






Nordic & Baltic Escape

Tour Overview

 Start Point Helsinki	 End Point Copenhagen	 Meals 10 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

Welcome to Helsinki and the start of this Nordic & Baltic Escape tour! Meet your tour leader at the hotel before embarking on a locally-guided tour. See iconic sights such as the Havis Amanda, Senate Square and Helsinki Cathedral. Marvel at Uspenski Cathedral and delve into the Kauppatori Market. Enjoy an included dinner with the group tonight.

Included:

HC - Discover the highlights of Helsinki with a local guide

Day 2: Helsinki: Free Day

 Breakfast  Radisson Blu Seaside Hotel

Enjoy a free day to experience Helsinki your way today! Join the Helsinki+ optional excursion for a guided tour of the 18th-century Suomenlinna Fortress, a picnic lunch on the island and a sweet treat at a famous café. Or explore on your own, visit a museum, unwind in a sauna or simply soak up the city's unique design and atmosphere.

Optionals:

Helsinki+

Day 3: Helsinki - Tallinn

 Breakfast, Lunch  Metropol Hotel

Today, board a ferry and sail across the Gulf of Finland to Tallinn. Upon arrival in Estonia's beautiful capital, enjoy lunch at a medieval restaurant located in the vibrant Old Town Square. Next, embark on a walking tour led by a local guide to discover the city's highlights and historic sites, including St. Olav's Church and Tall Hermann Tower.

Included:

HC - Catch a ferry from Helsinki to Tallinn

HC - Enjoy lunch at a mediaeval restaurant in Tallinn

HC - Tour Tallinn with a local guide

Day 4: Tallinn: Free Day

 Breakfast  Metropol Hotel

Make the most out of a free day in Estonia's charming capital today! Explore Tallinn's UNESCO-listed Old Town and wander through its cobbled streets that wind past cafés, shops, and medieval marvels. Estonia's cultural hub also boasts a vibrant tech scene and innovative eateries. Alternatively, join the optional excursion to travel back in time at the Estonian Open Air Museum.

Optionals:

The Essence of Estonia

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

 Breakfast, Dinner  Hestia Hotel Jugend

Bid farewell to Tallinn and journey to Latvia. En route, stop in Estonia's resort city of Pärnu for some sightseeing. Next, cross the border into Latvia and soak in the seaside charm of Saulkrasti. Upon arrival in Riga, Latvia's capital, visit the Brothers' Cemetery before checking into the hotel. Later, embark on an orientation tour of Riga's enchanting Old Town!

Included:

HC - Sightsee in Pärnu

HC - Enjoy a stop in Saulkrasti

HC - Visit the Latvian Military Cemetery

HC - Discover Riga; Latvia's vibrant capital

Day 6: Riga: Free Day

 Breakfast  Hestia Hotel Jugend

Enjoy a free day in Riga to relax and explore as you wish! The pedestrian-only Old Town houses a variety of shops and restaurants that'll give you an authentic taste of this captivating capital! Or, choose to visit a museum, browse the massive Central Market, and admire the famed Art Nouveau House of the Black Heads on the Riga+ excursion.

Optionals:

Riga+

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

 Breakfast, Dinner  Green Vilnius Hotel

Lithuania awaits! Start with a visit to the Hill of Crosses, a renowned religious site before continuing on to Trakai which is famed for its captivating island castle! Next, arrive in Vilnius, capital and embark on a guided tour. Discover the beautiful Baroque architecture of the old town. Afterwards, enjoy free time before tonight's dinner at a local restaurant.

Included:

HC - Visit the Hill of Crosses

HC - Discover Trakai Castle

HC - Explore Vilnius; capital of Lithuania

Day 8: Vilnius: Free Day

 Breakfast  Green Vilnius Hotel

Enjoy a free day in this fascinating and eclectic city and dive deeper into the history and culture of Lithuania's enchanting capital! For a full day of highlights, join the Vilnius+ optional excursion which includes a guided tour of the artsy Užupis republic as well as a unique visit to the Town Hall and a tasty local lunch!

Optionals:

Vilnius+

Day 9: Vilnius - Kaunas - Klaipeda (Overnight Ferry)

 Breakfast  DFDS Seaways

After breakfast, travel to Kaunas. Embark guided tour of Lithuania's former, temporary capital. Admire the Kaunas Castle and charming town square before enjoying free time. Later, journey onwards to Klaipeda. Upon arrival, embark on a walking tour. Discover the old town which features German-style, 18th-century wood-framed buildings! Tonight, board an overnight ferry and cruise towards Karlshamn in Sweden.

Included:

HC - Experience Kaunas on an orientation tour

HC - Discover the quaint port city of Klaipėda

Day 10: Karlshamn - Malmö - Copenhagen

 Breakfast  Best Western Plus Park City Globetrotter Copenhagen Airport

Start the day with breakfast on board the ferry before arriving in Karlshamn. Afterward, take a scenic drive to Malmö where an orientation tour awaits. Admire Sweden's third-largest and most cosmopolitan city. Next, travel to Copenhagen and witness the iconic Øresund Bridge along the way. Arrive at the hotel and enjoy free time before the optional group dinner tonight.

Included:

HC - Marvel at the best of Malmö

Optionals:

Copenhagen Farewell Dinner

Day 11: **End of tour in Copenhagen**

Breakfast

Enjoy a final breakfast with the group before this Scandinavian and Baltic group tour concludes. Don't forget to swap contact details with your newfound travel friends before parting ways. We hope you enjoyed this Nordic & Baltic Escape and leave with lasting memories. Safe travels onwards!



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