

BALTIC TRIANGLE

8 days
7 nights

3
countries

travel type
Cultural

Three regions in one holiday – spend one week and see part of Scandinavia, the Baltic States and Russia. You would be surprised to see how easy it is to travel in this part of Europe and discover an exciting mix of cultures:

- Saint Petersburg, also known as the “Cultural Capital of Russia”. It houses hundreds of museums, including the world’s largest museum, the Hermitage, the world’s top ballet and the former elegant winter and summer palaces of the Russian Imperators.
- The fairy tale-like Tallinn, one of the few places on Earth where the medieval atmosphere is preserved till nowadays (UNESCO World Heritage).
- Helsinki, the Finish capital built on the crossroads of Western and Eastern culture.

DESCRIPTION

● Day 1, Tallinn

Arrival to Tallinn, the capital of Estonia. Free time to explore the cozy fairy-tale like Tallinn’s Old City. Have a stroll in narrow medieval streets, where you can easily imagine how life was back in the 15th century. Overnight: Tallinn

● Day 2, Tallinn – Kadriorg Palace

Highlights: Tallinn city tour, Kadriorg palace Join the guided tour to discover the Tallinn Old Town, which is one of the best-preserved and authentic medieval capitals in Europe, filled with churches and merchant houses. The walk through the hilly cobblestone streets will become a memorable ending to your travels. Excursion will continue in a beautiful flower park of the Kadriorg Palace, which was founded by the Russian tsar Peter. Visit the National Art Museum and stroll through the beautiful park. Meals: B+L Overnight: Tallinn

● Day 3, Tallinn – Helsinki

Highlights: Helsinki city tour Today you will travel across the Baltic Sea by ferry to Helsinki. Helsinki is truly located at the crossroads of Western and Eastern culture and it is reflected everywhere in the green and lively Finnish capital. Afternoon Helsinki sightseeing tour takes us around the harbours, up central Mannerheim Street and by the Parliament Building, the Finlandia Hall, market square, and the Sibelius Monument and for a visit at the famous Church-in-the-Rock. Meals: B+L Overnight: Helsinki

● Day 4, Helsinki - Suomenlinna

Highlights: Suomenlinna Fortress Today you will visit the Suomenlinna Fortress, built in the 18th century by Sweden on a group of islands located at the entrance of Helsinki’s harbour. This fortress is an especially interesting example of European military architecture of the time. Meals: B+L Overnight: Helsinki

● Day 5, Helsinki – Saint Petersburg

Highlights: St. Petersburg city tour Morning departure to St. Petersburg (390 km from Tallinn). Panoramic city tour of St. Petersburg, also called as “Northern Venice”, to see the famous Nevsky Prospect, the main street of the City, the Kazan Cathedral, the Admiralty with its gilded top, the largest Church in St. Petersburg – the Blood Church and stop by the ensembles of Palace Sq. with Winter Palace, Hermitage and Alexander Column and Mariinsky Palace.

Meals: B+L Overnight: Saint Petersburg

● Day 6, St. Petersburg

Highlights: Peter and Paul Fortress, Hermitage museum Morning visit at the Peter and Paul Fortress – the oldest construction in Saint Petersburg and put up for fortification purposes but never been attacked. Founded by Peter the Great, who himself took part in the construction of the building, enjoy the beauty of one of the world’s great architectural masterpieces, the golden Peter and Paul Cathedral. Afternoon visit to one of the world’s greatest art museums – the Hermitage, located within the Winter Palace, baroque masterpiece and residence of the Russian tsars. It boasts a collection of art from the Stone Age to the 20th century. The Hermitage is so large that according to expert’s it would take you 9 years to look at each item of the museum collection for one minute! So, don’t get frustrated if you can’t see it all, but take away some special memories from this visit, because the Hermitage is definitely a “must see” museum for any art lover. Meals: B+D Overnight: Saint Petersburg

● Day 7, St. Petersburg – Peterhof – Tsarskoye Selo

Highlights: Peterhof Palace, Catherine Palace This day is devoted to exploring one of St. Petersburg suburbs – Peterhof, where famous summer residence of the Russian tsars is located. This palace is Russian answer to French Versailles with an impressive park with 200 fountains that make its major attraction. World best artists designed the unique ensemble of fountains and cascades over long period of over 100 years. You stay in St. Petersburg would not be complete without visit of another outstanding suburban residence of the Russian tsars – Catherine Palace, named after the Empress Catherine I, its the first royal owner of the imperial palace. It is the best example of Russian baroque with incredible collection of art, where you will admire breath-taking interiors of its 29 halls, including the legendary Amber Room assembled with over 500,000 pieces of amber like a huge puzzle. Meals: B + L Overnight: St. Petersburg

● Day 8, Saint Petersburg

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to the airport. Departure.