and Visit to KUMU  
Lahemaa National Park  
Excursion to Suomenlinna Fortress by water bus  
Hermitage Art Museum.  
Board the Sapsan high-speed train.  
3-hour Moscow metro and Arbat tour.  
3-hour Moscow-by-night tour and river cruise.

## Rates

COST: From EUR 2890 onwards Per Person in standard double room

White Night Supplement for May 19-05 to 03-06-19 and June 30-06 to 15-07-19

EUR 100.00 (double occupancy)

EUR 100.00 (single supplement)

DEPARTURES: 2019 – May 19; June 02,09,16, 23, 30; July 07,14, 21,28; August 04, 11, 18, 25; Sept 01, 08.

At times there may be special deals- enquire at the time of booking.

### HOTELS:

REGION	4* HOTELS OR SIMILAR
Vilnius	Hotel Radisson Blu Lietuva or similar
Riga	Hotel Mercure Riga or similar
Tallinn	Hotel Radisson Blu Olympia or similar

Helsinki	Hotel Glo Art or similar
St.Petersburg	Hotel Sokos Vasilevsky or similar
Moscow	Hotel Park Inn Sadu or similar

VALIDITY: Till From 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019 To 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019

## Exclusions

All flights, excess baggage fees, airport departure taxes and other relevant taxes  
Inoculations and personal insurance.  
Folklore dinner at Restaurant Belmontas  
3-hour excursion to the Open Air Museum  
Organ concert at the Dome Cathedral  
Latvian dinner at Restaurant Forest  
Medieval dinner at Restaurant Maikrahv  
4-hour excursion to Zarskoye Selo and visit to Catherine's Palace  
**Visit to folklore show at the Nikolaevsky Palace**  
Russian dinner at Restaurant Pryanosti & Radosti.  
Guided channel cruise.  
8-hour excursion to Sergiev Posad.  
Visit to Old Russian Circus.  
Optional tours and services.  
All meals and drinks not specified in inclusions  
Drinks, tips, laundry, bottled drinking water and other personal expenses  
Medical, Travel and Baggage Insurance  
Holiday Surcharge  
Porterage at airport and hotels  
Items of a personal nature (i.e. internet, curio, laundry, beverages, etc.) unless specifically quoted for above  
Passport and Visa fees  
International Airfare  
Anything not specifically quoted in the inclusions  
Park entrances fees unless otherwise specified  
GST extra as applicable

## Notes

All prices are correct at the time of printing and subject to availability.

All prices are subject to change without notice. Though care has been taken to put appropriate prices, our suppliers may increase their price depending on the availability and season. We therefore request you to allow for changes to occur before the confirmation of the final price. We will inform you about the increase or decrease in prices at the time of booking

No reservations have been made and accommodation is subject to availability. In case of non-availability, alternate accommodation will be recommended.

Luggage: one normal suitcase and one handbag per person are considered acceptable. The extra suitcase will be charged to the passenger.

All outdoor activities are weather permitting.

Smoking is not allowed in the vehicles. Comfort stops will be made en route.

All distances and travelling times are approximate.

Peak Season Surcharge may be applicable during Xmas, New Year or during any special events.

**Terms & Conditions** Apply.

All Payments to be made in INR, USD or EUR as per rate of exchange at the time of booking.

Any payments automatically mean adherence to the terms & conditions and our statute.