

HIGHLIGHTS OF HELSINKI & THE BALTICS

Tour Overview

 Start Point Helsinki	 End Point Vilnius	 Meals 8 Breakfasts 1 Lunch 3 Dinners	 Transport Air-conditioned coach	 Tour Type Fully-guided tour
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Itinerary

Day 1: Start of tour in Helsinki

 Dinner  Radisson Blu Seaside Hotel (or similar)

Arrive in Helsinki, the capital of Finland and meet up with your tour leader and fellow travellers at the hotel. Then, set off on a locally-guided tour. Marvel at top sights including Senate Square, the Uspenski Cathedral, the Havis Amanda, Kauppatori Market and more! This evening, look forward to a welcome dinner at a local restaurant.

Included:

- Discover the highlights of Helsinki with a local guide

Day 2: Helsinki: Free Day

 Breakfast  Radisson Blu Seaside Hotel (or similar)

Hei Helsinki! Today offers a free day to discover this city, which is consistently listed as one of the world's happiest and most liveable. Join the Helsinki+ excursion to embark on a guided tour of Suomenlinna Fortress, enjoy a picnic lunch on the island and indulge in local delights at a famous café. Or, explore on your own - the choice is yours!

Optionals:

- Helsinki+

Day 3: Helsinki - Tallinn

 Breakfast, Lunch  Metropol Hotel (or similar)

Our Baltic adventure begins today! Catch a ferry and sail across the Gulf of Finland towards Tallinn, the enchanting capital city of Estonia. Arrive in the afternoon and head to a historic restaurant in the Old Town for lunch. Wander Tallinn's charming cobblestone streets and admire its medieval architecture while learning more about this fascinating city on a locally-guided tour.

Included:

- Catch a ferry from Helsinki to Tallinn
- Enjoy lunch at a mediaeval restaurant in Tallinn
- Tour Tallinn with a local guide

Day 4: Tallinn: Free Day

 Breakfast  Metropol Hotel (or similar)

After an introduction to the top attractions in Tallinn yesterday, take today as an opportunity to discover this enchanting city in-depth! Its compact size makes it easy to navigate and explore on foot. Be sure to visit the 12th-century St. Olaf's Church! Or, join the Essence of Estonia optional excursion for a glimpse into the country's rural history.

Optionals:

- The Essence of Estonia

Day 5: Tallinn - Pärnu - Latvian Military Cemetery - Riga

 Breakfast, Dinner  Hestia Hotel Jugend (or similar)

Before crossing the border into Latvia, visit Pärnu. This seaside resort town is a popular summer spot for Estonians! Next stop is Saulkrasti, a picturesque Latvian coastal town. Later, arrive in Riga and pay your respects at the Brothers' Cemetery. After checking into the hotel, visit Riga's Old Town and admire the city's Art Nouveau architecture on an orientation tour!

Included:

- Sightsee in Pärnu
- Enjoy a stop in Saulkrasti
- Visit the Latvian Military Cemetery
- Discover Riga; Latvia's vibrant capital

Day 6: Riga: Free Day

 Breakfast  Hestia Hotel Jugend (or similar)

Enjoy a full free day to experience Riga! With over 800 years of history, Riga is sure to captivate with its architectural wonders and luscious greenery. Let the House of the Black Heads take your breath away, indulge in local cuisine at the Central Market and uncover Soviet history when you embark on the Riga+ excursion!

Optionals:

- Riga+

Day 7: Riga - Hill of Crosses - Trakai - Vilnius

 Breakfast, Dinner  Art City Inn Hotel (or similar)

Crossing the border from Latvia into Lithuania, today's first stop is the Hill of Crosses, an important religious site. Then, travel to Trakai, a quaint town home to the fairytale Trakai Island Castle! Later, travel to Vilnius, Lithuania's capital. Admire the Vilnius Cathedral, Church of St Anne and Gediminas Tower on an orientation tour. Enjoy local cuisine at dinner tonight.

Included:

- Visit the Hill of Crosses
- Discover Trakai Castle
- Explore Vilnius; capital of Lithuania

Day 8: Vilnius: Free Day

 Breakfast  Art City Inn Hotel (or similar)

Labas rytas Vilnius! Lithuania's turbulent past is reflected in its capital's impressive street art and museums. However, Vilnius is also full of life and locals take any opportunity to celebrate the city's freedom. Head up to Gediminas Tower or the Hill of Three Crosses for panoramic city views, or simply wander the charming cobbled lanes of one of Europe's largest old towns.

Day 9: End of tour in Vilnius

🍴 Breakfast

After 9 days of discovering the top attractions in Helsinki and the many Baltic travel highlights, this unforgettable trip from Helsinki to Vilnius comes to an end this morning. Enjoy one final breakfast with your newfound travel buddies and be sure to swap contact details before going your separate ways. Wishing you a safe journey onwards!

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