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Special Estonia 7 days – 6 nights

Tallinn, Haapsalu, Virtsu, Kujvast, Kuressaare, Angla, Karja, Parnu, Rakvere, Vihula Manor, Lahemaa, Altjia, Vosu, Kasmu, Palmse Discovery, Nature, Fun, Culture

> This program may be operated for individual or for groups This is a suggested itinerary – Please call us to customize

The northernmost of the Baltic states, Estonia is bordering Russia, and faces Scandinavia, two regions that have in turn influenced the country throughout history. Now a member of the European Union, Estonia has taken a dynamic turn and excels in advanced technologies. From a tourist point of view, visitors travel to Estonia mainly in the direction of Tallinn, the capital: next to the modern towers, this city has preserved an impressive medieval heritage in its historic center, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Unesco! The rest of the country remains less visited, yet nature lovers should feast in the great Estonian areas, covered with taiga on almost half of its surface! A flat country, water accumulates forming large wetlands characterized by lakes and peats, encompassed in several national parks. Estonia remains a country particularly concerned with ecology. Walk along the medieval walls of Tallinn and visualize the images of the history books. Picnic at the edge of the murky waters of the bog Viru, and dare to take a dip. Take a trip to Pühtitsa to discover its convent, a true pilgrimage site for Armenians. Vibrate to the rhythm of student nights in Tartu. To meet one of the last matriarchal societies of Europe on the island of Kihnu, whose cultural space is inscribed in the intangible heritage of Unesco. Visit the mansions of Lahemaa Park. Attend a singing festival and understand why they are nicknamed Estonians "singing people" ...

Day 1: Tallinn

Upon arrival at Tallinn's international airport you'll be met by our representative and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free. An optional dinner can be arranged for this evening.

Recommended restaurant: Kolm Sibulat (4.7)

Day 2: Tallinn

Tallinn - a sea coast capital, a rare jewel in the north of Europe in the Gulf of Finland - one of the most completely preserved medieval cities in Europe. Visit Tallinn's beautifully preserved medieval Old Town with its splendid cobbled streets, red-tiled roofs and elegant spires. It is undoubtedly the city's heart and soul. See Toompea Castle, the seat of the Parliament of the Republic of Estonia - the Riigikogu. Continue to the Dome Church. The Baroque pulpit and organ loft are worth a look. Visit One of Tallinn's most resplendent monuments the spectacular Alexander Nevsky Cathedral. See the Old Town Hall that served as the home of the city administration for an incredible 700 years, right up until 1970. The tour continues going to Kadriorg Park and the Kadriorg Palace, a treasured Tallinn icon. The baroque palace is set in an expansive park boasting ponds, pathways and playgrounds. The building also houses the foreign art collection of the Art Museum of Estonia, which is well worth seeing. [B]

Recommended restaurant: Chez Andre (4.8)

Day 3: Tallinn Haapsalu, Virtsu, Kuivast, Kuressaare

Departure to Haapsalu, a seaside resort town with a turbulent history and a favorite retreat of the Russian czars in the 19th century. Enjoy the walking tour through the city center and a visit of the ruins of the castle. Continue to Virtsu, a small borough, where you will get the ferry to Kuivast, a village in the eastern coast of the island of Muhu. Drive to Kuressaare, the capital of Saaremaa. [B]

Recommended restaurant: Kessuke OÜ (4.7)

Day 4: Kuressaare (Angla, Karja)

Explore Saaremaa - the biggest Island in Estonia. The tour starts from Kuressaare, the largest town on the island. See the Kurassaare castle and its convent building that is a magnificent example of the late Gothic style in the architecture of the fortifications. Visit the Episcopal Castle, which dates back from



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the 14th century and is one of the bestpreserved medieval castles in the Baltic countries. Continue on to the windmills in Angla and the St. Catherine's Church in Karja, the smallest church in Saaremaa, but the most beautiful. It is the sculptural decor that makes the church a real jewel. See the Kali Craters, a group of 9 meteorite craters, the most recent craters created by an impact event. Enjoy the beauty of this strange and unique natural phenomenon. Back to Kuressaare. [B]

> Recommended restaurant: Kuressaare Kuursaal (4.7)



Day 5: Kuressaare, Parnu, Rakvere, Lahemaa, Vihula Manor

The ferry brings us back to the mainland. Departure to Pärnu that has been the official summer capital of Estonia for many years. Enjoy a walking tour, seeing the Seaside promenade, Soviet Bloc housing area, Freedom monument, and the riverside slum. Feel the atmosphere of the center of Pärnu, its historic buildings, break-water and seaside wooden architecture. Departure to Rakvere, a peaceful provincial town still benefiting from its Hanseatic legacy. See Rakvere Castle that dates back to the 14th century. The museum houses exhibit weapons, medieval torture, and the history of the Livonian Order. The final stop is Vihula Manor that make up one of the most unique group of manors. Dinner and overnight in Vihula. [B/D]

Day 6: Vihula Manor, Lahemaa, Altjia, Vosu, Kasmu, Palmse, Tallinn

The Lahemaa National Park is one of the last untouched places in the Baltic region. It is very enjoyable not only because of its diverse nature but also because of the mythic stories, cultivated by local people for generations. The protected park offers unspoiled flora and fauna, rivers and lakes, small quaint villages and coastal towns, sandy beaches and old manor houses. Explore the ethnographic village in Altja and the enchanting towns of Võsu and Käsmu. Get closer to nature and enjoy the tranquility of these places. Visit Estonia's well known Palmse Manor and get a complete overview of its history and owners – the von der Pahlen family. See the baroque Sagadi Manor and continue to Tallinn for overnight. [B]

Recommended restaurant: Tchaikovsky (4.8)

Day 7: Tallinn, USA

Breakfast at the hotel and some free time depending on your flight schedule. At the appointed time you'll be picked-up and transferred to the airport to board your flight back home. [B]

[B] = Breakfast | [B/D] = Breakfast and Dinner

Your Tour includes:

- Round-trip airfare USA-Tallin
- Arrival and departure transfers
- Assistance at airports
- 6 nights' accommodation
- Meals:
 - o Breakfast daily
 - o 1 dinner
- Full sightseeing program:
 - o Tallinn old town
 - o Toompea Castle
 - o Alexander Nevsky Cathedral
 - Kadriorg Palace
 - o Kurassaare castle

- o Episcopal Castle
- o St. Catherine's Church in Karja
- o Kali Craters
- o Pärnu Seaside promenade
- o Rakvere Castle
- o Vihula Manor
- o Lahemaa National Park
- o Ethnographic village in Altja
- o Palmse Manor
- English speaking guide
- Entrance fees for sites visited
- Transportation be A/C vehicle
- All local taxes



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Tour does not Include

- Airfare taxes and surcharges
- Lunches and dinners
- Travel insurance
- Wi-Fi at hotels
- Optional tours and activities
- All alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks

- Other meals not mentioned in the itinerary
- Extras and gratuities
- Early check-in, late check-out (Most hotels begin check-in around 2:00pm).
- Expenses of personal nature
- Any service not specifically listed under "included"

Recommended hotels for your Tour:

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City	Hotel Name	Tripadvisor
Superior Tourist		
Tallinn	Bern	4
Vihula	Vihula Manor Country Club &	4.5
Kuressaare	Johan Hotel & Spa	4.5
First Class		
Tallinn	Palace	4.5
Vihula	Vihula Manor Country Club &	4.5
Kuressaare	Grand Rose SPA Hotel	4
Deluxe		
Tallinn	St. Petersburg	4.5
Vihula	Vihula Manor Country Club &	4.5
Kuressaare	Georg Ots Spa Hotel	4.5

Hotels will be confirmed at time of booking

Tour Prices:

From: \$2,129 including airfare

Add-ons available from all US gateways.

Prices are per person and may change without notice

These programs can be customized for individuals and for groups

Changes to this program may be requested by phone (1855-55-TOURS) or using the web FIT Quote

Request

We also be glad to add the necessary airfare from your gateway so you take advantage of our special discounted leisure fares

• Program

You may add or remove;

- o Trip days
- o Cities and sites
- o Meals

• Other options

- o The program was designed with private services, however, we may substitute shared sightseeing where available
- o If you prefer deluxe services we may operate this program including private driver, private guide and concierge service.

Quotation

Once we have designed the program the way you want we'll give you a quote within 2 business days.

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Options:

- Lunches and dinners can be arranged for individuals, families and groups at top restaurants or any restaurant requested by you.
- We can revise the itinerary to spend more time and provide more depth in those areas that you are interested on.
- Any other changes to the itinerary will be accommodated depending on the facilities available in the area.

Group Quotations

- If you wish to use these programs for your group or as the basis for a customized journey please either call us (1-855-55-TOURS or use the web Group Quote Request.
- In either case our specialists will work with to refine all the details and they will get you a quote with 2 business days. Quotes may be obtained for the air and land portions of just for the lad journey.
- Booking both air an land with us will represent savings for you because of our buying power and longtime relationship with the airlines.
- We will also may have the choice between regular fares and special leisure fares not available to the public.

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