

Baltics Discovery

9 Nights / 10 Days

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

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

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

Information

Inclusions

12 overnights at centrally located 4 star hotels

Includes 12 BB, 12 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 and Peter-and-Paul Fortress in St. Petersburg

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 GRE08, GRE10, GRE12-GRE20

Service of Italian and Spanish speaking tour escort on tours GRE05, GRE07, GRE09, GRE11, GRE21

Service of 1st class motor coaches or 1st class minivans throughout the itinerary

Ferry ticket Tallinn-Helsinki OW (2ndclass)

Portage at hotels

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

Rates

COST: From EUR 2335 onwards Per Person in standard double room

White Night Supplement for May 19-05 to 31-05-19 and June 30-06 to 12-07-19

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 Vasilievsky or similar

VALIDITY: Till From 19th June 2019 To 20th 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
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.