

16 DAY CHRISTMAS MARKETS PACKAGE

BALTIC CHRISTMAS MARKETS

\$3999

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THE OFFER

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas markets are the best way to experience the joy of the festive season! Next Christmas, see for yourself how cities across the Baltics are transformed with twinkling lights and decorations, with the scent of chestnuts and gingerbread filling the air, and be reminded that Christmas really is the most wonderful time of the year.

Marvel at the magic of the festive season in four incredible countries on this 16 day tour package taking in Poland, Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia. Get into the spirit of the season at Christmas markets in Warsaw, Vilnius, Riga and Tallinn. Explore the markets for locally made artisan gifts including hand-knitted shawls, mittens and socks, aromatic candles, fine woodwork and other local trinkets. Take a break from shopping with traditional delicacies that are perfect for warming you up on a crisp winter day. Outside of the town squares and Christmas markets discover nearby palaces; take in Gothic and Baroque architecture; explore the Gauja National Park and take guided tours of century old cities brimming with unique history and culture.

This unique 16 day Baltic Christmas Markets package includes return international flights, 13 nights quality hotel accommodation, daily breakfast & return airport transfers.

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16 Day Option

Day 1 Australia - Warsaw, Poland

Today depart from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane or Perth for your flight to Warsaw, Poland. Fly with Qatar Airways, Etihad Airways, Emirates or Singapore Airlines to name a few (subject to availability).

Meals included: In-Flight

Day 2 Arrive in Warsaw

Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to the hotel.

Please note: Some passengers may arrive early morning, and check in will not be available until 2pm that day. Affected passengers may make use of hotel common areas and luggage storage so they may either relax or explore the city at leisure until check in.

Overnight: Ibis Warsawa Stary Miasto, Warsaw

Meals included: None

Day 3 Warsaw City Tour & Christmas Market

Warsaw is essentially a post-war city with a meticulously reconstructed Old Town. This morning you will enjoy a sightseeing tour along the Royal Route. For centuries, Warsaw was the home of Polish rulers. Learn about the Warsaw of their times and visit elegant palaces and gardens, in particular the impressive residences on the Royal Route such as the Royal Castle. Finish the tour in the Old Town where you may visit the Old Town Market Square and the Barbican. Here you will visit the largest Christmas Market in Warsaw, marvel at the enormous Christmas tree and visit all the market stalls. In the Market Square can be found wooden stalls selling handicrafts, Christmas ornaments, amber jewellery, ceramics,

carved wood decorations, and much more

Afterwards, enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure or alternatively follow your guide to a nearby ice skating rink (not included - additional cost).

Overnight: Ibis Warsawa Stary Miasto, Warsaw

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4 Warsaw – Bialystok, Poland - Vilnius, Lithuania (approx. 470km day)

Early this morning leave Warsaw and travel onwards to Vilnius, Lithuania. Along the way enjoy a city tour in Bialystok. Bialystok is the biggest city in the north-eastern part of Poland and situated close to the border with Belarus. During the city tour you will see Branicki Palace – the former residence of the Branicki family who owned most of Bialystok in the 18th century. You will also visit the Main Market and town hall, Orthodox Church of St Nicholas built in the 19th century, the Jewish Cemetery and the Church of St Roch and Gothic Cathedral of Virgin Mary with monuments of Pope John Paul II and Father Jerzy Popieluszko in front of it. After the tour you will continue driving onwards to Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania and on arrival you will check in and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

There is a dreamy quality to Vilnius (vil-njus). Lithuania's capital has an Old Town of rare authenticity: marvellously intact, its pebbly streets are lined with weather-worn period buildings that hide cafes, boutiques and dainty guesthouses. Though a capital city, Vilnius feels much like an overgrown village. It's carpeted with green spaces, which cover around 40% of its area, and studded with venerable Catholic and Orthodox church spires. But this is no Eastern European antique: artists, punks and a self-declared micro-nation keep

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Vilnius cutting-edge.

Overnight: Railway Apartments & Hotel, Vilnius

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 5 Vilnius Walking City Tour with Christmas Market & Trakai Sightseeing Tour

This morning, enjoy breakfast at the hotel before departing on a walking city tour of Vilnius. Vilnius is known for its more than 1200 medieval buildings and 48 churches. You will be guided through impressive Gothic and Baroque churches, the Cathedral square, Presidential Palace, Vilnius University, Jewish Quarter. You will pass through the Gates of Dawn and City Gate remaining from medieval fortifications. Walk the narrow streets that turn into an open air gallery called Artworks on Literatu str and finally you might get a chance to spot some locals drying their laundry in the narrowest street of Vilnius.

During the tour you will visit two Christmas markets in Vilnius. Get lost in the paradise of handmade crafts and festive flavours. Perhaps enjoy a cup of mulled wine or a local snack (not included) and get to know about the local traditions during this magic time of the year and see the most beautiful Christmas tree in Europe! Looking from above, the 50-metre wide composition resembles an impressive clock with four snowflake cogwheels and 12 glowing tables that serve as clock numerals. One doesn't have to look too far to find the inspiration for the tree's design; the clock hanging on one of Vilnius' most iconic structures – the Cathedral Square Bell Tower standing right next to the Christmas tree – is said to be over 345 years old – older than Big Ben!

Afterwards you will visit one of the quirkiest and most vibrant areas of Vilnius – Uzupis Republic. It's home to a bohemian

people, who declared their independence and have their own constitution – take your passport to get a stamp! Get your cameras ready to capture some panoramic views of Vilnius as well as the architecture and bizarre art pieces.

This afternoon travel outside the city to the nearby town of Trakai. Trakai is famous for its Karaim community, who have been living here since the 14th century and who make “kibinai” - the best local pastries in the area. Here you will have the opportunity be able to take part in this unique culture by making kybyn yourself and tasting the culinary traditions (not included - optional extra). You will be able to take part in this unique culture by making kybyn yourself and tasting the culinary traditions. Continue with a visit to Trakai Castle. It's one of the most picturesque castles of Europe that lies between a few lakes on a tiny island. Built in the XIV century by the grand dukes of Lithuania, the castle reminds you of the greatest battles and history to this date. Cross a wooden bridge and see the castle from inside and outside and hear the story of the Lithuanian royalties that resided there. Finish the day back in Vilnius where you may enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Railway Apartments & Hotel, Vilnius

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 6 Vilnius Free Day

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Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7 Vilnius – Kaunas Sightseeing Tour –Klaipeda (approx. 330km day)

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This morning, travel onwards to the Lithuanian seaside. The first stop will be Kaunas, a city situated in the centre of Lithuania, which is famous for modernist interwar architecture, intriguing history and natural beauty. Kaunas will reveal how it felt to be in independent Lithuania between two World Wars, and how this vibrant city lives today. You will start with a Castle and the Old Town remembering medieval days and then walk your way to the Centre, where the modern history of Kaunas starts. You will visit Laisves Alley, admire its old and modern architecture and find out why it was selected as a candidate to be included in the UNESCO world's heritage list.

In the afternoon, continue driving to the city of Klaipeda, the only seaport of Lithuania. Upon arrival in Klaipeda, check into the hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Old Mill Hotel or similar, Klaipeda

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 Curonian Spit Peninsula Day Trip

This morning, prepare for picturesque sand dunes, forests and tiny resort towns that used to be fishermen villages as you head out to explore the narrow Curonian Spit Peninsula on the other side of the lagoon. Today you will experience the full authenticity of this tiny, yet beautiful part of Lithuania. Take a quick ferry ride from Klaipeda to the peninsula with the first stop being the Hill of Witches. Located in the charming village of Juodkrante, on the Curonian Spit, the Hill of Witches (Raganu Kalnas in Lithuanian) is a natural forested area filled with nearly 100 carved wooden sculptures. The original sculptures were mostly carved by Samogitian folk artists (further sculptures have been added since) and illustrate Lithuanian folk tales.

Afterwards you will continue to the most western town of

Lithuania, Nida, which is the best place on earth for many Lithuanians. Here you will stop for a breathtaking panorama from the Parnidis dune and enjoy a stroll by the beautiful lagoon. Nida is right on the border of Lithuania and the Russian exclave of Kaliningrad Oblast. Finish the day back in Klaipeda where you may enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Old Mill Hotel or similar, Klaipeda

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Klaipeda – Hill of Crosses, Lithuania - Rundale Palace, Latvia – Riga (approx. 270km day)

This morning, depart Klaipeda and travel to the Hill of Crosses which is one of the most extraordinary sites in Lithuania. The old 14th century hillfort is covered in more than 100,000 crosses that symbolize Lithuanian nationalism and beliefs. Some of the crosses are devotional, while others are memorials to many people deported to Siberia. They vary greatly in size: a few are finely carved folk-art masterpieces and some are accompanied by mournful statues of the Virgin Mary. This is definitely a place where you will learn and better understand the local community's difficult past, learn of its unshakable faith, and feel hope for the future.

Afterwards, you will reach the Latvian countryside and visit Rundale Palace. The magnificent Rundale Palace was a summer residence of the Duke of Courland and now welcomes travellers from all over the world to admire its wonderful garden and architecture. It's known as the most outstanding Baroque and Rococo art monument in nowadays Latvia. A Baroque palace cannot be imagined without the French garden, an elaborate architectural framework devised of green plantings that should manifest the triumph of art over nature. Both the palace and the garden were designed in the 16th

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century by an Italian architect Bartolomeo Rastrelli.

This afternoon arrive into Riga, the capital of Latvia, where you may check in and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. The Gothic spires that dominate Riga's cityscape might suggest austerity, but it's the flamboyant art nouveau that forms the flesh and the spirit of this vibrant cosmopolitan city, the largest of all three Baltic capitals. Like all northerners, it's quiet and reserved on the outside, but there is some powerful chemistry going on inside its hip bars, modern art centres and the kitchens of its cool experimental restaurants.

Overnight: Ibis Riga Centre or similar, Riga

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10 Riga Walking City Tour & Christmas Markets

Today, enjoy a walking city tour of Riga's Old Town. In Riga, while meandering its narrow streets and ancient alleyways you will discover the must visit sites and some hidden corners. Founded in 1201 by the German bishop Albert, Riga is the largest of the three Baltic capitals and boasts a true kaleidoscope of various architectural styles. The walking tour of the Old Town includes Riga Castle, Dome Cathedral, St. Peter's Church, Swedish Gates, Three Brothers, Large and Small Guild House and the Freedom Monument.

With many diverse Christian denominations and a strong pagan streak, Latvians celebrate Christmas (or the Winter Solstice) with gusto. Riga, which claims it was the first city to display a decorated Christmas tree in public in 1510, has three Christmas markets right in the centre of the city and you will visit 2 during your walking tour (Doma Laukums and Livu Laukums). Enjoy the smell of hearty foods mixed with the warmth of drinks like mulled wine and hot chocolate while

people look at the warm woolen scarves, mittens and winter slippers on display at one of the stands. Lovely gifts include hand-knitted shawls and mittens and socks, aromatic candles, artisanal spoons and other woodwork. And take a break from shopping with traditional delicacies like grey peas and bacon, perfect on a crisp winter day. This afternoon enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Ibis Riga Centre or similar, Riga

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 11 Gauja National Park

This morning, travel to Sigulda, a small medieval town in the valley of the Gauja River. Here you will begin your tour of Gauja National Park, the largest national park in Latvia, which is characterized by a high biological diversity, rock outcrops and varied terrain shapes, springs, picturesque landscapes and many historical and cultural monuments from different centuries.

You will explore its cultural sights and natural surrounds and get some breathtaking views of the Gauja Valley. During the tour you will also visit Gutman's cave – the largest Baltic sandstone cave which is also a geological protected monument. You will hear the medieval Latvian legend of the Rose of Turaida and see the ruins of Turaida Castle a former Livonian order settlement that is the most pictured monument of the area.

After the tour, return to Riga, where you may enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. Perhaps take the opportunity to explore the Christmas markets further.

Overnight: Ibis Riga Centre or similar, Riga

Meals included: Breakfast

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Day 12 Riga, Latvia – Pärnu, Estonia – Tallinn (approx. 310km day)

This morning, depart Riga and travel onwards to Estonia. The first stop is Pärnu, a resort town in Southwest Estonia beloved by holiday goers. Nicknamed Estonia's 'summer capital', sandy beaches, mild waters and long, sunny days make summer an excellent time to visit Pärnu. Being tucked into a large bay and sheltered from the Baltic Sea gives the region pleasant, temperate weather. Here you will enjoy a short sightseeing tour in town and learn about its famous past as a trade centre in Hanseatic league, pass many colourful houses and get to know about its transition into a summer resort.

Afterwards continue onwards to the capital of Estonia, Tallinn. The Estonian city of Tallinn is located on the northern coast of the country, on the shores of the Gulf of Finland. The old town was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the city as a whole was a European City of Culture in 2011, along with Turku in Finland.

Overnight: Go Hotel Shnelli, Tallinn

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 13 Tallinn Walking City Tour & Christmas Market

This morning enjoy a walking city tour of Tallinn. Tallinn is a charming blend of medieval tranquillity and modern urban life. The medieval Old Town is a busy place in the summer with its many shops, galleries, souvenir markets, outdoor cafés and restaurants. The sightseeing walking tour takes you around the old medieval city walls and into the Old Town where you will see Toompea Castle, Dome Church, Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, medieval Old Town Hall and the Great Guild Hall and last but not least the famous Tallinn Christmas Market.

Tallinn Christmas Market is home to one of Europe's oldest holiday traditions. According to Forbes it is one of 10 most beautiful Christmas Markets in Europe. According to the recent news from European Best Destinations Tallinn Christmas Market is #1 in Europe! Tallinn's Christmas Market which has a variety of Estonian products and handicrafts: wooden toys, hand-made decorations, candles, basketry, woollen sweaters, socks, gloves, sheepskin, linen fabrics as well as painted silk, glassware, and many others. After the tour, enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Go Hotel Shnelli, Tallinn

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 14 Tallinn Free Day

Today is free at leisure to explore Tallinn or alternatively take part in an optional tour (not included).

Optional Activity: Kadriorg Palace Grounds and KUMU Art Museum - €22 per person

The Kadriorg Palace and Park is a resplendent summer residence, built by Tsar Peter I in the 18th century for his empress Catherine. Italian architect Niccolò Michetti was flown from Rome especially, to make sure that the Palace was the gleaming red Ferrari of stately homes - with plenty of baroque splendour, stuccoed ceilings and landscaped gardens all round. Kumu is a place for those who are interested in culture, the main building of Art Museum of Estonia, serves both as Estonia's national gallery and as a centre for contemporary art. The complex itself is a work of art - it was opened in 2006 after nearly a decade of planning and construction, and is considered a modern architectural masterpiece. Arches and sharp edges mark out the copper and limestone structure, which is built into the side of a limestone cliff. Kumu's exhibitions aim to appeal

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simultaneously to a diversity of audiences. Exhibitions display both classical and contemporary art and everything in between. The tour will visit both the Kadriorg Palace grounds and Kumu Art Museum and includes transportation to and from the hotel, along with a guide and museum entrance fees.

Overnight: Go Hotel Shnelli, Tallinn

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 15 Tallinn, Estonia - Australia

Today at the appropriate time you will be transferred to the airport for your return flight to Australia.

Please note:

- A packed breakfast can be requested for travellers with an early departure.
- Some flights may not depart until the afternoon or evening. Luggage storage facilities will be available at the hotel so you may explore the city at leisure until you are transferred to the airport.

Day 16 Arrive in Australia

Please note some flights may arrive + 1 days

18 Day with Helsinki Extension

Day 15 Tallinn, Estonia - Helsinki, Finland

This morning, check out and transfer to the ferry terminal for your ferry transfer to Helsinki, Finland (approx. 2 hours). Upon

arrival, you will be required to make your own way to your hotel accommodation. Check in and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Best Western Hotel Haaga or similar,, Helsinki

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 16 Helsinki Free Day

Today is free at leisure to explore Helsinki.

Overnight: Best Western Hotel Haaga or similar,, Helsinki

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 17 Helsinki, Finland - Australia

Today make your own way to the Helsinki Airport for your return flight to Australia.

Please note:

- A packed breakfast can be requested for travellers with an early departure.
- Some flights may not depart until the afternoon or evening. Luggage storage facilities will be available at the hotel so you may explore the city at leisure until you make your own way to the airport.

Meals included: Breakfast;In-Flight

Day 18 Arrive in Australia

Please note some flights may arrive + 1 days

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TOUR INCLUSIONS

HIGHLIGHTS

Discover the best of Poland, Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia

See the Royal Castle, Old Town Market and more on a guided tour of Warsaw

Explore Bialystok on a guided tour and witness Branicki Palace, Town Hall and more

Embrace the magic of Christmas at the Warsaw Christmas Market

Walk the narrow medieval streets of Vilnius on a guided walking tour to see Cathedral Square, the Presidential Palace and more

Get into the spirit at two Christmas markets in Vilnius

Visit quirky Uzupis, home to an independent bohemian people

Explore picturesque Trakai Castle

Enjoy a free day at leisure in Lithuania's capital city, Vilnius

Stop in Kaunas, famous for its modernist interwar architecture

See Old Town, Laisves Alley and more

Stay in the beautiful port city of Klaipeda in Lithuania

Marvel at the vast dunes of Lithuania's Curonian Spit

Visit the Hill of Witches, a forested area filled with wooden sculptures

Enjoy the breathtaking panorama from the Parnidis dune in Nida

Learn of Lithuania's past at the Hill of Crosses, home to more than 100,000 different crosses

Visit the magnificent 16th century baroque Rundale Palace

Enjoy a walking tour of the Latvian Capital, Riga, to see Old Town, Riga Castle, Dome Cathedral and more

Enjoy the wonder of Christmas at two Christmas markets in Riga

Visit the fairytale-like Gauja National Park in Latvia

Stop in Pärnu, known as Estonia's 'Summer Capital'

Explore Tallinn on a guided walking tour and see medieval Old Town, Toompea Castle and more

Wander among the handicrafts and handmade stalls of the Tallinn

Christmas market

Enjoy a free day at leisure in Estonia's capital city, Tallinn

FLIGHTS

Return international flights (economy class) departing SYD/MEL/BNE/PER

ACCOMMODATION

13 nights quality hotel accommodation

DINING

Enjoy daily breakfast

TOUR ESSENTIALS

English speaking tour leader & guides (16 Day package only)

Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

Transportation by private A/C vehicles

TRANSFERS

Return airport transfers (16 Day package only)

18 DAY BALTICS WITH HELSINKI EXTENSION

All of the above plus the following:

2 nights quality hotel accommodation in Helsinki

2 additional meals

Enjoy a free day at leisure in Helsinki

1 way ferry trip (economy class): Tallinn, Estonia to Helsinki, Finland

Transfer hotel to ferry port (day 15)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Please note: all information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.*

BOOKING INFORMATION

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. The Passenger Information Form must be completed within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer you are bound by the General Terms and Conditions, in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: all additional charges are payable direct to your Travel Consultant in AUD (unless otherwise stated).

OFFER ESSENTIALS

Travel offer is valid for travel on the 1st December 2020.

This travel offer is priced for one person based on twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers a mandatory single supplement applies:

- 16 Day Package: \$780
- 18 Day Package: \$1080

Departure Dates

1st December 2020

Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane or Perth

FLIGHTS

Full Service Airline(s) Used

Finnair, Qatar Airways, Etihad Airways,

Emirates, Singapore Airlines, Lufthansa, Swiss Airways, Austrian Airlines, Cathay Pacific, Air France, KLM, Oman Air, British Airways, Scandinavian Airlines, Virgin Australia, Thai Airways, Virgin Atlantic, Korean Airlines, Turkish Airlines plus any airline partners (subject to availability).

Please note: One way flights can not be accommodated. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Arrive early in Warsaw, Poland

\$200 per person, subject to availability

Please note:

- This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.
- Blackout dates apply between the below date ranges:

* 28th March – 27th April 2020

* 20th June – 20th July 2020

* 17th September – 11th October 2020

* 6th December 2020 – 20th January 2021

Stay behind in Tallinn, Estonia

Price on request, subject to availability.

Please note:

- This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Stay behind in Helsinki, Finland (18 Day package only)

Price on request, subject to availability.

Please note:

- If you are interested in this stay behind option, please contact our friendly reservations team at TripADeal to make this booking and provide your preferred travel dates. This stay behind option is not available through the online check out.

- This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Stopover Packages

Twin share: \$550 per person/one way

Solo Traveller: \$750 one way

Locations:

* Singapore

Includes:

- 2 Nights in 4 star accommodation
- Daily breakfast
- Return airport transfers

Please note:

- A pre-tour stopover only may be chosen.
- Stopover packages are subject to availability.
- Not permitted on and including the following dates 18th - 21st September 2020 due to Singapore Grand Prix.
- Blackout dates apply between the below date ranges:
- * 18th June – 5th July 2020
- * 12th December 2020 – 20th January 2021

Flight Class Upgrades

- Premium Economy: Not available.
- Business Class: Starting from \$5899 per person

Please note:

- *Starting from quotes will be processed and returned for your consideration.
- All Premium Economy and Business Class upgrades are subject to availability (if we are not able to fulfill your business class request the upgrade cost will be refunded).
- On any upgrade purchase, short haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed in a Premium or Business cabin; subject to aircraft configuration.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation Used



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3 Star (self-rated)

16 Day package:

- Warsaw, Poland: Ibis Warsawa Stary Miasto
- Vilnius, Lithuania: Railway Apartments & Hotel
- Klaipeda, Lithuania: Old Mill Hotel or Memel Hotel
- Riga, Latvia: Ibis Riga Centre or Rija VEF Hotel
- Tallinn, Estonia: Go Hotel Shnelli

18 Day package:

- Helsinki, Finland: Best Western Hotel Haaga, Scandic Hakaniemi, Hotel Anna or similar

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed, no later than two weeks prior to travel.

Extra Nights

Not available.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

Child Policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for Children/infants 12 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

Triple Share

Not available.

Bedding Configuration

2 x Single or 1 x Queen/King (subject to availability).

Adjoining / Interconnecting Rooms

Subject to availability and at the hotels discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Minimum group size 20, maximum group size 30 per vehicle.

Optional Tours / Activities

- Day 14: Tallinn - Kadriorg Palace Grounds and KUMU Art Museum - €22 per person

Please note:

- prices are based on per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions, and are payable direct to the tour operator in the currency specified.
- Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.

EXCLUSIONS

- Visa fees and requirements (A tourist visa is not required for Poland, Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia if travelling on an Australian passport)
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary
- Optional gratuities/tipping: recommended at €6 per person/ day
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Transfer ferry port to hotel (day 15 - extension package only)
- Transfer hotel to airport (day 17 - extension package only)
- Travel insurance (Mandatory)

Please note: A comprehensive travel Insurance policy must be organised BEFORE all details can be finalised.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide:

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/ attraction in which he or she is guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves the group at the end of the tour, they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader:

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers

throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides in each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village, and offer information on the place visited on the bus, however they are not required to have specific knowledge on art, architecture, or history. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when particularly required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Warsaw

The city has cold, snowy and cloudy winters.

Tallinn, Estonia

Winters are cold but mild for its latitude, owing to its coastal location.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points:

At TripADeal we do not arrange seat selection. It is important to highlight that some Airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the Airline directly with seating allocation requirements and or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the Airline once you have your flight information.

Passport Validity:

Customers are required to provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase, or no later than 45 days prior to departure date. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of the booking. In this instance customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred.

COACH TOUR

Meals:

Daily breakfast is included in the tour, for all other meals; lunches and dinners the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance



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with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify TripADeal of any dietary requests/requirements. Please note; we will do our best to meet your requests/requirements, however cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. With regards to luggage, you must carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the uploading and off-loading of the luggage from the coach.

OTHER

Fitness Level Required / Mobility:

Our vehicles are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.

Please note: a moderate level of fitness will be required. Some walking tours are included which may involve 1-2 hours of consistent walking. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Yellow Fever:

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in many countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also quite common for your home country to request a Yellow Fever certificate on your arrival back home.

It is your responsibility to check with your doctor well in advance of leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

Gratuities / Tipping:

Land

Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is €6 per person per day this covers the guide/leader and the driver, which will be collected whilst on tour.

Tipping for all services provided on tour is always a matter of personal discretion, however please be aware that tipping is considered by many locals to be a part of their normal remuneration and they may approach you for payment and there is no need to be intimidated by the request.

Sightseeing:

Please note: In the event entrance to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary where possible, will be adjusted or an similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping:

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all of your receipts.

Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader.

Please refer to our Terms and Conditions in regards to shopping for further information.

VISAS

16 Day package

Poland, Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia

A tourist visa is not required for Europe for stays of up to 90 days if travelling on an Australian passport.

18 Day Package

Finland

A tourist visa is not required for Europe for stays of up to 90 days if travelling on an Australian passport.

Please note: Passengers who are not Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required. It is also important to note, some areas of employment such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations may have additional restrictions

in applying for Visas. This may in turn affect the type of application required.

INSURANCE

We are proud to offer a range of travel insurance products - please ask your Travel Consultant for more information.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- 1st Change - \$100.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.
- 2nd Change - \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.
- Subsequent changes - \$250.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/ other travel provider.
- Changes within 30 days of departure \$350.00 person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/ accommodation/other travel provider.
- Changes within 14 days of departure \$500.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/ accommodation/other travel provider.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

- If the incorrect name has been advised to TripADeal, charges of \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel provider.

