

## CULINARY TOUR

Vilnius – Riga – Tallinn

8 Days / 7 Nights

### Day 1: VILNIUS

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

### Day 2: VILNIUS – TRAKAI – 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 if Dawn etc.

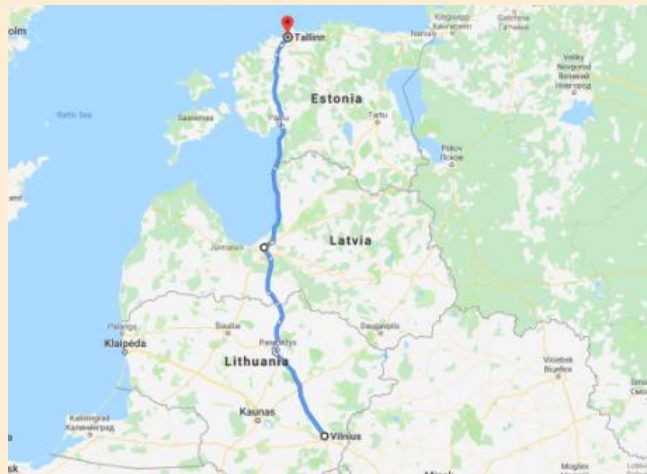
**Trakai** is the city situated between 3 lakes, and represents Lithuania for more than two million tourists every year. It is well known for its natural beauty of landscapes, wildlife reserves, forests and the island castle on lake Galvė which is the only one of its kind in Europe.

Cooking and tasting traditional karaim dishes (kibins).



### Day 3: VILNIUS – ROKISKIS – RIGA

We're not French, but we really like cheese. In **Rokiskis** we make it from milk that smells of forests and meadows. We eat it fresh, fried, smoked, or dried; we eat it flavoured with caraway seeds or herbs, topped with honey, or sprinkled with pepper. The process is just as delicious as the cheese. You can visit a goat, sheep or cow farm and find out how milk gets from the fields and meadows to the cheesemaker. You'll learn how cheese is made and how long it is matured, and the hospitable hosts will definitely treat you to their best products and maybe even ask you to milk a goat.



### Day 4: 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. You will visit Riga's Central Market and tasting of local foods.

### Day 5: RIGA – RUNDALE PALACE – RIGA

Often dubbed the "Little Versailles", **Rundale Palace Complex** (18th century) is certainly one of the most famous and beautiful historical sites in Latvia. With Baroque and Rococo-style architecture, extensive gardens and sculptures, it's a worthwhile site to visit.

After a day trip, when return to Riga, Rigas Balsams will be served for tasting.



**Day 6: RIGA – SIGULDA – TALLINN**

Gauja National Park is the largest park in Latvia, famous for its incredible nature as well as historical and cultural sights. The main highlights of Gauja National Park are the beautiful sandstone cliffs (350 million years old) and **Turaida Castle**.

**Valmiermuizas alus** is a small manor brewery near Valmiera. The beer is produced from the highest quality ingredients, following the principles of slow brewing. Using carefully selected recipes, the brewers create a truly "live" natural beer that every beer enthusiast will enjoy.

**Day 7: TALLINN**

Tallinn is an ideal destination if one wants to combine the comforts of modern world with rich cultural scene and historic settings. Here you will experience wonderful sights – ancient churches, medieval streetscapes and noble merchants' houses. Throw in delightful food and vibrant modern culture and it's the unforgettable Tallinn.

Wine tasting at **Museum of Estonian Drinking Culture**. Luscher & Matiesen, the Museum of Estonian Drinking Culture, showcases the history of wine production on Toompea Hill in the most authentic way, showcasing 100-year legend of the Luscher & Matiesen distillery.

**Day 8: TALLINN**

Transfer to the airport. Departure.



**PRICE in 3\* HOTELS**

High season: 470 EUR/pax  
Low season: 425 EUR/pax

**PRICE in 4\* HOTELS**

High season: 595 EUR/pax  
Low season: 535 EUR/pax

\*Prices are calculated for a group of 35 pax.

**PRICE INCLUDED:**

- 2 x overnight stay / BR 3\* Green Hotel / 4\* Holiday Inn, Vilnius
- 3 x overnight stay / BR 3\* Ibis Styles / 4\* AC Hotel by Marriott, Riga
- 2 x overnight stays / BR 3\* Hestia Susi / 4\* Hestia Europa, Tallinn
- 7 x BB
- Cooking and tasting traditional karaim dishes Kibinai
- Rokiškis cheese tasting
- Local food tasting at the Riga's Central Market
- Riga's black balsams tasting
- Beer tasting at the Valmiermuiza brewery
- Wine tasting at Museum of Estonian Drinking Culture
- Leading English speaking guide as per program
- Entrances: Trakai castle, Rokiskis museum, Dom Cathedral Riga, Rundale Palace, Turaida Castle, Museum of Estonian Drinking Culture
- Bus for full tour
- City tax

**NOT INCLUDED:**

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