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# Tallinn, Estonia 2023-07-18



# TAL08 - RETRACING TALLINN'S HISTORY: SEAPLANE HARBOUR & CITY SIGHTS

SOMETHING SPECIAL





A short coach drive from the port will take you to the Seaplane Harbour, a treasure trove of maritime history made up of the sort of incredible stories that only life can tell. The fascinating museum includes rare examples of Estonian navigational history such as the Lembit submarine. Constructed in 1937, the Lembit sub was the world's oldest submarine still afloat until 2011. You will also have a chance to see the icebreaker Suur Tõll, which dates back to 1914, and the Maasilinn shipwreck which dates back to the mid-16th-century. After another coach transfer to the Upper Town, a walk will take you to Nevsky Cathedral for an internal visit to see a remarkable array of 18th- and 19th-century icons. Enjoy the panorama of the most famous tower of the city wall, Kiek in de Kök Tower and Neitsitorn. Walking along the "Short Leg Street", a narrow, steep lane with steps, descend to the Lower town on a route that includes highlights such as the town hall, the 15th-century pharmacy and elegant Great Guild building, the Renaissance-style Blackheads' Brotherhood House and many former homes of medieval merchants. You will then have some time to explore the St. Catherine's Arts and Crafts Centre before you return you to your ship. Please note: Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits. All sites are wheelchair-accessible with the exception of Nevsky Cathedral (about 12 steps). Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part.

#### Price per person

Adult: € 59.00 Child: € 45.00



#### TAL09 - TALLINN TREATS: FROM SUMPTUOUS SIGHTS TO MOREISH MORSELS & ESTONIAN BEER

**SOMETHING SPECIAL** 







Whichever way you look at it, be it historical, architectural or culinary, Estonia's capital of Tallinn is simply a joy to explore. A drive through the city's modern and 19th-century centre begins your tour, before views of turreted mediaeval walls herald the old town a UNESCO World Heritage Site just ahead. You'll be dropped at the foot of the Tall Hermann Tower in the Upper Tower, an imposing 14th-century stronghold, to continue on foot down the picturesque streets, which include an allegedly haunted house and the one-time home of the city's erstwhile executioner. More fairy-tale vistas then unfold as you make your way down to All-Linn, the old town's lower section: look forward to outside viewings of the Gothic town hall just as the medieval pharmacy, merchant buildings and guild houses, after which this tour of many flavours moves on to a medieval-style restaurant located in an old merchant's house for a refreshing taste of four different, locally brewed kinds of Estonian beer served with a side of tasty regional snacks. After the break, you'll head for the St. Catherine's arts' and crafts' centre, where you can browse stalls selling leatherware, patchwork items and painted glassware. You'll have an hour to shop or just wander around before you begin to head back to the pier and your ship. Please note: all sites are wheelchair-accessible with the exception of the restaurant that has no ramp and three steps to get in. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Soft drinks will be served to all guests minor than 18 years old.

#### Price per person

Adult: € 82.00 Child: € 62.00



#### TAL10 - DELUXE VISIT TO TALLIN

**CULTURE AND HISTORY** 







Apart from being Estonia's capital, Tallinn is also blessed with a historical quarter so well preserved and so beautiful that it has earned itself a place on the list of UNESCO World Heritage Sites. It is these magical purlieus that this walking tour will give you a chance to explore after being dropped at the 13th-century Toompea Castle, your entrance to the old town's upper section. Fairy-tale views of gabled houses, hidden courtyards and turreted towers await you as you stroll through the cobbled mediaeval lanes en route to the 15th-century Great Guild building, which now houses Tallinn's Museum of Mediaeval History. After an intermezzo of Estonian zither music in the foyer of the old building, you will be given some information on the museum's exhibition and its more exotic items. A few steps across the road will then take you to the 14th-century Church of the Holy Spirit for an outside and inside viewing. Notable features include an elaborately painted late 17th-century clock, a 15thcentury altar and a late 16th-century pulpit. You will then move on to Tallinn's 15th-century pharmacy, believed to be Europe's oldest, for a look at some mediaeval cures, before heading for the Gothic-style town hall where you will be served a drink made using a mediaeval recipe in the former prison on the ground floor. You will also have some free time before your tour wraps up with your return drive to your ship. Please note: all sites are wheelchair-accessible with the exception of the Museum that has no ramp. Wheelchair users must be accompanied by a paying helper to provide assistance with getting on and off the coach; wheelchairs must be collapsible/foldable since the coach has neither a ramp nor a lift. Wheelchair users wishing to take part in this are requested to contact the Shore Excursions' Desk promptly once they are on board so that arrangements can be made. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Guests are requested to wear appropriate attire for religious visits.

Price per person

Adult: € 89.00 Child: € 65.00



TAL11 - PROTECTOURS: A VISIT TO THE OLD TOWN



Price per person Adult: € 22.00 Child: € 19.00

#### TAL13 - BEST OF TALLINN BY BIKE







This entertaining and leisurely biking tour gives you the opportunity to discover the old part of Tallinn in a complete different way. Meet your guide at the pier, hear a short briefing, put on your safety helmet and mount your bike for an adventure that begins riding towards Kadriorg Park, an extensive park including the tsar's former summer residence - Kadriorg Palace - and an area that is very popular to stroll around among ponds and flower beds. Next you proceed to the old town on an itinerary including some of Tallinn's highlights: Fat Margaret Tower, Three Sisters, Square of Towers and the Town Hall. Following your cycling tour, you will also have some time to shop prior to your ride back to the port. Please note: tour quide available in English only. As this tour involves riding for approx. 14/15 km, it is not suitable for guests with mobility or health problems. Children must be 10 years old to take part in this tour.

#### Price per person

Adult: € 59.00 Child: € 45.00



#### TAL14 - THE GOTHIC TREASURES OF TALLINN

**CULTURE AND HISTORY** 







Our tour begins with a circuit around the old town where we will briefly view the medieval city wall. We will stop at Tall Hermann Tower for an external view of the imposing castle before setting off for a guided walk through the winding streets of this old Hanseatic town, with external viewing of the Transfiguration Church and the old merchants' houses. Admire the impressive Renaissance façade of the Blackheads Brotherhood House, the wellpreserved Gothic Guild House and the quaint Holy Ghost Church with the oldest street clock in Tallinn. Enter the XV century Town Hall for a guided tour of this magnificent building. Walk through the Dominican convent to view St. Catherine's passage and see the oldest pharmacy in Europe that has been in operation since 1422. Then, time to shop for souvenirs comes next. We will quickly see the Viru Gate in the city wall before boarding the bus back to the pier. Please note: this tour is not suitable for quests using a wheelchair; there are 15 steep steps to reach the Town Hall. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part. Only cameras without a flash are allowed inside the Town Hall.

#### Price per person

Adult: € 55.00 Child: € 42.00



#### TAL15 - DAY TRIP TO LAHEMAA NATIONAL PARK

**NATURAL** WONDERS







A full day of lovely Estonian sights plus lunch await you on this tour to the Lahemaa National Park, a key forest conservation area within Europe. The tour begins with a coach transfer to the park, which is home to pine forests, marshes as well as several estates, the first of which is Kolga Manor. With origins in the 17th-century, the building owes its classicist style to changes made in the 19th-century. Taking a look around will reveal signs of the building's erstwhile glory despite some deterioration due to years of disuse. After a coffee break at the renovated Kolga Manor Restaurant, you'll set off on a 1.5-hour boardwalk hike through the Viru bog with its unique flora, fauna and pools. Be sure to take some photos of the superb views afforded from the top of an observation tower you'll also have time to visit of during the hike. Continue by coach to Sagadi Manor for time to explore the house, take a walk in the landscaped grounds and enjoy a light lunch at the co-located restaurant. The return drive to your ship in Tallinn brings the outing to an end. Please note: this tour is not suitable for quests using a wheelchair. Guests of limited mobility are requested to evaluate their personal level of stamina and ability before taking part.

### Price per person

Adult: € 95.00 Child: € 75.00



# TAL16 - PANORAMIC DRIVE OF TALLINN

**SCENIC ROUTE** 



Price per person Adult: € 29.00 Child: € 22.00



TAL21 - PROTECTOURS: NATURE IN THE CITY





Price per person Adult: € 52.00 Child: € 39.00



TAL22 - TALLINN & OPEN-AIR MUSEUM

**CULTURE AND HISTORY** 









Price per person Adult: € 99.00 Child: € 72.00



TAL24 - THE ART AND ARCHITECTURE OF TALLINN

**CULTURE AND HISTORY** 







Price per person Adult: € 59.00 Child: € 45.00



**TAL23 - TALLINN HIGHLIGHT** 

**CITY TOUR** 



Price per person Adult: € 62.00 Child: € 49.00

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Note for guests with disabilities

# Legend

FAMILY FUN	Take your children on a journey of discovery, with a special programme for kids. The perfect family trip.
CITY TOUR	Explore the city centre with a guided tour and soak up the local scenery with a comfortable coach ride. The easy way to get to know your destination.
CULTURE AND HISTORY	Learn all about the history and culture of your destination, with visits to must-see locations and guided tours of key sites. The ideal route to local knowledge.
PANORAMIC TOUR	Admire your destination in total comfort, with a scenic coach tour taking in the best views and the main places of interest. The relaxing road to discovery.
	Head ashore in search of adventure! Opportunities for sport and fun range from
SPORT AND ADVENTURE	trekking and snorkelling to kayak tours and 4x4 vehicle adventures. The active choice.
WONDER OF NATURE	Immerse yourself in spectacular scenery and discover the fascinating flora and fauna of your destination. Your passport to the wonders of the natural world.
SOMETHING SPECIAL	Pursue your interests in new places! From gastronomic tours and guided shopping trips to religious visits, there's a world of pastimes and passions to explore.
SEA AND SUN	Treat yourself to some pure relaxation, basking on a beautiful beach or enjoying the stunning views on a scenic boat trip. A winner for sea and sun lovers.
EASY & ACCESSIBLE	Leisurely explore the best each destination has to offer, in small groups, on tailor-made itineraries for slow walkers and people with limited mobility. Up-close experiences available for everyone.
MSC PROTECTOURS	Protectours offers you unforgettable experiences while focusing on environmental sustainability in order to preserve a beautiful world for future generations to enjoy.
MSC BIKE ADVENTOURS	One of the best ways to explore a city is from the seat of a MSC bicycle. See, hear, smell and feel the destination like never before.