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Tallinn, Estonia

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GENERAL INFORMATION Estonia, the northern most and smallest of the Baltic States, is also the most westernized and lies on the shores of the Gulf of Finland, between Russia in the east and Latvia in the south. Some 18,000 square miles in area, with a population of about 1.5 million people, it is a country of plains, marshes and forests, with as many as 1,500 lakes and 500 islands. The language is Finno-Ugric which is closely tied to that of Finland. On August 20th, 1991 Estonian independence from the Soviet Union was declared, and the United Nations recognized it as a Sovereign State. It was the first Baltic State to begin monetary reform and a national currency, the Estonian Kroon, was introduced in 1992.

Tallinn, the capital city of Estonia, is situated on the southern shore of the Gulf of Finland, only 53 miles by sea from Helsinki. It is the Republic's largest industrial and cultural center and an important Baltic harbor. With a population of 400,000 inhabitants, Tallinn is thought to be one of the prettiest cities in the Baltic and was once one of the largest towns in Europe. Set on a hillock above the Port, the old town is a medieval enclave with old walls, towers, winding cobbled lanes and buildings dating back to the Middle Ages. Today the City's main industries include; electrical and oil drilling machinery, textile and paper manufacturing.

SHORE EXCURSIONS To make the most of your visit to Tallinn and surrounding areas we suggest you take one of our organized Shore Excursions. For information concerning tour content and pricing consult your Shore Excursion Brochure or contact the Shore Excursion Desk. When going ashore, be advised to take with you only necessary items and secure any valuables onboard.

LOCAL CUSTOMS Bargaining: Bargaining is expected when dealing with street vendors or in markets.

Tipping: Service charges are not usually added to restaurant bills, however, a small gratuity is appreciated.

d'oeuvres are usually the best part of the meal, soups can also be

quite good. Estonia is known for its local specialties of jellied veal (sult), and roast stuffed breast of veal, served with herring and beets in a vinaigrette dressing (Taidetud Vasikarind).

LOCAL CUISINE AND DRINK SPECIALTIES

Some restaurants and bars serve western drinks, locally produced varieties are generally poor by comparison. The Estonian liqueur

is Vana Tallinn and the local beer Saku is very popular. Bottled water is recommended.

LOCAL CURRENCY The unit of currency in this port of call is the euro. There are exchange facilities at the Hotel Viru, Hotel Olümpia, Hotel Palace, and the main Post Office in Old Town.

POST OFFICE AND TELEPHONE FACILITIES The central Post Office is located at 1 Narva Maantee, opposite Viru Hotel

International calls can be placed from the Post Office, or from a number of street public phones.

TOURIST INFORMATION The City Tourist Office is located at 4 Kullassepa Street (i).

TRANSPORTATION A small number of taxis may be available outside the Pier gates. All taxis should operate by meter. There is a taxi stand at Viru Väljak in Tallinn. The ship's berth is located at Tallinn City Port.

Tallinn offers a choice of trams, trolleybuses, buses, route taxis and taxis. Route taxis follow a fixed route and stop at the passengers' request. Tickets for trams, trolleybuses and buses can be brought from stalls near the stops and must be validated inside the vehicle. The trolleybus and bus service tend to be infrequent and crowded.

USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Yes • Jah No • Ei Good Day • Tere Paevast Good-bye • Head Aega Thank-you • Tanan You're Welcome • Pole Tanu Vaart







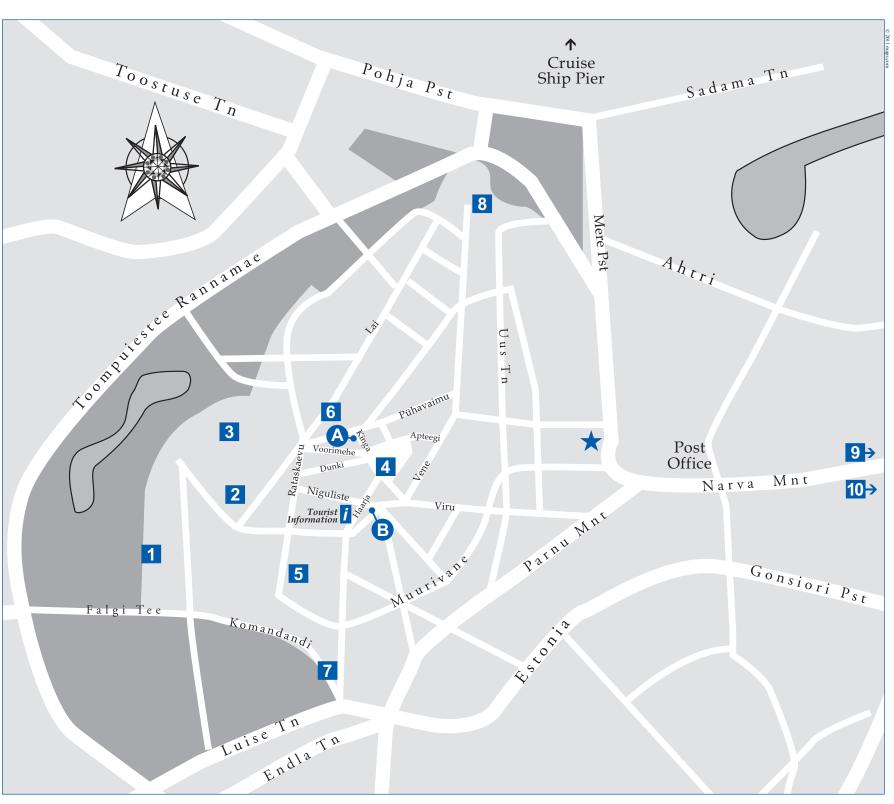






The SIGHTS, SHOPPING and DINING of **TALLINN**

- TOOMPEA CASTLE, situated on Toompea Hill in the upper part of the old town, dates from the first half of the 13th century. The Castle has undergone much reconstruction and is now fronted by the pink colored parliament house, built in 1773.
- **ALEXANDER NEVSKI CATHEDRAL** (1894) is across Palace Square, a Russian Orthodox building with onion domes, in the traditional style of Moscow churches
- TOOMKIRK (Cathedral), also in the vicinity of Palace Square, is the oldest church in Tallinn. It has a fine baroque altar and many interesting tombs.
- TOWN HALL SQUARE, the meeting point of several streets, is a spacious and cobbled square in the lower town, a busy area of restaurants and shops. The Town Hall, on the south side of the Square, was built in the 14th century and has been preserved almost intact, in its original gothic state. There is a small City Council Museum in the basement.
- ST. NICHOLAS' CHURCH (Niguliste Church) at 13 Niguliste, was the center of a merchant's settlement and is dedicated to the Patron Saint of Seamen. Built in 1230, it was badly damaged by fire in the 15th century and rebuilt. However, the greatest damage was made during WW II, after which the Church was rebuilt again. Today it is a museum and concert hall.
- HISTORICAL MUSEUM (Ajaloomuuseum) is located at 17 Pikk in the old great Guild Hall which dates from 1410. One of the finest examples of lay architecture in the City, it houses exhibits which trace the history of Estonia. This venue is currently closed for reconstruction.
- KIEK IN DE KOK is the tallest cannon tower of the old town, located at 1 Komandiandi Tee. In low German it meant 'Peep into the Kitchen', referring to its view into surrounding homes.
- MARITIME MUSEUM (Meremuuseum) located at 70 Pikk, in the robust cannon tower, Paks Margareta (Stout Margaret) traces the history of shipping and fishing in Estonia.
- MAARJAMAE PALACE (Maarjamae Loss) at 56 Pirita Tee, on the way to the small boat harbor, is a neo-gothic building, constructed in 1874 as a summer palace. It houses exhibits of 19th and 20th century Estonian
- KADRIORG (Catherine's Valley) is the English garden founded by Peter the Great, and contains Kadriorg Palace, built in 1718 as one of his summer palaces.



Beyond Tallinn

In the area of PIRITA is the Olympic Boat Basin, Song Festival Amphitheater and beaches.

ROCCA-AL-MARE is situated approximately 9 miles west of Tallinn, on the Kakumae Peninsula. An open-air Folk Museum, opened in 1964, it has 60 buildings brought from all over Estonia, and represents the way of life in rural villages during the 18th and 19th centuries.

ANTIIK ICONS & COLLECTIBLES 5 Kinga Street

Located off Raekoja Plats (Town Hall Square). Icons: Inside this store you can choose from over 500 antique and valuable Icons currently in stock. All purchases come with a certified authentic receipt.



OLD HANSA & KRAMBUDE SHOPPE Vana turg 1

Located in the Center of Old Town near Town Hall Square. Medieval Restaurant and Shop of the Hanseatic Tradition. Offering 15th century delicacies and drinks with great atmosphere. Try the famous Honey Beer, game dishes Oliv Dansa and mushroom soup. Medieval shop Krambude has all sorts of goods for the household. You haven't been to Tallinn until you have been to Olde Hansa! Show your Port Explorer & Shopping Guide to receive a "Monk's Bride" schnapps with your meal and 10% discount in Krambude on hand blown glasses and pottery.



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