

Pre-Convention Stockholm and the Baltic States

**Land Only Tour Price: \$1,939 Per Person, Based on Double Occupancy
For Single Room, Add - \$630**

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Itinerary

Fri., May 31 - Depart Home for Germany.

Sat., Jun 01– Arrive Hamburg: No Howard Tours' events or services are scheduled.

Sun., - Wed., Jun 02-05 - Hamburg: Attend the Rotary International Convention. No Howard Tours' events or services are scheduled in deference to the Rotary Convention activities.

Thu., Jun 06–Hamburg/Stockholm: Fly from Hamburg to Stockholm, Sweden. **Hotel Nordic Lights** accommodations, including daily breakfasts.

Fri., Jun 07– Stockholm: Morning city sightseeing includes Sergel Square and the Old Haymarket in addition to the Vasa Ship Museum which displays the oldest preserved ship in the world dating from the 17th century. Balance of the day is free for individual pursuits. Dinner is included as a tour service.



Sat., Jun 08– Stockholm/Tallin: Morning free. This afternoon, enjoy city sightseeing including the views of the Stockholm Palace, official residency of the Swedish Royal Family, the Nobel Museum, and the colorful cobblestone streets of the Old Town including a visit to City Hall. This afternoon, we arrive at the pier to board our overnight ferry to Tallin, Estonia. Buffet dinner and breakfast included onboard the **Tallink Silja** ferry.



Sun., Jun 09 - Tallin: Disembark the Tallink Silja and head towards the leafy Kadriorg district, a park area that's home to the baroque Kadriorg palace built for Russian Tsar Peter the Great. Your tour continues onward to the Pirita beach area, where you'll get a glimpse of the mysterious ruins of a 15th-century convent. Lunch is included as a tour service before we visit the Open Air Museum in Viimsi. The complex of seaside-farmhouses located in the picturesque, relaxing coastal village, is the best place to admire the famous silhouette of Tallinn. Finally arrive at **Hotel Radisson Blu Sky Tallin** accommodations, which includes daily breakfasts. Balance of the day is free.

Mon., Jun 10– Tallin: Our morning walking tour will explore Tallinn's cobblestone Old Town and Lower Town, including Town Hall square, walls and towers. In use since the 9th century AD, mighty Toompea Castle in Tallinn's well-preserved city center, still looks as it did after 12th-century renovations, and is home to the Estonian Parliament today. Our tour will end with a visit to Kadriorg Palace. Balance of your day is free

Tue., Jun 11– Tallin/Riga: Today we travel from Estonia into Latvia via the Riga – Tallin Road, with a stop in the seaside resort town of Parnu. Enjoy an orientation walk of the beachside promenade and the old town with a cozy lunch at one of the outdoor cafes which is included as a tour service. Continue on to Riga and check into **Hotel Radisson Blu Elizabete** accommodations, including daily breakfasts.

Wed., Jun 12– Riga: Morning sightseeing tour of the city centre which contains the finest concentration of Art Nouveau buildings in the world. The tour includes one of the centerpieces of the Old Town, the Riga Dome Cathedral, which is visible from most parts of the city.



Thu., Jun 13- Riga/Vilnius: Depart Riga and visit the charming medieval town of Trakai. Enjoy lunch and visit the Trakai Island Castle before continuing on to Vilnius. **Hotel Courtyard by Marriott Vilnius City Center** accommodations, including daily breakfasts.

Fri., Jun 14– Vilnius: Morning city sightseeing. Visit the Old Town of Vilnius, one of the largest in Eastern Europe. The buildings in the old town were built in a number of different centuries, therefore, it is a mixture of all European architectural styles. End your tour with a visit to the KGB Museum of Vilnius. Its history began when this former gymnasium became the headquarters of the Gestapo during the Nazi occupation of Lithuania in 1941. It was then re-occupied by the Soviet Secret Police – the KGB – when the Nazis left in 1944. The KGB stayed until 1991 when Lithuania became independent from the Soviet Union. Afternoon free. Dinner is included as a tour service.

Sat., Jun 15– Vilnius/Depart for home.

