

Experience the Beauty of the Baltics

Lithuania • Latvia • Estonia

Travel



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JCC Community Trip
to the Baltic States

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Travel Itinerary



Depart USA Tuesday, September 10

Our fascinating sojourn to the Baltic Coast begins this evening on our overnight flight to Europe from JFK Airport. Transportation from the JCC in Margate is available.

Arrive Vilnius, Lithuania Wednesday, September 11

Welcome to Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania. You are escorted to your hotel located within an easy walk to the old town. This evening, savor a welcome dinner at a cozy local restaurant and get to know our guide and each other.

Novotel Hotel (D)

Vilnius, Lithuania Thursday, September 12

On a guided morning walking tour of Old Vilnius, you will experience the main Square and the impressive Gediminas' Tower. Later, we visit the grounds of Vilnius University, view the pristine Presidential Palace and gems of gothic architecture. After lunch we will tour Vilnius's old Jewish Quarter, its Great Synagogue and the former home to one of Europe's largest, most prosperous Jewish communities.

Novotel Hotel (B)

Trakai, Lithuania Friday, September 13

Today we travel west to Trakai to experience an enchanting medieval castle, idyllically surrounded by emerald-green lakes. Tour the castle, now a museum, and admire the exhibits displaying treasures from the period when Lithuania ruled a vast area stretching from the Baltic to the Black Sea. Tonight, we will enjoy a delicious and festive Shabbat Dinner tonight at our hotel.

Novotel Hotel (B,D)

Vilnius/Rundale/Riga, Latvia Saturday, September 14

The pastoral countryside unfolds as we depart for Riga, the capital of neighboring Latvia. En route, visit Rundale Palace, a baroque-style palace filled with opulent rococo furnishings. Arrive in Riga later this afternoon and settle into our centrally located hotel. Tonight you are our guest for a delicious Latvian dinner.

Radisson Blu Latvija (B,D)

Riga, Latvia Sunday, September 15

We will tour the lovingly restored Riga Old Town. Here, view the magnificent Dome Cathedral and the Powder Tower and walk through the maze of old, narrow cobblestone streets. Our afternoon will focus on the former Jewish life of Riga with a visit to Peitav Shul, the one synagogue to survive WWII that is still in use today and the Great Choral Synagogue, a place of contemplation and memorial.

Radisson Blu Latvija (B)



Riga, Latvia Monday, September 16

Join a guided walking tour to discover Riga's impressive Art Nouveau district. Here, view a large number of buildings constructed in the early 20th century and adorned with elaborate decorations. The balance of the day is at leisure to explore Riga at your own pace.

Radisson Blu Latvija (B)

Riga/Parnu/Tallinn, Estonia Tuesday, September 17

We depart Riga today and proceed across the border to Estonia. We journey along the unspoiled Baltic Coast to explore the village of Parnu, a lovely seaside resort with great shopping and sites. Later we continue our drive to Tallinn, Estonia's capital, and one of the best-preserved medieval towns in Europe.

Nordic Forum Hotel (B)



Tallinn, Estonia Wednesday, September 18

Our guided morning tour begins in the Upper Old Town where Tallinn was founded in the 12th century. We will explore the city's top sites including the medieval Town Hall and bustling Town Square. In the afternoon, we will visit Tallinn's Old synagogue that was destroyed in 1944 and tour the city's newest Jewish Museum. This evening we will delight in a sumptuous dinner at a local medieval-themed restaurant.

Nordic Forum Hotel (B, D)

Tallinn Thursday, September 19

Today we will visit the Estonian Open Air Museum and experience the rural Estonia filled with recreated 18th – 20th century villages. This evening join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner.

Nordic Forum Hotel (B, D)



Tallinn/USA Friday, September 20

Board your return flight. Your amazing journey ends as you arrive at JFK Airport. Transportation to the Margate JCC is available.

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Itinerary subject to change. This trip will require a substantial amount of walking.

Join Us For Only **\$3,600** per person

Rates **INCREASE** after August 1, 2019*

*Cost based on double occupancy when you register with a \$300 per person deposit by August 1, 2019. After August 1, 2019, the cost increases to \$4,000 per person based on double occupancy. A single room supplement is available for \$550 per person. Travelers must be in possession of a passport valid for at least 6 months after the dates of travel. Optional trip insurance is available for purchase at the cost of \$179 per person. Roundtrip Margate to JFK airport transportation is available for only \$150 per person. Payment plans are available.

The Baltics Tour includes:

- Round-trip airfare from JFK and all airfare taxes, fees and fuel surcharges
- Intra-Europe ground transport
- 3 Nights in Vilnius, Lithuania
- 3 Nights in Riga, Latvia
- 3 Nights in Tallinn, Estonia
- 14 meals: 9 breakfasts (B) and 5 dinners (D)
- Daily guided tours
- Experienced, English speaking tour guide throughout



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Spaces are limited.

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