

Estonia, Latvia & Lithuania

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Day 01 Tallinn

Arrive into Tallinn (TLL), meet and greet upon arrival, hotel transfer, check-in and relax. Dinner at hotel.

Overnight Tallinn.

Day 02 Tallinn

Enjoy breakfast in the comfort of your hotel, your guide of Tallinn includes **Upper Town, Toompea Hill** and **Dome Cathedral**.

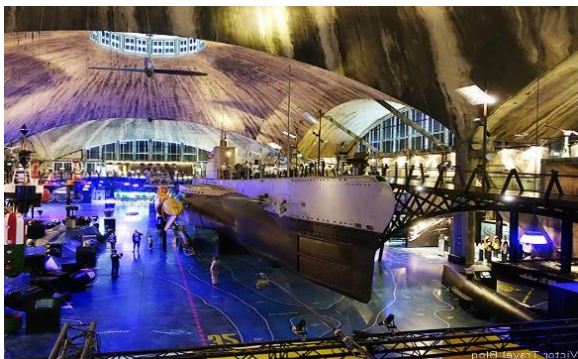
Drive to **Kadriorg Palace**, see **Kadriorg Art Museum** which displays hundreds of 16th – 20th century paintings by Russian and western artists, as well as prints and sculptures.



Kadriorg Palace

On the way to **Pirita Convent** see **Pirita**

Promenade running from the edge of Kadriorg Park all the way, across the bridge by the sailing club, to Pirita Beach. The promenade stretches for about 2km along the waterfront, offering spectacular views. Visit a monastery for both monks and nuns dedicated to St. Brigitta, located in the district of Pirita which functioned from the 15th – 16th century.



Seaplane Harbor

After lunch, Visit **Lennusadam (Seaplane Harbor)**, part of the **Estonian Maritime Museum**. Housing seaplane hangars built more than 100 years ago, fly your own in a simulator and have a boat race with remote controls (not included).

Overnight Tallinn.

Day 03 Tallinn

Your tour begins with **Tallinn TV Tower**, Estonia's tallest building at 314 meters. The body was constructed from reinforced concrete rings 50cm thick that weigh a total of 17,000 tonnes, and the total tower weight is approximately 20,000 tonnes! The observation deck on the 21st floor was originally designed to have a rotating section.

Return to Old Town for a walking tour (approx. 1.5hrs) that includes **Lower Town, Gothic Town Hall, St. Nicholas Church, Museum of Medieval Art** and the **Pharmacy** which has been opened since the early 15th century!



St. Nicholas Church

Overnight Tallinn.

Day 04 Tallinn – Riga



Turaida Castle

Check-out, drive to Riga, the capital of Latvia (approx. 04hrs). Stretch your legs at **Parnu** a medieval city on the way. Explore the largest resort in Estonia home to a variety of spas from large water parks to more intimate and historical bath houses.

Your drive continues to Turaida for another stop, travel back in time to the Middle Ages at **Turaida Castle**. Admire the ruins from this 13th century knights Castle where mysterious sandstone grottoes can be found on the riverbank. Drive further north for your final stop at the New Castle of Sigulda, a New-Gothic construction from the end of the 19th century.

Overnight Riga.

Day 05 Riga

Embark on your walking tour of **Old Riga** which covers the most famous architectural monuments including the 13th century **Dome Cathedral** famous for one of the biggest organs in Europe, **Three Brothers**, a set of medieval dwelling houses, the 13th century **St. Jacob's** and **St. Peter's Churches** along with the 14th century **Riga Castle**. Stroll to the wonderful **Riga Central Market**, first opened in the 1930s, known as the largest and most progressive marketplace in Europe since then, taste authentic food from Latvia.



Riga

In the afternoon you will be escorted to the **Art Nouveau District** famous for exclusive early 20th century architecture styles. See **Riga's Art Nouveau museum** to learn about the inhabitants of Riga and their heritage.



River Daugava Canal Boat

Cruise along the **River Daugava** and **Riga Canal** (approx. 01hr) on a traditional canal boat. The River and Canal encircle Riga's **UNESCO** listed Old Town, passing many of the city's most memorable landmarks. The sightseeing cruise offers a leisurely way to take in the sights - glide past Freedom Monument, the Latvian National Opera, the Latvian National Theatre, enjoy views of Kronvalda Park and Riga Castle, and cruise beneath the Shroud Bridge and Stone Bridge.

Overnight Riga.

Day 06 Riga – Vilnius

Check out and transfer to **Vilnius**, stop by **Rundale Palace** on the way. The palace is known as *Versailles of Latvia*.

Drive north to the **Hill of Crosses**, a famous Catholic pilgrimage site, over 200,000 crosses have been placed here by religious Lithuanians all of which adorn the sacred area. Historically this was a sign of resistance to the Soviet regime.



Rundale Palace

Continue your drive to Vilnius.

Overnight Vilnius.

Day 07 Vilnius

Welcome to Vilnius, your walking tour takes you to some of the most interesting architectural and historic monuments such as the majestic **Vilnius Cathedral** dating back to the 14th century. See the monument to the Grand Duke of Lithuania, the founder of Vilnius, the **Palace of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania**, **Gediminas Hill**, **St. Anne's**, **Vilnius University** and **Dawn Gate**.



Trakai Castle

We recommend a tasting lunch at a local old town restaurant of traditional Lithuanian meals.

Afterwards explore **Trakai**, approx. 28km from Vilnius, famous for their 15th century **Gothic Castle** amidst the lake, now housing a History Museum. Enjoy Take a nice boat trip around Trakai Castle.

Transfer back to Vilnius. **Overnight Vilnius.**

Day 08 Vilnius – Hong Kong

Airport transfer depart Vilnius for your onward flight.