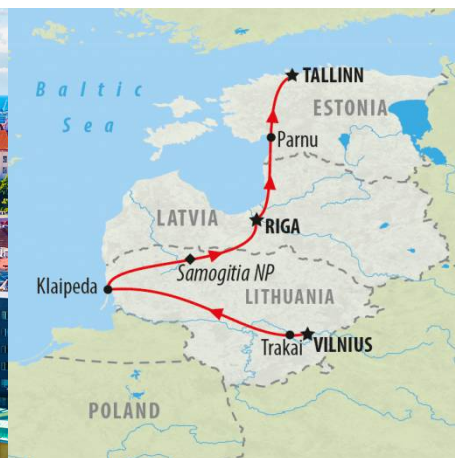


# Baltic Capitals Explorer

8 days | Vilnius to Tallinn



*On this enchanting 8 day tour you'll not only take in the highlights of Vilnius, Tallinn and Riga, but you'll also have the opportunity to visit the captivating port city of Klaipeda and medieval Trakai Castle, housed on an island on Lake Galve. You'll get to explore the beautiful old towns and historical significance of the Baltic capitals.*

## HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

### Trip Highlights

- Riga - Uncover the highlights of Riga, including the castle, Dome Cathedral, St Peter's Church, Swedish Gates, Three Brothers and much more
- Vilnius - Journey through the beautiful Old Town, making stops at the Cathedral, Gediminas Tower, Peter and Paul Church, St Anna's Church, the Old University and the Gate of Dawn
- Tallinn - Explore the enchanting Old Town and see Toompea Castle - now the home of the Estonian Parliament
- Trakai - Discover this Medieval wonderland, home to the impressively well preserved Trakai Castle

- Klaipeda - Take a stroll through this charming seaside town with its narrow cobblestone streets
- Samogitia National Park - Embark on a scenic walk around the picturesque Lake Plateliai

### What's Included

- 7 nights in 4 star hotels
- 7 breakfasts
- Entrances to Old University in Vilnius and Great Guild Hall in Tallinn.
- Escorted by an English speaking tour leader
- Sightseeing tours of Tallinn, Vilnius, Klaipeda and Riga
- One arrival transfer on Day 1 and One departure transfer on Day 8 included per booking.
- All relevant transportation in private modern vehicles
- Note: This tour is operated in conjunction with our trusted partner and you will join travellers from different operators, not solely On The Go. The group can vary in size from 15 - 26 persons. Guiding may be in German in addition to English.

### What's Not Included

- International flights to/from our tour start/end points and visas
- Items of a personal nature and additional meals

## ITINERARY

### Day 1 : Vilnius

Welcome to Lithuania and the capital Vilnius. Upon arrival at Vilnius airport you'll be met and transferred to your hotel in the heart of the city. The rest of the day is at leisure. A welcome meeting will be held this evening, in the lobby, at around 7pm. **Overnight - Vilnius**

### Day 2 : Vilnius



Vilnius - Klaipeda. Home to over 1,200 medieval buildings, 48 churches and famous for its medieval history, Vilnius is a beautiful capital and one that's bursting with fascinating stories. After breakfast we'll embark on a sightseeing tour of the highlights, visiting the old town we'll explore Vilnius Cathedral, Gediminas Tower, the Peter and Paul Church, St Anna's Church, the Old University and the Gates of Dawn. Departing Vilnius we'll continue to Trakai, the true medieval capital of Lithuania. Here we'll discover the

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magnificently well preserved 14th century Trakai Castle, impressively positioned on an island in Lake Galve.

Later this afternoon we head for our stop for the night, Klaipeda, a port city where the Baltic sea meets the Dane river. **Overnight - Klaipeda (B)**

## Day 3 : Klaipeda or Optional Curonian Split Tour

Today offers free time to explore Klaipeda at your own pace. Alternatively you can join a full day optional tour to the Curonian Split. This evening there will be the opportunity to join an optional Lithuanian dinner at the restaurant '19th Century'. **Overnight - Klaipeda (B)**

## Day 4 : Klaipeda and Samogitia National Park

Klaipeda - Samogitia National Park - Riga. This morning we discover the charming town of Klaipeda. It first became a part of Lithuania in 1923 and had for a long time before this been a German town with the name of Memel. Strolling through the old town with its narrow, cobblestone streets and old guild house we reach the Theatre Square and the Aennchen Von Tharau Fountain.

Leaving Klaipeda we make our way to Samogitia National Park, here we'll discover the beautiful Lithuanian countryside and will take a peaceful walk around one of the lakes within the national park, Lake Plateliai. We'll then continue to Siauliai and the Hill of Crosses, one of the most revered and holiest sites of Catholic Lithuania. Next we'll north and cross back into Latvia, arriving into Riga late this afternoon. **Overnight - Riga (B)**

## Day 5 : Explore Riga



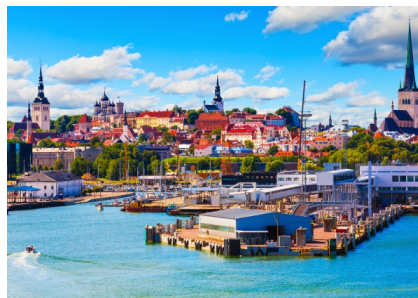
Today we explore Riga, the largest of the Baltic capitals it boasts a fantastic array of architectural styles and practices. Riga's foundation dates back to 1201 when the German bishop Albert arrived. On our walking tour this morning we'll visit Riga Castle, the Dome Cathedral, St. Peter's Church, the Swedish Gates along with other fascinating parts of the city which demonstrate its rich history.

This afternoon is free for you to further explore Riga independently or to join an optional visit to Jurmala, the vibrant Latvian seaside resort. This evening there will be the opportunity to join an optional Latvian dinner at the stylish 'Forest' restaurant. **Overnight - Riga (B)**

## Day 6 : Summer Resort of Parnu

Riga - Tallinn. After breakfast we continue our journey, making our way along the coastal highway we cross back into Estonia. Arriving into Parnu, we'll explore this popular Estonian summer resort before continuing to Tallinn. Once we've checked in to our hotel in Tallinn the rest of the day is at leisure to explore independently. **Overnight - Tallinn (B)**

## Day 7 : Tallinn Tour



With its enchanting blend of medieval tranquility and modern urban life, Tallinn is a captivating capital. The medieval Old Town is a bustling place during the summer months with its plethora of shops, galleries and cafes. Our sightseeing tour today starts by exploring the old city walls before we head into the heart of the Old Town, where we'll see Toompea Castle, now home to the Estonian Parliament, the Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, the medieval Old Town Hall and the Great Guild Hall.

This afternoon is free for you to further explore Tallinn independently or to join an optional visit to Kadriorg Park and KUMU, an award winning art museum. This evening there will be the opportunity to join an optional medieval dinner at the 'Maikrahv' restaurant.

**Overnight - Tallinn (B)**

## Day 8 : Tallinn

Our Baltic experience ends after breakfast this morning and hotel check out. A transfer will be provided to take you to Tallinn Airport. (B)

### HOTELS

Highlighted below are some of the hotels which we frequently use on this tour, though we reserve the right to substitute these hotels to ones of a similar standard.

**Please refer to your Tour Voucher for your confirmed arrival hotel and further arrival information.**

### Hotel Radisson Blu Lietuva

Standing on the banks of the River Neris, the Radisson Blu Hotel Lietuva is in the heart of Lithuania's capital. Its sleek and modern-style guestrooms are equipped with plenty of amenities including free high-speed WiFi. Guests can enjoy a fresh meal at any time of day, with the onsite Riverside Restaurant serving a wide-ranging buffet of international favourites. The hotel also boasts a fitness centre, Nordic sauna, jacuzzi and beauty salon, with the Skybar being the perfect place to enjoy a glass of wine and the beautiful city views.



### Hotel National

Set in the heart of Klaipeda's old town, Hotel National boasts an excellent location within walking distance of Anika Square and the Old Ferry. The 19th century building offers spacious and comfortable guestrooms, equipped with free WiFi and private bathrooms with heated floors. A buffet

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breakfast is served in the onsite restaurant, which specializes in local Lithuanian food. The hotel is also connected to a popular bar known as the 'Fat Cat', which is a great spot to kick back with a beer and meet other travellers.



## Hotel Wellton Riverside

With views overlooking the Daugava River, the Hotel Wellton Riverside is perfectly located just a short walk from the old town. All rooms at this bright modern hotel are furnished with TV's, spacious private bathrooms and large comfortable beds. A fitness centre including a sauna can be found within the hotel, as well as an indoor pool, offering numerous options for those looking to expend some of their energy. Alternatively, a bar and lounge area gives a relaxed area for people to unwind.



## Hotel Radisson Blu Olympia

This centrally located hotel offers tastefully decorated guestrooms with modern conveniences such as high-speed WiFi, 24-hour room service and tea and coffee making facilities. Guests can enjoy an elegant Mediterranean dinner at the on-site Senso Restaurant or lighter bites at the delightful Café Boulevard. On the top floor you'll find Club 26, where you can take a refreshing swim in the pool, work out in the well-equipped gym or relax in the sauna, all whilst admiring magnificent views over Estonia's capital.



### PRICES / DATES INFO

Prices shown are per person when there are 2 persons sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the per person price.

### PRICES / DATES 2020

Date	Twin Share	Single
10 May	ZAR 16,900	ZAR 24,800
24 May	ZAR 16,900	ZAR 24,800
07 Jun	ZAR 17,900	ZAR 25,800
14 Jun	ZAR 17,900	ZAR 25,800
21 Jun	ZAR 17,900	ZAR 25,800
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05 Jul	ZAR 17,900	ZAR 25,800
12 Jul	ZAR 17,900	ZAR 25,800
19 Jul	ZAR 17,900	ZAR 25,800
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02 Aug	ZAR 17,900	ZAR 25,800
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