

# The Best of Northern Heritage Trail in 17 days Tour program

### Description

Discover the essence of Central and Eastern Europe with this extraordinary 17-day adventure. Explore the rich history, diverse cultures, and must-see places of this fascinating region. From iconic landmarks to hidden gems, and UNESCO World Heritage sites, this tour guarantees unforgettable memories.

Starting in Berlin to explore famous sites, world-class museums, and dynamic neighbourhoods. From the majestic Brandenburg Gate to the bustling Kurfürstendamm, Berlin is a city where history meets innovation. Continue in Dresden, where the architectural beauty of the Frauenkirche and Zwinger Palace will make a lasting impression.

Cross to Poland to discover the most famous cities in the country. Visit Wroclaw, a charming Polish city with stunning Gothic and Baroque architecture, in Krakow, experience the city's royal history through the charming Old Town. The city is often called the most beautiful in Poland. The journey doesn't stop there; visit Warsaw - the reborn city after the deconstruction of World War II which represents resilience and renewal. On the way to Bialystok, a short stop in the Bialowieza National Park, home to Europe's ancient forest and famous Bison Show Reserve. Stroll along nature trails of the forest for scenic views to wrap up Poland's discoveries.

Cross into Lithuania and discover Kaunas, the former capital, before reaching Vilnius. Explore Lithuania's capital with the fabulous Old Town, sightseeing tour includes the iconic Gate of Dawn, and panoramic views from Gediminas Tower. On the way to Latvia visit the Hill of Crosses, a sacred and unique site in Lithuania.

After crossing into Latvia, visit the magnificent Baroque Rundale Palace, the former summer residence of the Duke of Courland, often called "Latvian Versailles". Explore Riga, the capital of Latvia, visit the magnificent cathedral, the historical castle, beautiful churches, and the famous Art Nouveau district to discover the city to the fullest. The journey continues by travelling along the scenic coastal highway to Tallinn, with a stop in Parnu, a popular seaside resort for a refreshing pause.

Finish your journey in Tallinn, where the Charming Medieval old town harmonises well with dynamic modern life – a perfect final to your adventure.

This tour is designed to offer an ideal balance of history, local culture, and breath-taking nature. Packed with must-see destinations and hidden treasures, promises to fall in love with the region. Let's meet there!

You are free to choose a more relaxed mode of this program (basic tour) or book additional excursions, national dinners, experiences and enjoy more intensive tour program.

# The Best of Northern Heritage Trail in 17 days tour package includes:

- 16 overnights at centrally located 4-star hotels.
- 16 x buffet breakfast.
- Welcome meeting with champagne-cocktail or juice.
- · Personalised welcome package.
- Entrances to Wawel Castle in Krakow, St. John's Cathedral in Warsaw, Bialowieski National Park, Peter and Paul Church in Vilnius, Rundale Palace and medieval Great Guild Hall in Tallinn.
- Service of bilingual English-German speaking tour escort on all tours.
- $\bullet\,$  Service of 1st class motor coaches or 1st class minivans throughout the itinerary.
- 2nd class train tickets Berlin-Dresden and Krakow-Warsaw.
- · Portage at hotels.

## Tour program

Day 1: Arrival to Berlin.

**Destination:** Berlin.

**Hotel:** Maritim Arte Berlin 4\* or similar.

Day outline: welcome meeting at 7 PM at the hotel lobby.

Optional transfers: from airport to hotel.

Day 2: Sightseeing in Berlin.

Destination: Berlin.

Hotel: Maritim Arte Berlin 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

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Tour outline: Kurfürstendamm, Victory Column (Siegessäule), Chancellery (Kanzleramt), Reichstagand, Brandenburg Gate, boulevard of Unter den Linden.

Day 3: Sightseeing in Dresden.

**Destination:** Dresden.

Hotel: Maritim Dresden 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

Tour outline: Neumarkt, Frauenkirche, Semper Opera, Zwinger Palace, Brühl Terrace, Augustus Bridge.

Day 4: Traveling from Dresden to Wroclaw.

**Destination:** Wroclaw.

Hotel: Wyndham Wroclaw Old Town 4\* or similar.

**Breakfast:** at the hotel.

Tour outline: Ostrow Tumski (Cathedral Island), Centennial Hall (UNESCO World Heritage Site), Old Market Square, Wroclaw's old

town, St. Elizabeth's Church, Gothic City Hall.

Day 5: Traveling from Wroclaw to Krakow.

**Destination:** Krakow.

Hotel: Hotel Golden Tulip Krakow City Center 4\* or similar.

**Breakfast:** at the hotel.

Tour outline: leisure time, traveling to Krakow.

Optional tours: Museum of Wroclaw University, Baroque Hall of Aula Leopoldina, Oratorium Marianum, Mathematical Tower.

Day 6: Sightseeing in Krakow.

Destination: Krakow.

**Hotel:** Hotel Golden Tulip Krakow City Center 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

Tour outline: Old Town, St. Mary's Church, Jagiellonian University, Cloth Hall, Wawel with the Wawel Castle, Wawel Cathedral.

Optionals tours: Wieliczka Salt Mine.

Day 7: Traveling from Krakow to Warsaw by train.

**Destination:** Krakow - Warsaw.

Hotel: Radisson Blu Sobieski 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

**Tour outline:** leisure time in the morning, traveling to Warsaw by train. **Optional tours:** morning visit to <u>Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial Museum.</u>

Day 8: Sightseeing in Warsaw.

**Destination:** Warsaw.

Hotel: Radisson Blu Sobieski 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

Tour outline: Royal Route, Old Town, Royal Castle, St John's Cathedral, Old Town Market Square, Barbican.

Optional tours: Royal Lazienki Park and Palace on the Water.

Optional meals: Polish dinner at the Restaurant Gospoda Kwiaty Polskie or at the hotel.

Walking distance: 11 km.

Day 9: Traveling from Warsaw to Bialystok.

**Destination:** Warsaw - Bialystok. **Hotel:** Ibis Styles Bialystok 3\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

Tour outline: Bialowieza, Bialowieza National Park, European Bison Show Reserve, Bialystok, Branicki Palace.

**Optional meals:** at the hotel.

Day 10: Traveling from Bialystok to Vilnius, visiting Kaunas on the way.

**Destination:** Bialystok - Vilnius.

Hotel: Radisson Blu Lietuva 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

Tour outline: Kaunas, Old Town, Baroque Town Hall.

**Optional meals:** at the hotel.

Day 11: Sightseeing in Vilnius, optional excursion to Trakai.

**Destination:** Vilnius.

Hotel: Radisson Blu Lietuva 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

Tour outline: Old Town, Vilnius Cathedral, Gediminas Tower, Peter and Paul Church, St. Anne's Church, Old University, Gates of

Dawn.

Optional tours: <u>Trakai</u>, Trakai Castle.

**Optional meals:** <u>Lithuanian dinner at the Restaurant Senoji Trobele</u> or at the hotel.

Walking distance: 7 km. Driving distance: 67 km.

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#### Day 12: Traveling from Vilnius to Riga. Visiting Hill of Crosses & Rundale Palace.

**Destination:** Vilnius - Riga.

**Hotel:** Radisson Blu Latvija 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

Tour outline: Hill of Crosses, Rundale Palace.

**Optional meals:** at the hotel. **Driving distance:** 377 km.

#### Day 13: Sightseeing in Riga. Optional visit to Jurmala.

Destination: Riga.

Hotel: Radisson Blu Latvija 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

Tour outline: Art Nouveaux district, Old Town, Riga Castle, Dome Cathedral, St. Peter's Church, Swedish Gate, Three Brothers,

Large and Small Guild House, Freedom Monument.

Optional tours: Jurmala, organ concert at the Dome Cathedral.

Optional meals: at the hotel.

Day 14: Surroundings of Riga.

Destination: Riga.

Hotel: Radisson Blu Latvija 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.

Tour outline: leisure time in Riga.

Optional tours: Gauja National Park, town of Sigulda, Episcopal Castle, Castle of the Knights of the Sword, Ethnographical Open Air

Museum.

Optional meals: at the hotel.

#### Day 15: Traveling from Riga to Tallinn, visiting Parnu.

Destination: Riga - Tallinn.

Hotel: Radisson Blu Olumpia 4\* or similar.

Breakfast: at the hotel.
Tour outline: Parnu.
Optional meals: at the hotel.
Driving distance: 308 km.

#### Day 16: Sightseeing in Tallinn.

Destination: Tallinn.

Hotel: Radisson Blu Olumpia 4\* or similar.

 $\label{eq:Breakfast:} \textbf{Breakfast:} \ \text{at the hotel}.$ 

Tour outline: Old Town, Toompea Castle, Dome Church, Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, Town Hall, Great Guild Hall.

Optional tours: Kadriorg Park, KUMU.

Optional meals: Medieval dinner at the Restaurant Maikrahy or at the hotel.

Day 17: Departure.
Destination: home.
Breakfast: at the hotel.

Optional transfers: from hotel in Tallinn to Tallinn Airport.

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