Overseas Adventure Travel welcomes The Osher Institute @ the University of Richmond to

The Baltic Capitals & St. Petersburg
Small Group Adventure
Lithuania: Vilnius, Klaipeda • Latvia: Riga • Estonia: Tallinn • Russia: St. Petersburg

16 days from $5085
Includes international airfare from Richmond

15 days from $3895
Without international airfare
Single Supplement: FREE

Itinerary Summary

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DEPARTURE DATE: September 29, 2020

It’s Included

• International airfare, airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges unless you choose to make your own air arrangements
• All land transportation
• Accommodations for 14 nights
• 32 meals—daily breakfast, 11 lunches, and 7 dinners (including 1 Home-Hosted Lunch)
• 19 small group activities
• Explore in a small group of 8-16 travelers (average group size of 14)
• Services of a local O.A.T. Trip Experience Leader
• Gratuities for local guides, drivers, and luggage porters
• 5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next adventure—an average of $329

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Itinerary

DAY 1 • Depart U.S.
Depart the U.S. for Vilnius, Lithuania.

DAY 2 • Arrive Vilnius, Lithuania
Upon arrival in Vilnius, we have a brief orientation session and meet travelers from the pre-trip extension to Krakow & Warsaw, Poland. This evening, dinner is on your own.
Mabre Residence Hotel or similar

DAY 3 • Explore Vilnius
After breakfast, we’ll have a Welcome Briefing at the hotel. Then, we embark on a tour of the Lithuanian capital. First we’ll walk the cobbled streets of the city’s compact Old Town and admire the restored Baroque buildings and medieval charm that earned it UNESCO World Heritage status. We’ll also view the linked courtyards of 16th-century Vilnius University and enjoy a discussion with one of the students. After lunch at a local restaurant, enjoy a free afternoon to explore Old Town. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Dinner at the hotel.
B,L,D—Mabre Residence Hotel or similar

DAY 4 • Vilnius • Optional hot-air balloon ride over Vilnius • Excursion to Trakai • Experience Karai culture • KGB Museum visit
This morning, join an optional hot-air balloon ride above the city and surrounding countryside. After a discussion with a local expert about Lithuania’s past and present, we’ll journey outside of Vilnius to Trakai, the medieval Lithuanian capital situated in a dreamy landscape punctuated by scenic lakes and islands. First we take a short boat ride to visit Trakai Castle, a fairy-tale fortress built in the 14th century to fend off German knights. Then, we’ll meet with some local Karaims, who belong to the oldest Turkish tribe—Kipchaks—who were brought from Crimea to Trakai in the 14th century as bodyguards for the castle. We return to Vilnius and take a tour of the Museum of Genocide Victims—commonly called the “KGB Museum” because it occupies the former KGB headquarters.
B,L—Mabre Residence Hotel or similar

DAY 5 • Rumsiskes Open-Air Museum • Klaipeda
On our way to Klaipeda, we first stop at Rumsiskes, an open-air ethnographic museum featuring a collection of rural dwellings and farmsteads from Lithuania’s past. We’ll also stop by a yurta, one of the dwellings used by Lithuanians deported to Siberia, and view one of the original railway cars used during deportations in the 1930s.
B,L,D—National Hotel Klaipeda or similar

DAY 6 • Klaipeda • Curonian Spit • Hill of Witches
Klaipeda is also the gateway to the Curonian Spit, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. This fragile sand dune peninsula—shared by both Russia and Lithuania—is separated by a protected lagoon on one side and exposed to the harsh Baltic Sea on the other. We begin our day with a hunt for some of the amber—known as “Baltic gold”—that washes up on the beaches during storms. Then we’ll hike to the “Hill of Witches,” a forested path through the dunes filled with unique wooden sculptures based on Lithuanian folk legends. After lunch in the private tavern of a local family, we’ll visit an amber workshop and gallery for a hands-on demonstration of the many uses for this beautiful fossil resin found along the Baltic Sea.
B,L—National Hotel Klaipeda or similar

DAY 7 • Hill of Crosses • Riga, Latvia
After breakfast, we drive towards Latvia and visit Lithuania’s legendary Hill of Crosses, a grassy double hillock blanketed by several thousand crosses. After lunch at a local restaurant, we’ll continue our journey to Riga. Upon our arrival in Riga, we’ll enjoy dinner at our hotel.
B,L,D—Hestia Hotel Jugend Riga or similar

DAY 8 • Explore Riga’s Old Town
After breakfast, we’ll enjoy a discussion about contemporary Latvia. Then, we walk through Riga’s Old Town, a dizzying collection of cobbled lanes, gargoyle-adorned buildings, and lovingly restored 17th-century architectural treasures under UNESCO World Heritage Site protection. We’ll also wander through the city’s Central Market.
B,L—Hestia Hotel Jugend Riga or similar

DAY 9 • Riga • A Day in the Life of Ligatne Village
This morning, we’ll depart for A Day in the Life experience at Ligatne Village. Located outside of Riga within Gauja National Park, Ligatne is both a scenic and historical complex surrounded by rolling hills, cliffs, rivers, and caves. First, we’ll enjoy
breakfast with a family of winemakers, followed by a tour of their private winery. We’ll then meet with a Ligatne villager before heading to a Home-Hosted Lunch with some of the local families.

B,L—Hestia Hotel Jugend Riga or similar

**DAY 10 • Transfer to Tallinn, Estonia • Cesis Castle**
On our way to Estonia, we stop for a walk at the medieval castle complex of Cesis, followed by lunch at Ungurmuiza Manor, a complex of buildings featuring wooden architecture from the 18th century. We’ll also enjoy a brief stop in Parnu—a chance to stretch our legs and catch a glimpse of Estonia’s premier seaside resort—before arriving in Tallinn, the northernmost of the Baltic capitals.

B,L,D—Radisson Blu Sky Hotel Tallinn or similar

**DAY 11 • Discover Tallinn**
After breakfast, we drive out to the grounds of the Tallinn Song Festival. Then, we enjoy a walking tour of Tallinn’s UNESCO World Heritage–listed Old Town, a tangled warren of cobbled streets lined with outdoor cafés and wonderfully preserved 14th- and 15th-century buildings. Then, you’ll have free time before meeting up for a discussion on Estonian independence followed by dinner at a local restaurant.

B,D—Radisson Blu Sky Hotel Tallinn or similar

**DAY 12 • Tallinn • Kadriorg Park • KUMU Museum**
After breakfast, we take a local tram out to Kadriorg Park to view the palatial residence built by Peter the Great for his empress Catherine I, and to walk its manicured grounds. Then we visit the KUMU, a museum of Estonian art located on the edge of Kadriorg Park. After lunch in Kadriorg, we take the tram back to our hotel (or back to Old Town), and the rest of the day is yours to explore independently.

B,L—Radisson Blu Sky Hotel Tallinn or similar

**DAY 13 • Tallinn • St. Petersburg, Russia**
Today we journey further east by coach across the border into Russia, stopping for an included lunch in Narva, Estonia.

B,L,D—Ambassador Hotel or similar

**DAY 14 • St. Petersburg • Hermitage Museum • Optional Russian Ballet performance or Optional Russian Folk Show**
Today we explore the wonders of St. Petersburg. Our visit will reveal several of the city’s picturesque islands, canals, and bridges, and features a stop at St. Isaac’s Cathedral, whose magnificent gilded dome dominates St. Petersburg’s skyline. After a hearty Russian lunch, we’ll visit the Hermitage Museum. This evening, you may join an optional excursion to take in a performance of the Russian ballet. Or, when the ballet is not available, enjoy an evening of music and dance at an optional Russian Folk Show.

**Please note:** The activities in St. Petersburg on Days 14 and 15 are subject to change based on museum opening hours and entrance times.

Your Trip Experience Leader will inform you of the final schedule and can help you make arrangements for your free time.

B,L—Ambassador Hotel or similar

**DAY 15 • St. Petersburg • Modern Russia discussion • Catherine Palace tour**
This morning, learn about modern Russian during an informative discussion. Then, enjoy free time to explore and perhaps visit the Peter and Paul Fortress. Within the fortress walls resides Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral, the final resting place of most of the Russian tsars since the city’s namesake was buried here. This afternoon, we’ll venture to Tsarskoe Selo for a visit to Catherine Palace. Later, we’ll all gather for a Farewell Dinner.

B,D—Ambassador Hotel or similar

**DAY 16 • St. Petersburg • Return to U.S. or begin post-trip extension**
After breakfast, fly back to the U.S., or begin your post-trip extension to St. Petersburg & Moscow, Russia.

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**Vilnius, Lithuania**
This enchanting Lithuanian city specializes in the offbeat and unexpected. While visitors arrive in this UNESCO World Heritage Site in search of its Baroque Old Town, there’s so much more to see and do. One can cross the Vilnia River to find such oddities as the Independent Republic of Uzupis, an unofficial breakaway republic featuring its own constitution, flag, and president. During our stay in Vilnius, we’ll also journey outside the city for a boat ride to a Lithuanian island that is home to a 15th-century fairy-tale fortress, and meet with descendants of an ancient Turkish tribe to learn about their unique culture.

**Riga, Latvia**
Riga is Latvia’s medieval jewel along the Daugava River. With cobbled streets, Art Nouveau architecture, and an array of quiet cafés and shops, it’s easy to be spellbound by this UNESCO World Heritage Site. City highlights include St. Peter’s and the Dome Cathedral. After exploring Riga’s Old Town treasures, we’ll journey outside the city to spend A Day in the Life of a Latvian village, where you’ll tour a private winery, stroll the grounds of one of Europe’s oldest paper mills, meet with children at their kindergarten class or crafts center, and dine with villagers in their homes.

**Tallinn, Estonia**
Now a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Tallinn was once a strategically located member of the old Hanseatic League. It offers visitors a look into the region’s distant past with its stunning collection of fortresses, castles, and city gates. Highlights of Tallinn’s Old Town include Town Hall Square and its bustling Freedom Square, historic public gathering spots since the time of the tsars. We’ll also travel like the locals during our stay in Tallinn when we hop aboard a tram and head outside the city to Kadriorg Park, where we’ll stroll through the manicured grounds of a resplendent palatial residence built by Russian Tsar Peter the Great for his empress Catherine I.

### 2020 Departure Dates & Prices

Additional departure cities are available

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**AIR ADD-ON**

| Richmond | $1190 |

Additional departure cities are available. Call for details.

**Deposit:** $350 per person.

**Single Supplement:** FREE. Single accommodations are limited. If single rooms are full, ask about our Roommate Matching Service.

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**GOVERNMENT TAXES AND FEES** The following government taxes and fees are now included in your airfare price. Government and other authority taxes and fees: September 11th Security Fee of up to $2.50 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (maximum charge per trip—$5.00 USD one-way, $10.00 USD round trip). A flight segment is defined as one takeoff and one landing. Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) of up to $18 per passenger. Federal Domestic Flight Segment Fee of up to $3.70 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (defined as a takeoff and a landing). U.S. or International Departure and Arrival Charges of up to $200 USD may apply depending on itinerary. On select itineraries that include the purchase of a pre- and/or post-trip extension, U.S. or international departure and arrival charges of up to $300 USD may apply. Call for details. Standard Terms & Conditions can be found on the web at www.gct.com/tc.

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