



BALTIC STATES
Estonia Latvia Lithuania
With Warsaw, Poland
10 Days - from \$2159
2010



Explore the Baltic Region of Eastern Europe and discover centuries-old folk lore, historic towns and diverse cultures. Visit each country's capital; Tallinn, Estonia; Riga, Latvia; and Vilnius, Lithuania, while you marvel at the medieval architecture and history of these fascinating places. See the Toompea Castle and Alexander Nevsky Cathedral in Tallinn then travel to Riga and view the Liberty Monument, St. Jacob's Cathedral, and Riga Castle.

Next, enjoy the scenic countryside on your way to Vilnius where a city tour includes St. Peter and Paul Church, Gediminas Tower, and Vilnius Castle! Finally, end your journey in Warsaw, Poland and explore Lazienki Park with its Palace, the Old Town, the Old Market Square and St. John's Cathedral. You'll truly be in awe at the long history and diverse culture within these regions. All the way you'll have the expertise of a professional tour manager.

Day 1 Tue DEPART USA

Depart USA for Estonia. Your flight includes meals, drinks, and in-flight entertainment for your journey

Day 2 Wed TALLINN, ESTONIA

Arrive in Tallinn and transfer to your hotel. Balance of the day at leisure. (D)

Day 3 Thu TALLINN

Full day at leisure to explore Tallinn, the capital of Estonia, situated on the southern coast of the Finnish Bay. Tallinn is filled with typical narrow medieval streets, towers and Gothic churches. This evening, enjoy a welcome dinner and orientation. (B, D)

Day 4 Fri TALLINN TOUR -- RIGA, LATVIA

Morning tour of Tallinn, starting with a bus drive along the park of Kadriorg (founded by Peter the Great), the Song Festival grounds, and the ruins of the 15th-century Brigit's convent in Pirita. Then, continue on a walking tour of the old town, including the Toompea Castle, the 14th-century Gothic Town Hall, and the Alexander Nevsky Cathedral. In the afternoon drive to Riga, capital of the Latvian Republic, situated at the mouth of the Dougava River. (B, D)

TALLINN is known for its cobblestone streets, long history and stunning Gothic architecture. A city with a thriving nightclub scene, stylish bars and funky restaurants. This 12th century city by the sea has been designated a UNESCO world heritage site. It is one of the best preserved medieval towns in northern Europe without architectural influences from each of the countries that ruled it through the centuries - Denmark, Sweden, Germany and Russia.

Day 5 Sat RIGA

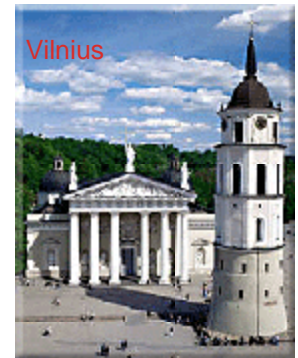
This morning, a tour of Riga features the city's architecture encompassing Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque and Classic facades. View Riga Castle, St. Jacob's Cathedral and the Liberty Monument. Afternoon at leisure (B)

Day 6 Sun VILNIUS, LITHUANIA

Depart Riga for Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania, enjoying the scenic countryside along the way. (B, D)

Day 7 Mon VILNIUS

A morning tour of Vilnius includes St. Peter and Paul Church and St. Anna's Church. View Vilnius University, Gediminas Tower and Vilnius Castle in the Upper Town. Afternoon at leisure. (B)



VILNIUS is the capital and heart of Lithuania. Almost 700 years old, it displays a combination of eastern and western architecture with monumental buildings, palaces, museums, and a robust night life. It was one of the largest cities in Europe during the 16th Century and a part of the vast Polish empire that stretched between the Baltic and Black Seas. It enshrines remnants of ancient Lithuanian, Jewish and Polish cultures in the old town, a UNESCO World Heritage site.

RIGA, Latvia's capital is a cosmopolitan city with night life to match. Despite being heavily damaged by bombing raids during World War II, architecture buffs will note that Riga still has the largest number of Art Nouveau buildings in Europe and the center of the Old Town is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site.



Estonia



Latvia



Lithuania

WARSAW, Poland's capital was a relatively small town in the 14th century, but it eventually became the capital of the Duchy of Mazovia, ruling over small fiefdoms in central Poland. Some 85% of the city was destroyed during World War II, and nearly everything, including the charming and very "old" looking Old Town, has been around only a few decades. The Old Town was faithfully rebuilt, brick by brick, according to paintings, photographs, architectural sketches, and personal memories. The reconstruction was so good that UNESCO included Old Town on its list of World Cultural Heritage sites.



Day 8 Tue WARSAW, POLAND

Today travel through beautiful countryside as you depart Lithuania, passing villages little changed since the middle ages and cross the border into Poland. Continue to Warsaw. (B, L, D)

Day 9 Wed WARSAW

Enjoy a morning tour of Warsaw. Drive along the Royal route, from the magnificent Castle Square to Lazienki Park with its Palace, summer residence of the last King of Poland. Pass by the Palace of Science and Culture, the Saxon Gardens, the Tomb of the

Unknown Soldier, Monument to the Heroes of the Warsaw Ghetto and the Barbican. Continue with a walking tour of the Old Town, the Old Market Square and St. John's Cathedral. Balance of the day at leisure (B)

Day 10 Thu RETURN USA

Transfer to the Warsaw airport for your return flight. (B)

Package Includes

- * Flights NYC-Tallinn, Warsaw-NYC.
Other departure cities available.
- * Airline fuel surcharges
- * 8 nights accommodations in **FIRST CLASS HOTELS**
 - * 2 nights Meriton Grand Hotel, Tallinn
 - * 2 nights Avalon, Riga
 - * 2 nights Hotel Novotel, Vilnius
 - * 2 nights Holiday Inn, Warsaw
- * All transfers
- * 14 meals: 8 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 5 dinners
- * Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- * Services of an English-speaking tour manager throughout
- * Services of local guides in all major cities
- * Entrance fees per itinerary
- * Gay Entertainment Guide
- * Currency Converter

Not included: airport taxes, fees & September 11th Security Fee -- approx. \$115 pp.

**Cost per person starting at: \$2159 Double,
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2010 Departures: Jun 1, 22; Jul 13; Aug 3, 24; Sep 14; Oct 5**

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