

BALTIC STATES AND WARSAW

10 days
9 nights

4
countries

travel type
Cultural

This travel itinerary focuses on discovering the 3 Baltics States and a part of Poland. You will compare the beauty of 4 capitals and see some outstanding places hidden in the province:

- Vilnius Old Town with outstanding examples of the last vivid flash of Baroque in Europe.
- Fascinating art nouveau architecture in Riga.
- Cozy, fairytale-like Tallinn – one of the best-preserved medieval towns in the world.
- Venture outside the capitals to see some extraordinary sites: the town on water, Trakai, the Hill of Crosses with more than 100,000 wooden crosses and Baroque and Rococo architecture in the Rundale Palace and the Pazaislis monastery.
- Relax in Jurmala – Latvian seaside resort and relax in possibly the best white, sandy beach in Northern Europe.
- Feel a blend of history and modern life in Warsaw and visit the Fryderyk Chopin Museum.

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 – Gauja National Park – Riga

Highlights: ruins of Turaida castle This morning we will travel to the Latvian capital and make one stop at the Gauja National Park on the way. Enjoy beautiful vistas of the Gauja River Valley, visit the 13th century Turaida Castle, now housing a small History Museum, and relax walking in the adjoining Sculpture Park, featuring works of Latvian sculptors. Later stop by a natural sight Gutman Cave. Free evening in Tallinn. Meals: B+L Overnight: Riga

● Day 4, Riga – Jurmala

Highlights: Riga city tour, Jurmala beach In the morning experience a guided tour of Riga Old Town, the liveliest capital among the Baltic States, where you will see old Gothic churches and stunning Art Nouveau buildings living side by side. Afternoon will be spent in Jurmala, the "trademark" resort in the Baltic States. Enjoy a walk amongst pine forests and along sand

beaches of Jurmala with healing air and fresh sea breezes and have a look at many fairy-tale like wooden Jugendstil houses here. Meals: B+L Overnight: Riga

● Day 5. Riga – Rundale Palace – Hill of Crosses – Vilnius

Highlights: Rundale Palace, Hill of Crosses This morning you will travel towards the Lithuanian capital and make two stops to see remarkable sights on the way. The first stop to visit the Rundale Palace – an outstanding monument of Baroque and Rococo art with authentic 18th century furniture, paintings and china and a beautiful French-style park.the famous Hill of Crosses, a mystical and unique pilgrimage site with more than 100 000 crosses from all around the world on it. It is the only place of its kind in the world, included to the Guinness Book of Records. After crossing the border of Lithuania you will see the famous Hill of Crosses, a mystical and unique pilgrimage site with more than 100 000 crosses from all around the world on it. It is the only place of its kind in the world, included to the Guinness Book of Records.

Meals: B+L Overnight: Vilnius

● Day 6, Vilnius – Trakai

Highlights: Vilnius Old Town, Trakai Castle Start the day with a walking tour of Vilnius' Old town, where you can feel the atmosphere of the city's history of the 16-19th centuries while walking along its narrow winding streets or visiting the most exiting architectural and historic monuments, including Vilnius University, the Dawn Gate with a miraculous icon of Virgin Mary. Spend you afternoon in Trakai, the former capital of Grand Duchy of Lithuania with it's beautiful insular castle of the 14th century, situated on an island in the middle of a lake. Trakai's unique location on the peninsula surrounded by five lakes has it dubbed itself the "town on the water".

Meals: B+L Overnight: Vilnius

● Day 7, Vilnius – Kaunas

Highlights: Pazaislis Monastery, Kaunas city tour This morning you will move to Kaunas, the second biggest city in Lithuania. Stop en route to visit the Pazaislis Monastery – a masterpiece of mature Baroque architectural located on the picturesque bank of the Kaunas Lagoon. Afternoon Kaunas walking city tour will show you the compact and vivid Old Town, Kaunas has a proper menagerie of historical, artistic and educational spots. Gothic architecture, defensive fortresses, footprints, left by various ethnical groups that used to live there. Meals: B+L Overnight: Kaunas

● Day 8, Kaunas – Warsaw

Morning departure to Warsaw (404 km from Kaunas), the capital of Poland. Free evening to explore Warsaw on your own. Here history and modern life blend in harmoniously and skyscrapers rise above the red roofs of the restored Old Town. Meals: B + L Overnight: Warsaw

● Day 9, Warsaw

Highlights: Warsaw city tour, Wilanow Palace Morning Warsaw city tour brings you to all must-see sights, including the Old Town, part of UNESCO World Heritage and a stroll along the Royal Route that links the former residences of Polish rulers and go down to the Vistula River to see the modern boulevards. In the afternoon tour to Wilanow Palace & Park, often called "small Versailles", the royal summer residence with interiors of the 17th century.. Palace is surrounded by beautiful park with a variety of landscapes: English park, Italian Baroque garden and rose garden. Meals: B + L Overnights: Warsaw

● Day 10, Warsaw

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the airport. Departure.