

BALTICS AND BELARUS

Tallinn – Riga – Vilnius – Minsk
9 days / 8 Nights

Day 1: TALLINN

Arrival in Tallinn. Transfer to the hotel and check-in.

Day 2: TALLINN

Tallinn city tour. During city tour you will see Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, Dom Cathedral, Viru Gates, St. Catherine's passage, Town Hall, Toompea castle, Kohtuotsa viewing platform and etc. In the afternoon free time.

Day 3: TALLINN – PARNU – SIGULDA – RIGA

Parnu is a pretty old town and a famous beach resort. You will have a chance to see the Elisabeth Church, St. Catherine's Church, the Red Tower, the Villa Ammende and the Tallinn (Reval) gates. Further drive to Sigulda. Visit Gauja National Park with Episcopa Castle Museum Turaida. Further drive to Riga.

Day 4: RIGA – JURMALA – RIGA

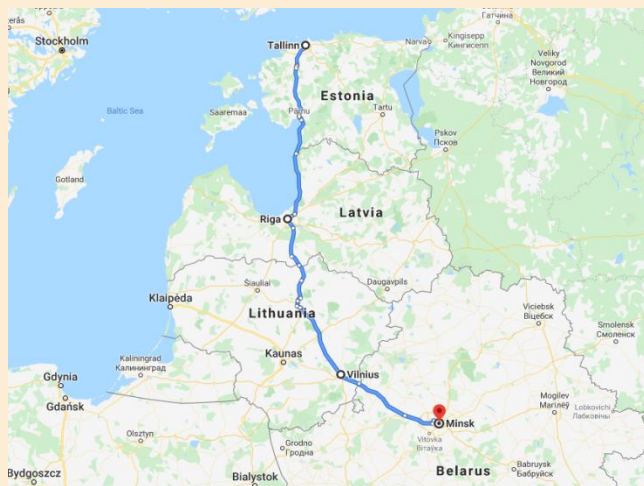
During city tour in **Riga** you will see the Cathedral, St. Peter's Church, the Powder Tower, the Small and the Great Guild, the House of Blackheads, the "Three Brothers" and many more. The city centre is very picturesque because it has preserved its wooden architecture. As well as, there is no other place in the world that has so much Art Nouveau in such a small area. In the afternoon visit Art Nouveau district and Riga's central Market. In the afternoon excursion to **Jurmala**, resort a 25 km from Riga. Return to Riga.

Day 5: RIGA – RUNDALE PALACE – HILL OF CROSSES - VILNIUS

Departure to Vilnius. First stop at **Rundale**. Visit Rundale Palace - the former residence of the Courland Duke is one of the greatest sights of Latvia, often called "Little Versailles" of the Baltics. Next stop is at **Hill of Crosses**. The hill is covered with thousands of crosses of different materials. Each cross holds a strong and desperate prayer of the Lithuanian people.

Day 6: VILNIUS- TRAKAI – VILNIUS

City tour in **Vilnius**. Vilnius is the Capital of Lithuania located in the center of Europe which is both contemporary and ancient, rich in architecture, historical monuments, culture heritage, thematic festivals and entertainments. There are many picturesque places to see in Vilnius: Cathedral square, Gediminas castle, Pilies street, many churches, Gate of Dawn etc. Afternoon transfer to Trakai. Trakai is the city situated between 3 lakes. It is well known for its natural beauty of landscapes, wildlife reserves, forests and the island castle on lake Galve which is the only one of its kind in Europe.



Day 7: VILNIUS – MINSK

Transfer Vilnius – **Minsk**. After arrival sightseeing of Minsk. You will see main avenues (Independence avenue, Victory avenue), architectural monuments of the XVII - XX centuries (the Upper Town with the City Hall, St. Spirit Cathedral, ancient churches and monasteries, small streets of the Trinity Suburb). The Isle of Tears, the Victory Monument and the National Library of Belarus (included into the list of the most outstanding buildings of the world) are also waiting to be explored.

Day 8: MINSK – MIR CASTLE – NESVIZH PALACE – MINSK

Departure to Mir. Visit a magnificent Mir Castle is a unique architectural monument, included into the UNESCO World Heritage List. It was erected at the end of the XV century and today combines the features of several architectural styles. Mir castle is also a historical monument, true legend, which used to belong to several aristocratic families. Further drive to visit Nesvizh Palace - the family complex of the Radziwill noble family, included into the UNESCO World Heritage List. Return to Minsk.

Day 9: MINSK

Transfer to the airport. Departure.

PRICE in 3* HOTELS

High season: 530 EUR/pax

Low season: 480 EUR/pax

PRICE in 4* HOTELS

High season: 650 EUR/pax

Low season: 575 EUR/pax

*Prices are calculated for a group of 35 pax.

PRICE INCLUDED:

- 2 x overnight stays / BR 3* Hestia Susi / 4* Hestia Europa, Tallinn
- 2 x overnight stay / BR 3* Ibis Styles / 4* AC Hotel by Marriott, Riga
- 2 x overnight stay / BR 3* Green Hotel / 4* Holiday Inn, Vilnius
- 2 x overnight stay / BR 3* Belarus Hotel / 4* Minsk, Minsk
- 8 x BB
- Leading English speaking guide as per program.
- Entrances: Turaida castle, Riga Dom Cathedral, Rundale Palace, Trakai castle, Mir Castle, Nesvizh Palace
- Comfort bus according to the itinerary
- All taxes

NOT INCLUDED:

- Portage
- Water
- Tips for driver and guides (recommended 2 EUR pp for each)