

What is the traditional Estonian cuisine - Nordic cuisine with a twist, or German or Russian? Where to is Estonian Fashion Design heading for? To find out, take a guided stroll in Tallinn Old Town and visit some of the fashion boutiques of best and well known Estonian fashion designers along with some nice food & wine stops combined with the short city sightseeing.



During this full-day combined Estonian design and gastronomic tour of Tallinn, the guests will discover the most beautiful spots of this historic city and take a look into Estonian history and present day, as well experience the flavours and stories of Estonian cuisine. You will also have a special visits to several design boutiques and design Studios of modern Estonian fashion designers.

## Any date in 2017, with exception to National holidays (sample timings)

**10:55** Gathering at Tallinn Freedom Square in front of the Freedom Monument **10:55** Our guide will meet & greet you at the hotel lobby with a sign "Food Sightseeing Estonia"

This special tour is a guided walking tour, taking you through most part of Tallinn Old Town and Toompea Hill. During the tour your guide will tell you interesting facts and funny stories about the history and nowadays of Tallinn and Estonia, combining it also with stories and tendencies of Estonian cuisine, food culture, and design.

11:00 You will have a change to visit one of the Estonian Design boutique stores "Nu Nordic - House of Estonian Design". Nu Nordic sells contemporary Estonian Design clothing, accessories and interior items. Shopkeeper and our guide will be glad to share with you more detailed information about Estonian Design nowadays and trends.

After feeding Your soul with the short Estonian design intro, and some possible shopping round, it's time to continue Your cultural and culinary adventure with short walk towards to the lower Old Town Centre.

**11:30** At this point it is time for appetizer, so the tour takes you into **medieval theme restaurant** which is located in old wealthy merchants house just in the centre of Tallinn Old Town. You will be taken either to the top attic or main ground floor of the restaurant, and waiters & waitresses dressed in period costumes, will be serving for you a delicious soup with freshly baked bun along with a shot of Pepper & Honey schnapps!

**12:00** You'll continue your stroll in Tallinn Old Town by taking Viru Street. Possible en route stops at Olde Hansa medieval thematic Spiced Almonds street sale trolley, and at Estonian Eco-Store, where there is a large selection of various typical for Estonia food items set out to the table for tasting.

## 12:30 You will have your next food-stop at local Deli shop.

You will be served the snacks made of Estonian traditional black bread in a form of French baguette along with Estonian made pesto, and sauces, and will be introduced to the tendencies to where the Estonian cuisine is heading to.

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**13:00** After sipping your fine glass of Estonian "Kali" (sort of non-alcoholic beer) You are now heading to the nearby located "**Liina Viira**" **Estonian Design Boutique**. Liina Viira is Swedish-Estonian-born designer who plays with traditional ethnic patterns and gives them new meaning in nowadays street fashion modern twist. The result is a bold modern colours and paragraphs full of woollen knitwear collection. Product Selection includes: dresses, sweaters, jackets, pants, skirts, gloves, cuffs, leggings, hats, scarves, bags.

The designer's creations are based on the principle of naturalness and recycling. All knitwear is made from 100% wool and made by hard-working Estonian weavers.

**13:30** Further on you will have entrance to one of the nearby located **medieval defensive towers**. You will have a chance to walk on the medieval defensive wall from 15th century with views both to the rooftops of nowadays city centre and medieval old town. You will be served **a small warm-up shot** of Sea-buckthorn-schnapps (Põhjaka manor).

**13:50** After warming you up a bit you'll walk along with old city walls on Müürivahe Street, and will have a stroll via famous

**Katharina's Passage**, with open studios and workshops of artisans, who daily practice their crafts. Our guide will show you the old premises of Dominican Monastery and tell you about the prosperous medieval times for old Tallinn - when the city belonged to Hanseatic League and was an important port for exchanging the goods between the east and west. Our guide will also tell you about the various gilds or craft unions used to be based in the city of Tallinn, among which the gild of Blackheads was one of the most popular ones - especially known for their copious parties. It will be possible for you to step into and monitor the work of various Artist's studios and workshops in Katharina's Passage. There are studios and workshops for creating various design articles from leather, textile, glass objects and jewellery, hats, and pottery.



14:20 You will continue towards nearby Vene
Street and step into another beautiful Masters
Courtyard of some artist's workshops. You will visit Emma
Leppermann's studio-shop. The studio provides various workshops, including embroidering on fabric printed photo with cotton and silk thread or wool yarn.

**14:45** Your next stop is at The Old Town Hall Square - the centre of Tallinn Old Town. Accompanied by your tour guide, who tells you interesting facts and funny stories about Tallinn medieval history, you'll have short en route stop & stroll around the old town central square.

**14:50** You'll have a chance to taste famous Estonian spiced sprats sandwiches along with Estonian national drink "Kama" in the atmosphere of **the modern Estonian restaurant.** 

**15:10** after this small tasting you are now invited to the oldest continuously working pharmacy in Europe, "Raeapteek" (ad 1422), where everyone will be presented a piece of marzipan candy prepared by ancient recipe at the pharmacy even nowadays!

After short stop at Old Town Hall Square you will continue to see the old Grand Guild House building by taking Saiakäik passage with nice views to the Church of Holy Ghost. Your guide will introduce you to the interesting mixture of the German, Scandinavian and Russian influences here.

You will also pop into the small marzipan museum displayed at the oldest continuously operated café in Tallinn - **Café Maiasmokk** (ad 1864), where you can also admire their largely authentic atmosphere and famous window decorations.

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**15:30** Further you will head to the upper old town by taking Lühike Jalg (Short leg Street), which is rather passage with stairs, where on the way you'll have possibility to visit **OKAPI Art Gallery** on Niguliste Street.

Further on you will have a chance to step into "Lühikese jala Galerii", which is located at Short Leg Passage. The gallery started in same spot in 1993 and has been continuously focused on local applied art demonstration and sales. Their principle is - to display and sell only unique items in small quantities within traditional fields of applied art.

Once on upper old town, you will have short en-route stop at Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, take a look at Toompea Castle (nowadays Estonian Parliament building) and have an en route stop at Dome Church. Further you'll visit the panorama platform, from where you'll have some marvellous views over the towers and steeples rising above the red-tiled roofs of the Lower Town.

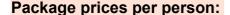
16:10 You'll have a wine-break in combination to visit to the Museum of Estonian Drinking Culture at secret wine terrace and cellar of the old town.

The owner, or the host of the wine cellar, will introduce you to the fascinating history and legends of this century old wine factory, while you will have a taste of their newborn red, rose, and white dry wines (or juice). And - you will have some superb views from the secret panorama terrace!

**16:40** After the wine degustation you'll head back to the lower old town, taking the Short Leg Street or stairway in the Danish King Garden with some nice views to the city from the parapet of "Neitsitorn" medieval defensive tower.

17:00 Our guide will lead you back to Freedom Square. End of the tour.

A small food thematic present will be provided for every participant at the end of the tour.



- 1 pax, tour is not available 2-3 pax for €95,00 per person 4-6 pax for €75,00 per person 7-9 pax for €60,00 per person 10-14 pax for €55,00 per person
- Package prices are NET and include VAT. Package price includes indicated program, local English-speaking guide services for the whole tour, all the described en route stops and visits to galleries, studios and workshops of Estonian Design. 1 schnapps-break, 3 food-breaks, 1 sweets-stop, 1 wine-break in historical wine factory (a glass of local berry- or dry wine), and a small food thematic present for every participant at the end of the tour. Tour includes entrance to medieval defensive tower and tour at Wine Museum.

\*Please note, that as Old Town Hall Pharmacy will be closed on Mondays, and on Tue-Sun from 18:00, then under these conditions the tour will include only en-route stop outside the pharmacy.

NB! Duration of the tour is around 6 hours, and the tour includes around 2,5km of walking on cobblestone streets of Tallinn Old Town

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### **GENERAL BOOKING & CANCELLATION CONDITIONS**

#### **BOOKINGS**

•Bookings for individual guests and groups for Food Sightseeing tours should be made preferably at least 72 hours prior to the start of the services or as early as possible, and the booking should contain all requests for required services, (including information whether there are people with special dietary requirements or disabilities in the group).

•Group bookings for Food Sightseeing private & tailor-made tours should be made preferably at least 3~2 weeks prior to the start of the services or as early as possible, and the booking should contain all requests for required services.

#### **CANCELLATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS**

- •Cancellations of individual reservations received more than 72 hours prior to the start of the tour will be free of charge.
- •Cancellations received 72 to 24 hours prior to the start of the tour will be charged with 50% of the tour costs.
- •Cancellations received less than 24 hours prior to the start of the tour will be charged with 100% of the tour costs.

## **CANCELLATION OF GROUPS (groups start from 10 participants)**

- •Cancellations of group reservations without packaged accommodation and other services with \*supplier based cancellation conditions, are free of charge up to 72 hours prior to the start of the tour.
- •Cancellations received 72 to 24 hours prior to the start of the tour will be charged with 50% of the tour costs. With exception to \*supplier based conditions
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- \*Supplier based cancellation conditions are Booking & Cancellation Conditions Food Sightseeing Estonia is to accept by making reservations in connection to our private or tailor made tours to third party suppliers such as; hotels, ferry companies, some venues and possibly some incentive components or attractions in our tailor made tours. In case supplier based conditions apply, our partners or/and customers will be informed of that and thereby these conditions will overwrite our standard conditions and will become valid as is.

#### **PAYMENT FOR INDIVIDUALS**

Individual reservations has to be prepaid least 3 days prior to the start date of the tour. Reservations made less than 72 hours prior to the tour start are due on receipt.

## **PAYMENT FOR GROUPS**

**Prepayment invoice** will be issued latest 10 days prior to the service dates. Group reservations has to be prepaid least 5 days prior to the start date of the tour, unless otherwise agreed in written form; concerns mainly supplier based conditions for cancellation & payment.

Reservations made within less than 5 days prior to the tour start are due on receipt.

In case of additional items or later changes in the reservations for the group, the **Final invoice** will be issued right after the event ends, with due date 1 week from the issue date.

The above stated booking, cancellations and payment conditions are accepted by the customer or partner by booking services from Food Sightseeing Estonia, unless otherwise agreed in written form.

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