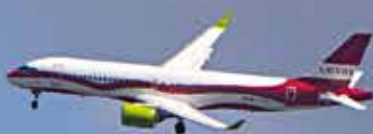


**JULY  
2023**  
*airBaltic*  
Inflight  
magazine

# baltic outlook

Menu  
and  
Sky Shop  
catalogue  
inside

**COME AND EXPLORE  
LATVIA THIS SUMMER!**



**YEREVAN – A JEWEL  
OF THE CAUCASUS**

**THE MAGIC OF  
A LATVIAN SUMMER**

**THE BEST BEACH  
HOLIDAY DESTINATIONS**



See page 225  
to start using our  
inflight service on  
your mobile device

# Come under our wing!

Join us

Arta Uma Upmale  
Senior Social Media  
Specialist

Dāvids Lipšens  
Lawyer

airBaltic

[careers.airbaltic.com](https://careers.airbaltic.com)

Photo by Gatis Griets



Sustainability remains  
integral to our business,  
shaping how we work  
and engage with people

**MARTIN GAUSS**  
Chief Executive Officer, *airBaltic*

**Dear guests of *airBaltic*,**  
We have already reached the midpoint of summer, and it makes us proud to record continual growth in the number of passengers travelling across Europe with *airBaltic*. This reaffirms the strong demand for our extensive network of over 100 scheduled routes. Moreover, our market share at all four bases keeps increasing, thus strengthening the company's position as the leading connectivity provider for the Baltic region.

However, the services we provide should be highlighted in a broader context, particularly, in terms of sustainability. The aviation industry bears a significant responsibility in this regard, and *airBaltic* is playing its part as well. The most important factor is the commitment of airlines to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050. This perfectly aligns with our strategic focus on environmental, social, and management sustainability priorities.

Sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) plays an important role by boosting us towards these climate neutrality

goals. To that end, *airBaltic* has gradually begun to offer passengers the opportunity to reduce the ecological footprint of flying by voluntarily adding a small proportion of SAF to their flights along with their bookings. Notably, one kilogram of SAF produces up to 80% fewer CO<sub>2</sub> emissions across its lifecycle compared to the same amount of fossil fuel.

Our vision sees *airBaltic* becoming a sustainable carrier in the EU aviation market, combining continuous growth, innovative passenger experiences, and the development of the Baltics as a key business hub in Europe. Also, sustainability remains integral to our business, shaping how we work and engage with people.

On a different note, while summer is in full swing, we are already looking forward to the upcoming winter season. In addition to adding 11 new routes from the Baltics and Tampere (Finland), we will also be opening a seasonal base in Gran Canaria (Spain). In winter, *airBaltic* will base two of its *Airbus A220-300* aircraft there, serving ten direct routes. This expanded presence in the Canary Islands will enhance connectivity and provide passengers with a wide range of convenient travel options. Of course, we welcome you to purchase SAF for these flights as well.

Wishing you a pleasant summer and many great flights!



Yours, Martin Gauss  
President and CEO





DIOR

CELINE

GUCCI

SAINT LAURENT

VALENTINO

DOLCE & GABBANA

BRUNELLO CUCINELLI



THE ROW

Maison Margiela  
PARIS



FENDI

Kiton

BALENCIAGA



Brioni

KHAITE

PLAZA

KUNGU IELA 25, RIGA 11:00 - 20:00  
Tel. (+371) 67 35 09 71 12:00 - 18:00  
[Instagram.com/plaza\\_fashionstore](https://www.instagram.com/plaza_fashionstore)

[plazafashionstore.com](http://plazafashionstore.com)



# The best views for your business

📍 Liivalaia 34, Tallinn

At the heart of the Arter quarter is the tallest office building in Estonia and a first-class working environment. You don't have to come because you are already here – find all the necessary services in the quarter and everything that Tallinn has to offer within a 15-minute radius.



Both projects proudly developed by Kapitel

# Elementally, the best office building in Riga

📍 Skanstes 25, Riga

The difference between a space and an office are the people in it. Elemental Business Centre is where you give your team the space to succeed in.



A PLACE THAT WORKS



**SAMSUNG**

# OLED

Experience more WOW  
with Samsung OLED



[samsung.com](https://www.samsung.com)

Illustrative image.





**SAMSUNG**

# Going Beyond Innovation - Galaxy Flip4 and Fold4

Experience limitless possibilities with an ultra-compact design, iconic form factor, unmatched performance, and personalized features. Perfect for travelers - these devices offer compact brilliance, incredible power, and seamless business capabilities.

Crafted with precision - each component is optimized to enhance your experience. The Galaxy Flip4 unfolds such features as an improved camera, longer battery life, and more customization options. Meanwhile, the Galaxy Fold4 brings a new era with an immersive display, multitasking capabilities, an advanced camera, and a powerful processor. Witness the future of smartphones unfold before your eyes.



Illustrative image.

[samsung.com](https://www.samsung.com)



# From Driver to Racer.

## PORSCHE EXPERIENCE

Experience a real Porsche in the Bīkernieki racing track while in the capable hands of young but accomplished racing pilot Valters Zviedris, who also happens to be the only Porsche AG-certified individual driving instructor in Latvia.

In 2023, he was the only representative of Latvia to compete in Porsche GT3 Cup series – both in the first round, as well as in second round at the DeWALT Grand Prix. Valters is also the 2021 Baltic TCR road racing class champion, the Latvian national team member at the 2019 and 2022 FIA Motorsport Games in the TCR road racing category, and the Baltic champion in BMW 325 CUP in 2022.

Valters admits that it took all his 16-year driving experience to pass all Porsche Experience programme criteria with excellence to make sure that clients enjoy the programme in full. The programme's goal is to provide you with a unique experience, where it is just you, the racing track, and the Porsche. Full-on racing mode – the ability to control high speed, brake efficiently, and feel the excitement of a real racing track. Can you feel the thrill and adrenaline rush? We thought you might...

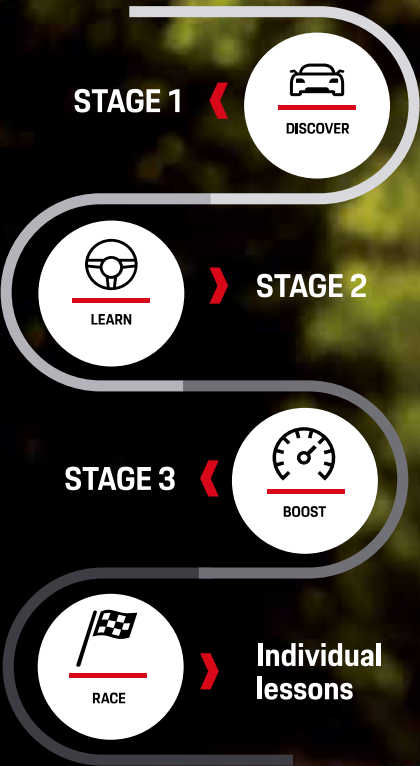
There are three modules in which you will learn the skills of a real racing pilot – to control your car, cool down your mind and body, challenge your precision driving skills and learn new ones, understand trajectories of the racing track, and feel the excitement of being behind the wheel of a sports car. The best part? These skills will make you a better driver on regular streets and motorways.

Ladies and gentlemen, ready your engines!  
Apply for Porsche Experience – the number of available slots per month is limited!

More information at:



<https://porsche.lv/porsche-experience/>



PORSCHE



# We Will Be There Every Step of The Way

The world of finance has long been complex and hard to understand, but it doesn't have to be like that. We prefer the much simpler approach, and our aim is to make the world of finance more accessible and easier to understand for investors who are just starting out.

## Oil Trading

Crude oil futures are the most actively traded commodity asset in the world. We have devised a system that allows us to benefit consistently.

## Real Estate

We specialise in investing in properties that can provide income through rental payments, appreciation in value, or eventual sale of the property.

# Invest In Your Future

IV Capital is a global trading and real estate enterprise with a rapidly expanding global workforce in Riga, Frankfurt, London and Dubai.

To achieve the best results, our experts work with different financial instruments in various global markets. While we work for our own financial interests, we are happy to share our knowledge and expertise to help others succeed as well.

We understand that pursuing financial goals is an important part of your overall personal growth. Whether you're saving for retirement, planning for the future, or trying to pay off your debt, we can help you make informed decisions.



1

### Understanding Your Budget

You must first understand your finances and how much you are willing to invest after day-to-day expenses.

2

### Determining The Best Opportunity

We will help you find the best investment avenue for you, keeping your budget and personal interests in mind.

3

### Become An Investor

Commit to your personal goals and always remember your reasons for starting to invest.

302

Partners

4+

Global Locations

2

Asset Types

67%

Positive Trades

Transparency, Loyalty & Values

Our egos are left at the door as we foster long-term relationships built on trust.

Reach Out & Book A Consultation

 [iv-capital.com](https://iv-capital.com)

 +49 163 5332914







# Batumi

GEORGIA

## 10 REASONS TO VISIT BATUMI

### 1. Endless summer

Famed for its summer season, Batumi is also a fascinating destination in spring and autumn. Visitors can sunbathe or swim from May till the end of October.

### 2. Old meets new

Batumi dates back to the 4th century BC. The city's unique history has contributed to its vast architectural diversity.

### 3. Picturesque Batumi Boulevard

Batumi Boulevard is one of the world's longest promenades, stretching for eight kilometres and distinguished by broad walking and bicycle paths, magnolia and palm trees, fountains and cafés.

### 4. Delicious Ajarian cuisine and wine

Georgian cuisine offers an amazing array of cooking techniques, whilst viticulture is essential to Georgian culture, with around 525 different species of grapes used in wine production.

### 5. Beautiful Botanical Garden

For the scent of plants and flowers in an incredible coastal setting, head to the Batumi Botanical Garden. The garden features a thousand species of astonishingly beautiful and unique flowers.

### 6. Infinite Georgian hospitality

Exceptional hospitality and the goodwill of the Georgian people is the hallmark of every trip to Batumi. Guests will not only experience unparalleled hospitality, but will also be enchanted by the genuine kindness of the locals.

### 7. Mix of mountains and sea

The combination of seaside and mountains makes Batumi an ideal year-round tourist destination. The mountain resorts have excellent conditions in all four seasons and are also ideal for romantic weekend getaways.

### 8. Unique Georgian culture

Georgia is one of the oldest Christian countries in the world, leading to a significant influence on Georgian culture. The region is famous for its stone-arched bridges and religious monuments and monasteries.

### 9. Ancient Gonio Castle

Gonio fortress dates back to the Roman Empire and is regarded as a vital link to Georgia's ancient past.

### 10. Famous Georgian Feast

Visiting Batumi would not be complete without sampling the Supra, a traditional feast and the backbone of Georgian social culture.



[visitbatumi.com](https://visitbatumi.com)

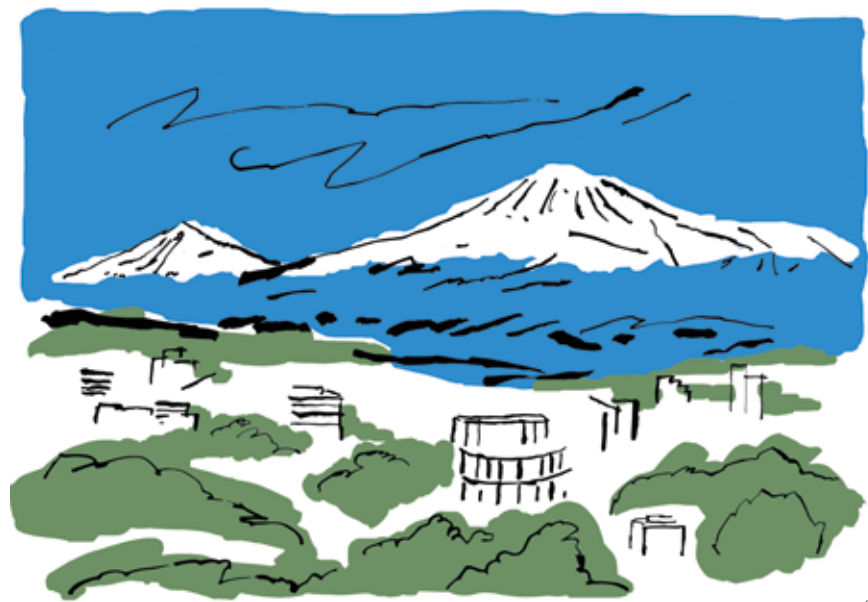
emotions  
adventures  
cultures & tastes  
**#visitbatumi**





PIEDZĪVO VASARAS  
 skaistākos mirkļus ar **CSSS**  
**K SENUKAI**





page 68

22 **Calendar** July

34 **Highlights of Latvia this month** Uniting in song – the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Latvian Song and Dance Festival

36 **Cities of the month** Hannover, Nice, Amsterdam

42 **Event** Bringing home the bronze! Learn how *airBaltic* brought back all of that bronze from the World Ice Hockey Championship

46 **Urban icons** Garden cities

48 **My favourite place** Vadim Vasilis' Paris

50 **Istanbul in 24 hours**

52 **En route** Experience Venice

54 **Point of view** Split according to Ivona Bezmalinovic

56 **Take your friends** ... hiking in Serbia

58 **Style** Festival essentials



page 36



page 34



page 22

60 **Design** The new Serpentine Pavilion in London

62 **Sustainability** Inflight catering to become more sustainable

64 **Gadgets** Smart living

66 **Food** The flavours of change

68 **Your next destination** Yerevan – a jewel of the Caucasus

80 **Interview** Into the woods: creative producer Gundega Skudriņa

90 **Travel** The best beach holidays this summer

100 **Special** The magic of a Latvian summer

110 **Living** An Aegean dream

152 **airBaltic News**

## baltic

outlook

### Editorial Staff

Chief Editor: Ilze Pole  
e: ilze@frankshouse.lv  
Deputy editor: Zane Nikodemusa  
e: zane.nikodemusa@frankshouse.lv  
Copy editor: Amanda Zaeska  
Design: Marika Kossatz  
Layout: Inta Kraukle  
Cover: photo by Roberts Jansons,  
*airBaltic's* visual content specialist

## Frank's House

Baltic Outlook is published  
by SIA Frank's House  
Stabu 17, Riga, LV 1011, Latvia  
w: frankshouse.lv  
e: franks@frankshouse.lv  
Director: Eva Dandzberga  
e: eva@frankshouse.lv

Advertising managers in Latvia:  
Indra Indraše  
e: indra@frankshouse.lv  
m: (+371) 29496966

Ieva Birzniece  
e: ieva@frankshouse.lv  
m: (+371) 26416866

Advertising manager in Lithuania:  
Renata Olisova  
e: renata@frankshouse.lv  
m: (+370) 60623762

Advertising manager in Estonia:  
Urmas Oja, Media Station  
e: urmas@mediastation.ee  
m: (+372) 56151111

Advertising manager in Finland:  
Tuomas Syväniemi, Content House  
e: tuomas.syvanieni@contenthouse.fi  
m: (+358) 40 176 3899



Check out *Baltic Outlook's*  
profile on Facebook  
and Instagram  
(@balticoutlookmagazine)

The opinions expressed in this magazine are those of the authors and/or persons interviewed and do not necessarily reflect the views of *airBaltic AS* and the editors at *Frank's House SIA*. *Baltic Outlook* accepts only work commissioned by *Baltic Outlook* editors.

The authors have attested that the content of any material submitted for publishing in *Baltic Outlook* has been originally created for *Baltic Outlook*. Further the authors and advertisers have confirmed that any such material does not infringe any right of, or violate any obligation to, any other person or entity and that any necessary permissions for the use of material owned by a third party has been duly obtained – the same applies to photographs. *Frank's House* shall be entitled to recover the damages resulting from the infringement of third parties' intellectual property rights from the author or advertisers in recourse proceedings. Advertisers or their representatives assume full responsibility for the content of their advertisements, and for ensuring that this content corresponds with the laws and other normative acts of the Republic of Latvia.

Please follow all of the safety measures and restrictions at each *airBaltic* destination, and stay updated on what, if any, actions are required upon returning from them. Also, before attending any event, confirm the time and place as well as any special conditions that may apply. Some photos in this magazine may be only of an informative nature.

All rights reserved. No part of this magazine may be reproduced in any form without the written permission of the publisher.

Printed at *Poliģrāfijas grupa Mūkusalā*, Latvia,  
phone (+371) 67063187

YUMI NU for MARINA RINALDI

RĪGA  
BRĪVĪBAS IELA 46



WATCH THE VIDEO



# MARINA RINALDI



## FOOD&DRINKS MENU

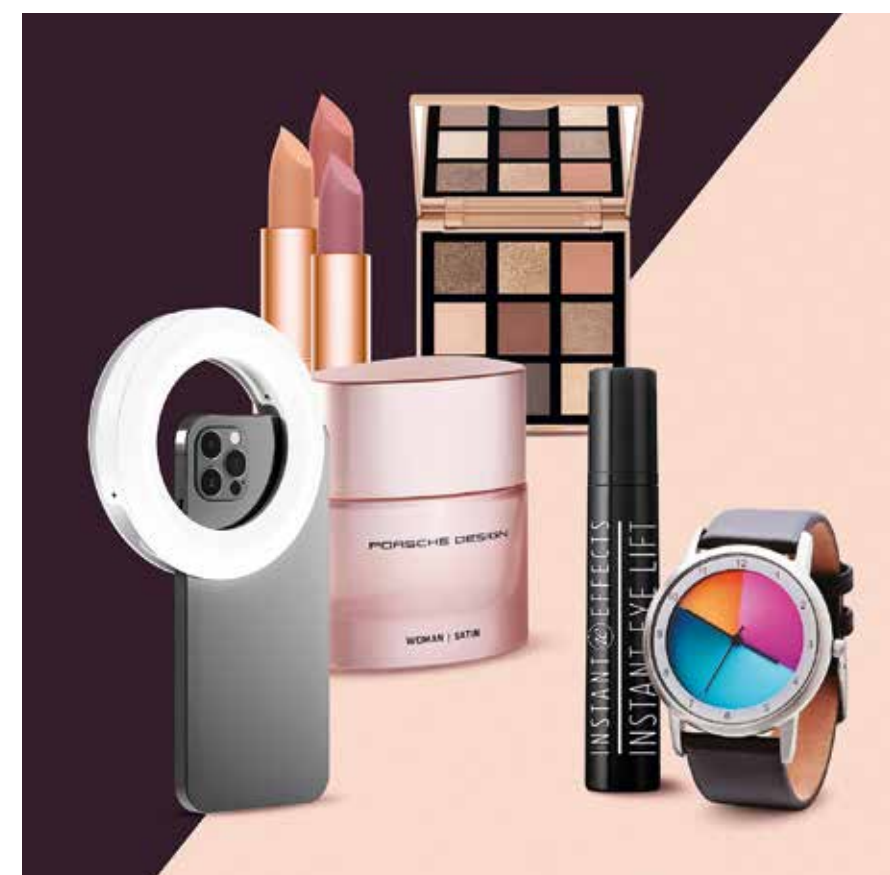
Here you will find your **best meal** options for a delightful flight, as well as **great shopping** deals to cheer yourself or as a **gift** for someone special.

### Welcome to our Onboard Shop!

- 168 **Appetizers**
- 170 **Warm dishes**
- 172 **Desserts**
- 173 **Hot drinks**
- 174 **Sweet & Salty Snacks**
- 176 **Drinks**  
Soft drinks, cocktails, wines & beers, alcoholic beverages
- 184 **Watches & Jewellery**  
Our selection will allow you to add to your style, or your gift bag
- 192 **Fragrances for Him & Her**  
Carefully selected scents for different tastes
- 195 **Beauty**  
For your beauty, health, and wellness
- 209 **Accessories**  
The newest trends for your travel and comfort
- 214 **For Kids**  
To keep our little ones happy and busy
- 218 **Travel Souvenirs**  
The best souvenirs to bring home from your travels



## SHOPPING&GIFTS



**A STAY TO**  
*remember*

**Hampton by Hilton Riga Airport**  
Priekalni A, Marupes novads, Riga, Latvia  
info@hamptonrigairport.com | +371 6710 2599



# The ultimate July checklist

Words by **Zane Nikodemusa**  
Publicity photos and  
by **Andrew Neel** (*Pexels*)

## TAKE A CRUISE ON A YACHT

The proximity of the sea to Riga gives the city a special atmosphere and special opportunities to enjoy life. In summer, a yacht cruise is one of them. The minimum itinerary for those who want to explore Riga's waterways covers the Daugava River and the Gulf of Riga. A tour takes about three hours and should definitely be done in the evening so as not to miss the glorious summer sunsets that colour the waves and the sky. If the yacht's captain allows it, it's also worth packing a picnic basket with your favourite delicacies. Another important rule to remember is wearing light-soled shoes so you do not smudge the deck.

Where should you look for a captain and a yacht? Several companies in and around Riga offer holidays on the water. For example, a yacht cruise with *Riga Sailing Center* can host up to 12 people, while more yachts can be found on the website [arjahtu.lv](http://arjahtu.lv).



Photo by Laura Raine

## DESIGN

### Delicate creations

Whether used as a material for dishes, jewellery, or other decorative elements, airy glass suits summer well. If you're looking for ideas, take a look at the glass works by Latvian artist Ieva Birģele. She has also created a jewellery brand called *Glass Berries*, where each piece resembles a delicate glass sculpture. Birģele finds inspiration in all that is natural and harmonious, and through her work she tells of Baltic nature and the Baltic sense of beauty.

[IG ievabirgele](https://www.instagram.com/ievabirgele)



Photo by Ansis Starks

## EXHIBITION

### Latvian spirit

In early July, all of Latvia will be preoccupied with the Latvian Song and Dance Festival. Celebrating 150 years of the event, the Latvian Literature and Music Museum has created a unique permanent exhibition, called *Song Festival Space*, dedicated to this tradition. Located in the northwest wing of the Mežaparks Grand Stage, it provides an engaging multimedia experience of the festival as well as the opportunity to learn about its traditions and history. Here you can find out which is your favourite Latvian folk song and also see old Song Festival artefacts.

[rmm.lv](http://rmm.lv)



Photo by Jersika Records

## MUSIC

### Summer jazz

Kārlis Auziņš, one of Latvia's brightest contemporary jazz saxophonists and composers, has released the LP *Still Nature*, recorded together with Latvian classical pianist Rihards Plešānovs. A graduate of the Conservatorium van Amsterdam and the Rhythmic Music Conservatory in Copenhagen, Auziņš is currently active on the European jazz scene. His new album, released on *Jersika Records*, has been called his meditation – oscillations caught between the conscious and the subconscious, translated into the harmonious sound of piano and saxophone.

[jersikarecords.com](http://jersikarecords.com)

# WALTER KNOLL



Tama Living Sofa, Oki Table, Carpet Waridi, Badawi Pillow Chimbuka

# T R E N T I N I

Strēlnieku iela 8 Rīga, LV-1010  
+371-66-011-111  
[www.trentini.lv](http://www.trentini.lv) | [info@trentini.lv](mailto:info@trentini.lv)



Interjero salonas Vilniuje: Naujoji Riovonių g. 21, LT-03153 Vilnius  
Interjero salonas Kaune: Savanorių pr. 277, LT-50128 Kaunas  
[www.bustoharmonija.lt](http://www.bustoharmonija.lt) | [info@bustoharmonija.lt](mailto:info@bustoharmonija.lt)





Sarah Perret. *The Crepuscular Zone*. 2022. Wool, cotton, silk, synthetic fibre, basse-lisse tapestry.

July 2023 / RIGA

## RIGA INTERNATIONAL TEXTILE AND FIBRE ART TRIENNIAL

Until September 17

The 7<sup>th</sup> Riga International Textile and Fibre Art Triennial brings together 79 participants from 30 countries, including Japan, Brazil, and South Africa. Under the motto 'Quo vadis?' (Where Are We Going?), its large-scale exhibitions are on show at the Museum of Decorative Arts and Design and the Riga Bourse Art Museum. The artists have brilliantly highlighted many topical issues, including the brutal war in Ukraine, the pandemic and its consequences, global climate change, and other sensitive and painful issues for society. [lnmm.lv](http://lnmm.lv)



Photo by Višnu Nair (Pexels)

## POSITIVUS FESTIVAL

July 14–15

For many years now, summers in Latvia have been unimaginable without the Positivus Festival, which gathers music lovers from all over the world at Lucavsala, the greenest location in central Riga. This year's main headliners are Sam Smith, Metro Boomin, and Alt-J. Each summer, the festival offers not only a diverse programme of music and arts but also a market featuring local design and delicious food. [positivusfestival.com](http://positivusfestival.com)

Words by Zane Nikodemusa  
Publicity photos, by iStock and Pexels

## FERRARI CLUB TOUR

July 16–23

The Scuderia Ferrari Club Riga, in partnership with the Scuderia Ferrari Club Luxembourg and the Italian Union of Blind and Partially Sighted People (UICI), is organising a very special tour of Latvia with a focus on the participation in society of people with disabilities. After the starting signal is given in Riga, more than a dozen *Ferrari* cars will travel to Sigulda, Valmiera, Cēsis, Rēzekne, Bauska, Liepāja, Kuldīga, Ventspils, and Jūrmala. Special events planned in each city will give *Ferrari* fans an opportunity to become better acquainted with the legendary cars. [sfcriga.com](http://sfcriga.com)



Photo by Harrison Haines (Pexels)

### Did you know?

The Song Festival restaurant opens in Esplanāde Park on July 7. There, people can watch the festival concerts on big screens while enjoying meals prepared by various Riga restaurants. [liveriga.com](http://liveriga.com)

## RĪGAS RITMI FESTIVAL

July 5–8

The 23<sup>rd</sup> edition of Rīgas Ritmi – an international festival of improvisation, jazz, and global music – offers an attractive programme for music connoisseurs.

This year, it features guest artists from Cuba, Switzerland, Mozambique, Spain, France, Denmark, and several other countries. The legendary Latvian composer and pianist Raimonds Pauls will also perform a special concert. On July 7, he will take to the stage in the garden of Riga Cathedral with the Sinfonietta Riga Chamber Orchestra to perform a new programme of sympho-jazz music. [rigasritmi.lv](http://rigasritmi.lv)



## Quote of the month

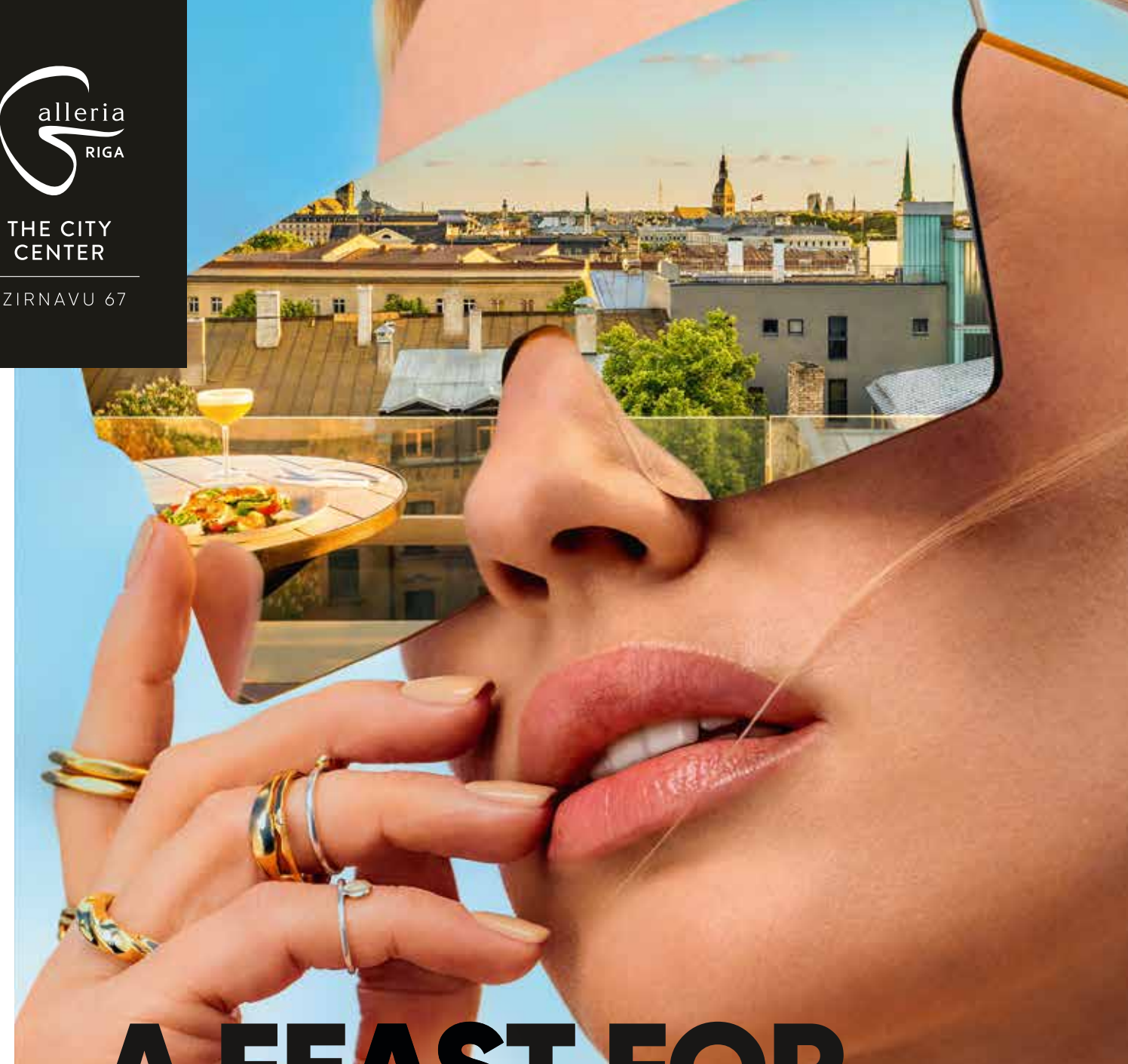
Without music, life would be a mistake.

May this quote by influential German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche (1844–1900) inspire you to experience the grand Latvian Song and Dance Festival, which takes place across Riga from June 30 to July 9. For more information about festival events, concerts, and exhibitions, visit [dziesmusvetki.lv](http://dziesmusvetki.lv).



THE CITY CENTER

DZIRNAVU 67



# A FEAST FOR THE EYES AND THE SOUL

On the Galleria Riga rooftop terrace







László Moholy-Nagy. *Olly and Dolly Sisters*. 1925.

## LÁSZLÓ MOHOLY-NAGY EXHIBITION

Until October 1

Fotografiska Tallinn is currently hosting *Light Play*, a photography exhibition of work by László Moholy-Nagy (1895–1946), one of the most significant modernist artists. The exhibition focuses on Hungarian-born Moholy-Nagy as an artistic innovator who used the camera as a tool for creating new visions. He had a massive impact on the development of modern art and was also one of the leading figures at the Bauhaus. [fotografiska.com/tallinn](http://fotografiska.com/tallinn)



### Did you know?

Kalev Spa  
Waterpark in the lush park near Tallinn's Old Town is a fun place for adults and children of all ages. There you can enjoy many water attractions, slides, hot tubs, kids' pools, and saunas. [visittallinn.ee](http://visittallinn.ee)

## TALLINN

## MEDIEVAL DAYS

July 6–9

In early July of each year, Tallinn's Old Town blossoms into a Hanseatic town. A large medieval market with merchants and workshops is set up in the main square, and musicians and dancers from near and far take the stage. A medieval procession opens the event and is followed by various workshops, excursions, and theatre performances. Surrender to the historical charm and festive atmosphere of Tallinn! [medievaldays.ee](http://medievaldays.ee)



Tom Odell

## SUME FESTIVAL

July 29–30

Summer in Tallinn is full of life and events, and exhibitions, concerts, and gourmet events can be found at every turn. If you want to experience it all in a condensed way, reserve the last weekend in July for the Sume Festival in idyllic Kadriorg Park. The event brings together great music, delicious food, art and installations, and activities for the whole family. Chart-topping English singer-songwriter Tom Odell will also feature among the performers at the evening programmes. [sumefestival.ee](http://sumefestival.ee)

## MARITIME DAYS

July 14–16

The biggest sea-themed event in Estonia features all sorts of sea-related activities: ships and sailing vessels on display, boat rides, sailing championships, water attractions, concerts, and performances. Sea taxis shuttle passengers back and forth between the harbours, but visitors can also explore the harbours and sea at their own pace on paddleboards. [tallinnamerepaevad.ee](http://tallinnamerepaevad.ee)

# MARELLA







## AS YOUNG AS VILNIUS MUSIC FESTIVAL

**July 25**  
For one day, beloved Vingis Park becomes a unique international music arena for festival-goers to enjoy an exclusive programme combining various types of music, from classical to popular. This festival, which is free of charge, is one of the main events on the occasion of the Vilnius Celebrations. The preparations are very hush-hush, so stay tuned to find out which famous names will delight Vilnius residents and visitors to the city.  
700vilnius.lt

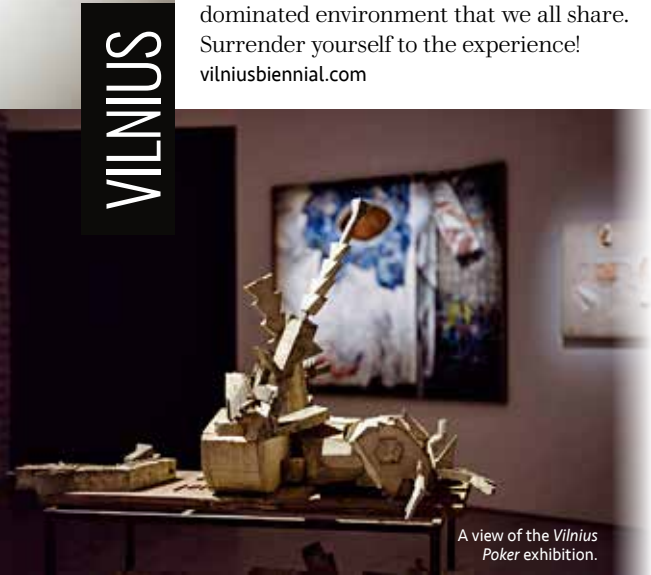


## MIDSUMMER VILNIUS FESTIVAL

**July 17–28**  
The Midsummer Vilnius Festival takes place every July, during the last two weeks of the month, in the courtyard of the Palace of the Grand Dukes in Vilnius. The stunning architecture of the historical heart of the city and the power of music make this festival an unforgettable cultural experience. It offers everything from classical pieces to the melodies of popular music and jazz.  
midsummervilnius.com

## VILNIUS BIENNIAL OF PERFORMANCE ART

**July 23 – August 6**  
In honour of Vilnius' 700<sup>th</sup> anniversary, this biennial will turn the whole city into a stage with artists showcasing their works in a variety of public spaces, from historical settings to new developments, parks, streets, and indoor locations. The main focus of the biennial is the city of Vilnius, but also cities per se, as a human-made and human-dominated environment that we all share. Surrender yourself to the experience!  
vilniusbiennial.com



A view of the Vilnius  
Poker exhibition.

## VILNIUS POKER EXHIBITION

**Until January 28, 2024**

To celebrate the 700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Vilnius, MO Museum has undertaken the impressive mission of portraying one of the most significant works in the history of Lithuanian literature.

Ričardas Gavelis' renowned novel *Vilnius Poker* takes place in Vilnius, and the city itself is the protagonist. Consisting of an immersive *Vilnius Poker* installation, this exhibition celebrates the history of Vilnius, but it also takes a critical look at the experience and future of the modern city.  
mo.lt

### Did you know?

You can sail the Neris River on a replica of an 11<sup>th</sup>-century Viking ship and feel like a Viking from the olden days. It's a true adventure for those interested in northern European history and unique experiences.  
govilnius.lt



## Award-winning offices, homes and hotels.

We are an international real estate organisation with over 30 years of experience.  
The goal of Vastint is to create long-term value through property investments.

In Latvia, we are active in two locations. In the heart of Rīga's CBD, we own the only Marriott hotel in Latvia and are developing the multi-functional Magdalena Quarter with top-quality apartments, offices, and commercial spaces for rent and sale. Along K. Ulmaņa gatve, on the border of Rīga and Mārupe and halfway between the airport and the city centre, we are creating a new part of the city comprised of the award-winning residential project Lindenholma and the class A office campus Business Garden Rīga – the first property in Latvia to receive LEED Platinum certification.

Check our website for more on Vastint Latvia's market-leading projects or contact us for specific inquiries.

**VASTINT**  
www.vastint.eu





TAMPERE

## MÄNTTÄ ART FESTIVAL

Until August 31

The Mänttä Art Festival is the largest summer exhibition of Finnish contemporary art. It's held in high regard by professionals in the art world and is a popular destination for the art-loving public. Every year, a new curator brings a fresh perspective to the exhibition. Pekilo, a former factory building near the Mänttä mill chimneystack, has been the main exhibition venue for over a decade. Visitors can now also immerse themselves in the fascinating art by reserving a guided tour. [kuvataideviikot.fi](http://kuvataideviikot.fi)



## EUROPEAN MASTER GAMES

Until July 9

The European Master Games are among the world's most prestigious multi-sport events for mature athletes. This year, the games gather people from more than 67 countries who participate in around 30 different disciplines, including archery, athletics, tennis, volleyball, and more. If, however, you only wish to be a spectator at this year's event, the organisers are offering a variety of tours to experience Tampere, including day cruises on Pyhäjärvi Lake, a Finnish sauna experience, stand-up paddleboarding excursions, and many other activities. [emg2023.fi](http://emg2023.fi)

## DINOSAUR INVASION EXHIBITION

Until August 13

Tampere Hall's summer exhibition *Dinosaur Invasion* contains life-size dinosaurs that move and roar, built to the tiniest detail to be exact replicas of their prehistoric predecessors. Featured dinosaurs include the terrifying Tyrannosaurus rex, the monstrous Diplodocus, the bird-like Pteranodon, and many other old and new acquaintances. The immersive tour allows visitors to engage in VR worlds full of new technology and scientific facts, bringing dinosaurs and their natural habitats to life in a fun and educational way. [tampere-talo.fi](http://tampere-talo.fi)

### Did you know?

After you've explored the streets of Tampere, see the city from above! *Amazing City* takes you to the roof of Finlayson, an old textile factory, where you can take the best pictures while experiencing Tampere from a completely new perspective. [visittampere.fi](http://visittampere.fi)



## SASTAMALA GREGORIANA FESTIVAL

July 13–16

Sastamala Gregoriana is the leading early-music festival in Finland; it takes place annually in July in the city of Sastamala, which lies 57 kilometres from Tampere. The festival combines an excellent international concert programme consisting of medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque music. The main venues are the old, spectacular lakeside churches of St. Mary and St. Olaf, which have beautiful, unique acoustics and fascinating histories. [sastamalagregoriana.fi](http://sastamalagregoriana.fi)



# OLED TV

AT THE PEAK OF INNOVATION

10 YEARS | WORLD'S NO.1 OLED TV

10 years ago LG Electronics introduced the world with the first OLED TV. Now 10 years of continuous improvements have led LG OLED to becoming the No.1-selling OLED TV brand.\*



LG OLED evo



\*Source: Omdia. Unit shipments, 2013-2022. The results are not an endorsement of LG Electronics. Any reliance on these results is at the third-party's own risk. Visit [www.ondia.com](http://www.ondia.com) for more details.





Words by Marta Metuzāle  
Publicity photos



**DISC GOLF:  
WHAT IS IT?**

• Also called frisbee golf, it's a sport in which players throw a frisbee disc at a target basket in a similar way as they would in golf – several throws are needed to reach the target, and the course consists of nine or 18 holes (baskets). Players play individually or in doubles, although in this particular tournament only individually. The player whose disc reaches the target with the smallest number of throws wins.

• Currently, there are more than 107,000 active members in the Professional Disc Golf Association.

• The United States has been the unbeaten champion of the European Open since 2011.

**This summer's hit – disc golf**

Every July since 2011, the city of Nokia in Finland becomes the capital of disc golf. There, the European Open Disc Golf Tournament gathers top-tier athletes from around the world, hosting more than 140 players of 14 different nationalities. No worries if you're not familiar with the sport just yet – it's easy to follow, and you'll soon find yourself drawn into the competitive spirit of disc golf in the setting of the refreshing Finnish summer!

The European Open Disc Golf Tournament is one of the most prestigious disc golf events of the year. Established back in 2006 in Tampere, it has earned its place in the disc golf tournament landscape. This year, the tournament takes place from July 19 to 23, and it promises to be an unforgettable event for both participants and spectators. Professional athletes as well as amateurs, in teams and individually, will have to conquer the Beast, which is the name of the course in Nokia. The Beast has hosted many previous disc golf championships, too.

This year's tournament opens on July 19 with the team competition between the United States and Europe to win the President's Cup. But from July 20 onward, everybody is on their own –

the best disc golfers from near and far stand up against each other to tackle the baskets and settle who is worthy of the title of the best disc golfer in the world. Prepare to be captivated by the exceptional talent of the world's finest disc golfers as they go head to head in a thrilling battle for supremacy! You'll be impressed by the precise throws, expert strategies, and masterful putts as they navigate the course with precision and determination – disc golf can be very hypnotising.

Beyond the intense competition, the European Open boasts a vibrant festival atmosphere as well as a feeling of community, even if you're not that familiar with the sport itself. Explore the *Discmania Pro Shop* featuring the latest disc golf gear, indulge in delectable food and drinks, and connect with fellow enthusiasts from around the world. If you want to have the full European Open experience, make sure to visit the VIP area and spectator rounds to not miss any of the conclusive throws. But if you're just getting acquainted with the sport, large screens displayed at the starting hole let you see the action up close. So do not hesitate, grab your ticket, and explore the competitive spirit of disc golf!  
[opendiscgolf.com](http://opendiscgolf.com)



Your favourite  
fashion brands  
**UP TO 70%**

5 min drive from  
Riga International Airport



Wi-Fi



Free parking



ATM



Tax Free



Info desk



Kids play area



Restaurants



Event hall



Tailor



Text by Ilze Vitola  
Photos courtesy of the Latvian National Centre for Culture



## Uniting in song

This month, the UNESCO-listed Latvian Song and Dance Festival is celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Every five years, thousands of singers, dancers, and musicians of all ages and backgrounds from all over Latvia and its diaspora community gather in Riga to showcase their talent and unite in Latvian folk songs and contemporary music as well as meticulously choreographed dances, each telling a story of the country's history, nature, and way of life while at the same time offering audiences a truly immersive, soul-stirring spectacle.

The roots of the Song and Dance Festival can be traced back to Latvia's national awakening in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. At that time, Latvians still did not have their own state, as the area was under foreign rule. The first song festival took place in 1873, and it became a powerful means of maintaining and manifesting the distinctive Latvian cultural identity.

Initially held as a one-day event, over the years the festival has undergone various transformations and has gradually expanded into a multi-day event. The festival was temporarily put on hold during times of political turmoil, but it has consistently re-emerged, stronger than ever, to celebrate Latvia's cultural heritage. In 2003, the event was included in the UNESCO Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. Thanks to this festival, Latvians have developed strong choir singing traditions, regularly winning top spots at international choir contests.

Today, the festival is a ten-day-long extravaganza filling the streets, parks,



stadiums, and squares of the Latvian capital. It commences with an opening concert at Song Festival Park (Viesturdārzs Park), followed by many choir contests, dance and brass band concerts, and other festival-related events such as art exhibits and craft fairs.

This year is a unique festival edition, as it marks the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the event. For this occasion, a special Song Festival Park has been set up at Viesturdārzs featuring a design market, a celebratory pop-up restaurant, and many music and dance performances, including one by the iconic Latvian folk-pagan-metal band Skyforger. All the events happening at Viesturdārzs park are free of charge. The main spectacle of the festival, however, is the closing concert at the Mežaparks open-air stage, which recently underwent a large-scale renovation and has been reborn into a modern architectural landmark. The final concert gathers more than 15,000 singers, resulting in a genuinely uplifting atmosphere.

From June 30 to July 9  
dziesmusvetki.lv

Participants of the 2018 Song and Dance Festival in the final concert at the Mežaparks Grand Stage



Discover, inhale and experience the warmth and joy of **Riga's 822nd birthday!**  
Join us for the celebration in Riga Old Town, which will be jam-packed with events, performances, concerts, and attractions all day long!

### 18 AUGUST

One of the largest drone shows in Europe!

### 19 AUGUST

Celebrations in Riga Old Town all day long!

### THE MAIN STAGE AT DOME SQUARE:

- Greetings and performances from the twin cities of Riga
- Kalush Orchestra (Ukraine)
- Carnival Youth
- "Songs of Courage and Joy" concert by well-known Latvian musicians.

Look for more information:  
[liveriga.com](http://liveriga.com)

### WHAT ELSE:

**Entertainment programme for families and kids by the Dome Cathedral** – theatre performances, creative workshops, a circus school, and attractions throughout the day

**Fun and jokes stage in Livu Square** – improvisation and games, un-funniest jokes contest, mini golf, concert by the band Mazais princis

**Jazz and opera music stage** – concert programme of Latvian film music and jazz musicians

**Courage Square** – singalong in Latvian and Ukrainian, performances and games, discussions about courage.





Words by **Olga Dolina**  
Publicity photos

◀ Henri Rousseau, *Alley in the Park of Saint-Cloud*, 1908, Frankfurt am Main, Städel



The **Which Modernism? Insiders and Outsiders of the Avant-Garde** exhibition at the Sprengel Museum is inspired by an exhibition that took place during the World's Fair in Paris in 1927 (until September 17; Kurt-Schwitters-Platz 1; sprengel-museum.de). Back then, artists such as Henri Rousseau, Séraphine Louis, André Bauchant, and Camille Bombois were seen as a counterforce to classical modernism. They were often called 'modern primitives' or 'outsider artists' and thought of as too naïve. Rousseau, who began painting only in his early 40s, is known for his animalistic jungle motifs and flat, seemingly childish style that influenced further generations of avantgardists. With around 100 works on display, this showcase explores links and relationships between well- and lesser-known figures of modernism and focuses on similarities and differences between the other major styles of the time, such as surrealism.

Created in 1936, Maschsee – an artificial lake with a six-kilometre-long promenade loop – is a favourite local recreational area. Since 1986, the annual **Maschsee Lake Festival** (July 23 – August 13) has been one of the most anticipated trademark events of Hannover. For 19 days straight, the area takes on a Mediterranean seaside atmosphere and invites all for a delicious culinary trip around the world. This never-ending open-air party entices with a chill-out atmosphere, shimmering lights that reflect in the waters of the lake, and a rich programme of concerts and cabaret acts by international artists performing on stages set along the lakeshore. You'll find typical German beer gardens there as well as plenty of activities for families with children. Meanwhile, the Maschsee Skyline observation tower offers a breathtaking panorama over the lake and Hannover's famous landmarks.

Located in the centre of the city, within walking distance of Maschsee, **Me And All Hotel Hannover** is a stylish four-star cashless hotel with a laid-back atmosphere (Aegidientorplatz 3; hannover.meandallhotels.com; from EUR 148). The 151 standard and 14 superior rooms feature a vivid and uplifting mix of fabrics and textures, stylish rugs, colourful velvet accents, and massive posters of vinyl record players. The beds are covered with extra pillows for comfort, relaxation, and fun, while improvised library nooks are filled with books. The 24/7 gym is equipped with the latest fitness machines and also a sauna. Designed with great attention to detail as well as co-working and networking needs, a welcoming lounge is framed in red brick and exudes urban spirit.



Maschseefest



Lobby at Me and All Hotel Hannover

© HMTG Christian Wyrwa

Photo by Nicole Zimmermann



**CHALLENGE CONVENTION**  
[www.roosterrojo.com](http://www.roosterrojo.com)



**ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION HAS A NEGATIVE EFFECT. SELLING, PURCHASING OR HANDING OVER ALCOHOL TO UNDER-AGE PERSONS IS PROHIBITED!**





◀ Jean Paul Riopelle, *No title*, 1948. Collection of the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts



The **Jean Paul Riopelle: Essence of Studios** exhibition celebrates the re-opening of the Fondation Maeght, a must-visit museum destination on the Côte d'Azur and home to one of the largest collections of modern art in Europe (until November 12; 623 Chemin des Gardettes, Saint-Paul-de-Vence; [fondation-maeght.com](http://fondation-maeght.com)). A major monographic showcase of the work of Jean Paul Riopelle (1923–2002) marks 100 years since the birth of the acclaimed Canadian painter and sculptor and displays his expressive abstract and figurative paintings, sculptures, ceramics, tapestries, and engravings. Riopelle is known for his 'mosaic' works from the 1950s, which he created using only a palette knife to apply paint to canvas. Summer concerts, films on Riopelle's oeuvre, and a dance performance by Noé Soulier in sets that Riopelle created for choreographer Merce Cunningham in 1967 accompany the event.

The **Nice Jazz Festival** takes place on July 17–21 at two venues, the Place Masséna and the open-air stage of the Théâtre de Verdure, indulging visitors with the invigorating rhythms of jazz and contemporary music ([nicejazzfestival.fr](http://nicejazzfestival.fr)). It's considered the oldest jazz festival in the world, with its first edition having taken place in Nice in 1948 – even before such events in America. The Nice Jazz Festival has welcomed Louis Armstrong and other world-class stars every year, while new jazz trends were introduced beginning in the 1970s. Two decades later, a thematic programme appeared. Now, the musical battles between traditionalists and progressive innovators steal the show every year. This year, the festival expects 24 international musicians and bands to perform an eclectic variety of styles and rhythms; Sir Tom Jones, Dave Holland, Juliette Armanet, Yuri Buenaventura, and Roberto Fonseca are among the headliners.

With gripping panoramic views of the Mediterranean Sea and Southern French Alps, the new luxury **Anantara Plaza Nice Hotel** welcomes guests in a freshly restored Belle Epoque gem – a historic 1848 building that faces the Promenade des Anglais and Place Masséna (12 Avenue de Verdun; [anantara.com](http://anantara.com); from EUR 662). A century ago, this was the *Hotel de France*, which welcomed rich and famous guests who were escaping cold winters by heading to the sunny French Riviera. Now, the light-filled interiors have been meticulously renovated and dressed in a sleek contemporary style and soft colour palette. This heritage hotel with 151 rooms and suites offers accommodation with sea-facing balconies, access to a private beach, the relaxing Anantara Spa, a restaurant and bar, and a panoramic roof terrace with spectacular Côte d'Azur views.



Gabriels trio at Nice Jazz Festival



Anantara Plaza Nice Restaurant, balcony sea-view table

© ADAGP, Paris, 2023

Photo by Renee Parkhurst

Photo by Richard Waite

STOCKMANN

# Enjoy a day of shopping!

## 10% OFF YOUR PURCHASE

Get your voucher and find out more at our cashiers.  
You can shop **TAX FREE** at Stockmann.



**STOCKMANN TALLINN** Liivalaia 53 | [stockmann.ee](http://stockmann.ee)  
**STOCKMANN RIGA** 13. janvāra iela 8 | [stockmann.lv](http://stockmann.lv)  
**STOCKMANN HELSINKI CITY CENTRE** Aleksanterinkatu 52  
**STOCKMANN TAPIOLA** Länsituulentie 7, Espoo  
**STOCKMANN ITIS** Itäkatu 1, Helsinki

**STOCKMANN JUMBO** Vantaanportinkatu 3, Vantaa  
**STOCKMANN TAMPERE** Hämeenkatu 4  
**STOCKMANN TURKU** Yliopistonkatu 22  
[tourist.stockmann.com](http://tourist.stockmann.com)  
**STOCKMANN.COM**





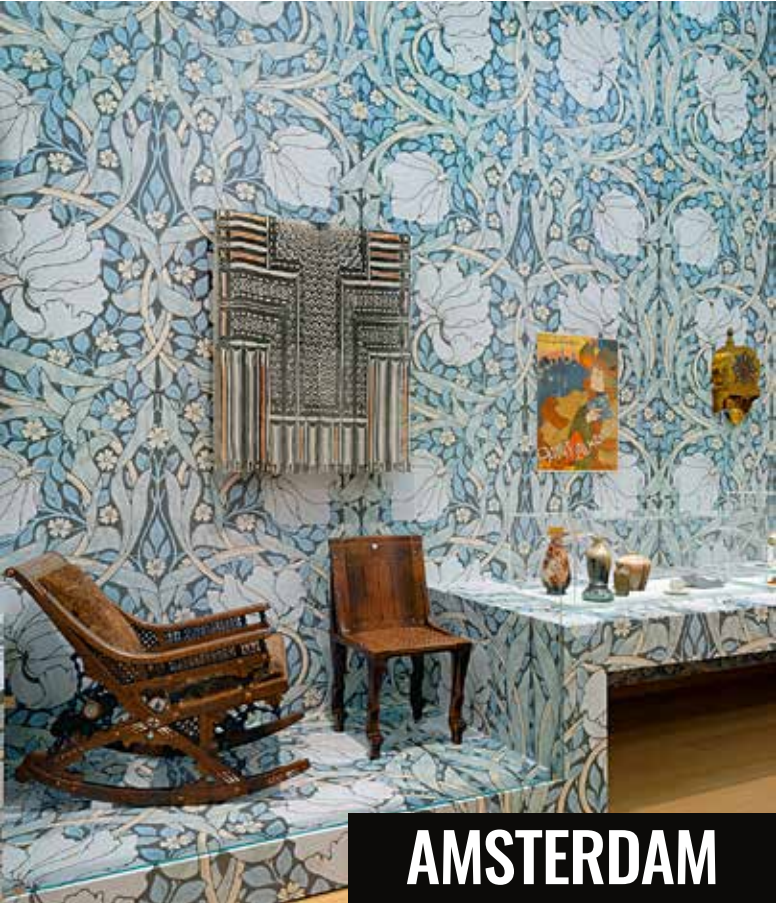


Photo by Peter Tjhuus

## AMSTERDAM



Photo by Maarten Nauw

Our House



Grand Heritage room at 717 Hotel

◀ Installation view of MODERN featuring chairs by unknown designers from Egypt and H. P. Berlage, a poster by Georges de Feure, and wallpaper by William Morris. Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam



**Modern: Van Gogh, Rietveld, Léger, and Others** at the Stedelijk Museum focuses on artistic figures and bold creations that were once way ahead of their time (until September 24; Museumplein 10; stedelijk.nl). This major showcase unites over 300 groundbreaking works by 200 artists and designers representing as many as 20 different movements, from realism and impressionism to Dada, Arts and Crafts, Art Nouveau, Bauhaus, and De Stijl. When the industrialisation wave hit at the turn of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, artists and designers embracing new techniques and materials – including steel, cast iron, and pressed glass – laid the foundations for what we now see as modern. Here, the iconic names of Vincent van Gogh, Gerrit Rietveld, and Fernand Léger stand alongside less-known masters. Among the design classics on display are Rietveld's *Red Blue Chair* and Thonet's bentwood rocking chairs.

Curated by the world's leading musicians and DJs, **Our House** is a new museum dedicated to electronic music culture (Amstelstraat 24-26; our-house.com). Visitors are invited on a 65-minute-long immersive and interactive journey via six exhibition spaces and 15 installations that merge electronic music's past and present, from rebellious underground communities to the hottest dance floors in the world. The route features 4D audio-visual experiences complete with laser shows and the sounds of drum machines, *Pioneer* turntables, and the world's largest analogue sequencer. Visitors can play 150 iconic tracks on the interactive vinyl player, compose their own beats, master DJ skills, and learn how to mix tracks. The museum's concept store offers a wide selection of artefacts related to dance music: vinyl, posters, accessories, clothing, etc.

Nestled in a 17<sup>th</sup>-century canal house, the intimate small-scale **Hotel 717** overlooks the picture-perfect UNESCO-listed Prinsengracht canals (Prinsengracht 717; 717hotel.nl; from EUR 685). In 1810, a local sugar merchant constructed the front house in the fashionable Empire style, and it has retained its original appearance to the present day. The building has welcomed guests for 25 years and was the first five-star boutique hotel in the Netherlands. After a fresh renovation, the cosy and stylish rooms feature a successful blend of history and modernity. Guests are treated to chef's breakfasts and fine-dining experiences, a butler service is available 24/7, and the hotel also offers a creatively curated set of excursions.

# BE AWAKE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YOUR LIFE®



Waking up in a Hästens bed is an eye-opener about the value of perfect sleep. It's built with the ultimate combination of nature's materials – together with tireless craftsmanship. You can't see it. But you'll definitely feel it. 24 hours a day.

BE AWAKE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YOUR LIFE® | HASTENS.COM

**Hästens**   
since 1852

VINCENTS INSPIRA | K.Ulmaņa gatve 114/2, Rīga, Latvia  
VEPSÄLÄINEN BEDROOM | Pärnu Mnt 158/1, 11317 Tallinn, Estonia  
HÄSTENS VILNIUS | Rūdninkų g. 16, Vilnius, Lithuania



Words by Ilze Pole  
Photos courtesy of airBaltic, F64 and  
from personal archives

# Bringing home the bronze!

This is a bird’s-eye view of Latvia’s Freedom Monument, taken on May 29, one day after the Latvian national hockey team won the bronze medal at the Ice Hockey World Championship in Tampere. It was a truly historic achievement for the Latvian national team. An estimated 30 thousand people gathered to meet and greet the team that day in Riga’s city centre. *airBaltic* had the honour of bringing the team back from Finland, giving both the team and their fans a surprise – an unprecedented flyby around the Freedom Monument! Here’s our selection of some of the best moments and behind-the-scenes snapshots from the days leading up to the awesome welcome-home celebration.



Photo by Artūrs Hrikovskis



Photos by Dāvids Brikmānis





On May 29, which had been decreed an official holiday in Latvia in honour of the Latvian national team's achievement, Captain Jānis Krištopš had been asked to pilot the aircraft that would bring the team back home. The players looked out of the plane's windows in amazement at the crowds that had gathered around the Freedom Monument to greet them. The *Airbus A220-300* carrying these very special passengers did the flyby at approximately 300 metres above sea level, which required

the skill and full concentration of both pilots. Read the interview with Captain Krištopš and find out more interesting details about this flight on page 158.

After landing in Riga International Airport, the team was taken to the Freedom Monument to finally meet with their fans. It was a magnificent and truly once-in-a-lifetime event for everyone – the team, the fans, and *airBaltic*. We're sure there will be many more wins to celebrate, but the first one is always special.



▲ Laila Odina, Chairperson of the Board of Riga Airport, and Martin Alexander Gauss, CEO and President of *airBaltic*, waiting to greet the players at Riga airport.

► Harijs Vitoliņš, head coach of Latvia men's national ice hockey team



# EIROPA. TĪRO TEHNOLOĢIJU SPĒKSTACIJA.

**Kas ir kopīgs spēcīgai ekonomikai un augšupejošām tendencēm tirgū? Tīras tehnoloģijas.**

Tīras tehnoloģijas ir visstraujāk augošais ieguldījumu sektors Eiropā, kura vērtība tikai pēdējos divos gados vien ir divkāršojusies. Tās būs tīras izaugsmes globālā spēkstacija. 800 miljardu eiro plāns *NextGenerationEU* ir paredzēts, lai pārveidotu ekonomiku, un tas sekmē mūsdienu lielākās pārmaiņas — pāreju uz neto nulles emisijām. Pievienojieties mums, un veidosim tīro tehnoloģiju nākotni kopā!

[next-generation-eu.europa.eu](https://next-generation-eu.europa.eu)



## MAKE IT REAL

## NEXT GEN EU



Words by Olga Dolina  
Photo by Alina Cravotta  
([visit.brussels](http://visit.brussels))



# Garden cities

The verdant, atmospheric residential suburbs of Le Logis and Floréal crown the urban scene of Brussels.

The idea of garden cities was first introduced at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century by the British urban planner Sir Ebenezer Howard. In his famous publication *To-Morrow: A Peaceful Path to Real Reform* (1898) he offered a vision of a utopian city where people and nature coexisted in harmony. The concept developed further in the urban planning of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century with a proposal to build satellite communities encircling cities with green belts of land.

After the First World War, Belgium was in need of social housing and chose to follow the ideas of the Garden City movement. The Logis housing cooperative was founded in 1921 by the employees of the Savings and Annuity Fund. Floréal, founded by the typographers of the *Le Peuple* newspaper, soon followed. These new suburbs were constructed by Jean-Jules Eggericx, a Belgian architect and urban planner who brought the concept of garden cities from England, while Louis Martin Van der Swaelmen drew the urban development plan. The construction began in 1921 and lasted for nine years.

This iconic area – in essence, a village within Brussels – spreads across 80 hectares and has over 1500 properties. Since 2001, the two adjacent garden suburbs have held the status of a

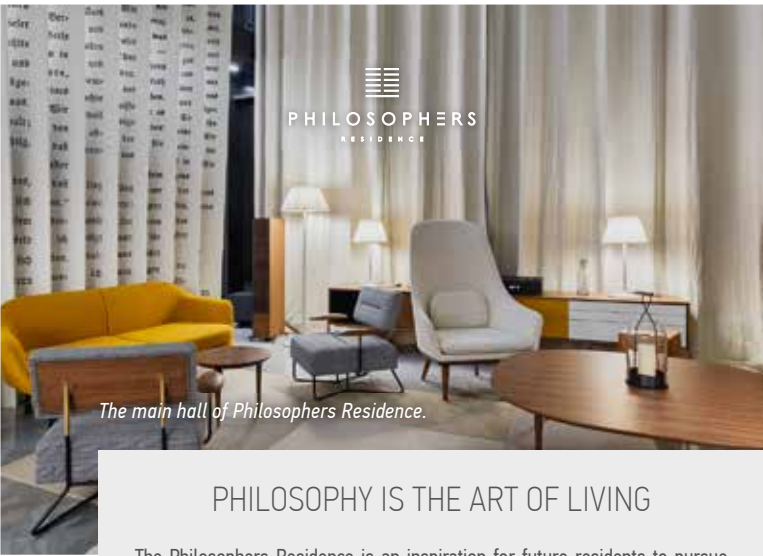
protected monument, while in 2019 many of the protected houses were restored. The two districts are separated by a local landmark called Le Fer à Cheval, Brussels' first residential tower. Cottage-style single-family homes serve as the uniting feature of the two neighbourhoods. However, the colour of the joinery – the window frames, doors, shutters, and letterboxes – differs, with Le Logis mainly coloured in two shades of green, while the paintwork in Floréal is yellow and green.

The abundance of greenery and vegetation here is immense, with hundreds of blooming Japanese cherry trees, romantic wisterias, and numerous secluded fruit orchards. There are kilometres of hedges with lined footpaths, plenty of lawns, monumental trees, and thousands of flowers and other plants. The richly adorned front garden strips between the public and private zones are particularly alluring. Spring and summer are the best months for an urban stroll, photo-shoot, and a picnic in the neighbourhood. Needless to say, community life in Le Logis-Floréal is dynamic. Residents frequently organise special events, while a visitors' centre opened last year to celebrate the centenary of the garden cities invites all to discover this beautiful area via guided tours.



# RIGA&JURMALA

A secure investment for connoisseurs of sustainable and high-quality architecture. Residential apartments by R.evolution.



PHILOSOPHY IS THE ART OF LIVING

The Philosophers Residence is an inspiration for future residents to pursue their own philosophy of life and make their own choices. To achieve that, masterpieces of renowned writers are located in the libraries of the main lobbies, encouraging quotes are portrayed on the walls, and the territory is filled with spaces for meditative rest and active leisure spots – basketball and sports grounds, ping-pong and Novuss terraces. Core features of the project include the spacious terrace in each apartment that offer breathtaking views of the skyline of Riga Old Town.

WWW.PHRESIDENCE.LV



CONNECTION BETWEEN GENERATIONS AND TIMES

Villa Milia is a contemporary interpretation of the famous Villa Benyamina, dedicated to the esteemed Press Queen Emilia Benyamin – one of the very first female entrepreneurs in Latvia. In memory of the great people that made their life stories and historical contributions a part of the city, the country and, indeed, the world; people for whom the words: «I'm doing it for my country!» were not just an empty phrase. These are the important things that we pass down to future generations: not to compromise in choosing between either beauty or quality, between good infrastructure or privacy. With all of the comforts of modern technology, Villa Milia is the perfect place for those who aspire to and expect nothing but excellence in everything.

WWW.VILLAMILIA.LV



Words by Lana Jūra  
Publicity photos and by *Unsplash*



## MY PARIS

Paris, fashion, photo shoots – these magic words make up the day-to-day life of Greek-French model and former footballer Vadim Vasilis, who lives in Paris. After many years of intensely and successfully building a career as a professional footballer, today he feels grateful to the universe for the opportunity to fulfil his creative calling and prove himself in the modelling industry. Vasilis has taken part in fashion shows for *Jitrois*, *Nicolas Besson*, and other brands; posed for the extraordinary stories told by French photography legends Pierre and Gilles; and enjoys the explosive atmosphere of Fashion Week in Paris and Berlin.

In his hometown, Vasilis likes emotionally charged places that enchant with an inspiring, artistic energy. He recommends spending hot July evenings with friends, diving into a crowded café terrace or heading to an open-air festival. Here are some of his favourite places in Paris.



### Marias restaurant

The Greek-family atmosphere and the taste of authentic home-cooked food in this friendly place full of warm emotions are reminiscent of my childhood and the typical aromas of my grandparents' home in the Peloponnese mountain region of Greece. Behind the forest-green façade, Maria herself works in the kitchen while her sons Théodoros and Giorgos serve the guests and her husband organises deliveries of fresh vegetables. Here, you must try the real Greek salad, juicy aubergine balls, typical *freddo espresso* coffee, and traditional *bougatsa*.  
77 Rue Sedaine ; IG marias\_paris

### Marché des Enfants Rouges

I love going for a stroll in this historic market full of bright colours and aromas and with a super-friendly village atmosphere. Here you can have a coffee or tea or try unusual street food at one of the many ethnic restaurants. This is the oldest covered market in Paris, dating back to 1615. It has boasted historical monument status since 1982 and is still the centre of life in the Marais quarter.  
39 Rue de Bretagne

### Le Cabaret Sauvage

This is where I come to dance and enjoy my beloved techno and electronic music. It's definitely one of the city's most exciting venues for a party and is perfect for a fun and enjoyable evening. I like the rather atypical setting, which, because of its tent-like architecture, makes you feel like you're in a fantasy. I really appreciate the electronic stage, the rich programme, the airy atmosphere, the energy, and the spaciousness.  
59 Boulevard Macdonald;  
cabaretsauvage.com

### 3537

3537 is a popular cultural platform and a recognised fashion mecca at the same time. It always hosts a wide variety of events: exhibitions, installations, artist shows, music activities, and much more. During Paris Fashion Week, 3537 serves as a meeting place for artists and creatives where you can find original fashion and design pieces unlike anywhere else. I therefore recommend a visit to this epicentre of imaginative thinking to anyone who enjoys creative expression of any kind.  
35-37 Rue des Francs-Bourgeois;  
3537.org

līdz **50%**

SEZONAS  
IZPĀRDOŠANA

Akcija spēkā līdz 30.07.2023.

podium  
FASHION DEPARTMENT STORE

www.podium.lv

LORENA  
ANTONIAZZI



Salvatore Ferragamo

PESERICO

DSQUARED2

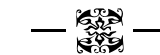


CANALI

1934

CORNELIANI

Santoni



PANICALE

cashmere



ETRO

PAUL & SHARK  
yachting

Corneliani

KIENZO

HERNO

DOUCAL'S

MONNALISA







## Istanbul IN 24 HOURS



Words by **Pavlo Fedykovich**  
Publicity photos and by *iStock*

**The grandiose megalopolis on the Bosphorus always guarantees breathtaking views and limitless charm.**

### WHERE TO EAT

Traditional in its devotion to open-fire cooking and not shy of creativity when it comes to reinterpreting centuries-old dishes, *Mürver* at the *Novotel Istanbul Bosphorus* is an excellent choice for a quintessential Istanbul restaurant. The unobstructed view of the Sultanahmet district from the airy terrace adds an inspirational edge to dining. Istanbulites and visitors to the city flock to *Mürver* to try the trademark ash-grilled octopus and the lamb grilled in a *tandır* oven. Come for the godly food and stay for the swanky cocktails, because the bar here is amazing, too.

Kemankeş Caddesi 57-59, Karaköy; murverrestaurant.com



### A CLASSIC NOT TO MISS

Opulence prevails in the grandiose Dolmabahçe Palace. Complementing the Bosphorus with its stately appearance, this is officially the country's largest palace, with stunning interiors blending the Neoclassical, Baroque, and Rococo styles while staying true to the Ottoman spirit. The Ceremonial Hall is sure to take your breath away with the world's largest Bohemian crystal chandelier. The gardens boast wonderful water views, and the Harem is enigmatically alluring.

Dolmabahçe Caddesi. Beşiktaş; dolmabahce-palace.com

### WHY NOT

Want to gift yourself a relaxing island retreat? There's no need to fly to Antalya or Bodrum, because the Princes' Islands in the Sea of Marmara are perfect for a day trip. Reaching them is very straightforward, too, as there are direct ferries from Istanbul's Kabataş neighbourhood to the largest island, Büyükdada.

Ferries also stop at the islands of Heybeliada, Burgazada, and Kınalıada. You'll enjoy miles of walking trails, sunbathing on the beaches, pretty wooden architecture, and Turkish food with views of the sea.

### WHERE TO SHOP

Ceramic lovers need to check out the *İznik Classics* store located in Sultanahmet. It's among the top addresses in the city for authentic, artist-created pottery made in the traditional centuries-old technique. Aesthetically pleasing, sporting an iconic blue-and-white colour scheme, and impressing with its high level of craftsmanship, İznik pottery makes a great souvenir from Istanbul.

Utangaç Sokak 17, Cankurtaran; iznikclassics.com



# Kate



FEEL  
LIKE AT  
HOME

Project: SOL Baltics OU office, Riga.

Think outside the box.  
Concentrate inside.  
O-Telpa.

MADE IN  
LATVIA

Sometimes we all need a quiet place for working, exchanging ideas, or making phone calls and video conferences.

Designed and produced by KATE. O-Telpa provides a work space that is compact, creative and networked, all at an affordable price. As shown above, four person pod EUR 6588, -excl. VAT.

OFFICE & HOME  
FURNITURE  
TEXTILE

kate.lv

ČIEKURKALNA 1. LĪNIJA 6, RĪGA



Words by Lana Jūra  
Photo courtesy of *La Biennale di Venezia*

# Experience Venice

## Where great minds meet

This year, the stage belongs to contemporary architecture at one of the most important and visited cultural events worldwide, the Venice Biennale. With a wide range of visual, thematic, and intellectual contributions, the 18<sup>th</sup> Venice Architecture Biennale, subtitled ‘The Laboratory of the Future’, is enriching the urban canvas of this legendary city until November 26.

The artistic direction of this grand event is in the hands of Ghanaian-Scottish architect, architecture teacher, and bestselling author Lesley Lokko. As curator, she has chosen to present the discipline of architecture from an expanded perspective and has given a voice not only to architects but also to creative practitioners, researchers, artists, anthropologists, and activists. She invites us to seek ideas for a more just future and to reinvent a better world. The exhibition in Venice demonstrates the gaps between different parts of the world and different cultures and asks a series of uncomfortable questions, revealing painful themes concerning the exploitation of materials, human resources, and nature.

This year, the ‘The Laboratory of the Future’ features 64 national pavilions and 89 individual participants, more than half of them from Africa and the African diaspora. Architects such as David Adjaye, Francis Kéré, and *Neri & Hu* are also presenting their projects. As usual, most of the national exhibitions and studio shows are on show in the Biennale’s institutional exhibition areas – the green oases of the Giardini and the historic shipyards of the Arsenale – while others are scattered throughout the historical heart of Venice as well as on the nearby islands and the grounds of Forte Marghera in Mestre. [labiennale.org](http://labiennale.org)



## WHAT TO SEE AT THE BIENNALE

### Latvian pavilion

The attractive Latvian national exhibition, titled ‘T/C Latvia’, at the Arsenale speaks the language of the supermarket aesthetic and stands out with its bright colours and *Instagrammable* environment. Here, architectural ideas filtered out from the past ten Biennales are ‘on sale’. Visitors can’t actually shop, but they can vote for certain products as a way of assessing past Biennales. The unique works have been created with the help of artificial intelligence and are displayed on sustainable modular-design shelves. Latvia’s exhibition has been internationally recognised and is among the top recommended pavilions to visit.

### Brazilian pavilion

Brazil’s national pavilion, titled ‘Terra’, is on show in the Giardini and reflects the country’s past, present, and future. It invites visitors to feel – both poetically and directly – the fragrance and essence of the Brazilian land, of its soil. This exhibition was voted the best among the national entries by the international jury, which awarded it the Biennale’s highest prize, the Golden Lion, for a research exhibition and architectural intervention that centres the philosophies and imaginaries of Indigenous and Black populations towards modes of reparation.

### Vatican pavilion

Like a retreat of sorts, inviting people to meet, think, and look inwards in a contemplative atmosphere, the Vatican exhibition ‘Social Friendship: Meeting in the Garden’ inhabits the rooms and garden of the Abbey of San Giorgio Maggiore. It also includes the installation *O Encontro* by the famous Portuguese architect Álvaro Siza, which guides visitors through the abbey’s rooms to the outdoors. This space, usually reserved for the Benedictine community, is open to visitors during the Venice Biennale. All of the wood used to build the pavilion is enjoying a ‘second life’, like the second chance that should be offered to all places, cultures, and living beings.



# KARMEN PEDARU

Slip into pure luxury with our 100% mulberry silk pyjamas. Designed for the sophisticated woman who appreciates the finer things in life, our collection offers unrivalled comfort and elegance. Step into the world of ultimate luxury and delight yourself from the bedroom to the streets.



Words by Liga Valko  
Photos courtesy of Ivona Bezmalinovic

# Point of view

Where to go in Split, according to  
photographer Ivona Bezmalinovic



**My secret spot**  
‘When I don’t feel like visiting the main attractions, I stroll through the Veli Varoš neighbourhood. There the streets are narrow, freshly washed clothes hang from the *tiramoli*, and the aromas of homemade lunches fill the air. On one of the streets, you’ll find the tiny St. Nicholas Church built in the 11<sup>th</sup> century. This place truly gives you a sense of the Mediterranean – just stroll around and soak up the vibe. You can walk from Veli Varoš to Marjan Hill, enjoy the breathtaking vista from the viewpoint, and then have a coffee and relax. You should pack swimwear in your bag, because Marjan Hill is surrounded by beaches.’



**Ivona Bezmalinovic**  
instagram.com/bezminica  
Number of followers: 8.8k  
Croatia-based photographer and producer Ivona Bezmalinovic specialises in emotion-driven photography and video production. After 15 years in the nautical business, she decided to stop time with photography and focus on capturing raw emotions and hidden moments on film. The details of each street corner fill her heart in her hometown of Split, where she adores the Mediterranean lifestyle, good coffee, and dark, bitter chocolate. She loves to explore and capture these details in her work, finding beauty in daily life and allowing each moment to tell its own story.



A view of the city from the St. Domnius bell tower.

**Other locations to check out**  
• Enjoy the morning hustle and bustle with the local residents by waking up early and walking through the Green Market. After snacking on fresh fruits and vegetables, walk to Bacvice Beach and play *picigin*, a local game, in the shallow waters.  
• Climb to the top of the St. Domnius bell tower to see Split and the nearby islands in all their glory. Ensure that you have enough battery power for taking photos!  
• If you love art, don’t forget to check out the Ivan Meštrović Gallery. The incredible location and beautiful art make this place a must-visit.

# Celebrate Porcelain – with Kuznetsov

EUROPE’S LARGEST PORCELAIN EXHIBITION  
WITH MORE THAN 1000 OBJECTS



**ZUZEUM**

Open every day  
Lāčplēša street 101, Riga  
zuzeum.com, @zuzeum



Words by Mila Boljević  
Photos by *Unsplash*

# Take your friends

## ...HIKING IN SERBIA

Grab your hiking shoes and explore the Balkans!

The Uvac Canyon is one of the most impressive sights in Serbia.



Serbia, a treasure in the centre of the Balkans, is home to incredible natural parks that leave many visitors speechless. Immerse yourself in untainted nature and enjoy these beautiful sights while hiking a variety of different paths.

Tara National Park is a hidden jewel in western Serbia. This beautiful intact environment is home to lush forests, tranquil lakes, and breathtaking views. As you move through dense woods and along deep canyons on the Banjska Stena path, you'll stumble upon a remarkable sight – the Tara House on the Water. Thrill enthusiasts can go zip-lining, rock climbing, or mountain biking for an extra adrenaline boost.

Uvac Special Nature Reserve in southwestern Serbia, for its part, promises another unique hiking adventure. Cross the picturesque canyon and witness the mesmerising meanders of the Uvac River. Bonus tip: take a boat tour to observe the country's biggest bird, the griffon vulture, and go into some caves to cool down.

With its scenery and rich cultural history, Zlatibor Mountain in the western part of the country is a must-visit destination. Set out on one of the many routes that wind around this beautiful mountain and its lovely meadows. There you'll discover the region's rich traditions, tour villages with typical wooden architecture, and savour delicious regional food.

Exploring the natural parks of Serbia lets you enjoy stunning landscapes and provides unforgettable experiences to bring home. From high mountains and flowing rivers to captivating regional culture, these places are truly exceptional. So get ready, enjoy nature's serenity, and create treasured memories with your friends that will last a lifetime.



The house on the Drina River in Tara National Park.



Tara National Park has numerous mountain trails.

# BOSCA



*Alcohol free sparkling wine*



Style by Ilze Čecina  
Publicity photos

# Festival essentials



Ray-Ban unisex red  
Aviator sunglasses,  
EUR 182, bergamo.lv



Women's short gloss  
boots by Hunter,  
EUR 135, boozt.com



Limelight two-person  
tent by Marmot,  
EUR 460, marmot.eu



Small shoulder bag,  
EUR 12.99, hm.com



Danieli T-shirt by Carlo Colucci,  
EUR 89.90, aboutyou.lv



Isabel Marant Etoile frayed  
denim shorts, EUR 220,  
net-a-porter.com



Yvette linen-cotton-silk  
cropped top, EUR 444,  
modaoperandi.com



Cap by Les Deux,  
EUR 49, stockmann.lv



Zara beaded earrings,  
EUR 17.95, zara.com

 **favorit rent**

# Car Subscription

Starting from **410 EUR/Month**



Tesla Model Y  
**1200 EUR/Month**  
950 EUR agreement fee



Toyota CHR Hybrid  
**620 EUR/Month**  
400 EUR agreement fee



Toyota Corolla Cross Hybrid  
**670 EUR/Month**  
450 EUR agreement fee

Visit [favoritrent.lv](https://www.favoritrent.lv)

Full service (maintenance, tax, insurance, seasonal tires, replacement car, etc.) included in the rental price. Full info on our website.  
No contract termination sanctions - cancel rental term anytime. All prices include VAT.





Fly to  
**London**  
from  
**€35**  
one way

# Stronger together

The new Serpentine Pavilion in London invites all to gather around the round table and build relationships.

Words by Olga Dolina  
Photo by Ivan Baan (courtesy of Serpentine)

The Serpentine Pavilion is a well-known architecture experience at the Serpentine Galleries in London’s Kensington Gardens. Since 2000, the annual commission of a new, temporary pavilion has been entrusted to such stars of architecture as Zaha Hadid, Frank Gehry, Bjarke Ingels, and others. This year’s pavilion, titled *À table* and designed by French-Lebanese architect Lina Ghotmeh, is inspired by Mediterranean table culture. In French, the phrase *à table* is an invitation to gather and share a meal, a call for communication and discussion.

Lately, architecture in public spaces has tended to focus on the aspects of unity and conviviality. Ghotmeh’s pavilion is no exception – it invites strangers to come together under one roof, sit, ground themselves, reflect, and share ideas, concerns, cultural memories, and passions in order to form new relationships and ideas. Topical questions on politics, personal lives, and future aspirations are often discussed around a table. Thus, the pavilion contains a circular table along its perimeter, built from bio-

sourced and low-carbon materials, while slender wooden beams encircle the exterior. In between, a façade of perforated plywood panels throw playful floral shadows on the floor.

The pavilion reflects Ghotmeh’s focus on sustainable designs that form a dialogue with their natural surroundings. Its low-lying roof is rooted in historical structures in the West African country of Mali that are traditionally used for community gatherings and offer shade from the heat. The pleated roof was also inspired by the palm leaf, while the lightwell in the middle fills the space with pleasant natural light and ventilation.

Ghotmeh leads her own architectural practice in Paris, and her works exist at the crossroads of art, architecture, and design. Always with an in-depth, historical, and materially sensitive approach to projects, her works include the Estonian National Museum, the *Ateliers Hermès* workshops building in Normandy, *Les Grands Verres* restaurant of the Palais de Tokyo contemporary art museum, and many others.

[serpentinegalleries.org](http://serpentinegalleries.org)

002647 Make every km count



SKODA

Let’s Explore

[skoda.ee](http://skoda.ee) [skoda.lv](http://skoda.lv) [skoda.lt](http://skoda.lt)

Škoda Karoq combined fuel consumption in the WLTP cycle 4.7 to 7.5 l/100km, Co2 emissions from 124 to 146 g/km.





Words by Līga Valko  
Photo courtesy of airBaltic

## Inflight catering to become more sustainable

To provide its passengers with fresh, high-quality catering that adheres to sustainability standards, *airBaltic* relies on one of the world's largest airline catering and hospitality companies, *LSG Sky Chefs* (*LSG Group*), and its local representative, *Airo Catering Services Latvija*.

*airBaltic* and *LSG Group* have been laying the groundwork for sustainable operations for years, and sustainability remains an integral part of their strategies and corporate cultures today.

*LSG Group* has always taken a sustainable approach when selecting suppliers for packaging and specific products. But it was only in the first quarter of 2023 that the catering company established its official supplier sustainability programme.

The documentation that *LSG Group's* suppliers must now fill out comprises a questionnaire focusing on six primary areas in relation to sustainability (governance and policy, sustainable waste, energy and packaging management, traceability, regenerative farming, sustainable sourcing) as well as the certification status of potential partners depending on their products, services, business sector, and region. *LSG Group* expects suppliers to put a strong emphasis on environmental protection, social responsibility, employee health and safety, supplier diversity, animal welfare, and a sustainability reporting system. Traceability is also an important matter for *LSG Group*. The company carefully assesses suppliers' internal systems to trace all key ingredients back to individual producers.

*LSG Group* has had a standard selection process in place since late 2021 for on-board retail food products. This process involves four key categories: general factors (appearance, flavour, smell, weight), operational factors (minimum order quantity, shelf-life, logistics), commercial factors (cost, sales potential, margin), and sustainability factors (product ingredients, environmental footprint, brand responsibility). *LSG Group* adjusts the weight of each criterion depending on the client and aspects of their business.

With this hands-on approach, *LSG Group* and its local representative in Latvia, *Airo Catering Services Latvija*, are continuously investing in new sustainability initiatives internally and externally. Consider, for instance, resource consumption. In 2022, the company consumed fewer resources and reduced electricity and water consumption by 38% and 9%, respectively. But in just the first four months of 2023, *Airo Catering Services Latvija* has already saved 22% in electricity consumption and 4% in water consumption. LED lighting, movement sensors, and reduced ventilation system circles will further reduce the company's consumption of resources. Also, with vegetarian days introduced at the *Airo Catering Services Latvija* café, it is stepping up its game in terms of sustainable activities.

Over the past three years, *Airo Catering Services Latvija* has reduced its CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 116,000 kilograms across its services and its partnerships with airlines and local retailers. One of the most successful sustainability initiatives at *airBaltic* has been its meal pre-order system, which optimises loading onto aircraft and also reduces food waste. More recently, in June 2023, *airBaltic* and *Airo Catering Services Latvija* launched a pilot project to eliminate multilayer packaging, such as the additional cardboard box for croissants. As a result of this project, around 800 kilograms of printed cardboard will be saved by the end of the year.

In another aspect related to catering, *airBaltic* uses only lightweight catering trolleys on its aircraft. This initiative decreased flight weight by 69,936 kilograms in June 2023, thus improving fuel efficiency.

# Welcome to the #1 family attraction in Estonia!

3 big exhibition halls

175+ hands on exhibitions

2+ new immersive exhibitions each year



Science Centre  
**AHHA**

Science is awesome!



# AHA, SENSES!

Feel, if you dare!



# Smart living

Here are some cool gadgets for a more sustainable future.

SODASTREAM TERRA  
SPARKLING WATER MAKER  
Long-lasting fizz



Staying hydrated is vital for everyone, but some of us would rather drink carbonated water than plain tap water, which usually means loads of plastic bottles. But there's a way to avoid that. With this sparkling water maker and the included reusable bottle, you'll have a fresh bubbly drink any time you want.  
sodastream.com  
From USD 99.99



## ADIDAS RPT-02 SOL HEADPHONES

**Sustainable music**  
One of the big shots in the sporting goods industry, *Adidas*, has come up with these sustainable headphones with several very cool features. First, the main body of the headphones is almost entirely made from recycled materials. Then there's the fact that sunlight keeps the batteries charged while you use the headphones outdoors. And on top of that, you can keep your gear clean because the key parts are washable.  
adidasheadphones.com  
USD 230

Words by Viesturs Kundziņš  
Publicity photos and by Jonathan Hislop (*Unsplash*)

## ACER EKINEKT BD3 BIKE DESK

### An active lifestyle

Many of us spend our working days at a desk, doing our daily tasks on computers. But this desk by *Acer* combines three things in one. It's a work desk, but it's also an exercise bike and an electric generator. Now you can do your office and gym hours at the same time...and charge your phone or laptop for free! Saves you time and money.  
acer.com  
From EUR 999



## VITAMIX FOODCYCLER RECYCLER

**Feed your garden**  
Growing your own tomatoes on a balcony or having a small vegetable garden is pretty much a trend now, so here's a gadget that will turn the leftover food from your kitchen into a good source of nutrients for the soil. This recycler turns food scraps into valuable compost in a matter of hours and will help you grow amazing veggies.  
vitamix.com  
USD 399.95



## MARLEY GET TOGETHER MINI 2 PORTABLE SPEAKER

**The sound of nature**  
Portable speakers have become a must-have in every household. The variations are endless, but they usually come in some kind of plastic casing. *Marley* delivers the *Get Together Mini 2* in a plastic-free package, with the speaker casing partly crafted from natural bamboo and all the silicone and aluminum parts made from recycled materials. It sounds good, too!  
thehouseofmarley.com  
USD 169.99



**Experience the perfect blend  
of business and comfort.**

Carefully designed with your comfort in mind.  
Modern amenities and a tranquil ambiance.

Ideal for both business and leisure travellers.

The prime location ensures easy access  
to the best of Riga.

Book now:



**Balcia**  
r e s i d e n c e

**Feel at home**

[balcioresidence.com](https://balcioresidence.com)

63 Kr Valdemara Street, Riga



# The flavours of change

The latest on the Nordic food scene



What first comes to mind when you think of the Nordic dining scene? Plates brimming with the season's bounty? Dishes so creatively executed they're a shame to disturb with a fork? Sleek, minimalist interiors and bespoke tableware? While the latter may be the result of tasteful Scandi genes, the former two date back to 2004, when a dozen chefs from Sweden, Denmark, Greenland, Norway, Iceland, the Faroe Islands, and Finland put their heads together and wrote the New Nordic Cuisine (NNC) manifesto and essentially established the region as the most exciting area in the Western gastronomical hemisphere.

Two decades on, the NNC's canons – a focus on seasonality, a commitment to sustainability, an eagerness to innovate, and the honouring of regional culinary roots – are still thriving. Summer is undoubtedly the best time to savour this smorgasbord called the Scandinavian foodscape. It includes everything from white-tablecloth affairs with their own veggie gardens in verdant corners of the city to unsung heroes of the city streets, such as hot dog stands (check out *Den Økologiske Pølsemand* in Copenhagen), hole-in-the-wall waffle shops (try *Haralds Vaffel* in Oslo), and an array of wine bars spilling out onto the sidewalks and doling out natural wines, sharing plates, and tinned sardines. The iconic *noma* might be ending its culinary journey in 2024, but the story of the Nordic food scene is nowhere near its end. New season, new characters, new plot.

A focus on  
seasonality, a commitment  
to sustainability, an  
eagerness to innovate

Words by Ilze Vitola  
Publicity photo

## THE NEW MOVERS AND SHAKERS

### Vækst in Copenhagen

What makes *Vækst* stand out among other fine-dining venues is its scenic setting – the two-floor dining space has a greenhouse incorporated into it and potted plants hanging from the ceiling. Many of the luscious plants are incorporated into the veggie-forward menu, which also features a good selection of seafood and meat. *Vækst* is the latest edition to the Copenhagen Food Collective's restaurant family and is located in Copenhagen's old Latin Quarter.

Sankt Peders Stræde 34; cofoco.dk

### Solen in Stockholm

Meaning 'the sun', the name of this restaurant mirrors its dishes inspired by sunny lands such as the Mediterranean region, the Middle East, and South America. Dreamed up by the *Michelin*-starred chefs Adam Dahlberg and Albin Wessman, the menu spoils guests with wood-fired pizzas, silky hummus, grilled chicken, and juicy prawns. Located in Slakthusområdet, the former meatpacking district, the airy dining space also has a sun-soaked outdoor seating area.

Hallgränd 45; solen.se

### Luovuus Kukkii Kaaoksesta in Helsinki

With vivid murals and mismatched wooden furniture, this convivial parlour makes you feel like you're dining at an eccentric friend's home. And what a mighty good cook this friend is! Staying true to its name (which translates to 'creativity blossoms from chaos'), the restaurant's selection of dishes changes daily to incorporate the freshest seafood, meats, and seasonal veggies.

Pieni Roobertinkatu 13;  
luovuuskukkiikaoksesta.fi



- Opulent accommodation by the Baltic Sea
- Private beach with the whitest sand
- Gourmet paradise for every meal
- Wide range of SPA and medical treatments
- Modern conference and private celebration center
- Entertainment events for children and adults



[www.balticbeach.lv](http://www.balticbeach.lv)

Jūras iela 23/25, Jūrmala, Latvia

✉ [res@balticbeach.lv](mailto:res@balticbeach.lv) ☎ +371 67771411



Words and photos by Olga Dolina  
Illustration by Agnese Negriba

# YEREVAN — A JEWEL OF THE CAUCASUS

**I must admit that warm, compact, easy-going Yerevan immediately feels like home. And it's in Yerevan that I catch 'fear of missing out' syndrome as dozens of new opportunities appear at each step I take.**

'Don't wait until men buy you flowers. Buy the flowers yourself! It's what Armenian women do!' shouts the energetic flower vendor as I take a picture of her colourful carriage in the centre of Yerevan. 'Why such a short stay?' she asks when I tell her I'm only staying only for a few days. 'That's not enough time! You must stay here for at least forever!'

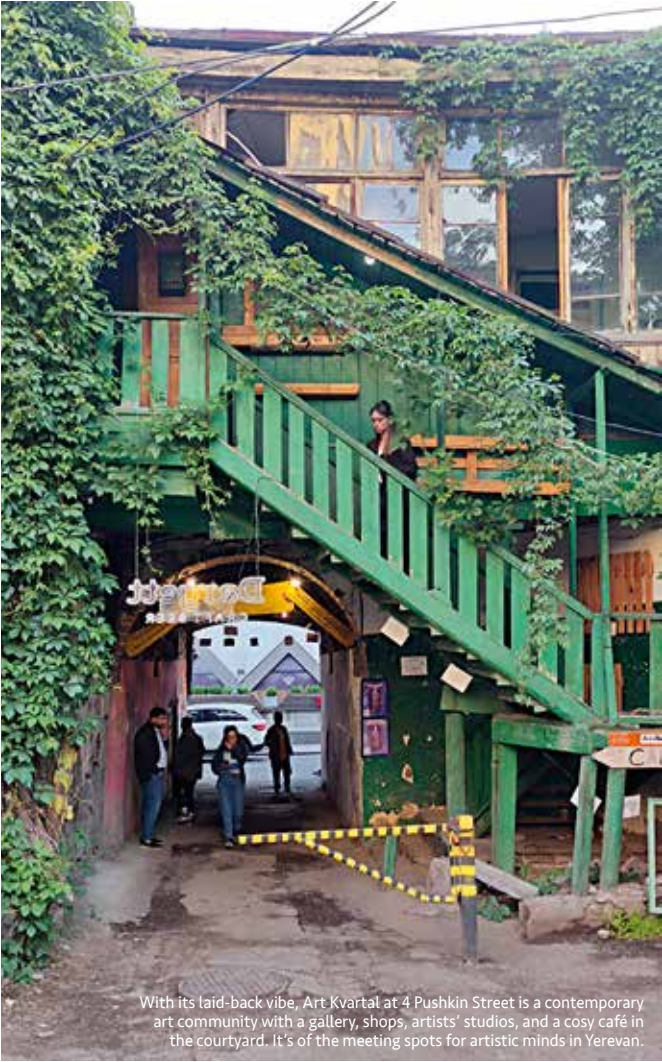
'Have you seen The Beauty?' That's the first question a taxi driver asks me right after he picks me up at the airport early in the morning. I know what he means – Mount Ararat. As the airplane descended towards Zvartnots International Airport, I watched Ararat and its brother Little Ararat appear in slow motion, wrapped in the pink mist of the sunrise.

Despite the fact that 5137-metre-tall Ararat officially stands within the borders of neighbouring Turkey, it has historically always been associated with Armenia. Ararat used to mark the geographical centre of ancient Armenian kingdoms. The mountain is a national symbol, a brand, a powerful magnet, and a place of worship. With its noble posture, the mountain dominates the panorama of Yerevan. Legend has it that Noah's ark came to rest on the peak of Mount Ararat after the Great Flood, and thus Armenia became the cradle of a new civilisation. Armenians are said to be the descendants of Hayk, a descendant of Noah.

My first associations with Armenia centred around the picture-postcard views of Ararat, Aram Khachaturian's 'Masquerade' waltz, sun-dried fruit, and the ultimate in hospitality. But those are just a few adornments on the bold façade of Armenian identity. The interior turns out to be even more intriguing. And Armenia's history is as winding as the Caucasian mountain roads.







With its laid-back vibe, Art Kvaral at 4 Pushkin Street is a contemporary art community with a gallery, shops, artists' studios, and a cosy café in the courtyard. It's one of the meeting spots for artistic minds in Yerevan.



Abovyan Street, which runs from the central Republic Square, has a real 19<sup>th</sup>-century Yerevan feel. With mansions made of beautiful pink and black tufa and hidden behind lush greenery, some of the finest hotels, cafés, bars, and shops are located here.

## With every step of our morning walk through the city, Yerevan opens up from a different perspective

Yerevan is older than Rome, but unfortunately very little of this antiquity is left in present-day Yerevan. The Erebuni Museum and archaeological site tell about the Urartian past of this area. Over the centuries, the capitals changed as well – Yerevan is the 12<sup>th</sup>, founded in 782 BCE by King Argishti I of Urartu, who named the city Erebuni. The ancient temple ruins and noble monasteries scattered across this untamed land still grip the imagination. Nestled at the crossroads between Asia and Europe, Armenian history has had plenty of tragic and heroic twists and turns, and these have shaped the outlook of its people, who live by the motto of living life to the fullest and hoping for the best.

I RING THE DOORBELL OF THE *Villa Delenda* HOTEL EARLY IN THE MORNING. As I find out later, the city really wakes up only around nine or ten o'clock. The hotel's building is one of the few late-19<sup>th</sup>-century gems to have survived in Yerevan. It's located in the very centre, facing a park and just a few minutes' walk from city's main artery, Mashtots Avenue. Inside, it's a jewel made of wood and stonework, full of books

and handmade Armenian carpets and with a ceramic workshop in the basement. This house once belonged to the Mnatsakanian brothers, who opened the first gold and silver jewellery shop in the city. When I meet my guide, Lilit, a few hours later, she shares with me the secrets of the city and its diverse architectural face.

In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, when Armenia was under the rule of the Russian Empire, elegant European-style districts with long, straight streets and mansions made of tufa stone with beautiful carvings and balconies appeared in the city. This has been called the architecture of Yerevan's Belle Epoque. In 1920, Yerevan became the capital of the Armenian Soviet Socialist Republic, and the city was transformed into a modernist metropolis.

Armenian architect Alexander Tamanian designed a new circular urban plan, and many of the old buildings were replaced with Soviet-style structures. The Armenian capital is often called 'The Pink City' because many buildings from that time were constructed from the volcanic tufa stone found in the surrounding area. The resulting pinkish or slightly orangish palette saved the city from taking on the often gloomy look of Soviet cities. Paired with the massive trees and abundance of greenery, Yerevan's boulevards are simply magical.

Armenia has a population of almost three million people, and an estimated seven million more Armenians live in more than 100 countries across the globe, making it one of the world's biggest diasporas. The active emigration of Armenians began in the 11<sup>th</sup> century after the invasion of the Seljuks and reached its peak in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. But the country is now experiencing a period of return migration. Many young people who've studied



Designed by city architect Alexander Tamanian in 1933, Yerevan Opera Theatre is special due to its two halls: one for ballet and opera performances in the front, and the Aram Khatchaturian Hall for philharmonic concerts in the back. Locals often gather by the open windows near the service entrance to listen to the singers rehearsing.

and worked abroad are moving back; they have a strong sense of responsibility and want to help their homeland thrive. Therefore, the lifestyle here feels quite European, although local traditions remain very strong in families.

With every step of our morning walk through the city, Yerevan opens up from a different perspective. We pass the mighty *Cinema Moscow* on the square named after the French-born chansonnier Charles Aznavour, who is probably the most famous musician of Armenian descent. On busy Abovyan Street I delight in the tiny medieval Katoghike Church, which has miraculously remained standing here despite all the historical obstacles. Religious architecture is one of the trademarks of the country, and it blends smoothly into both urban and natural landscapes. Armenian Apostolic churches are minimalistic and restrained inside, with no rich décor or icons. Sometimes stone ornaments are found on the walls, but otherwise nothing should distract from prayer. As I enter the chapel, which has room for only a few people, candlelight and a profound sense of serenity wash away the noise and bustling activity outside.

From the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> century, Armenian churches and monasteries primarily served educational purposes, where history, philosophy, mathematics, and painting were studied. Knowledge and education are a priority in Armenian culture, and there are plenty of libraries in Yerevan, especially for children. Together with my guide, we pop into a library that has the Armenian alphabet carved into its ornate wooden door. The library has Chinese- and Arabic-language corners, a large music section with scores, and a puppet theatre for children.



The Cascade Complex dominates the urban landscape of Yerevan and is also a fascinating place for sculpture lovers. Its fifth level is adorned by *The Divers*, a sculpture by famous British designer Martin Waller.

Chess is among the most popular games in the country and is still taught in schools. It comes as no surprise, then, that Armenia has produced quite a number of chess grand masters. Likewise, inventors of Armenian heritage made breakthroughs in a wide range of technologies that are today used all around the world, including the ATM, colour television, the coffee vending machine, and plastic surgery. Armenians are also known for their wit and great sense of humour.

As we stroll through the city, I notice many drinking-water stations providing spring water straight from the mountains. In my opinion, having a sea nearby is necessary to survive hot summers, but here there's no sea. Instead, water on the streets – in the form of fountains, artificial basins, and reservoirs – save the day. For example, Swan Lake near the imposing Opera Theatre is shallow yet very alluring and a favourite recreation spot for city residents. In winter, the lake is transformed into an ice skating rink.

THE CASCADE, A MONUMENTAL OPEN-AIR COMPLEX AND GEM OF MODERNIST ARCHITECTURE, links the city centre with residential areas further uphill. The 302-metre-long structure consists of 572 steps interspersed with viewing platforms that burst with flowers, sculptures, and out-of-this-world fountains. While originally envisioned by Alexander Tamanian, construction on the Cascade only began in the 1980s. The complex was handed over to the American-Armenian magnate and art collector Gerard Cafesjian in the early 2000s and inaugurated in 2009.





Jazz is the main sound of Yerevan. At the Ulikhanyan Club, jazz is always on the menu, with live concerts every evening. Here, stars of the local and international jazz scene play alongside young talents. The atmosphere and tailor-made cocktails also hit the highest note.



The Mirzoyan Library has a rich collection of photography books, a charming exhibition space, and a café with tables set up along the wood-panelled balcony and down in the courtyard. This bohemian place often hosts DJ sets and small concerts. It's a quiet and romantic oasis in the bustling city.

## Venture into residential districts that ‘seen-it-all’ urban explorers will particularly enjoy

The Cafesjian Centre for the Arts is located inside the Cascade, as if inside the hill itself. Locals recommend experiencing the Cascade at dawn, when the city is still asleep and the sunrise lights up the mountain. Later in the day, open-air concerts often take place here. At the foot of the hill, an array of stylish cafés with terraces and a Parisian vibe offer shade and repose. Meanwhile, on the upper terrace, ‘wow’ hardly begins to describe the astonishing view. All of Yerevan seems to be at my feet, guarded by Mount Ararat in the distance. Incidentally, locals say that when the peak of Little Ararat is black in August, it’s watermelon time. On the other hand, when the top of the mountain is covered in clouds, it will rain soon.

Soviet modernist architecture is a trademark of Armenia. Although these buildings still often go underappreciated, they are a unique selling point that attracts connoisseurs. Modernism arose in the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century and retained its influence until the 1980s. United in their functionality and relative simplicity, the concrete and stone typical of this style express the pursuit of freedom. My personal modernist revelation is a fountain (by the Republic Square metro station)

in the shape of a huge composition of concrete flower petals. During a late-night walk, I step onto the structure and walk across every petal of this surreal flower. The next day, powerful jets of water shoot up high into the air from the petals.

There’s something even more poetic in suburban Yerevan. There we explore two residential districts where the unbreakable spirit of the old capital remains alive and well and which ‘seen-it-all’ urban explorers will particularly enjoy. In the Kond neighbourhood, time stands still. With almost no cars, narrow streets, shabby courtyards, cherry trees, wild vines, and cautious but friendly inhabitants, Kond feels like a village within a city. In one of the courtyards, an elderly gentleman greets us and offers to show us his granddaughter’s improvised art exhibition on the garage walls. Later, we stop by *The Kond House*, a restaurant set in the former home of a businessman from the roaring 1990s. The atmosphere is home-like and rather surreal, with jazz buzzing in the background, a fireplace, an imposing marble staircase, and a bar with a top collection of Armenian distillates.

On the opposite side of Yerevan lies the former village of Old Nork. Many buildings in this hidden gem have been preserved and are now being restored. Nork features nice guesthouses with panoramas of Yerevan and an abundance of wines from the local wine cellars.

**MODERN YEREVAN IS BURSTING WITH ENERGY.** The bar scene is flourishing, café culture is of the highest level, restaurants can be found in every price range, and savoury Caucasian cuisine fills the city centre. Clubs, concerts, and festivals are thriving, and new places are opening in the capital



When the pandemic hit, the owners of the Vajrapar concept store wanted to move to Berlin, but they ended up in Armenia. Now, a quirky Berlin vibe spices up the shopping scene in modern Yerevan. The Brrr shop set in a small garage space and featuring interior pieces, vintage items, and ceramics is another place worth popping into.

nearly every week, mainly thanks to the relocation boom of creative, liberal Russian immigrants.

Yerevan has plenty of atmospheric places to celebrate summer evenings. For example, Mirzoyan Library – a photography art centre with a cosy indoor courtyard and ornate wooden balconies – exudes creativity, conviviality, and the spirit of Old Yerevan. A vaulted underground space that was formerly a techno club now houses the *MARAN Vermoutheria Bar* with a speakeasy vibe. The bartender greets us, puts the vinyl on, and shares his view of nightlife in Yerevan: ‘When you see the city from above, it seems rather small. But when you dive in, there’s so much going on; the concentration of various places is enormous, and everyone can find something to like. Service is at the top level. The city is very interactive, with many alternatives for whichever type of activity you choose, from theatres to nightclubs. We have several clubs for techno and electronic dance music, such as *Poligraf* and *Fermata*, and *The Office* nightclub is a fashionable multidisciplinary place.’

But Yerevan is also the Caucasian capital of jazz. The Armenian jazz scene has flourished since the 1970s, thanks to the large Armenian diaspora. During the Soviet era, connections here with the West were much closer than in the other Soviet republics. At one point, jazz also served as a form of protest, symbolising improvisation and creative freedom. Be forewarned that tables in leading Yerevan jazz clubs, such as *Malkhas Jazz Club*, *Club 12*, and *Mezzo*, should be reserved in advance. But luck is on our side tonight, and the *Ulikhanyan Club* welcomes us late-evening intruders to the concert of pianist, singer, and composer Vahagn Hayrapetyan. It’s a fascinating performance with volcanic energy and an indescribable atmosphere blending Armenian charisma with New York vibes, multiplied by the aura of a Woody Allen movie set.

Speaking of movies, to get into an Armenian mood and colour palette, watch *The Color of Pomegranates* (1969) by Armenian film director Sergei Parajanov. This poetic masterpiece is based on the life of 18<sup>th</sup>-century Armenian poet and troubadour Sayat-Nova.

DESIGNERS 5

CINNAMON CONCEPT - Designed knitwear & limited edition perfume

VASKALA - Leather bags

VALDIS BROŽE - Jewellery art

MĀRIS ŠUSTINŠ - Jewellery art

ANDRIS LAUDERS - Jewellery art

STORE - DESIGNERS 5  
RIGA  
Terbatas street 85

INSTAGRAM  
designers\_5

www.designers5.com





One never leaves the GUM Central Market with an empty stomach. Charismatic vendors treat potential buyers to all kinds of candied fruits, which make great souvenirs to bring home, so leave some space in your luggage. Gigantic sheets of lavash bread and other local delicacies are sold here as well.

## The Yerevan market feels like being inside a massive box of sweets

The Sergei Parajanov Museum, for its part, contains an eclectic collage of artefacts related to one of the greatest filmmakers and creative spirits of the Soviet era.

CONTEMPORARY WINE CULTURE IS RAPIDLY DEVELOPING IN ARMENIA, even though the history of winemaking in this region goes back more than 6000 years. For a long time, red varieties of wine were not in favour here, and the white grapes were used in the production of brandy. But the country has more than 350 local grape varieties, crowned by the native Areni. The Armenian wine card also offers extraordinary Keush sparkling wine made from grapes collected up to 1750 metres above sea level.

In recent years, Armenia has become an emerging destination for enotourists, with more than 100 active wineries across the country. Most of them are family run, and each puts personality and soul into their work. Yerevan Wine Days in June is an immense open-air wine experience with wine tastings, street food, and a general celebration of life and wine. The festival takes place along the entire length of Saryan Street, which is famous for its wine boutiques (*In Vino, Decant*, etc.).



Saryan Street, named after the prominent painter Martiros Saryan (1880–1972), is the place for hedonists and wine lovers. Adorned with beautiful murals, the street bursts with hip bars, restaurants serving international cuisine, and coffee and pastry shops.

Never leave a country without visiting its main market; that’s how you meet locals and find the real flavour of the country. The first hall of the Yerevan market feels like being inside a massive box of sweets: tons of candied fruits in all shapes and sizes, mountains of walnuts, bunches of *sujukh* (sausage-shaped sweets made of walnuts dipped in a thick grape syrup and then dried), and many other delicacies. The next hall is for fresh vegetables, greens, and fruits.

The grape is the king of Armenian culture and cuisine, from wine to the iconic *dolma* (meat wrapped in grape leaves) to grape branches fuelling barbecues. At the market you’ll also find such curiosities as *avelukh*, or mountain sorrel, which is sold woven into beautiful braids. But my two favourites here are fragrant tarragon and mulberries. Whether fresh, dried, or used in jams, I consider the mulberry to be the queen of berries. I succumb to a wave of nostalgia from carefree childhood summers spent near the Black Sea and get all emotional...

But after a couple of glasses of freshly squeezed pomegranate juice and a stomach full of free samples from the market, a taxi takes me to a block-house residential area. I enjoy taking cooking classes in countries I visit; they’re a great way to engage with locals and get a closer experience of the culture. I ring the doorbell, and Gayane greets me warmly. She’s a confectioner and cake baker with 20 years of experience, runs a pastry shop, and offers Armenian dessert-baking workshops at her studio.

For the next two hours, Gayane teaches me how to make *gata* pastry, and I get my hands into a dough to which we add a few tablespoons of Armenian brandy – the secret to a perfect dessert, obviously. In Armenia, dough for pies and cookies is

made on a base of *matsun*, a fermented milk drink. *Gata* can be stored for a long time and is the most common dessert to enjoy at special occasions (like a typical 500-guest Armenian wedding) but also every day with coffee.

Gayane and I talk about must-try foods, and she recommends *Tavern Yerevan*. The menu includes everything the rich and savoury Armenian cuisine can offer: barbecued meats, dolma, hearty soups, etc. In the evenings, an ensemble of folk musicians performs traditional songs and dances accompanied by the profound and touching sound of the *duduk*, an iconic Armenian flute made of apricot wood.

Later, we head to the tiny local eateries *Lahmajoun* at 19 Moskovyan Street and neighbouring *Zhengyalov Hats* at 62 Teryan Street. *Lahmajoun* is in fact a slim flatbread topped with minced meat, vegetables and herbs, while *zhengyalov hats* (a specialty of Nagorno-Karabakh cuisine) is a flatbread stuffed with a variety of finely diced local herbs and green vegetables. Both are usually consumed with *tan*, a refreshing yogurt-based drink.

We also join a tour of the *Yerevan Brandy Company*, where the museum of the famous *Ararat* brandy is located. The 1950s edifice on the right bank of the Hrazdan River is as mighty as the history of the label founded in 1887. The brandy is a local point of pride and one of the most widely exported Armenian products. The vapours from the oak storage barrels make one tipsy even before the degustation. But while we navigate the museum,

the weather has changed dramatically and a storm cuts out the electricity. The resulting blind tasting is even better – we’re able to discover each note of the drink in full. After a rebranding, *Ararat’s* label now features a phoenix: new times have arrived.

Back in the heart of the city, the brand’s flagship bar, *Phoenix*, offers cocktails made with *Ararat* brandy. Stylish and sleek, the interior features a huge mosaic of a phoenix – the symbol of beauty and rebirth. Sounds very much like Armenia itself.

Through the pouring rain, a taxi takes us to the trendy *Vajrapar* creative space. The driver doesn’t understand what’s so important to us about this particular place, but we jump out of the car anyway. Soon after, we realise we have the wrong address... So we take shelter under the roof of a music school together with a bunch of giggling kids jumping around in the puddles without a care in the world. The heavy, wet boxwoods give off their warm, southern aroma. And this is my Yerevan moment... Simple and intense.

We eventually find *Vajrapar*, and it’s totally worth our rain-drenched clothing. The centre hosts a bar, a street-style clothing store, a photo lab, and an exhibition space all under one roof. Concrete blocks serve as display shelves for quirky design objects and handmade ceramics. I flip through *Spontan Journal* – a little book of photographs by Siranush Danielyan that features detailed, poetic images of everyday urban life in Yerevan. Laid-back and creative, this is a meeting place of young local forces that are moving the cultural life of Yerevan to the next level.







A gem of medieval Armenian architecture, Sevanavank Monastery overlooks the mighty Sevan Lake. Near the church one can see some of the oldest khachkars – elaborately carved cross-stones that are UNESCO-listed pieces of Armenian art. There are more than 50,000 khachkars in Armenia, and each is unique, with its own pattern.

WHEN IN ARMENIA, ONE SHOULD DEDICATE AT LEAST ONE DAY TO ITS UNTAMED COUNTRYSIDE LANDSCAPES and historic sites outside Yerevan. The forests and green areas offer colossal diversity in terms of flora. They’re a hiker’s paradise, and the fact that accommodation and other infrastructure is just beginning to develop makes the adventures even more real and closer to nature. The Transcaucasian Trail takes hikers across 827 kilometres of the most spectacular terrain. Just 30 kilometres east of Yerevan, Garni Gorge is famous for its hexagonal basalt columns arranged in the shape of a pipe organ – the Symphony of Stones. The ancient Garni Temple is nearby, and a hiking path continues on to the Azat Reservoir.

Lakes, waterfalls, canyons, caves – it’s all here. I choose to go to the local ‘sea’, the iconic Sevan Lake, which serves as the main water-recreation site. With a total surface area of about 1241 square kilometres, freshwater Sevan lies 1900 metres above sea level and its basin covers about one sixth of Armenia’s total area. It’s one of the largest freshwater high-altitude lakes in

the world. We arrive at Sevan Peninsula and climb up to the 9<sup>th</sup>-century Sevanavank Monastery for some mind-blowing scenery. The nearby Sevan Writers’ House built in the 1930s is the main modernist object here. Completely white, it pops out against the lush green hillside and overlooks the water like a spaceship.

Sevan Lake has several beaches and resorts around its shores, and August is the best month for a refreshing dip. From here, one route leads through the hilly, forested town of Dilijan to the Haghartsin Monastery. A milk-like fog embraces the winding mountain road as we arrive at the 11<sup>th</sup>-century St. Gregory Church. While everyone else from the group hides from the heavy mist inside the ancient monastery’s walls, I sneak away to the local bakery for the most divine and creative gata cakes: with pears and gorgonzola, blueberry and lemon, fig and walnut, brie and apricot. Here, the sacred and deeply spiritual meets simple and savoury pleasures, all enhanced by the fresh mountain air.

As we return to Yerevan, our last evening coincides with Museum Night. I rush up the hill to Matenadaran, a museum of ancient manuscripts and the cradle of Armenian knowledge and heritage. The collection contains some 23,000 manuscripts and scrolls. It’s the largest collection of its kind in the world, and I manage to see some of the ancient exhibits. Even though it’s almost midnight, the museum is full of children, parents, and grandparents.

On the way back, *Lumen Coffee* beckons for a final drink in another historic gem – in the late 1930s, this small space was a tobacco shop. In the late 1960s, it became a Music score store and later a bookstore. For almost a century, this place with ornate floor-to-ceiling woodwork has been a meeting point for locals. Now the opulent setting is filled with modern metal tables and the aroma of coffee lingers in the air until late at night.

Finally, it’s time to pack. I gently hold my box of mulberries and tarragon leaves covered with a damp cloth as if they were the most precious exotic souvenir ever.

USEFUL ADDRESSES

WHERE TO STAY

Grand Hotel Yerevan

The *Grand Hotel Yerevan* was built in 1928 and reconstructed in the early 2000s. The Neoclassical building is elegant and solemn, while the service is always of the highest level. In the past, one could meet Sergei Parajanov, Charles Aznavour, Aram Khachaturian, and many other celebrities here. The outdoor rooftop pool with exceptional views and a spa make a stay at this hotel even more pleasing.

14 Abovyan St.  
grandhotelyerevan.com

Tufenkian Historic Yerevan Hotel

While the exterior of this hotel features a contrast of black and orange tufa stone, the interior boasts carpets and other textiles handmade by Armenian craftsmen. On the ground floor, you’ll even find a *Tufenkian Carpets* workshop, where you can explore this centuries-old craft and try it out yourself. The hotel restaurant, *Kharpert*, focuses on traditional Armenian cuisine from the western part of the country. The taste of its freshly baked bread is unforgettable!

48 Hanrapetutyan St.  
tufenkianheritage.com

Messier 53

Located in downtown Yerevan, just a 15-minute walk from Republic Square, the *Messier 53* hotel features 53 spacious, modern rooms with windows and balconies overlooking the Saint Gregory the Illuminator Cathedral and verdant Circular Park, which is one of the favourite recreational areas in the city. The Vernissage Market is only a few steps away.

15/4 Vardanants St.  
messier53hotel.com

WHERE TO EAT

Vostan

The *Vostan* restaurant is situated in one of the most beautiful buildings in Yerevan – a carefully restored gem built in 1884. The old staircases, beautiful floor mosaics, and windows are now supplemented by an atmospheric culinary experience. In the traditional wooden courtyard you’ll find green apricot trees as well as a *tonir*, a deep round oven placed in the ground and used to bake lavash bread.

8 Abovyan St.

Bar B. Q.

Serving a variety of Armenian street food, the *Bar B. Q.* eatery is a stylish and delicious place. For a quick bite, choose *lamajo* (crispy flatbread with minced meat, spices, and lemon juice squeezed on top) along with some *tan* (a yogurt drink with herbs and lime juice). *Bar B. Q.* has several locations, but the fanciest of them is the one on Pushkin Street. Nearby, you’ll find a whole gallery of chic dining spots and bars, including the *Afrolab* coffee house, the *Minas* cocktail bar, and the *Collective* restaurant.

40 Pushkin St.

Artushi Mot

*Artushi Mot* is a legendary place with an old-fashioned interior and a simple menu. The man behind the place, Artush, greets guests with homemade wine, apricot vodka, and a big dose of energy. *Dolma* offered in different styles and with various fillings is a hit, as are the meats. Cash only.

20 Movses Khorenatsi St.

WHERE TO SHOP

Vernissage Market

The largest open-air souvenir market in Yerevan, the Vernissage has everything from vintage books, paintings, and coins to newly crafted silver goods, jewellery, carpets,



26 00 57 97

29 24 33 92

www.taurinkrasti.lv

VESELĪBAS CENTRS  
PIE JŪRAS

FIZIOTERAPIJA  
UZTURA SPECIĀLISTS  
RESTORĀNS  
VIESNĪCA  
PIRTS





BeaA

BE AT HOME WITH YOURSELF



Loungewear | Made in Latvia | +371 26 773 771 | beaa.eu





**Gayane Mirzoyan** is the founder and editor-in-chief of *urbanista.am*, a cross-media platform that aims to highlight urban issues and developments in Yerevan and other towns in Armenia. Mirzoyan is intensely involved in educational and research projects as well as journalism and feels deeply for her city. She analyses its past and current urban processes, explores how its public spaces are developing, and lives its vivid local life.

#### What's the most distinctive trait of Yerevan?

It's very cosy. Those who move here from other countries integrate quickly and feel comfortable here. It's also a home for Armenians from all over the world. The city used to be very ethnically homogeneous, but now we feel how it's changing every day and becoming more diverse, which is a positive thing. Urban planning also plays an important role; for example, the city centre is easy to navigate. Yerevan resembles the sun; it's round-shaped and is hard to get lost in.

#### How would you describe the character of the local residents?

Social ties here are very strong. For people from more individualistic cultures, it might be slightly bothersome: everyone here wants to be your friend, to invite you to their home, to introduce you to friends and family. Armenians are truly open and eager to help, so that every visitor feels comfortable here. That said, though, true friendships are proven over time.

#### What are some hidden gems worth seeking out?

Yerevan Children's Railway Park. It's a little abandoned nowadays, yet in recent years festivals of electronic music and urban arts have taken place there. To enter, you must pass through the tunnel that leads from the city centre to Hrazdan Gorge – it feels like wandering through the tunnels of Alice's Wonderland. Another thing is the courtyards of Yerevan's Old Town, which are now parts of cafés and libraries – check out the *Dalan* café on Abovyan Street, the Mirzoyan Library, and the *Vostan* restaurant with restored wooden courtyards.

#### What are the top summer events one shouldn't miss?

On July 16 we celebrate Vardavar, which is a feast dedicated to Astghik, the goddess of water, beauty, love, and fertility. This day is also celebrated by the Armenian Apostolic Church as the Feast of the Transfiguration of Jesus Christ. On this day, people out on the streets pour water on each other. Nowadays it's more organised and people gather around fountains. But beware, it can still can happen randomly that a stranger on the street simply pours a bucket of water over you. Also in July, the Golden Apricot international film festival takes place in Yerevan with many honourable guests from around the world.

#### Out of curiosity, how has Kim Kardashian's Armenian descent and her arrival in Armenia to baptise her children affected the image of the country?

We felt the effect for a few years; searches for Armenia on the internet skyrocketed. You can view it ironically, but Kim Kardashian has done a lot of good for the country. When she arrived here, she drew attention to the centenary of the Armenian Genocide, and she also spoke about the war in Nagorno-Karabakh. She does so wisely and seriously, understanding that her massive popularity can do good. But of course, we'd prefer to be known for composer Aram Khachaturian or our world chess champion Tigran Petrosyan.

#### Where should one go on a day trip outside the capital?

I enjoy the mountainous southern part of the country, where there are many medieval monasteries. The Tatev Monastery, for example, is reachable via cable car and offers spectacular views. I also like the Tavush and Lori regions, where there are lush forests and beautiful lakes. Armenians love hiking! It's just that we didn't know that that's what it's called (*laughs*). Check out the *HikeArmenia* app for lots of interesting routes.

#### How do you see Yerevan in 30 years?

I hope more smart urban development will have taken place in our capital, preserving the vibe of a warm and cosy city not overloaded with high buildings. At the same time, I hope our city will include more contemporary architecture. We must leave a trace of our epoch, but not copy the past.

#### Last but not least, what food would you recommend one try in Armenia?

A lot of Syrian and Lebanese Armenians have come here in recent years and have brought their traditions of Middle Eastern cuisine with them and have opened restaurants. Spring is lamb season, and several restaurants serve fantastic food featuring lamb. There's a stereotype that our cuisine is heavily meat-based. But I like vegetarian Armenian dishes very much. We have a lot of dishes made with spinach, bean soups, and yogurt soup, which is called *spas*. And I love the local fruit.

local ceramics, wooden musical instruments, and beautifully crafted chess boards. Established in the 1980s, the market stretches on for 350 metres and is open every day. The charismatic Armenian vendors will test your bargaining skills, while the abundance of goods is a real feast for the eyes.

1, 3 Buzand St.

#### Tumo Studios

This creative space is nestled in one of the most beautiful 20th-century mansions in Yerevan. Tumo is a non-profit educational project that allows young people to learn traditional crafts for free. Experts from all over the world are invited to work with the students and young masters. Here you'll find jewellery, textiles, ceramics, prints, and many other items that refer to traditional Armenian culture but are made with a contemporary twist.

38 Pushkin St. | [tumostudios.com](http://tumostudios.com)

#### Dalan

*Dalan* offers a wide selection of souvenirs from the best masters in Yerevan in boldly expressed Armenian style and craftsmanship. But it's much more than a souvenir shop. Pass through this jewel box-like setting and you'll find yourself in a cosy courtyard where wild grapes grow and a massive wall with ceramic plates provides the perfect background for a snapshot. There's also a dovecote full of doves and an open-air café. On the second floor is a restaurant styled like a living room and a modern exhibition space.

12 Abovyan St. | [dalan.am](http://dalan.am)

#### NOT TO MISS

The ruins of the 7th-century Zvartnots Cathedral near the Yerevan airport captivate the imagination. Noted for its unique circular form, it's a unique example of medieval Armenian architecture. Strolling around the remains of the imposing black columns with breathtaking views of Mount Ararat in the background is a truly unique experience.

Vagharshapat



# VABAMU

vabamu.ee

The permanent exhibition “Freedom Without Borders” speaks of occupation, resistance, freedom, and recovery. We educate and involve the people of Estonia and its visitors and encourage everyone to think about the recent past and to sense the fragility of freedom.

Currently on display is also the temporary exhibition “Escape the Kitchen!”, presenting and celebrating the history of Estonian women's movements over the past 150 years.

Toompea 8b, Tallinn  
Open Tues – Sun 10-18

## KGB PRISON CELLS

For almost half a century, Pagari 1 housed the headquarters of the NKVD, later known as the KGB, and its cellars were utilised for a long period as prison cells, the most notorious ones in Estonia. The KGB Prison Cell exhibition “History of the KGB House” speaks primarily of the crimes committed there.

Pagari 1 (entrance Pikk 59), Tallinn  
Open Tues – Sun 10-18





Words by Agnese Čivle  
Photos by Linda Lauva, Jānis Viksna, and Alens Opojskis

# INTO THE WOODS

For several years now, creative producer Gundega Skudriņa and her colleagues have been creating innovative, breathtaking stories about Latvian nature, delighting locals and visitors alike. In a conversation with *Baltic Outlook*, she reveals her feelings about why nature in Latvia is special and how to learn to experience a celebration.

Even the most experienced travellers like to share their enthusiasm about Latvian nature on social media. Surprisingly beautiful and meditative, the country’s natural environment captivates with its pureness and diversity. Latvia’s green pine forests, white sandy beaches, and dark blue lakes full of blooming water lilies in summer allow many to instantly disconnect from the negative aspects of everyday life and experience moments of being in the here and now with all their senses. Serene, fulfilled, blissful.

Creative producer Gundega Skudriņa, who heads the *Skudras Metropole* creative association, and designer Mārcis Ziemeņš of the design solutions company *Don’t Panic* have made it one of their guiding principles to help others reconnect with nature. And they are doing so with ambition. One of this partnership’s projects, called ‘Mirror House’, featured a unique accommodation suspended above the Amata River, while their one-of-a-kind man-made ‘Floating Island’ allowed guests to enjoy unforgettable sunsets and dinners in the middle of picturesque Mordanga Lake. It should be noted that a harmonious interaction between humans and nature is essential in all of these projects, which is why, for example, they are maintained using solar energy wherever possible and dismantled at the end of their life without leaving a single trace in the environment.

Both above-mentioned projects were part of the creative duo’s loudest and most internationally awarded project series, titled *Untamed Nights*, which continues this year. Last summer, they installed the breathtaking ‘Nature Gallery’ in a forest in the Kuldīga region of Latvia. There, guests partake in a special dinner session that delights with a meticulously planned scenario, art installations, and an inspiring location as well as an overnight stay in a unique revolving lodge. The specific location is only revealed to guests right before the event itself. But be sure of one thing: it includes plenty

of nature, plenty of creativity, and also plenty of the latest technologies.

Surprisingly, the creative duo’s Riga office, which is located on the 17<sup>th</sup> floor of a high-rise complex with breathtaking views of the Old Town, also embodies this essence of nature and sustainability. The chandelier once served as a bonfire base at one of the events Skudriņa and Ziemeņš organised. Other materials from their projects have also found a new life here. But one of the walls boasts a display of the numerous awards this duo has earned. Accolades from the influential Bea World Festival, Heavent Awards, and other events are still to be joined by

## The specific location is only revealed to guests right before the event itself

their latest trophies: the top prize from the Convrt Awards in New York and two gold honours from the Eventex Awards as well as the gold award and Grand Prix from the Revolution Awards.

This office is also where I meet Skudriņa, who is the driving force and most publicly visible part of *Untamed Nights*. In Latvia, she is often regarded as the embodiment of celebration; after all, she once published a guide to celebrating and enjoying life, in which she shared recipes and tips on the art of entertaining inspired by nature and the seasons. For many years, Skudriņa has also been involved in the creation of lifestyle programmes on television. As her interest in the field of event planning evolved, she and her team began to be known for their technologically advanced, nature-inspired gastronomic performances that focus particularly on presenting Latvian flavours in the form of a modern and engaging adventure.





One of the guiding principles for Gundega Skudriņa and Mārcis Ziemeņš is helping others reconnect with nature.

## Authenticity and soul lies in wildness, in untamedness

What do you think is the most unique thing about Latvian nature?

It's an authenticity that cannot be ignored. Humans can artificially create the most beautiful gardens, but authenticity and soul lies in wildness, in untamedness. Where else have you seen such a

beautiful coastline, along which you can walk for many kilometres and not meet another human being? Where else can you be completely alone in a beautiful forest? This is the edge that Latvian nature has. We here have grown up with it; it's unconsciously a part of us and in what we create.

You're often described as the embodiment of celebration, a 'party person'. But your projects are much more than celebrations or parties. Yes, I tend to be associated with celebration. And I don't mind, because I truly am a 'party person'. I love life, people, and events immensely. But as far as my field of work is concerned, it's best described as 'live communication events'. And events aren't always just celebrations in the usual sense.

Events can also be national events; product launches; presentations of brand strategies, goals, and achievements; and so on. Such events involve relationship building, communication, marketing, and public relations. The main tool for professionals in this field is their ability to see the big picture. That is, we need to constantly pay attention to the strategic big picture of world events.

What surprises you most in the world right now?

It never ceases to amaze me that the only thing that doesn't change is the fact that everything changes. Change is inevitable. Everything changes: geopolitically, politically, economically, and along with that, also our essence as humans and our systems of values.

If a few years ago someone had told me that, because of a pandemic, we would organise the 'Theatre on the Phone' [*a performance-based audio adventure that took place via telephone calls and involved five actors from different Latvian theatres – Ed.*] or 'Event in a Box' [*an interactive adventure allowing participants to witness the making of the new collection by the international brand Hugo Boss – Ed.*], I wouldn't have believed it! But we did, and we did so out of a necessity to adapt to the pandemic. Yes, it was very complicated and difficult, but that's not the point. The point is new experiences and continuous development.

How do you regard technology as an agent of change?

It's taking the lead and progressing – powerfully and at high speed. It's important that technology be led by smart people, in the right direction and with a sense of surplus value. But technology has also undeniably opened up unprecedented opportunities for people to collaborate, interact,



The 'Mirror House' project featured a unique accommodation suspended above the Amata River.

## Our team members are crazy, enthusiastic and passionate Latvian patriots

and implement projects on a global scale. For example, we're currently working on a major charity project for Ukraine, which, thanks to technology, can be carried out from a distance.

The number of prizes your creative association has won internationally in recent years is

truly remarkable. How has this made you see yourself and Latvia on a more global scale?

Until I had been on the other side of the ocean and across the seas, I probably didn't realise how many talented people there are in Latvia. There are brilliant professionals here working in many fields: as chefs, stage designers, designers, musicians, artists, etc. Every award we've won and every project we've been recognised for has involved the work of several Latvian companies – sometimes up to 50 Latvian companies have worked to create them. And our own team members are crazy, enthusiastic, passionate Latvian patriots. I want to underline this patriotism because, in my opinion, only a person who loves his or her country can do this job.





Last summer, Skudrina and Ziemins installed the breathtaking 'Nature Gallery' in a forest in the Kuldīga region of Latvia.



There guests partake in an engaging adventure that delights with a meticulously planned scenario.



Be prepared to discover Latvian flavours in the form of a modern and nature-inspired gastronomic performance.

The most captivating project series you've done recently is *Untamed Nights*. What does 'untamed' mean to us nowadays?

A very good question. I was winning awards for various 'untamed' projects and lecturing on the concept already a decade ago. At the time, I was seen as very strange. Now the same people are using the same methods in their own work. It seems that what used to be considered untamed or innovative has become the norm. So what is untamed now? It's still something that's opposite to the mainstream, something that provides an unprecedented, one-of-a-kind experience.

How did you arrive at the idea and implementation of *Untamed Nights*?

When the pandemic hit, we realised that we had to pull out and dust off those projects that we had dreamed about but hadn't done yet due to a lack of time, because we had been so busy

Often the events  
we create are  
absolute innovations

doing other things. We also realised it was time to create something that would bring a lasting benefit to Latvia.

So the first project we did was the levitating 'Mirror House' over the Amata River, followed by 'Unusual Nighttime Adventure on the 20<sup>th</sup> Floor' in Riga's urban environment. Then we did 'Floating Island' on Mordanga Lake, and now our latest project is 'Nature Gallery' on the shores of a lake in the Kuldīga district. Encompassing 2.6 hectares, this project is about environmental conservation, values, and climate change.

Often the events we create are absolute innovations. Because they're innovations, they have no precedent, and so we're forced to always look for unprecedented solutions. Mārcis Ziemīņš is an excellent designer, an artist who thinks technically, experiments, and excels at coming up with new methods. For example, 'Floating Island' was artificially created as an entire ecosystem gliding across the lake, complete with twelve varieties of trees, green grass, and a small glass house.

'Nature Gallery', your latest project in the *Untamed Nights* series, has made a particularly strong impression globally. What's

the formula behind its success?

'Nature Gallery' is a complex and innovative project that's truly a trailblazer in tourism. It has demanded a huge amount of time and energy from the team, but we believe it represents the future because it combines all the relevant factors in the sector: nature, the concept of biophilia, cultural events, gastronomy, design, and technology. All of this has come together in a contemporary and appreciated product – a product that has become our champion, having already won 12 awards in eight months. It also raises visitors' awareness of the importance of sustainability while at the same time educating them and giving them a sense of adventure.

'Nature Gallery' is an experience in nature for all the senses. It's a very special place where natural objects and phenomena interact with people. This experience also includes cultural events, such as contemporary poetry recited from up in the trees or a musical performance specially created for this site by composer Toms Mikāls. It also includes an augmented reality object by internationally renowned Latvian artist Gints Gabrāns that tells about climate change and is accompanied by poetry stories developed in collaboration with biotope scientists. The architecture and design is also beautifully integrated into nature. But the greatest work of art in all of this is nature itself. We only enhance or supplement nature; we do not interfere with it.

Simply being in nature is also a celebration – a celebration of life and all living things. But going back to man-made celebrations, I want to ask: why do we need celebrations at all? A human cardiogram, the line showing the heartbeat, goes up and down. We all have problems, dips, and potholes in our life, but if we don't have the ups to counteract them, we cannot endure the low points...or even the straight lines. Celebrations are the peaks, the high points; they kind of jerk us upwards.

When celebrating something, the most important thing is to find the right state of mind and surrender ourselves to feeling the emotions. There are various kinds of celebrations, and they all set something different vibrating in each one of us. For some, it's a soft, stirring note. For others, it's a much louder, stronger vibration.

Apart from all the current trends, what's the classic, lasting value of celebration? Celebration provides inspiration and joy.

RIX

SHOPPING

TREAT YOURSELF  
BEFORE OR  
AFTER THE  
FLIGHT

YOUR FAVOURITE SHOPS  
AND CAFES  
ARE WAITING FOR YOU  
AT RIGA AIRPORT!







'Floating Island' allowed guests to enjoy unforgettable sunsets in the middle of picturesque Mordanga Lake.



'The island was artificially created as an entire ecosystem gliding across the lake, complete with twelve varieties of trees and green grass,' says Skudrina.



Beautiful accommodation in nature is just one of the areas in which this creative duo works.

That hasn't changed. It's these special emotions that enrich us.

What is the scent of celebration?  
The aroma of human happiness.

Latvia has four seasons, and each of them gives a celebration its own seasonal character. How would you describe the essence of celebration in each season?

These four seasons enrich us, because they bring with them these ups and downs. If we're cold, we bundle up, come together, and take care of each other. If it's warm outside, we take off the layers, let go, and enjoy the sun, because we only have this warm weather for a short time, so we know how to appreciate the here and now. In autumn, we retreat into ourselves, into books, into education. This richness makes us unique,

### July has a warmth that invites us to wade barefoot in the sea

different from each other, and allows us to be more empathetic and multifaceted.

My favourite celebration is Christmas, when family and love come together. Spring celebrations make the 'sap of life' burst forth and intoxicate us with 50 shades of green. In summer, festivities sparkle and they're fragrant and joyful like a warm ray of sunshine. Autumn celebrations are more contemplative, with candles and the warmth of the soul.

What's a July celebration like?

In July, I don't expect the giddiness of springtime scents or the muted sentiment of autumn. July has a warmth that invites us to wade barefoot in the sea, across the meadows, and through the forests of Latvia. This, in turn, lets us ground ourselves in tranquillity and leisurely allow ourselves to simply be in this world. July is full-blooded, warm, and serene. **bo**

# Malta

Sun, sea and serenity.

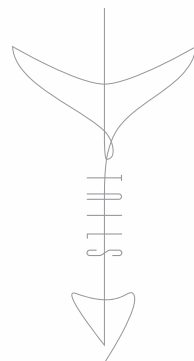






TAILS is a seafood restaurant with a unique new concept on Riga's gastronomic scene. Designed by London-based Studio Caché, the restaurant demonstrates a refined sense of aesthetics inspired by the Baltic Sea coast. The space boasts two areas: the classic dining room and a Raw Bar counter opposite the open kitchen, also known as the Chef's Table. The menu celebrates sea delicacies, from light crudo dishes to the house specialty: dry-aged fish that explores new depths of flavours and textures.

Antonijas 6A, Rīga [www.tails.lv](http://www.tails.lv)



Open since 2016, COD is the first restaurant in Latvia that offers high-end Japanese cuisine. Combining traditional recipes with modern cooking techniques, the menu revolves around robata-grilled dishes as well as the Chef's take on tataki, tempura and sushi. The restaurant is complemented by a cocktail lounge that serves a selection of beverages and signature cocktails designed to perfectly blend with COD's culinary creations.

鱈  
**COD**  
ROBATA GRILL BAR

Tērbatas 45, Rīga [www.cod.lv](http://www.cod.lv)



UNAGI INU serves Asian soul food in a relaxed and vibrant setting inspired by Japanese pop culture. Wall art and sculptures by talented local artists create a perfect backdrop for a diverse and fun dining experience. An array of dishes for all tastes and tummies awaits our guests, be it sushi, chirashi bowls, onigiri and bao or Japanese sweets. Do enjoy!

Jeruzalemes 10, Rīga [www.unagiinu.lv](http://www.unagiinu.lv)





Words by **Pavlo Fedykovich**  
Photos by *iStock* and *Unsplash*

# BEACH HOLIDAYS

Beach season is officially on, and Europe has wonderful destinations to offer. The coastlines of Croatia, France, Malta, and Italy tempt visitors with blue Mediterranean waters, wonders of the ancient world, culinary adventures, and unique hotel experiences. Whether you want to spend the whole day lounging on the beach or you're an active explorer type who can't stop discovering, these places offer something for everyone.

The Promenade des Anglais in Nice is considered one of the most spectacular seaside promenades in the world.



Photo by John Jason (Unsplash)





Few sights in Nice can rival the Old Port with its pastel-coloured buildings and boats of all sizes.



◀ Narrow streets lined with charming restaurants and artisan shops are the hallmark of the Côte d'Azur.

▼ St. Paul de Ville, a famous hilltop village in Nice's hinterland, was a favourite destination for painters such as Chagall, Picasso, and Matisse.



collection of the artist's work. Go to MAMAC for the crème-de-la-crème of contemporary art.

Gourmands rejoice, because Nice is a feast! Cuisine Nissarde is an enticing blend of Mediterranean, Alpine, Italian, and French food. For the favourite local street food, try *socca*, a flatbread made with chickpea flour (head to *Chez Thérèse* for your first socca). Then there's the world-famous *salade niçoise*, a staple consisting of Mediterranean garden vegetables mixed with tuna. *Le pan bagnat* (basically salade niçoise in a bun), *pissaladière* (a pizza-like anchovy tart), and well-known *ratatouille* (which originated in Nice) are also worthy of your full foodie attention.

Nice's strategic location between the sea and the mountains ensures a variety of rewarding day trips. Head to Villefranche-sur-Mer and Antibes for the idyllic French Riviera resort-town experience. Find hilltop village bliss and art galleries in magnificent St. Paul de Ville. And finally, the glitz of Monaco lies just an easy EUR 1.50 public bus trip from Nice's city centre.



Nice's strategic location between the sea and the mountains ensures a variety of rewarding day trips.

Fly to  
**Nice**  
from  
**€99**  
one way

## NICE, FRANCE

### The authentic charm of the French Riviera

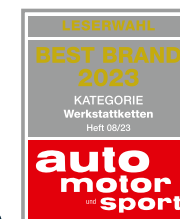
Nice has many layers. In the collective imagination, it's often presented as a chic Côte d'Azur destination with ultra-luxurious hotels, fine-dining restaurants, and exclusive beach clubs. All of that is true, but there's another side of Nice, too – that of an authentic southern French port town with a charming terracotta-coloured historical centre, family-run trattorias, and glorious sandy beaches accessible to all.

You're guaranteed to start and end your days on the Promenade des Anglais. This seven-kilometre-long boardwalk is easily among the most spectacular seaside promenades in the world. Grab a bicycle using the city-run *Vélobleu* rental

and feel the pleasant sea breeze on your face while riding along the promenade. You'll pass the many urban beaches, the iconic *Le Negresco Hotel* built in 1912, the postcard-perfect Old Town, and the palatial 19th-century Villa Masséna. For the best view of the city, head to the Mont Boron observation point.

But it's not only the beaches and the superb architecture that make a visit worthwhile; Nice is an important stop for world-class art, too. The Musée Matisse has an extensive collection of works by the French painter who spent almost half of his life in the city. Another address to check out is the Musée National Marc Chagall, officially the world's largest

# Your partner for safe and pleasant road trips!

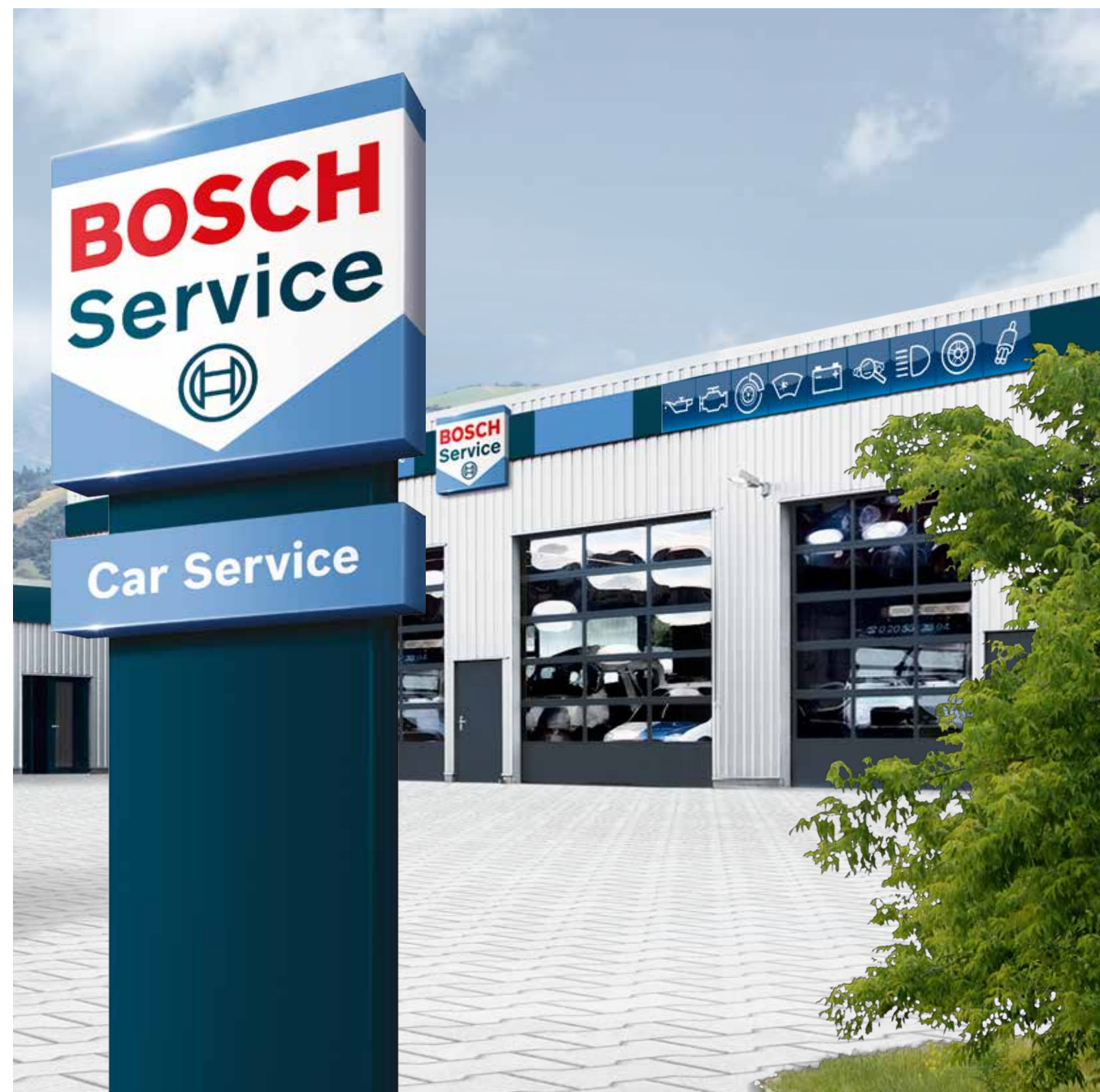


(„auto motor und sport“, edition 08/2023)

[www.boschcarservice.lv](http://www.boschcarservice.lv)

[www.boschcarservice.lt](http://www.boschcarservice.lt)

[www.boschcarservice.ee](http://www.boschcarservice.ee)





Mount Etna can be easily reached from magnificent Taormina.



Fans of the HBO series *The White Lotus* may recognise Taormina's awe-inspiring landscapes from the show's second season.



Fly to  
**Catania**  
from €115  
one way

## CATANIA, ITALY

### An unforgettable travel experience

Once you've visited Sicily, you're addicted to this island for life. It's a sometimes cacophonous yet beautiful symphony of flavours, colours, and views. Catania is a perfect place to make your acquaintance with this spectacular island, the largest in the Mediterranean Sea. Much like the lava spewing once in a while from the Etna volcano, Catania oozes visceral energy. Tame it and you'll have a superb Italian vacation.

Baroque is everywhere in Catania, the second-biggest city on the island. The story of this city is one about destruction and restoration. The 1693 Sicily earthquake tore much of the

town centre apart, but it was brought back to brilliance by the architectural genius of Sicilian architects such as Giovanni Battista Vaccarini. The Duomo – the cathedral constructed in 1736 – is a must-visit sight to admire the Baroque grandeur. But be sure to visit other local architectural icons as well, such as the gorgeous 19<sup>th</sup>-century Teatro Massimo Bellini (the composer was born in Catania), the well-preserved Roman Amphitheatre, and the medieval Ursino Castle. The Giardino Bellini is an unmissable public garden with picturesque stairs and photogenic landscaped grounds.



The Baroque style is everywhere in Catania.

Photo by Mateusz Butkiewicz (Unsplash)



Sicily is a beautiful symphony of flavours, colours, and views.

When in Catania, you're on the marvellous east coast of Sicily. The first major day trip to do here is Etna National Park – a truly bucket-list kind of journey. Seeing the crater of an active volcano up close is something utterly incredible. Moreover, the park is filled with scenic hiking trails and wineries growing grapes in volcanic soils, so you'll have plenty of things to do.

Another highlight of the region is magical Taormina. Fans of the HBO series *The White Lotus* may recognise its awe-inspiring landscapes from the second season of the show. Taormina is where the tall mountains and azure waters dance together; it's a masterpiece of human-nature interaction. In summer, you can combine a visit to the hilltop Old Town with some time on the beach, thus profiting from the irresistible aesthetic of one of the most striking corners of Europe.

# Split

Experience the perfect blend of history and coastal bliss!



**CROATIA**  
Full of life

**airBaltic**





Gozo's Blue Hole is a great place for diving, snorkelling, and swimming.



Photo by Mukalo Studio (Unsplash)

Malta has a rich architectural history with cultural influences from around the world.



Maltese beaches are well known for having crystal-clear waters.

Photo by Nick Fewings (Unsplash)

but a rental car is the best option for hassle-free exploration. Right in the heart of Valletta's Old Town, *Casa Ellul* is a fine boutique hotel in a renovated townhouse where you can feel the full charm of the capital. *The Embassy* is another awesome Valletta choice with a panoramic rooftop pool and slick design. *Il-Bàrraġ Farmhouse B&B* on Gozo allows for an authentic rewind in a picturesque location.

Being situated at the crossroads of the Mediterranean has given Maltese cuisine a special fusion flare. Italian, French, Arabic, and British influences abound in mouthwatering local meals. *Stuffat tal-fenek* (a traditional rabbit stew) is an essential meal you shouldn't miss. You'll also love such seafood staples as fried *lampuki* (Malta's favourite fish), *stuffat tal-qarnit* (octopus stew), and *klamari mimlija* (stuffed calamari). Ricotta-filled *pastizzi* pastry reigns supreme among street snacks.



Fly to  
**Malta**  
from **€119**  
one way

## MALTA

### An endless summer paradise

Small but proud, Malta has got the looks of a Mediterranean daydream. The country is comprised of three islands – Malta, Gozo, and Comino – which are well-connected by ferries. Here, waves hug rocky bays and pebble beaches, winds travel through the silent ruins of ancient temples, and the sun warms up the winding streets of seaside towns full of glorious history. With 300 days of sunshine a year, Malta can be your tranquil escape, active outdoor retreat, nightlife-first destination, inspirational journey in time, or all these things combined.

When summer arrives, the best thing to do in this island nation is to head straight to the beaches. Thankfully, you've got some of the most unspoiled and picturesque ones in the whole of Europe here. On Comino, jump (preferably from a boat) into the turquoise waters of the Blue Lagoon. Golden Bay on the northwestern coast is the most revered sandy beach destination in the country. Head to Dwejra Bay on the island of Gozo for heavenly snorkelling, and don't miss the red sands of Ramla Bay for inspired sunbathing.

The tiny size of Malta allows for more flexibility in choosing where to stay. You can easily get around by taxi,

# TARZĀNS

## ADVENTURE PARKS



WWW.TARZANS.LV  
☎ +371 27001187



## SIGULDA ATTRACTIONS

Address: Peldu iela 1, Sigulda



Toboggan Track 400m



Chairlift



Bumper boats



KIDS safari park



KIDS Go-karts



KIDS Driving School



Tube Sliding



Trampoline park



Bouncy castles



Catapult



Shooting Range



Bungee Trampolines

## Net Park



## Rope Park

11 TRACKS | 140 OBSTACLES | 1,1 km ziplines



## JŪRMALA

ROPE PARK  
NET PARK

7 TRACKS | 98 OBSTACLES  
Address: Dzintari Forest Park



## LIEPĀJA

ROPE PARK  
NET PARK

8 TRACKS | 109 OBSTACLES | 300m ZIPLINE  
Address: 8 Libiešu street, Liepāja



Address: Jūrmalas parks, Liepāja

## DAUGAVPILS

ROPE PARK  
NET PARK

9 TRACKS | 102 OBSTACLES  
Address: Dzintaru street 76



## TĒRVETE

ROPE PARK  
NET PARK

8 TRACKS | 105 OBSTACLES  
Address: Tērvetes sils



Safety by Kanopeo







This region has lots of secluded places for swimming.

'Epic' is a great adjective to describe Dubrovnik.



Fly to  
**Dubrovnik**  
from **€105**  
one way

## DUBROVNIK, CROATIA

A picture-perfect Adriatic oasis

'Epic' is a great adjective to use for Dubrovnik. White-rock mountains tower over this sublime town, the red of the rooftops contrasts with the azure blue of the Adriatic Sea, and every picture you take turns out beautiful. No wonder it played King's Landing in HBO's *Game of Thrones*, becoming a mecca for fans hunting down locations from the series. But Dubrovnik is much more than that; it's one of the most striking Mediterranean cities and definitely a must-visit.

To get the best sense of the local epicness, take the cable car to the observation deck above the city.

As you ascend, expect numerous breathtaking moments. The panorama of the UNESCO-protected town centre and the Elaphiti Islands in the distance is the one you'll remember forever. At the top, have a coffee with a vista or opt for the more extreme pastime of ziplining.

With its stunning looks, Adriatic beaches, and *Game of Thrones* fame, summer in Dubrovnik gets pretty busy, sometimes even intense. That in no way means you need to change plans; just opt for less-frequented routes. You can't miss the top sights, though, such as the medieval stone walls encompassing the Old Town. Get there



If your Mediterranean fantasy features sapphire waters and medieval city walls, Croatia ticks all the boxes.

Photo by Derek Sutton (Unsplash)



Dubrovnik was a major filming location for *Game of Thrones*.

early to avoid the crowds and enjoy the fantastic views of the city and the sea. West Harbour is an ultra-picturesque bay that was prominently featured on *Game of Thrones*. Stroll along the main promenade, called Stradun, to feel the vibrant beat of this Croatian jewel.

When it comes to eating out and coffee breaks, go deeper into the Old Town to find more tranquil and authentic spots. Dubrovnik has lots of backstreets that are a pleasure to get lost in. Explore them to find your perfect spot. *Barba* is a budget-friendly seafood-only gem for a hearty grilled lunch just off Stradun; *Marco Polo* serves excellent Croatian food in a quaint courtyard setting; and *D'Vino* is a prime address for wine lovers. Sunsets are special in this city, and why not admire them with a cocktail in hand straight from the *Bard Mala Buža* bar dramatically set on the rocks under the city walls? **bo**



# RIGA FC

## starts its 6<sup>th</sup> European campaign

**Riga Football Club** is the three-time Latvian champion founded in 2014 in Riga, Latvia! This is by far the most ambitious sports club in Latvia! **RIGA FC** plays its home game at legendary Skonto stadium and have big training centres in Mežaparks and Piņķi (near Jurmala). **RIGA FC** has won Latvian Highest league in 2018, 2019 and 2020, and in 2019 also won the Latvian cup! **RIGA FC** has big experience in UEFA tournaments and has the goal to compete in group stages on one of the biggest European club tournaments.

**RIGA FOOTBALL CLUB**  
in European tournaments

G	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD
27	11	7	9	31	28	+3



## SKONTO STADIUM

Location: **E. Meļņaiļa 1a, Riga, Latvia** | Capacity: **7700**

RIGA FC  
home fixtures  
**JULY 2023**  
SKONTO stadium  
Riga, Latvia

July 4<sup>th</sup>  
20:30



OPTIBET  
Virslīga

July 8<sup>th</sup>  
20:00



OPTIBET  
Virslīga

July 13<sup>th</sup>  
20:00



1<sup>st</sup>  
Qualifying Round

July 30<sup>th</sup>  
20:00



OPTIBET  
Virslīga

\*August 3<sup>rd</sup>  
20:00



2<sup>nd</sup>  
Qualifying Round

\*If Riga FC wins in the first round

**WWW.RIG AFC.LV**



**VISIT**  
**RIGA FC**  
**FAN CLUB**  
**SHOP**

**SHOP.RIG AFC.LV/EN**





# THE MAGIC OF A LATVIAN SUMMER

Even the most experienced travellers admit that summer in Latvia is magical. This is especially true of the country’s pristine nature, where every step unveils beautiful landscapes and serene scenes. Nature photographer Jānis Zilvers reveals some of his most unforgettable moments from his Latvian summers.

Words and photos  
by Jānis Zilvers  
([janis-zilvers.com](http://janis-zilvers.com))



One of the most beautiful natural events in Latvia is the deer rut, which takes place at the end of summer. Here I captured an image of a young red deer – everything is still ahead of him.





▲ I took this photo at my country house, which I would never trade for a concrete jungle. This image captures an early summer morning and the magical mist that has formed over the pond. Such moments are to be savoured by sitting on the banks of a body of water and just listening to the birds singing and the dragonflies buzzing.

◀ If you're in the eastern region of Latgale, it'd be a sin to pass by one of its natural wonders – Čortoks. The lake, which also goes by the names Čertoks and Velnezers (Devil's Lake), is located 12 kilometres from the town of Aglona. Its water is an unusual shade of green that appears very clear and deeply mystical. The people living nearby tell many mystical stories about this lake. When I arrived, I found its waters gently undulating, although I had imagined it would be as smooth as a mirror.



# Focus on your core business

while Leinonen takes care of:

- Financial accounting
- Payroll accounting
- Tax issues
- Legal matters

## Accounting, Payroll, Tax & Legal since 1989



**LEINONEN**

[www.leinonen.eu](http://www.leinonen.eu)

### Latvia

Leinonen SIA  
Vilandes iela 3, LV-1010  
+ 371 6732 3901  
[contact@leinonen.lv](mailto:contact@leinonen.lv)

### Lithuania

Leinonen UAB  
V. Gerulaičio 10-101, 08200  
+370 5237 5040  
[contact@leinonen.lt](mailto:contact@leinonen.lt)

### Estonia

Leinonen OÜ  
Põhja pst. 25, 10415  
+ 372 6117 700  
[contact@leinonen.ee](mailto:contact@leinonen.ee)





Early summer mornings in the Latvian countryside are very idyllic. This was one of them, which I spent wandering through pristine Gauja National Park to document wildlife. This is the largest and oldest national park in Latvia. Here you'll discover a diverse world of plants and animals, mysterious caves, the winding Gauja River, and also ancient castles and manor houses.

# Jūrmala Festival

July 15-23

2023



INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

The project is co-financed by REACT-EU funding for mitigating the consequences of the pandemic crisis.



15.07. 22:00 Small Hall

## Night Concert. Meditation on Beethoven

Matthew Barley (UK), cello  
Reinis Zariņš, piano



16.07. 4:45 Dzintari Beach

## Sunrise Concert

Ivetā Apkalna, organ  
Enjoy the concert either on beach or on water, arriving with your own boat. Entrance to the concert is free.



16.07. 20:00 Great Hall

## Baiba Skride and the Latvian National Symphony Orchestra

Baiba Skride, violin  
Diāna Jaunzeme-Portņaja, organ  
Latvian National Symphony Orchestra  
Conductor Jānis Liepiņš



17.07. 20:00 Great Hall

## A Concert Performance of the Opera "Notre-Dame de Paris"

Composer Zigmars Liepiņš  
Director Dita Lūriņa-Egliena  
Conductor Mārtiņš Ozoliņš  
Ilze Grēvele-Skaraine (Esmeralda)  
Dons (Quasimodo)  
Edgars Ošleja (Claude Frollo)  
Jūrmala Festival Orchestra  
Jūrmala Festival Choir



18.07. 20:00 Great Hall

## A Concert Performance of the Opera "Notre-Dame de Paris"

Composer Zigmars Liepiņš  
Director Dita Lūriņa-Egliena  
Conductor Mārtiņš Ozoliņš  
Ilze Grēvele-Skaraine (Esmeralda)  
Dons (Quasimodo)  
Edgars Ošleja (Claude Frollo)  
Jūrmala Festival Orchestra  
Jūrmala Festival Choir



19.07. 20:00 Great Hall

## Ksenija Sidorova and the Liepāja Symphony Orchestra

Ksenija Sidorova, accordion  
Liepāja Symphony Orchestra  
Conductor Guntis Kuzma



20.07. 20:00 Great Hall

## Born in Latvia

Ksenija Sidorova, accordion  
Baiba Skride, violin  
Aleksandrs Antoņenko, tenor,  
and the young talents: Elizabete Gulbe, harp  
Brigita Čirkše, soprano  
Mafiss Žilinskis, piano  
Jūrmala Festival Orchestra  
Conductor Ainārs Rubiķis



21.07. 20:00 Great Hall

## Three Osokins

Sergey Osokin, piano  
Andrey Osokin, piano  
Georgy Osokin, piano  
Jūrmala festival orchestra



22.07. 20:00 Great Hall

## Broadway Night

Rodney Earl Clarke (UK)  
Katie Birtill (UK)  
Aimie Atkinson (UK)  
Jūrmala Festival Orchestra  
Conductor Robert Purvis (UK)



23.07. 20:00 Great Hall

## Gala Concert. The Most Beautiful Opera Arias

Aleksandrs Antoņenko, tenor  
Inga Kalna, soprano  
Dorothee Bienert, mezzo-soprano (Germany)  
Jānis Apeinis, baritone  
Jūrmala Festival Orchestra  
Conductor Andriy Yurkevičs (Ukraine)

www.jurmala festival.com





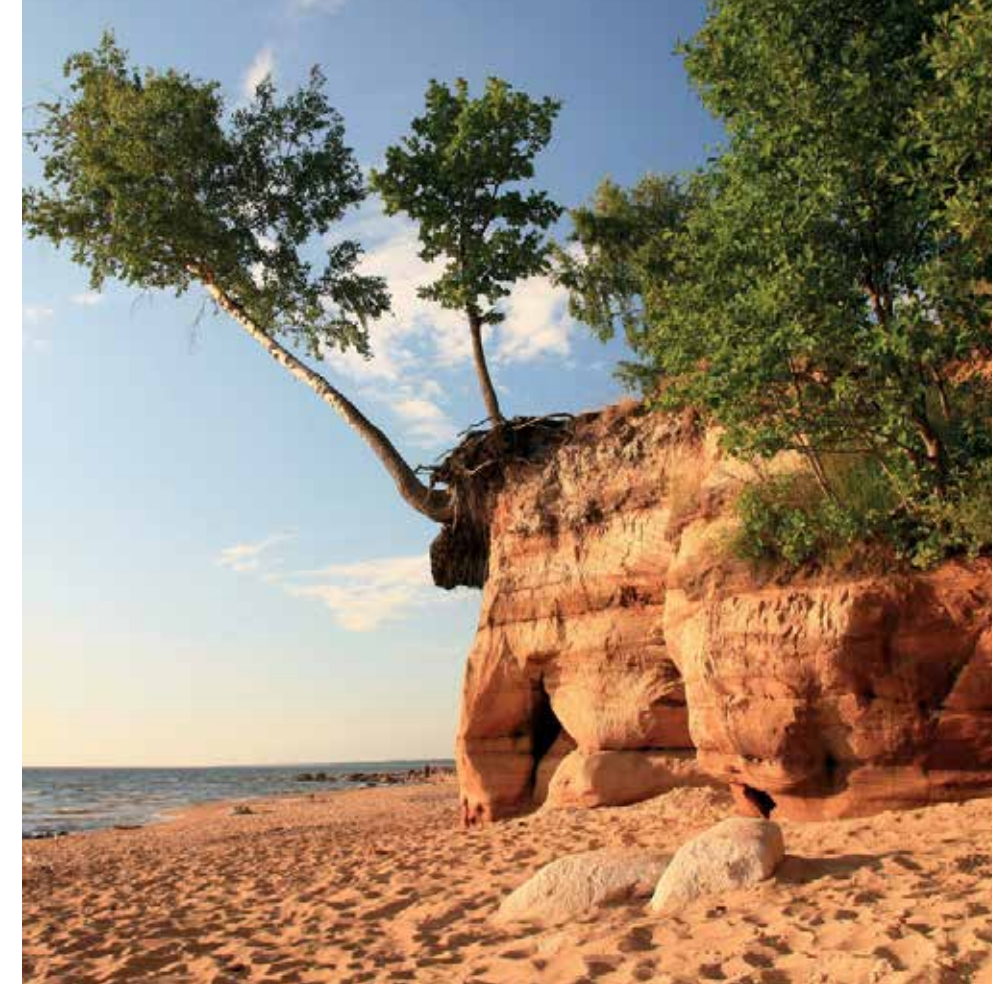
▲ Kazugrava is an unusual geological site in Latvia, hidden in the middle of the forest in Gauja National Park in Priekule municipality. Here you'll find impressive rock outcrops, caves, and a cascading waterfall. It's a wonderful place where you may even feel like you're on another planet.

◀ I often plan out how I want a picture to look, or maybe I've even dreamt of a certain image. And sometimes it comes true. I really wanted to take a picture of a deer in a meadow of wildflowers, but I didn't expect it to happen so quickly. Driving along a country road, I spotted a roe deer doe grazing in a meadow. But as soon as I stopped my car, she ran away. Fortunately, I know a little about the language of animals, so I used a special whistle to lure the curious lady back into the meadow.

# Limbažu novads

Limbaži region may be small, but the personalities that come from here are big. The landscape is diverse – coastline, lakes, rivers, swamps, seaside meadows, forests.

And the cultural and historical heritage has a place of honour. Baumaņu Kārlis, the author of the Latvian National Anthem "God Bless Latvia", was born here.



## To explore, see, hear, enjoy, feel and taste more

We kindly invite you to celebrate and experience a variety of events and traditions during the 800th anniversary celebration of Limbaži city from July 29th – August 6th.



[www.visitlimbazi.lv](http://www.visitlimbazi.lv)





airBaltic flies to  
**Riga**  
from  
more than  
70 destinations!

Flights  
from **€33**  
one way

Look for prices with  
cherries on [airbaltic.com](http://airbaltic.com)

▲ More than 370 species of wild birds have currently been recorded in Latvia. Among them are nine species of woodpeckers. Woodpeckers are relatively easy to capture with a camera, because their drumming against a tree is quite conspicuous.

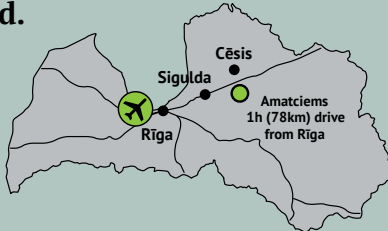
◀ Many people are surprised to learn that orchids can be found in Latvia's forests and meadows. In fact, 32 species of orchids grow in the wild in Latvia, 26 of which are listed in the Latvian Red Data Book. The best way to see them is on nature trails, because there are signs and species descriptions. Many of our orchids are at peak bloom in early July. This gorgeous yellow lady's-slipper orchid is one of the most unique plant species I have come across in Latvia.



Choose the best place  
for your dream house!

*Amatciems*

A picturesque village nestled in the scenic Cēsis District in Latvia, known for its harmonious architectural design. Already 100 houses are built and inhabited.



**Smart Technologies:**

- Security Barriers
- Fibre Optic Internet
- Remote-Controlled Heat Pump
- Video Surveillance
- Smart Living app

**On-demand Services:**

- Home Cleaning
- Technical Security
- Electric Vehicle Charging
- Home Maintenance and Repairs
- Gardening and Lawn Maintenance

**Communal Services:**

- Central Water Supply, Sewage, and Electricity
- Hotel, Restaurant, Swimming Pool and SPA Complex
- Rental Houses
- Street Lighting
- Road Cleaning and Maintenance
- Walking Trails and Bridges
- Waste Sorting
- 259 kW Solar Park



[laura@amatciems.lv](mailto:laura@amatciems.lv)

+371 29 176 436

[amatciems.lv](http://amatciems.lv)



Words by Olga Dolina  
Photos by Yiorgos Kordakis and  
Ioanna Roufopoulou

# AN AEGEAN DREAM

**In this harmonious Greek villa, contemporary and timeless design inspired by the beauty of Greek marine landscapes offers an idyllic summer escape.**

The enchanted Cycladic island of Syros lies a two-and-a-half hour ferry ride southeast of Athens and has a vivid cultural vibe. Framed by idyllic seaside panoramas and state-of-the-art villas, Syros is a real gem of the Aegean Sea and was once the home of the philosopher Pherecydes, the teacher of Pythagoras. Its cosmopolitan port and capital Ermoupoli charms visitors with elegant marbled streets, Neoclassical-style buildings, and old mansions.

The views of the untamed landscape and sea inspired the Athens-based *Block722* architecture studio to design the Syros I vacation house for a couple and their frequent guests. Uninterrupted views of Plagia Bay are the focal point for the whole deconstructed rectangular structure, which has large-scale openings on all sides. The layout, construction techniques, and materials of the villa together create a smooth dialogue with the region's traditions.



◀ The architects took photos of the hills and sea to create a mood board that defined the villa's colours and concept. The strong wind on Syros, for its part, influenced the architecture. Sheltered corners serve as nooks for cosy outdoor relaxation and also provide shade from the blistering sun.

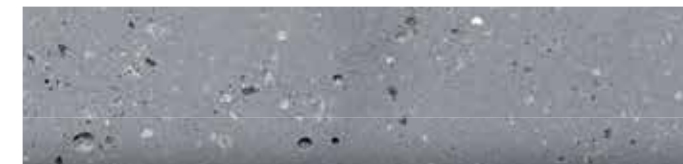
▲ The perfect angle was found to make the pool, horizon, and sea melt into each other. The terrace roof is made from chestnut-wood beams and reeds. United under a slab roof, the common areas sit under the main volume, while the private zone is nestled in the slightly higher volume covered in local masonry.





▲ The open-plan living room with lounge, kitchen, and dining areas forms the heart of the house. This is where everyone meets, relaxes, and enjoys the views. The outdoors are invited indoors via the large windows that frame the sea like a painting.

► In the master bedroom, the bespoke towel stand near the massive stone bath is made of chestnut. The four guesthouses are located in opposite parts of the site, while those located under the master bedroom have a private entrance and can be rented out.



In the heart of Tallinn Old Town, Restaurant FARM and café-bakery Rukis offer modern Estonian cuisine made from organic ingredients that are gathered from Estonian forests, fields and farmers.



EST. RUKIS 2014  
KOHVITOOL-PAKARITOL

Café-bakery Rukis  
Viru 11, Tallinn  
[rukis.ee/eng](http://rukis.ee/eng)

RESTAURANT FARM 2014  
ESTONIAN MODERN CUISINE

Restaurant FARM  
Müürivahe 27B, Tallinn  
[restaurant.farm/eng](http://restaurant.farm/eng)



RIX

# SHOP & COLLECT



SHOP AT ANY OF THE ATU DUTY FREE STORES



LEAVE YOUR PURCHASE AT THE STORE



ENJOY YOUR TRIP AND COLLECT WHEN YOU RETURN



THIS SERVICE IS AVAILABLE ONLY FOR PASSENGERS TRAVELLING WITHIN THE EU





◀ The owner is a creative spirit and a world traveller, so the house is decorated with artefacts and accessories he has brought back from his trips. The stones and gravel incorporated into the outdoor areas, fireplaces, and floors were collected during the excavation work.



▲ The colour palette reflects the landscape: the linens and cushions feature blues and greens, while browns are found in the custom-designed teak dining table and kitchen cupboards. The raw natural materials of stone and wood dictate the style, while most of the items in the house are made by Greek craftsmen. **bo**

# Nākotnei ir jābūt zaļākai!

## Parūpējies par savu energoneatkarību!

ATRADĪSIM SAULES ENERĢIJAS RISINĀJUMU KATRAM!

SAZINIES!  
Kopā izvēlēsimies  
piemērotu  
modeli

## PAŅEM LĪDZI ENERĢIJU!

Piedāvājam **ECOFLOW**  
pārvietojamos akumulatorus  
un saules ģeneratorus



# beGreener

SAULES PANEĻU TIRDZNIECĪBA UN MONTĀŽA

+371 29 207 855 +371 29 560 659 [begreener.lv](http://begreener.lv) [info@begreener.lv](mailto:info@begreener.lv)



# Neapolitan pizza in the centre of Riga



O'Sole Mio is an authentic Neapolitan pizza restaurant in the centre of Riga. We combine the best traditions of Neapolitan pizza and Italian hospitality.

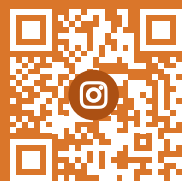
Our chef Alcide was born in Naples. He has more than 35 years of experience in preparing this traditional Italian dish. And now he shares the tradition of the best wood-fired Neapolitan pizza with the guests of O'Sole Mio pizzeria.



Every morning we select the freshest ingredients – quality products and a love for our craft make our pizzas especially delicious. And both Latvians and Italians love our pizzas. Visit O'Sole Mio after 7-8 PM, and you will hear Italian music and Italian guests talking.



Riga, Dzirnavu iela 72  
+371 27 303 032  
[www.osolemio.lv](http://www.osolemio.lv)



## mīkla BAKERY

*MĪKLA bakery starts its work with the first rays of light, so that when you come for your morning coffee, we are able to offer the most aromatic and fresh bread, almond croissants and cinnamon buns.*



**Milla Kvartāls**  
42 Dzirnavu iela, Rīga



## BREAD & COFFEE



**Grand Hotel  
Kempinski**  
22 Aspazijas bulvaris, Rīga



*We recently opened a new bakery in Old Riga, in the Grand Hotel Kempinski Riga, which can be entered from Vaļņu iela. To convey the spirit of Old Riga, unique cakes and pastries that cannot be found anywhere else are baked here. So, if you are a real explorer, check out both places and find the key to the fresh and tasty life.*

+371 25 778 333  
[www.miklabakery.lv](http://www.miklabakery.lv)





# EXPLORE LATVIA AND EXPLORE DAUGAVPILS FORTRESS

Visit this Napoleon-era fortification while  
spending your holidays in Latvia



Daugavpils Fortress is a unique cultural and historical architectural monument of national importance with a total area of 150 hectares, and it is located only two kilometres from the historical centre of Daugavpils, Latvia's second-largest city. The fortress, built between 1810 and 1878, is considered to be the last constructed bastion-type fortress in the world without any significant alterations since the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. It is estimated that 85% of all the fortifications have remained in their initial condition and form up to the present day. This makes Daugavpils Fortress one of the most popular tourist attractions in eastern Latvia.

Construction of the fortress began in 1810 and resumed immediately after the French-Russian War of 1812. The fortress could accommodate up to 6000 soldiers and became the base for a Russian garrison until the First World War. Between 1920 and 1940, the fortress served as a home for the Latvian Army. During the Second World War, the Nazis established the 'Stalag 340' POW camp in the fortress. The Jewish ghetto was located at the bridgehead, on the left bank of the Daugava River, where Jews from the surrounding region were placed in 1941. From 1948 to 1994, Daugavpils

Fortress was home to the Daugavpils Higher School of Military Aircraft Engineering. Now a residential part of the city, more than 1000 people are officially registered as living inside the fortress walls.

Today, the area is open to the public, and the fortress infrastructure and buildings are undergoing dynamic development in conjunction with reconstruction and restoration processes. One of these buildings, for instance, is the Water Supply House, where the Daugavpils Fortress Culture and Information Centre is located. The centre offers a wide range of information on the history of the fortress, current events, and development plans. Book a guided tour of the fortress and shop for some souvenirs here as well.

The former Artillery Arsenal now houses the Daugavpils Mark Rothko Art Centre, which is a multifunctional hub of contemporary art and the only place in Eastern Europe where visitors can explore the works of Mark Rothko (1903–1970), the world-renowned Daugavpils-born American artist and master of abstract expressionism and colour-field painting. Nearby stands the restored Powder Magazine, where the work of well-known Latvian ceramist Pēteris Martinsons (1931–2013) and other artists is exhibited.

In addition, the Engineers' Arsenal recently underwent a restoration. Expositions of engineering and industrial design as well as antique cars, motorbikes, mopeds, and household items from the past are now open at the arsenal. Daugavpils Fortress also features art galleries and private collections of militaria from the First World War, medicine-related items, cars, and items from Soviet times. Visitors can follow thematic routes to observe and explore parts of the site's external fortifications.

Daugavpils Fortress hosts a variety of events. For example, it organises special events every year for the European Night of Museums in May and also for European Heritage Days in early September. In July, it hosts the biggest festival of living history in the Baltic region dedicated to the Napoleonic era; this year, more than 180 reenactors from eight European countries will take part in the festival, which will be held on July 14–15. A flea market also takes place on the first Saturday of every month (except in winter).

There is a variety of entertainment and educational facilities available in the fortress on a permanent basis that can accommodate the needs and interests of people of all ages. Families enjoy taking strolls in Daugavpils Fortress, and the area is also a beloved site for photoshoots. There is truly something to see and explore for everyone!

To get to Daugavpils from Riga, catch a train from the Riga Central Railway Station; the journey takes three to three-and-a-half hours. From the Daugavpils city centre, the fortress can easily be reached on foot, by bicycle, or by tram or bus.

**Daugavpils Fortress Culture & Information Centre**  
Nikolaja iela 5, Daugavpils  
Phone: +371 28 686 331  
Email: [cietoksnis@daugavpils.lv](mailto:cietoksnis@daugavpils.lv)  
Website: [visitdaugavpils.lv](http://visitdaugavpils.lv)  
FB: [Daugavpils.cietoksnis](https://www.facebook.com/Daugavpils.cietoksnis)



**Co-funded by  
the European Union**

This publication has been produced with financial support from the European Union. Its contents are the sole responsibility of Daugavpils City Government and do not necessarily reflect the views of the European Union. Within the framework of the LVIII-060 Heritage.lv project in the Cross-Border Cooperation Programme 2014–2020, Daugavpils Fortress along with Rundāle Palace Museum and Cēsaine Castle promotes heritage sites in the Latgale, Zemgale, and Vidzeme regions of Latvia. This is the publication highlighting Latgale.







The South Pier in Ventspils

# VISIT VENTSPILS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL COASTAL CITIES IN LATVIA!

**The city connects all the key elements  
for an active family vacation with the  
organic backdrop of the Baltic Sea**

The presence of the untamed Baltic Sea combined with a well-established infrastructure for active leisure and cultural escapes, as well as loads of activities for children, make Ventspils a desirable destination for those seeking a vivid and saturated summer vacation.

While Riga is known as the jewel of the Baltic Sea's Gulf of Riga, Ventspils is undoubtedly the gem of the coast on the open sea. At its heart is the one-of-a-kind combination of a rich history of Couronian fishing culture and warm hospitality. Not content to rely solely on its magnificent nature, over the last decades the city has flourished as a pleasant living environment and popular destination for tourists featuring a vast offering of sport and leisure activities, cultural attractions, cafes, and restaurants.

Historical buildings mingle with novel urban architecture and a modern port, making every inch of the city's cobblestoned streets worth seeing and exploring. Ventspils is filled with parks and colourful sculptures; in fact, 28 colourful cow sculptures can be found scattered throughout the urban environment. They are part of an international public art project called *Cow Parade*, which started in Zurich in 1998. It's a fun challenge to find and take a photo with every single one of them! The artistic atmosphere of the city can also be experienced inside its magnificent buildings – Ventspils has numerous museums and its own modern concert hall patriotically named *Latvija*, so make sure you check out the cultural programme before your visit.

Courland, the western region of Latvia, has its own unique cuisine, and the restaurants and cafes of Ventspils take full advantage of this by serving delicious regional foods and snacks you won't find anywhere else. If fish and seafood are up your alley, you'll find yourself in heaven in this coastal city with strong fishing traditions. However you like your fish – freshly grilled, smoked, pickled, salted or stewed – just name it, and Ventspils has it.

It would be hard to argue against Ventspils' main treasure being its beautiful coastal nature, featuring blustery and wild areas great for exploring as well as calm and sandy beaches perfect for swimming, relaxing and sunbathing. Ventspils' South Pier and promenade stretches the city landscape straight into the sea. It's a beautiful location for a long walk, for viewing romantic sunsets, or simply for meditatively watching as ships of all sizes slowly slip by as they



Large Square and  
the 'Latvija' Concert Hall



Livonian Order Castle



'Vizium' Science Centre



Ventspils  
Toboggan Track

enter or leave the harbour. 'Good' weather is not a requirement, however – when storms begin to gather, brave souls who do not fear the salty spray from waves crashing against the boulders of the jetty will be provided the humbling experience of realising just how tiny and insignificant we humans are compared to the power of Mother Nature.

Ventspils' Blue Flag Beach is the right destination for those seeking the relaxing healing powers of the holy trifacta of sun, sand and swimming. Refreshing drinks and snacks are just an arm's reach away in the cafes and restaurants right there on the beach, and if you feel ready for something more active, just head over to the adjacent beach volleyball and football courts available for both public use as well as scheduled tournaments that are always fun to watch. Back in 1999, this was the first beach in the Baltics to receive the prestigious Blue Flag certificate, and it is still proudly held today. Located within walking distance from the main tourist attractions, the Blue Flag Beach has been made accessible to all and is well-supervised and staffed with lifeguards for additional safety. Impressive sand dunes form naturally sheltered 'sun baths' – warm and cosy areas for lounging on days when the open beach is too windy for the likes of some. Kids will never be bored at the Blue Flag Beach thanks to the numerous playgrounds and climbing frames scattered throughout the 1.2 km of the beach park.

A visit to Ventspils is unimaginable without engaging in some of the city's various active outdoor leisure activities. Numerous walking and cycling trails, quiet fishing spots, and calm rivers

for kayaking are well-suited for the independent explorer who wants to be immersed in the sounds of nature. On the other end of the spectrum, adrenaline seekers will appreciate Ventspils' array of wake park, skatepark, airsoft, surfing, and paragliding opportunities.

Find yourself somewhere in the middle of these two poles? Travelling with children and worried that the above activities are too extreme? Don't worry, Ventspils has you covered with endless opportunities for kids that are also fun for adults. Water attraction parks, the VIZIUM science center, an observatory, and the vast outdoor playground known as Children's Town are only a few of the locations that your children will fall in love with and beg to stay 'for just five more minutes'... and after which a good night's sleep is guaranteed. Ventspils' deer park and mini zoo are also perfect for animal lovers of all ages.

If you have time to discover the Baltic Sea coast outside of Ventspils proper, the steep banks of Staldzene are a good destination for a day trip. Staldzene is an ancient fisherman village located on the outskirts of the city, and its steep 18-metre-high banks are the highest in Latvia. Due to natural erosion, the bank is slowly receding inland every year, making it a place you really should make time to visit while it's still there. And as if you need any more reason to go for a picturesque hike and picnic along the shore here, the banks and surrounds of Staldzene contain protected biotopes and various plant species that can be found only in the Ventspils region.

[ventsipils.lv](http://ventsipils.lv)  
[visitventsipils.com](http://visitventsipils.com)



# AN ARISTOCRATIC VACATION IN THE PALACES OF LATVIA

Enjoy your holidays in the castles, palaces, and manors in the Gauja National Park in Latvia



Birini Castle



Krimulda Manor



Mālpils Manor



Every local Latvian has their own story of Gauja National Park. Either it was where they went on a date with their first love, or where they took their first trip after getting their driver's license, or it's a family tradition to celebrate the beginning of autumn on the park's trails. Filled with unique nature and a diversity of flora and fauna, as well as more than 500 cultural and historical monuments, Gauja National Park serves as a marvellous vacation and recreational holiday spot for locals as well as visitors to Latvia.

Gauja National Park is one of the oldest national parks in the Baltics – this year it celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Formed more than 350 million years ago, the area evolved into its current shape through the action of glacial meltwater at the end of the Ice Age. The park encompasses the magical Gauja River, which, at 452 kilometres, is the longest river in Latvia. While back in the 13<sup>th</sup> century and Livonian times the Gauja River and its valley served as key infrastructure for trade and travel, it is now protected to preserve biological diversity, allowing visitors to experience untouched nature.

After exploring the vivid forests and the valley, it's time to enjoy the vast offering of the park's manors – never has it been so easy to teleport back to previous centuries and channel your inner duke or duchess! Horse riding, mouth-watering food, wine-tasting sessions, relaxing walks through castle gardens, luxurious massages, and cultural exhibitions are only part of the unforgettable experiences and recreational opportunities at the castles, palaces, and manors of Gauja National Park.

Each site has its own unique offering that lets visitors thoroughly relax and discover Latvia from a different perspective. The Neo-Gothic Birini Castle is famous for its Renaissance artefacts and is a gem for those delighted by historical stories, legends, and artistic surroundings. Boat rides on the nearby lakes, horseback rides in the park and an exquisite dining experience at the castle's restaurant are musts when diving into the majestic history here. To fully awaken your creativity, pay a visit to the park library and participate in a painting workshop!

Meanwhile, Krimulda Manor overlooks the breathtaking Gauja River valley and is located close to the only cable car connecting both banks of the Gauja. It's an exceptional destination for wine lovers and those seeking tranquillity, as the Neoclassical-style manor offers wine tastings and health and rejuvenation treatments to remember even long after your visit.

But for the most aristocratic experience, look no further than Mālpils Manor. It's no wonder this is one of the most popular wedding destinations in Latvia. The large collections of art, antique bicycles for rent, and hot air balloon flights, as well as the unique flavour experiences at the manor's restaurant, are only a few of the reasons to visit Mālpils Manor.

The variety of castles and manors does not end there. This summer, Gauja National Park invites you to listen in noble silence, travel back through the centuries, and discover the aristocratic beauty of all the manors in the region, including those that usually remain hidden from the standard tourist routes. Each has its own charm and magical atmosphere you will not be able to find elsewhere.

[entergauja.com](http://entergauja.com)

# Porto



Where history flows and magic unfolds!



 visit Portugal

airBaltic





Today, about 20 percent of the city – forests, parks, gardens, and various other plantings – are managed by the municipal company *Rīgas meži*.



*Rīgas meži* landscape architect  
Ligita Tomiņa

## A SUMMER PARADE OF FLOWER BEDS

Enjoy the magnificent flower oases created by *Rīgas meži* (Riga Forests), which delight the residents of Riga and visitors to the city all summer long.

Riga’s parks and gardens have witnessed many different eras and head gardeners, and have long been considered among the most beautiful in Europe. The greenery in Riga as seen today was largely designed by the great gardener and urban planner Georg Kuphaldt (1853–1938). He loved the lyrical, spacious, picturesque atmosphere of landscape parks and reflected it in his own work. Kuphaldt’s student, the landscape architect and landscape gardener Andrejs Zeidaks (1874–1964), continued his predecessor’s work, also creating new gardens and landscaping new areas in Riga.

Today, about 20 percent of the city – forests, parks, gardens, and various other plantings – are managed by the municipal company *Rīgas meži*, which this year has created more than 30 flower beds and about the same number of other arrangements, among them flower pyramids, vases, flower walls, and baskets. These can be seen in the city centre as well as neighbourhood parks and gardens, including Arkādijas Park, Grīziņkalns Park, Latgale Garden, Mežaparks, Uzvaras Park, Zemitāna Square, and Ziemeļblāzma Park.

‘Every day, as I walk through Riga’s parks and see how magnificently the summer flower beds are bursting into bloom, I’m already thinking about next

year,’ says Ligita Tomiņa, a landscape architect with *Rīgas meži* who designed and planned this year’s summer flower beds and plantings. The company’s team of gardeners and parks and gardens staff, for their part, were involved in the actual planting work.

‘Work on the beds and plantings begins already the previous summer, when we take stock of the upcoming season’s highlights and major events. This year, for example, a big focus is on the Latvian Song and Dance Festival. Once the theme of the plantings is known, we begin sketching and drawing on paper, selecting and purchasing plants, drawing the beds on site, carefully planning the logistics and deliveries of plants, and then finally planting,’ Tomiņa explains the process of creating the flower beds.

### Folk motifs

Most of this year’s *Rīgas meži* flower beds and plantings are dedicated to the 150th anniversary of the Latvian Song and Dance Festival, and therefore they feature traditional Latvian symbols, patterns, and motifs. For example, the circular bed at the centre of Vērmanes Garden is inspired by Latvian ethnography – it depicts the large shawl brooch typical of the folk costume from the Suieti region in western Latvia. The flower bed in Esplanāde Park

near the intersection of Brīvības bulvāris and Elizabetes iela reflects the colours and patterns found in the skirt of the folk costume from the Riga area; it also features the sun symbol, which is one of the main motifs in Latvian folklore.

Meanwhile, for several years now, patriotism and a sense of national belonging have been mirrored in the flower beds by the Freedom Monument, Riga Castle, and Independence Square. The maroon–white–maroon colours of the Latvian flag dominate these plantings and highlight the importance of these sites in the country’s history and also in the present day.

But alongside classical values and historical heritage, the contemporary aspect is also important for *Rīgas meži*. Anita Skudra, the chairperson of the board at the company, explains: ‘We preserve traditional, historical values in Riga’s parks and gardens, but we also add new accents. We strive to create a modern, sustainable, and colourful urban environment and plantings in the areas entrusted to us.’

Thus, for example, Kronvalds Park has a new flower bed this year designed by internationally renowned Latvian artist Elita Patmalniece. More precisely, one of her paintings has been transformed into a magnificent summer planting. With almost 5000 flowering plants, this is the newest and also one of the largest summer flower beds in Riga. ‘We’ve acquired a unique and unrepeatable work of art, as well as a valuable experience in working with the artist,’ says Skudra.

### The height of summer in July and August

The summer flower beds and plantings reach their peak in July and August. This is also the time when *Rīgas meži*’s Summer Flower Bed Parade takes place, at the end of which the creators and maintainers of the most beautiful beds are honoured. This year’s parade will be bigger than ever, because for the first time ever, plantings from all three Baltic capitals – Riga, Tallinn, and Vilnius – will compete for the most beautiful beds in each municipality. The panel of judges will also include experts from all three Baltic states.

This year, *Rīgas meži* has planted almost 50,000 flowering plants reflecting more than 200 different varieties in its plantings around the city. The most commonly used plants are dark red New Guinea impatiens (*Impatiens* ‘Magnum Dark Red’), white New Guinea impatiens (*Impatiens* ‘Sunpatiens Compact White’), and yellow French marigold (*Tagetes patula* ‘Alumia Vanilla Cream’). This year’s summer plantings also include several varieties of plants used in Riga for the first time: *Laurentia axillaris* ‘Mintaka Blue’, *Sedum anopetalum* ‘Green Ball’, tarragon marigold (*Tagetes lucida* ‘Anisata’), the *Argyranthemum frutescens* ‘Armanis Double White’ shrub, and others.

Flowers and plants bring joy to people as well as more biodiversity to urban spaces. Furthermore, the plantings created by *Rīgas meži* are also becoming more sustainable every year. For example, bedding concepts are being revised, including increasing the number of perennials and planning more summer flowers in places that receive more pedestrian traffic.

Discover the beauty of the summer flower beds and plantings created by *Rīgas meži* in various locations around the Latvian capital!  
[rigasmezi.lv](http://rigasmezi.lv)



This year’s parade will be bigger than ever, because for the first time ever, plantings from all three Baltic capitals will compete for the most beautiful beds in each municipality.



This year, *Rīgas meži* has planted almost 50,000 flowering plants.



Kronvalds Park has a new flower bed designed by artist Elita Patmalniece.

See the most beautiful plantings and get acquainted with Riga’s parks

*Rīgas meži* summer flower bed route



‘Three centuries of history in Viesturdārzs’ audio guide





Publicity photos

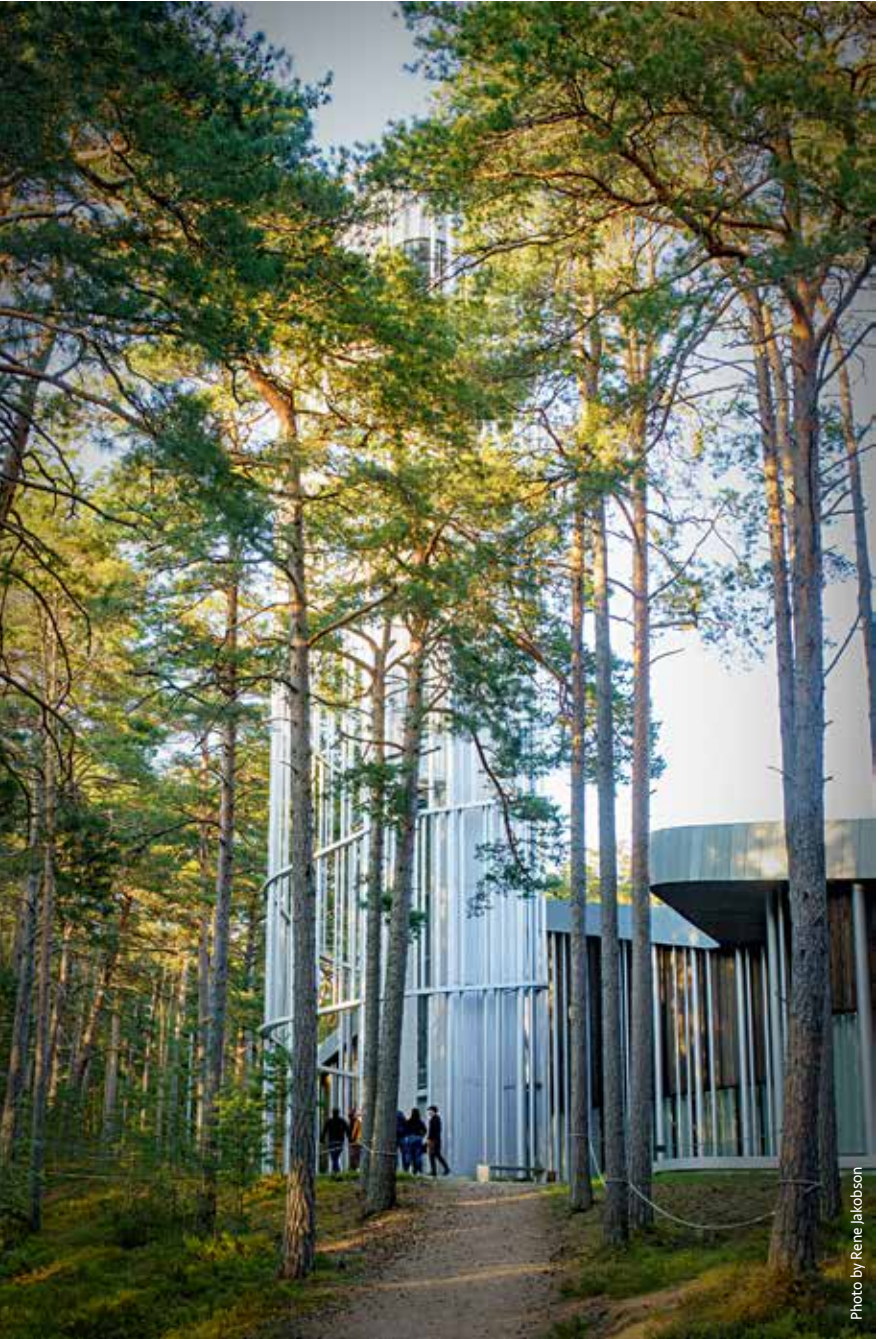


Photo by Rene Jakobson

# AN OASIS OF CALM AT THE ARVO PÄRT CENTRE

The Arvo Pärt Centre, an archive and creative centre celebrating the rich legacy of one of the most notable composers of our time, awaits only a 50-minute drive away from Tallinn.

The Centre was opened in 2018 and has since become a unique destination where both tourists and locals alike can enjoy culture, nature, and award-winning architecture. Whether you're familiar with Pärt's creations or not, a visit to the Centre will surely be a memorable experience. For those already familiar with Pärt's music, a visit to the Arvo Pärt Centre has already become a pilgrimage of sorts.

The seaside village of Laulasmaa, where the Centre is located, also has significance to Pärt's life and music. Pärt and acquaintances from creative circles used to spend their summers in the seaside town, as did Heino Eller, one of Pärt's earlier teachers and a notable Estonian composer himself.

The best way to reach the Arvo Pärt Centre is by car. Upon stepping out of your vehicle, you are instantly welcomed with the calmness of an old forest, the scent of the surrounding pine trees, and beams of sunshine breaking through the treetops. As you set out on the small forest pathway towards the Centre, commend yourself for having left the hustle and bustle of the city behind, for now you have some time for yourself to embrace the peaceful quietness of northern-European nature and some of the most sublime music ever created.

The Centre was designed by Spanish architects Fuensanta Nieto and Enrique Sobejano. They designed the building to replicate the atmosphere of Pärt's music – a continuous flow of light-filled spaces without a distinct beginning or end. Although it's a grand structure, it still feels organic in the forest idyll.

The permanent exhibition set up at the Centre acquaints visitors with Arvo Pärt's music and his beliefs, as the exhibition focuses on the composer's thoughts and ideas about silence, words and sound. Visitors are invited to take a seat, listen to notable pieces of music from the composer's oeuvre, and read little snippets of quotes that have been illuminated on the pillars scattered throughout the space. The exhibition is not a linear overview of Pärt's life, but rather a look into his intelligent worldview and thought processes.

For insight into how Pärt began his musical career, and his life story as such,

head to the small screening room to watch a short documentary that can only be seen at the Centre. Titled *Every Sound – a Jewel*, the documentary is largely comprised of archival material, including rare photos and video clips.

The best way to experience the Centre to the fullest is with an audio guide, available at the Centre's information desk. It's the easiest way to truly absorb the life and music of Arvo Pärt and explore the Centre at your own pace.

After you have seen the main building, remember to take a look into the on-site Orthodox chapel. It is dedicated to two 20<sup>th</sup>-century saints of the Eastern Orthodox Church, St. Silouan the Athonite and St. Sophrony the Athonite, whose teachings have deeply influenced Arvo Pärt. As a place of quiet contemplation and prayer, the chapel is open to all visitors.

Last but not least, head to the viewing tower to get a bird's-eye view of the building, the surrounding peninsula, and the Baltic Sea. Of course, no visit is complete without a stop at the café, where the musical experience of the Centre continues in the café's play area for children – they can watch vintage cartoons that used Pärt's music for their soundtrack, as well as listen to the children's songs that Pärt has written, an important part of his legacy that not always springs first to mind when his name is mentioned.

The Centre is not only an archive of Pärt's life's work but also a concert venue that regularly hosts events in its 150-seat concert hall. You can find a programme for upcoming concerts, movie screenings and theatre performances on the Centre's website and experience a cultural outing completely removed from the city. Located in a virtually unspoiled spot of nature, but still at a very comfortable distance from the capital, the Arvo Pärt Centre is the perfect location for holding inspiring offsite workshops or seminars for small teams. In fact, between these walls, it would be difficult to not find inspiration during a brainstorming session.

When planning your visit, we recommend you set aside at least two hours in which to fully immerse yourself in the experience.

Kellaskatu tee 3, Laulasmaa, Estonia  
Opening times from May 1 to September 30:  
Wed–Sun 12–18  
arvopart.ee



Photo by Rene Jakobson



Photo by Paco Umhan



Photo by Biglit Püve



Photo by Kuupo Kallas



Publicity photos



# BENTLEY CONTINENTAL GT SPEED

## A FAREWELL TO THE W12

Next spring, *Bentley's* ingenious six-litre W12 engine will end its over two-decade career in the luxury gran turismo class. To celebrate, we're taking the most powerful *Continental GT Speed* ever out for a spin!

The history of the *Bentley Continental GT* is the history of the W12, and vice versa. This massive all-wheel-drive car with an equally massive image is also celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. Born in 2003, the *Continental GT* became the first *Bentley* of the modern era, the first with all-wheel drive, and, of course, the first with the unique W12 engine.

Unlike a typical V12 engine, which consists of two banks of six cylinders, the W12 consists of two VR6 engines, so it is atypically compact for such a large powerhouse. The original idea for the engine was conceived in the bowels of the *Volkswagen Group*, but *Bentley* added two turbochargers and presented to the world a 21<sup>st</sup>-century English gran turismo with 560 horsepower. Alongside modern production technology and an endless array of equipment options, an unwritten speed standard for the new *Bentley* was also born, namely, acceleration from zero to 100 km/h in under five seconds and a top speed of over 300 km/h.

Demand for ever more special and powerful versions of the car allowed the *Bentley*

*Continental GT* to break the 600 hp barrier in a production model as early as 2008. Back then, the *GT Speed* was rated at 608 hp, while today, in the W12's farewell year, the fastest *Continental GT* of all time roars with 659 horsepower. The third-generation *Continental GT* has similar styling to the previous two, but it's in fact a completely new model whose sleek, elegant form is only possible thanks to a completely new aluminium panel treatment process. At the company's site in Crewe, the outer panels are 'superformed' by heating aluminium sheets and then pressurising them into the desired shape.

But *Bentley* actually achieves the impression it wants in a completely different way – with the world's first rotating display panel. While a latest-generation multimedia screen dominates the centre of the dashboard, one discreet push of a button next to the display reveals a secret contraption in the key-rich area around the gear lever. Just like in a spy movie, the screen rotates to reveal three analogue gauges in classic *Bentley* style. When the engine is switched off, the mysterious prism rotates again,

hiding everything behind a seamless finish. Such tricks, combined with impeccable interior trim and ever-advancing comfort technology, mean that even a couple of years after its launch, the *Continental GT* achieved back-to-back wins at the Auto Motor und Sport awards in February 2023, winning the luxury-class import category for the second year in a row in a poll of more than 101,000 readers.

But the real magic of the *GT Speed* lies under the long bonnet. The W12, once again refined – but still 'designed, developed, and handbuilt in Crewe' – awakens with a deep, powerful, but not exaggerated roar. All-wheel drive is at the driver's disposal, with a sports differential in the rear and even rear-wheel steering, which is denied other *GTs*. Most of the above are optional extras, as is the *Bentley* Rotating Display, but the price of a bespoke *GT Speed* is nevertheless rarely under EUR 300,000. This is not only the fastest but also the most expensive *Bentley* on the street. If I may suggest, carbon ceramic brakes should also be added to the list. Believe me, they'll come in handy.

In the universe of power in which the *GT Speed* resides, horsepower is just a number. The real value of the special edition W12 lies in the realisation of that power, and here the *GT Speed* is an absolutely phenomenal car. The 900 Nm of torque and an eight-speed automatic gearbox set-up give the large coupe the lightness of a supercar and an acceleration time to match – zero to 100 km/h in 3.5 seconds. Driving the *Continental GT Speed* sometimes feels like playing 'think of a number'. Name any speed between 0 and 335 km/h, and the *GT Speed* will deliver.

OK, speeds above 200 km/h – where allowed – may not be reached in a single second, but 160 km/h, for example, which for most cars takes some effort, just happens in a *GT Speed*. And it's this ability that puts the *Speed* above other *Continental GTs*, and always will. Despite the low profile of the tyres, the pneumatic suspension is dense enough to tolerate poor-quality tarmac, and this is definitely the *Bentley* for which Sport (instead of Bentley) is the appropriate driving mode and driving with the rear spoiler raised is not bad style but a necessity.

The *Speed* will go down in history as the most powerful *Continental*, but it isn't destined to be the most powerful 12-cylinder *Bentley* ever. Crewe is intensely preparing for the coronation of the last edition, and the Everest of the W12 will be the small-run *Bentley Batur* with 750 hp and 1000 Nm. Unfortunately, the *Batur*s are already sold out, but a limited number of 659 hp W12-powered *Continental GTs*, *Bentaygas*, and *Flying Spurs* as well as *Continental GT Mulliner* and *Flying Spur Mulliner* special editions can still be ordered until the end of this year (and maybe a little longer).

The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this extraordinary engine will be celebrated at the Goodwood Festival of Speed. This year, the event takes place on July 13–16, so there's still a theoretical chance to become a guest of Lord March. When the last W12 engine is assembled under ceremonial conditions at Crewe in April 2024, *Bentley* will officially become the most ambitious manufacturer of 12-cylinder passenger car engines on Earth. According to the most modest estimates, over the course of 20 years the craftsmen in Cheshire will have assembled 105,000 engines, none with less than 560 hp.



Address:  
Rīga, Krasta iela 5  
Website:  
riga.bentleymotors.com





Grenardi new-concept salon in the Spice shopping centre in Riga.

# WHERE LUXURY MEETS SERENITY

The new *Grenardi* salons present jewellery from world-famous brands in a very special atmosphere.

With its wide range of classic, sophisticated, and distinctive jewellery, *Grenardi*, the largest multi-brand jewellery chain in the Baltics, has long won the trust of customers when selecting items for some of life's happiest and most important moments. Because the choice of jewellery is a very special and personal process, in recent years *Grenardi* has intensified its focus on developing and implementing a salon concept that offers a unique customer experience.

*Grenardi* currently has four showrooms in Riga and three in Tallinn. Last year, it opened its first new-concept salon in the *Spice* shopping centre in Riga, followed this year by salons in the renovated *Viru Keskus* centre in Tallinn and *Akropole Alfa* in Riga. The newly opened boutique in the heart of Tallinn's Old Town is also special.

In these newly opened showrooms, *Grenardi* wants to not only introduce customers to world-famous and popular jewellery brands but also provide an unprecedented shopping experience. From a design point of view, the most important thing was to create a pleasant, tasteful, and comfortable environment – one that symbolises the finest traditions in jewellery and consistently high standards of quality. But alongside



grenardi.lv



grenardi.ee

these core values, the new showrooms also make room for innovation and the latest technologies, such as the latest generation of magnetic keys and innovative lighting and sound systems. Aesthetic pleasure also plays a prominent role, with special care taken in regard to textiles, furniture, and artwork to give the salons a luxurious feel but also a welcoming soul.

Because buying jewellery is usually not a spontaneous whim but a careful and considered decision, *Grenardi* customers most often buy in person. Thus, the in-person shopping experience has now become even more special in the new salons, where jewellery can be selected in a relaxed atmosphere while sipping champagne or enjoying a delicious coffee. In addition, *Grenardi's* knowledgeable and experienced consultants are happy to share their expertise on jewellery brands, collections, stones, cuts, colour, clarity, and more. Each *Grenardi* consultant is trained to provide an experienced insight into the beautiful world of jewellery and to help the customer choose their 'just right' piece. In addition, *Grenardi* offers a 'tailor-made' service that will make your dream come true.

In recent years, *Grenardi* has been successful in other aspects as well. Last year saw the launch of a partnership with the world-renowned Italian luxury fine jeweller *Pomellato*. Likewise, the showrooms also stock *Sicis Jewels* (an Italian brand that makes unique handcrafted micromosaic masterpieces) as well as jewellery from renowned Italian brands *Leo Pizzo* and *Crivelli*, which are known for their beautiful jewellery made with precious stones. Among the other brands presented by *Grenardi* are *Pasquale Bruni*, *Marco Bicego*, *Annamaria Cammilli*, *Recarlo*, *Nanis*, *Giorgio Visconti*, *Brumani*, and many others. This past spring, *Roberto Coin* – another globally renowned and popular brand, which can be safely described as the flagship of the industry – joined the *Grenardi* portfolio.

In the jewellery segment, brand reputation plays an important role. *Grenardi* has been in the jewellery business for 23 years and has an international reputation for reliability and good taste in the brands it represents. *Grenardi* is also an official partner of the influential Gemological Institute of America (GIA), which means that items with larger gemstones are marketed with the brand or with certificates from the most prestigious gemological institute.

For those who would like to see the range of jewellery available before going to the salon, it is worth taking a look at the *Grenardi* website. There you can select your favourite pieces and contact the salon consultants via *WhatsApp* or video call if you have any questions. This is useful if, for example, you cannot make it to the showroom in person but want to see a piece in more detail before buying online.



Grenardi new-concept salon in the Akropole Alfa shopping centre in Riga.



Grenardi new-concept salon in the Viru Keskus centre in Tallinn.



In these newly opened showrooms, *Grenardi* wants to provide an unprecedented shopping experience.



# LPB BANK

## MORE THAN AN ORDINARY BANK

Why a smaller bank  
may be right for you.



Robert Schoepf,  
Chairman of  
the Board of  
LPB Bank.

Combining innovative banking services and modern IT solutions with tailored services, LPB Bank offers clients an unmatched banking experience. Among the bank's offerings are advanced technology-based products that cater to customer needs and provide seamless, secure and efficient transactions.

Robert Schoepf, Chairman of the Board of LPB Bank, explains: ‘When I first visited Latvia 15 years ago, many banks primarily offered services to non-residents. LPB Bank has always operated on a different wavelength. We have focused on e-commerce since 2010, and I am proud to say that we have become the first fintech bank in Latvia. Besides e-commerce, we also offer traditional bank services for legal and physical persons, as well as credit programmes and payment cards.’ At LPB Bank, almost half of its turnover and profit come from fintech products, with the other half coming from traditional banking services. The bank's niche is financial technologies, which is precisely what sets it apart from other Latvian banks. Having worked in this field for many years, the team members at LPB Bank are true professionals.



Latvia had a less-than-stellar reputation in the past when it came to banking. But now the banks, regulators, the central bank, and the government have all done their part to improve the situation. In comparison with neighbouring Baltic countries, the banking sector in Latvia is more developed. ‘I am sure there will always be individuals or companies with prejudices about Latvia, but I have never had to deal with this. Improving the industry is our shared goal. As we move towards this, we will ensure that Latvia's banking sector is not marred by any dark spots,’ Schoepf says.

Several banks left the Latvian market recently because their business model no longer worked. Yet niche-finders, who are markedly different from their competitors, are unlikely to experience this. Consequently, it is imperative that small banks find their niche – their business will simply not survive if they continue to operate the same way as large banks. That’s why all small banks, including LPB Bank, should focus on a specific service or product that allows them to outperform the large banks. ‘E-commerce and fintech are our fields of expertise. We have found our niche and feel very confident about it,’ Schoepf says.

Banks with large client bases have well-developed procedures, protocols, and schemes for developing cooperation – clients are moved through the bank's corridors in a sequential queue. LPB Bank, however, does not require its clients to take a number or wait in line. Unlike other large banks, LPB Bank can provide individual attention to each client. This is applicable not only to in-person services, but to every aspect of banking and client interactions.

As an example, LPB Bank has an established platform for e-commerce clients. The bank independently developed it 15 years ago and has been improving and adapting it to its clients' needs ever since. ‘Three factors make the bank's approach unique: a small and highly professional team, our development, and our individuality. Combining these factors gives us a competitive edge. The speed with which we implement our clients' requests and the way in which we meet their demands is appreciated by our clients. Consider, for instance, lending. Every client has an individual situation, so we discuss every case separately and provide them with a tailored offer,’ Schoepf explains.

While large banks have vast resources, they can rarely afford the flexibility and speed that LPB Bank provides. Having such flexibility and efficiency is usually a luxury only a handful of executives can afford. Schoepf, however, deems this an everyday reality and an essential factor that allows him to work with a high level of enthusiasm and pleasure.

‘Let’s say I wake up in the morning with a new idea. After discussing it with colleagues, we can start implementing it the very next day. At the end of each workday, I go home satisfied because I know I am working for tangible results,’ Schoepf says.

For as long as clients desire excellent service, LPB Bank will continue to employ an individual approach because client satisfaction is paramount. Standardising processes is possible, but mostly on the technical side – not in customer service. ‘When you call us, you will never encounter a chatbot. I am a firm believer in the principle that quality customer service can only be provided by someone who understands, hears, and knows you,’ Schoepf adds.

As a matter of fact, the bank is quite cautious regarding who it will accept as a client. Only eight out of ten applicants who come to LPB Bank become clients because the bank will only work with transparent and forward-thinking companies. ‘We are not interested in working with people who have already been rejected everywhere else; we oppose grey money. AML/KYC procedures and strict internal controls mean we won't work with a client if we aren't confident about their transparency in business,’ Schoepf explains.

A typical client of Banking as a Service (BaaS) is an international payment organisation licensed to make international payments. LPB Bank also provides services for online stores. Several large Latvian banks operate in the e-commerce segment, but only within the borders of Latvia. The services of LPB Bank, on the other hand, are in high demand among companies across Europe. ‘In the fintech industry, we are unique in Latvia,’ Schoepf says with confidence.

The bank's plans for the future are usually determined by the market. As LPB Bank makes further progress towards the European market, it will continue to export and participate in international exhibitions. Investing in technological development and expanding the IT department will continue to be a priority for the bank. For this year, the planned investment volume is EUR 1,300,000.

There is no need for fortune tellers to forecast that e-commerce and fintech are the future. ‘An excellent source is Brett King's book *Bank 3.0: Why Banking Is No Longer Somewhere You Go But Something You Do*. Due to the increasing use of IT technologies in banking, large banks are closing branches and laying off employees. We can definitely expect this process to continue. It was Bill Gates who said in 1994, “What we need is banking functions, not banks”. It has been a while now since we saw this prophecy come true,’ Schoepf sums up.

lpb.lv



Publicity photos

# THE NEW *uniVersum* STOCK OFFICE IN RIGA



Stock offices – buildings that contain the offices, showroom and warehouse of a business all in one – have been popular in other parts of the world for years, and are now finally gaining popularity in Latvia as well.

The *Versum* stock-office complex, complete with its own logistics centre, is currently being constructed by Estmak Capital in Dreiliņi, a rapidly developing area just outside of Riga. The money-saving business complex is going up in a promising part of Riga, its popularity reflected by the fact that the *Coca-Cola*, *Lidl* and *Rimi* logistics centres are all nearby.

Compared to big business centres burdened with traffic jams and parking problems, *Versum* will offer more than enough space. Located at the intersection of the busy Ulbrokas and soon-to-be four-lane Dzelzavas streets, *Versum* will be accessible to drivers coming from a variety of directions; in time, it will also be served by an express bus from the city centre. The complex will boast a large number of access roads and car parks, which will enable hassle-free unloading of goods directly into warehouses as well as parking spaces aplenty for staff and customers in front of the stores.

Marianna Elksnin-Vald, the head of marketing and communications at *Estmak Capital*, says that unlike the bleak industrial surroundings typical of warehouses on the outskirts of cities, *Versum* will create an inviting space around itself. ‘The greys and blacks of the car parks and loading bays will be offset with green spaces and lawns preserving the area’s biodiversity,’ she explains. ‘Our approach is that *Versum* shouldn’t be just a functional industrial park, but a place that has included a green space that staff and customers will enjoy being in.’ Made up of several buildings, the complex will form an attractive quarter all its own, including park benches on which to take a moment to relax.

Stock offices tend to be advertised as convenient business premises that merge offices, showroom and warehouse into one, thereby saving on rental, management and logistics costs. But *Versum*’s location



and the rapid development going on around it make it attractive to small- and medium-sized companies in at least five different ways:

- by reducing rental and transport costs since the need for three different spaces has been eliminated;
- by boosting communication between departments because all staff are based in the same place;
- by providing a clear overview of all work processes, which in turn enables more flexible working hours;
- by facilitating recruitment thanks to the large pool of potential workers living nearby;
- by making it much easier for clients to collect goods, even driving their vehicles right up to the warehouse doors.

Designed with small- and medium-sized businesses in mind, *Versum* is being constructed according to Class A energy

standards. The roofs will be covered in solar panels, and electric vehicle charging points will be provided for clients. Even more ambitiously, the logistics centre will meet all requirements for BREEAM sustainable certification.

The very green-minded *Versum* will cover almost 10 ha. It will feature more than 15,000 m<sup>2</sup> of stock-office space across four buildings, while the two buildings comprising its logistics centre will measure over 30,000 m<sup>2</sup>. Stage 1 of development is due to be completed by July 2024.





# RECEIVE A MODERN AND HIGH-DEMAND SPECIALISATION IN ONE YEAR!



The Transport and Telecommunication Institute (TSI) is actively working to ensure the most effective and up-to-date methods of preparing high-demand professionals who are properly skilled for the job market.



Today's job market is changing quite rapidly, but the demand for professional and highly qualified specialists remains high. As technologies and industries swiftly evolve and employers increasingly show preference to candidates with a master's degree, employees and job seekers need to continuously update their knowledge and skills with qualifications that the job market and their chosen professions require.

It's no secret that graduates in STEM fields are currently the ones in the spotlight, particularly when it comes to the job market. But exactly which skills are employers evaluating as being of highest importance? And which skills does one need to develop in order to be successful in their specific field? Based on a scale survey of European employers, this year's European Skills Panorama has highlighted the top 21<sup>st</sup>-century skills that STEM job market employers particularly value. These include self-management, social and emotional competence, and cognitive skills. Critical thinking and problem-solving skills are highly valued as well, as are communication and teamwork skills. Of course, an employee's aspiration to grow and learn is highly regarded, as are traits and skills such as responsibility, adaptability, stress management, creativity, information and data literacy, a positive attitude, awareness, emotional intelligence, and leadership.

Not all of these skills are necessarily developed while studying for a bachelor's degree. More often they are gained and developed during one's professional career or while pursuing a postgraduate degree. With the former becoming an increasingly rare opportunity, embarking on studies for a master's degree is a logical next step for building upon and broadening one's knowledge acquired as an undergraduate.

Consequently, modern higher-education establishments are in a mode of constant self-development and often collaborate with the best globally recognised universities to stay on top of students' needs. Latvia is no exception in this regard; just as elsewhere, master's-level studies here are not just about focusing on the theoretical – they are about finding common ground and 'connecting the dots', growing professionally, learning from both lecturers and one's fellow students, networking, developing hard and soft skills at a whole new level, and testing and applying newly gained knowledge in practice.

Currently the master's-level study programmes offered by TSI take just one year to complete, exclusive of the work involved for writing a master's thesis. Beginning this autumn, this study format will be offered for almost all TSI master's degree programmes. It's a great opportunity for everyone, especially working professionals, as within a year and a half you can improve your qualifications by acquiring all the up-to-date knowledge necessary for your current (or dream) job. Double degree programmes are also available to make you stand out even more among your competitors in the job market.

Double Degree in Computer Science: Data Analytics and Artificial Intelligence is a master's-level programme that has been developed in cooperation with the University of the West of England (UWE Bristol), a worldwide-recognised institute of higher education. This programme is a unique opportunity to get a master's in data analytics and AI even if you have no prior knowledge or education in IT. The pre-semester has been designed to help you acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to continue your studies in the main study group. If you already have a bachelor's degree in IT, the study process takes only one year. When you graduate from this programme, you receive two degrees at once — from both TSI and UWE Bristol.

The Double Degree in Aviation Management programme, with a specialisation in Aviation Management and Sustainability, has been developed in cooperation with UWE Bristol as well. Unique in the Baltic states, this programme, is aimed at developing expertise in subjects such as Sustainable Supply Chain Management and Multimodality, Strategic and Change Management in Aviation, Sustainable Engineering for Global Challenges, Airport Management, and more. The programme also features the obtainment of two diplomas in one study period – from both TSI and UWE Bristol. If you already have at least one

year of previous education or work experience in the aviation industry, the study process takes just one year; internships may qualify as well.

The Management of Information Systems programme covers both business and technology skills. It aims to train world-class professionals who can successfully identify business problems, propose solutions based on modern information and communication technologies, manage the implementation of solutions, and evaluate their effectiveness in different contexts. From this autumn, students will be able to choose among three offered specialisations: IT Project Management, Digital Transformation, and Cyber Security Operations.

The Computer Science programme with a specialisation in Software Engineering prepares experts in the field of modern technologies who want to solve complex problems in any area of expertise and in any field of people's lives by managing and developing advanced IT solutions in the future. The programme is taught by experienced lecturers from both Latvia and abroad who are professionals in the industry. With a prior education in IT, the study process is just one year.

The Transport and Logistics programme is designed for those who want to develop and strengthen the skills of analytical and critical thinking needed to manage transport and logistics companies efficiently, effectively, strategically, and operationally. You can also choose to specialise in Smart Mobility or Smart Logistics Solutions. It is possible to shorten the study period by re-crediting an internship from a previous period of education if it meets the conditions of the TSI admission process.

The Business and Management programme uses an effective interdisciplinary learning approach focused on the analysis of real-life practical situations to support managers in the era of total digital transformation. This enables the acquisition of a range of management skills and competencies with a focus on decision-making, growth, organisational culture, corporate responsibility, and effectiveness. The programme offers two specialisations – Business and Change Management and Business and Financial Management.

The Electronics programme will be replaced by Computer Engineering starting this autumn. It will combine both IT and electronics courses. Professor Aleksandrs Grakovskis, the director of the programme, explains that the development of study programmes is determined by the needs of the job market, meaning they are directly linked to the demand of industry employers. 'As technologies evolve, the set of knowledge and skills required for the most effective use of technology and further development changes,' Grakovskis says. 'It is now impossible to separate electronic equipment and systems from programming – these areas of expertise go hand in hand. Therefore, the industry needs specialists who are equally familiar with electronic equipment and systems as well as their programming.'



FB: TSIPage  
IG: tsi\_university  
LinkedIn:  
Transport and  
Telecommunication  
Institute





Publicity photos

# HOW CAN BACTERIA GET METALS FROM WASTE?

Estonian scientists are using microorganisms to extract metals from toxic waste.



Your smartphone is precious, but more so than you might expect. In addition to many important metals, such as cobalt, lithium, and copper, it also has gold and silver hidden in its circuit boards. In fact, it's possible to collect about a gram of gold from 35 smartphones. The quality of that gold is the same as that dug from the ground. But still, humans throw away most of their used electronic devices and reach for new ones without giving it a second thought.

According to the *Global E-Waste Monitor*, only about 17.4 percent of e-waste is appropriately collected and recycled. However, it's not just about throwing away the bling. Europe is running low on metals. Renewable energy solutions require a long list of metals, many of which are not available in Europe at all. For example, the batteries for green technology all consist of precious metals that help them last longer and run smoother. The European Union has listed 30 metals whose levels are critically low.

There's another side to this coin, too. The current industries processing minerals create

a lot of polluting waste. If not properly recycled, the waste materials containing these valuable metals can also be toxic and leak harmful elements such as heavy metals and radionuclides into the environment. Sadly, Europeans send many of their used electronic appliances to Africa – out of sight, out of mind, so to say. But the good news is that all this 'rubbish' contains the valuable metals we need.

For the past 13 years, Estonian researchers at *BiotaTec* have been working to figure out how to safely and effectively get these metals out of the residue. They use microorganisms such as bacteria, fungi, and archaea that react with metals, allowing them to solubilise in water. In other words, these microorganisms separate metals from other substances in a process called either biomining or bioleaching. In their reactor, the Estonian scientists have been experimenting with various living organisms they develop or buy from biobanks, and these organisms can get the gold out of a smartphone circuit board within days.

Most of *BiotaTec's* work occurs outside the lab, creating tailor-made solutions for the industry. Priit

Jõers, an associate professor in biochemistry at the University of Tartu and the chief scientific officer at *BiotaTec*, cannot reveal the company's clients, but he says that the interest from the industry is enormous: 'Everybody is starting to realise that we need changes.' And in some countries, solutions are needed fast.

For example, with its massive aluminium production, Greece creates a lot of red mud, formally known as bauxite residue. Aluminium is commonly used in power lines, household appliances, consumer electronics, aircraft components, electric cars, and modern buildings. People's lives couldn't continue the same way without aluminium. But 0.8 tonnes of bauxite residue is created to produce one tonne of alumina. 'In Greece, there are already serious problems, because there's no land anymore to pile the waste,' Jõers says. However, bauxite residue contains many valuable metals and could be reused. With biomining, pollutants can also be removed, making it possible to dump the red mud safely.

Similarly, Poland struggles with phosphogypsum waste, a leftover from producing phosphorus. This waste can contain significant amounts of rare earths but also toxic metals and radionuclides.

Jõers explains that processing waste is not just environmentally responsible; it's also geopolitically important: 'Most of the essential metals we need for green energy come from Russia, China, and South Africa. Europe needs resources, too.' He believes that we do not need to obtain these metals from abroad. They already exist here – in our piles of rubbish.

The European Union has understood this problem at the highest level and expects its demand for rare metals to increase fivefold by 2030. Speaking at the Tallinn Digital Summit last October, Ursula von der Leyen said the EU must avoid dependency on China. However, almost 90% of rare earths and 60% of lithium is processed in China, the country that dominates the market.

Biomining has been around for decades, but it is only now becoming cost-effective. At the same time, mining as we know it is becoming wasteful and expensive. Jõers says that *BiotaTec's* solution does two things: it cleans the waste before it goes to the dumping ground, and it extracts valuable metals that can be sold.

Even if users won't be able to tell the difference, in the coming years it will be common to have biomineralised metals in new green technology, and even in our smartphones.

[researchinestonia.eu](http://researchinestonia.eu)



research estonia

Estonian Research Council



Publicity photos

# ROSME LINGERIE TIMELESS QUALITY

High-quality, comfortable and affordable Latvian-made lingerie that suits any body shape or size? Yes, *Rosme Lingerie* has proven its competence and timeless quality over numerous decades, and its lingerie is a statement piece in any woman's closet, both in Latvia and abroad.



ROSME



Spring/ Summer 2023, classics and fashion collection

Founded in 1952, *Rosme* was one of the first lingerie manufacturers in Latvia, and having withstood the test of time, today *Rosme* is as strong as ever. In its history of more than 70 years, *Rosme* has mastered the art of creating flattering and comfortable lingerie and swimwear that accentuates the beauty of any body shape or size. Having started with feminine corsets, the company has endlessly innovated and grown to become one of the most popular Latvian lingerie brands. *Rosme* has undergone countless changes to comply with the highest European quality standards and relevant designs. The brand has also been noticed far beyond Latvia's borders – every year *Rosme Lingerie* manufactures more than a million bras for export to Europe and the USA. One of the main pillars of *Rosme Lingerie* is inclusivity and a healthy body image – every woman deserves to feel confident and feminine in her own natural beauty. That's why *Rosme* produces lingerie that is size-inclusive and affordable for everyone. Both classic

and trendy pieces are reasonably priced and available in sizes 70–120, with cup sizes from A to I. Significant attention has been devoted to plus-size women so that everyone will be able to find their perfect fit among *Rosme's* vast range of sizing. As a women-made brand, *Rosme Lingerie* thoroughly understands women's expectations regarding underwear and how much of a difference the correct lingerie can make. Women's bodies go through so much during their lifetimes, and they rightly deserve only the highest luxurious quality so that they can both feel good and look good. That's why the company's designers stay on top of all the new materials and technologies; nowadays, every piece of lingerie can be made to feel like a second skin – lightweight, soft to the touch, and most importantly, boosting the wearer's comfort and confidence. Every bra contains more than 40 carefully selected and fine-tuned details that correspond to the current fashion trends and meet

high-quality standards. Traditionalists will appreciate the classical *Rosme Lingerie* lines and the simplicity of cotton, whereas trendsetters will fall in love with the fresh designs and sensual lace. And how could they not – all of *Rosme Lingerie's* lines exhibit the ageless quality and comfort that the brand is known for. All production processes – concept development, design, manufacturing, and selling the final product – are executed by the company itself, and using sustainable, high-quality fabrics and materials made in Europe. The company is not content to stop here, however – it continuously researches new methods and materials that will make their products last even longer and, when they reach the end of their life cycle, easy to recycle. You can find *Rosme Lingerie* in the company's retail stores in Riga, or order online – because you truly deserve to be wearing the most comfortable lingerie available. [rosmelingerie.com](http://rosmelingerie.com)

# Nice

Savour the luxuries of French Riviera.



airBaltic



# LUMI

## NO NEED TO COMPROMISE

In the modern skincare industry, international companies churn out hundreds of new products every year that have been designed to plump, smooth, firm and/or revitalise your skin. For every problem a consumer may have, there are glossy, well-marketed solutions available from the biggest names in the industry. For the most part, these offerings can be fairly effective – at least in the short term.

Whether it's to elongate a product's shelf life or to marginally differentiate it from competitors, or worse yet – simply to improve profitability, companies frequently fill skincare products with an array of artificial substances. Unfortunately, these additions can harm the skin and its microbiome, eventually leading to long-term issues that can cause more trouble than the problems the products were designed to fix. Without even realising it, the consumer is often forced into a choice between short-term relief and long-term health. Having seen enough of this vicious cycle, the Estonian skincare brand *Lumi* decided to fight back.

Created as a spin-off company at the University of Tartu in 2012, *Lumi* has two guiding principles at the heart of every product it creates: support the skin's natural microbiome, and back

everything with hard science. Only after the provenance and efficacy of an ingredient has been confirmed does the team at *Lumi* incorporate it into their award-winning natural skincare products. A perfected formula of ideal balance in product composition – in addition to the guarantee that every ingredient is both naturally skin-friendly and most importantly, necessary – makes *Lumi* products highly effective and free of issues that can arise from repeatedly exposing your skin to artificial pollutants.

This insistence on purity and quality assurance – and the belief that if you can't do it right, don't do it at all – has allowed *Lumi* to achieve what many others considered impossible: a natural skincare range that has all the efficacy of artificial industry staples but without the usual adulterants.

And the results speak for themselves. Over the last two years, *Lumi's* sales have doubled, and their product offering has expanded to include new lines that focus on men's skincare, hypoallergenic skin, and graceful ageing. As the brand goes from strength to strength, *Lumi* serves as a clear example to larger skincare brands that neither quality nor long-term consumer happiness must be sacrificed to be successful.

IG/ luminordic




Publicity photos



Get a 15% discount on your first order at [luminordic.com](https://luminordic.com) using the code AIRBALTIC, and take the first steps towards discovering skincare that is both natural and effective!



[www.montenegro.travel](https://www.montenegro.travel)

 #MontenegroWildBeauty  
 #GoMontenegro  
 @SeeMontenegro





## STAGE 22 THE ART OF CREATING A MENU WITH A TWIST



Stage 22 Head chef  
Kaspars Reveliņš

The *Grand Hotel Kempinski Riga*, a five-star luxury hotel in the heart of Riga – the Old Town – offers the ultimate in comfort to locals and visitors alike. *Stage 22*, one of the coolest rooftop restaurants/bars in the city, has also become a shining calling card for this special experience.

The *Grand Hotel Kempinski Riga* is an oasis of well-being in Riga. The World Travel Awards named it Latvia's Leading Hotel and Latvia's Leading Hotel Suite in 2022. The professionalism and hospitality of the staff at the hotel is what keeps guests returning – this personal touch is the hallmark of any truly memorable experience at the *Grand Hotel Kempinski Riga*. An important guiding principle of all *Kempinski Hotels* is high-quality service coupled with authenticity and personal care.

A modern gastronomic experience is embedded in *Grand Hotel Kempinski Riga's* dining opportunities. Delicious meals and outstanding service can be found in the hotel's two restaurants – *Amber* and *Stage 22*. At *Stage 22*, the Latvian National Opera and its charming square provide an impressive backdrop to the restaurant's creative menu, authentic cocktails, and tasty appetizers.

*Stage 22* is ideally suited both for guests staying at the hotel and those arriving specifically to dine. A separate entrance to the restaurant makes it particularly convenient for both large and small social gatherings.

*Stage 22* caters to all foodie tastes and is not confined to one cuisine, and the entire team is involved in the development of the restaurant's menu. The introduction of new and original dishes,

whether it's sparkling cucumber soup or pigeon, is a challenge the team is always up for. *Stage 22's* Head chef Kaspars Reveliņš has been at the *Grand Hotel Kempinski Riga* for five years now, and having worked in fine-dining restaurants throughout Europe, Reveliņš provides a unique dining experience for hotel guests and locals alike.

‘With my unorthodox cooking style, I strive to showcase the natural flavors of high-quality ingredients. The fact that I don't impose any rules or limitations on my cooking allows me to create dishes that are unique to me and the restaurant,’ Reveliņš says. His cooking emphasises flavours, textures, and presentation. ‘It is my goal to create dishes that offer a holistic experience, where each ingredient complements and enhances the others. Adding my own creative twist to classic recipes, incorporating

never stop learning. Each new dish offers the chef the opportunity to learn and integrate new skills and techniques into the menu. However, it does require endless hours of dedication and hard work. As for the summer menu at *Stage 22*, one of the most challenging techniques was nailing the honeycomb sugar – making it perfectly crunchy, puffy – but not too puffy, as well as flavourful. As little as 0.1 degree can change the flavour or texture of sugar.

Creating a dish with a story is more than just creativity and the whim of the moment. It has sentimental meaning for Reveliņš. One example is ‘Bonfire’, a dish on *Stage 22's* menu that was created while cooking food over a bonfire in the forest. A live flame or bonfire is calming when meditatively gazing at it for hours, yet it is also one of nature's most destructive forces. This is what inspired the creation



global influences, and experimenting with different flavour combinations are some of my favourite things to do,’ Reveliņš continues.

Considering the personal preferences of Reveliņš, three ingredients he can't live without are oil, fresh herbs, and garlic. Oil is a versatile ingredient that adds depth and richness to a wide range of dishes. This versatile ingredient is a staple of Mediterranean cuisine and adds a refreshing, vibrant flavour to salads, dressings, marinades, and sautéed dishes. Fresh herbs like dill, chives, and parsley add flavour and brightness to food. Garlic is an essential ingredient in many cuisines around the world. An ordinary dish can be transformed into something extraordinary with its distinctive flavour and aroma.

‘I truly enjoy showcasing my culinary skills, creativity, and passion for food at *Stage 22*. Together with my team, we strive to delight guests with new, fresh flavors, innovative dishes, and unique pairings,’ Reveliņš says. A culinary career is one of the few in which you can

of ‘Bonfire’, a dish consisting of sturgeon, coal black yucca root, tomato beurre blanc, and sorrel.

This summer *Stage 22* offers a culinary experience unlike any other, featuring exquisite flavours, creative cuisine, and a stunning setting. The restaurant places high value on working with local producers and sources seasonal produce in Latvia, from sheep's yoghurt to microgreens.

*Stage 22* is the perfect place to hang out with family and friends this summer as you enjoy warm summer breezes and unique cocktails on the roof terrace. It's also a wonderful spot to mark special moments, such as weddings, anniversaries, parties etc., with a private celebration.

During the summer months, there certainly is no better place to enjoy stunning views of the city skyline than from the *Grand Hotel Kempinski Riga* and *Stage 22's* open-air roof terrace. Come and discover this wonderful place where families and friends can relax and spend quality time together.



Address: Aspazijas bulvāris 22, Riga  
Phone: +371 67 670 122  
Email: stage22.riga@kempinski.com  
Website: kempinski.com



Publicity photos



# OLIVIA RESTAURANT

## AN UNFORGETTABLE GASTRONOMY EXPERIENCE

### Mediterranean cuisine with hints of Scandinavian flavour

For more than three years now, *Olivia Restaurant* has been welcoming Rigans and guests to the city with a combination of Mediterranean and Northern traditions and foods that are not available anywhere else in Latvia.

In creating the menu, the team at *Olivia Restaurant* has taken inspiration from French, Italian, Greek, and Spanish gastronomic traditions, and has also included hints of Asian flavours and combined everything with the chef’s own passion for experimental cuisine. However, the team always pays the most attention to the ingredients they use – they must be not only seasonal but also clean and organically grown. ‘Fresh produce and ingredients are the most

important thing. They must be not only correctly grown, obtained, and delivered but also be processed correctly in our kitchen,’ says the chef. ‘Therefore our task is to find produce and meats of excellent quality, prepare them with respect, and serve them in an agreeable setting. In addition, it’s important for us to give thought to each ingredient, from the fish and meat all the way to the mushrooms and berries, which are, for example, gathered in the forests of northern Finland. If each of the ingredients in a dish is of the highest quality, then the meal is truly delicious and enjoyable.’

*Olivia Restaurant* is distinct not only for its high-quality produce and unique flavours and manner of preparation, but



Address:  
Krišjāņa Valdemāra iela 25,  
Rīga  
Phone: +371 27 338 866  
Website: [oliviarestaurant.lv](http://oliviarestaurant.lv)  
Opening hours:  
Mon-Sun 12.00–23.00



Seafood platter



King crab in white wine sauce with fennel, sweet onions, and blue cheese



Galician octopus with sweet onion and marrow purée, spinach and crab and Romesco sauce



Grass-fed beef ribeye steak (entrecôte) from New Zealand

also for its general philosophy. Each food on the menu has a story of its own. The main menu highlights fish and seafood: the Mediterranean turbot is from the French coast, where it is raised on an organic fish farm, while the North Sea cod is caught in the Barents Sea and the shrimp are supplied from Canada. The swordfish comes from the Atlantic Ocean and sometimes takes more than 20 hours to be delivered to the restaurant. *Olivia Restaurant* is the only restaurant in Latvia to have been granted an official catch quota for bluefin tuna, leading its restaurant team to create a unique concept for Riga – a tuna menu.

The *Olivia Restaurant* team has also kept meat lovers in mind. Most of its meats come from Ireland because in addition to having been quality meat producers for many generations, the Irish are also able to ensure that the meat delivered to the restaurant is organically grown, tender, juicy, and full of flavour.

The dessert menu at *Olivia Restaurant* is not large, but each of the dishes contains refined, nuanced flavours that might even recall childhood. One of the favourite desserts at the restaurant is the caramelised Brunost,

or cheese cream with cloudberry from the Arctic – guests call it an absolute masterpiece. Another highlight is the chocolate brownie with black garlic and lingonberry sauce, which once again confirms the chef’s tendency to not shy away from experimenting with various flavours and manners of preparation. It is precisely for this reason that the menu at *Olivia Restaurant* often features fermented products made on site at the restaurant, including nuts, egg yolks, and kombucha, which features in several sauces.

*Olivia Restaurant* is located in a two-storey wooden building dating to the 19<sup>th</sup> century in the heart of Riga’s Art Nouveau district. The restaurant has taken care not only with its gastronomic offer but also its visual image. Naturally, the exterior attracts attention, but so does the well-considered interior with its subtle colours, brick walls, velvet, copper, wood, and the romance of an attic space. Because *Olivia Restaurant* can accommodate up to 100 guests, the restaurant’s unforced informal atmosphere is ideal for meetings with friends and romantic dinners as well as for business meetings and larger celebrations.





Publicity photos

## NOMAD AN EXPLOSION OF FLAVOURS

The name of this restaurant lines up perfectly with its concept. Just as nomads travel from one place to another, *Nomad* invites its guests to enjoy the best dishes from all over the world right here in the heart of Riga. Combining the finest aspects of Pan-Asian cuisine with the steakhouse culture of the West, *Nomad* is a place you'll want to return to again and again.

The whole world comes together in one diverse, multicultural menu at *Nomad*. The restaurant's two set menus focus on two bedrocks of pure quality: perfectly prepared steaks made from the highest-quality cuts, and exquisite seafood served as part of *Nomad's* raw bar, which offers perfect sashimi, nigiri, rolls, and more. But what truly sets *Nomad* apart and makes it the perfect destination for curious yet hard-to-surprise travellers is the way in which it tears down artificial borders imposed by having to declare a belonging to a certain type of cuisine.

*Nomad* has been on Riga's restaurant map for a year and a half now, and it has been catching the attention of diners since the day it opened. It's no coincidence that, at peak times, it's difficult to get a table here without a reservation. People are saying that this is where you'll find the best octopus in Riga and also some of the best steaks. Dessert lovers, for their part, are impressed by the honey cake with Sicilian almond praline and dried porcini mushrooms and truffles.



**NOMAD**  
WORLD'S TASTE

Address: Dzirnavu iela 42, Riga  
Phone: +371 26 126 266  
Website: nomad-riga.lv  
E-mail: info@nomad-riga.lv



Dmitrij Sinkevics, the restaurant's head sommelier, was recognised as Latvia's Best Sommelier in 2022.



Nigiri (bluefin tuna, salmon, yellowtail), gunkan (eel, octopus, chum salmon caviar), and sashimi (salmon, bluefin tuna, scallop, eel, tiger prawn).



Uruguay striploin steak with baked asparagus and broccolini.



'Caprese' basil mousse dessert with strawberries and tomatoes

At *Nomad*, everything is in the details... and in the people, who truly embody the idea, the success, and the soul of this establishment. The team at *Nomad* is headed by chef Maksim Mihejev, sushi chef Sergej Kim, pastry chef Diāna Ozoliņa, and sommelier Dmitrij Sinkevics.

Head chef Mihejev cherishes the independence entrusted to him and the no-limits attitude he is allowed at *Nomad*, because it is his creativity, know-how, and freedom of expression that adds new and unexpected flavours to the restaurant's offer, and which allow for truly unique gastronomic experiences. For Mihejev, cooking is not just a job; it's a realm that has no boundaries. It's even rumoured that, as a child, he even slept with cookbooks under his pillow, which could explain his passion for cooking and grilling.

Sushi chef Kim, for his part, has more than 20 years of cooking experience under his belt. He is known for his perfectionism and spending countless hours ensuring that every piece of a dish is prepared to perfection, no matter the cost or time spent. His sushi is therefore always up to standard.

Pastry chef Ozoliņa has worked with some of the best pastry chefs

and attended many training courses, including in France, Spain, and Belgium. For her, cooking is an artistic expression, and the main principle of her art is 'less is more'. *Nomad* also has one of the best-curated wine menus in all of Riga. This comes as no surprise, because Sinkevics, the restaurant's head sommelier, has won first place in the Latvian Sommelier Championship and was recognised as Latvia's Best Sommelier in 2022. He has a great passion for wine and ambition to learn as much as possible about this amazing drink.

In the interior design at *Nomad*, nothing is accidental or superficial. Most of the furniture has been custom-made especially for *Nomad*, and you won't find another place with a bar counter this exquisite – it's made from heavy, old Latvian oak and fits the restaurant perfectly. Everything guests see around themselves has been carefully selected with love, care, and respect for the idea behind the place.

Although *Nomad's* guests can enjoy both steak and Pan-Asian cuisine in any of the restaurant's modern spaces, the area designed specifically for Asian cuisine draws guests' attention not only with the perfectly prepared dishes but also with

a bar whose atmosphere is akin to an elegant, eclectic theatre. Here one can watch the actors (bartenders) in action, and it never gets boring.

The bar truly comes to life every Friday and Saturday after 10 p.m., when there's always a top-notch DJ playing music on the superb stereo system. *Nomad* gathers the most elegant, beautiful, and refined audience for its very special, sparkling evenings at the end of each week. That's when special, heavy red velvet fabrics are draped across the bar, which not only add to the aura but also interact almost magically with the sound to ensure the perfect auditory experience.

Speaking of the bar, here *Nomad* satisfies travel yearnings and modern-day nomad culture also in the form of exquisite, creative cocktails. These take guests to different places around the globe through perfectly combined ingredients as well as fitting names. For example, try the Kazakhstan cocktail made with cognac, red wine, blueberry syrup, and lemon juice; Peru with red vermouth, mezcal, *Angostura* bitters, pisco, and vanilla syrup; Madeira with Madeira wine, *Montenegro*, and *Fernet-Branca*; and many more.





## ZIVJU LETE – inspired by the sea

A centuries-old bond with the sea and fishing is an integral part of Baltic culture. Some time ago, Latvians even had ‘fish day’ once a week, on Thursdays. The ethos behind *Zivju Lete* is to make every day a fish day!

Born from the love of seafood and Latvia’s fishing heritage, *Zivju Lete* first opened its doors in 2015. The concept of a place specialising in fish – something that was lacking on Riga’s gastronomic scene – was an instant success. First, the restaurant offered a small menu that changed regularly depending on the catch of the day. But the demand for seafood delicacies has been growing, and in 2018 *Zivju Lete* relocated to new, more spacious premises.

The new restaurant has introduced a more varied menu, where everyone can find a dish to their liking. *Zivju Lete*’s cuisine combines the best of fish and seafood recipes, both local and international. The menu features well-known classics like tartares, fish soups, mussels, and seafood sauté as well as



Dzirnavu iela 41, Riga  
Website: [zivjulete.lv](http://zivjulete.lv)

Open: Mon – Thu 12:00 – 22:00  
Fri – Sa. 12:00 – 23:00  
Sun 12:00-21:00



some regional specialties, such as Baltic herring and sprats. The main goal of *Zivju Lete*’s cooking style is to showcase the seafood’s beauty without over-complicating its natural flavour. Recently, the specially invited chef from Italy, Andrea Salvatori, has added flawless Mediterranean flair to the restaurant’s cuisine with signature grilled dishes.

An actual *zivju lete* (or ‘fish counter’) forms the centrepiece of the open-plan kitchen. Here the best of the sea is displayed, from local fish to exotic seafood. What sets *Zivju Lete* apart is that it offers all of this at a reasonable price point. Whether it’s the finer end of the spectrum, like oysters and lobster, or fish brought by local fishmongers – seafood can and

must be enjoyed every day. To fulfil this initiative, *Zivju Lete* has created a menu that includes an extensive choice of foods, including the simple fish and chips with cod.

The laid-back and casual atmosphere is also imprinted in *Zivju Lete*’s design. Located in one of the most beautiful and prestigious parts of Riga, the restaurant’s interior is far from snobby or pretentious. A combination of fishing-boat décor, handmade wood furniture, vintage glass tiles, and unique design elements make for a cheerful, coastal vibe. In fact, when visiting *Zivju Lete*, one can almost hear the waves and expect the fisherman whose tattoos inspired the restaurant’s wall painting to walk in through the door at any given moment.



Photos by Shutterstock and courtesy of *airBaltic*

# WELCOME ABOARD WITH *airBaltic*



Cathedral in Castelmola village;  
beach of Giardini-Naxos

## SUMMER? ALWAYS!

Explore and enjoy this selection of destinations where there is nothing but sun – now, at the peak of summer, or plan sunlit trips for the upcoming autumn! Thinking of breezy island life in Malta or Sicily, or a sunny weekend trip to a Mediterranean capital? Secure a flight, and your future self will be grateful!

### CATANIA

Sicily's coastal gem, Catania, spoils visitors with a pleasant Mediterranean climate and a wealth of historical and cultural delights. Stroll through the vibrant Piazza del Duomo, marvel at the imposing Catania Cathedral, delve into ancient history at the Roman Theatre, and taste the fresh catches at the bustling fish market. For a day trip, don't miss the opportunity to explore impressive Mount Etna and the charming town of Taormina, recently spotlighted by the *HBO* series *The White Lotus*, as well as the picturesque fishing village of Aci Trezza.

Fly to Catania from EUR 115 one way.

### MALTA

Escape to the sun-soaked island of Malta in autumn, where the Mediterranean warmth lingers well into winter. The island boasts beautiful coastlines, historical treasures, and charming towns. Some of the highlights include the UNESCO World Heritage-listed capital city Valletta, the ancient megalithic temples of Hagar Qim and Mnajdra, and the picturesque beaches of Golden Bay and Mellieha Bay. Tickets from Riga

to Malta start from EUR 119 one way.

### DUBROVNIK

The average temperature in the Pearl of the Adriatic lingers around 20 degrees Celsius well into the autumn months. Add this pleasant weather to the local UNESCO World Heritage Sites, charming cobblestone streets, stunning Renaissance palaces, and picturesque beaches, and you get a fine destination for a sunny autumn holiday. Venture beyond the city to discover the scenic nearby islands. *airBaltic* flies to Dubrovnik from Riga, Vilnius and Tallinn.

Discover Dubrovnik from EUR 105 one way.

### ATHENS

The balmy autumn weather of the Greek capital is perfect for wandering around its ancient marvels. The iconic Acropolis, the imposing Parthenon, and the Odeon of Herodes Atticus are just some of the places you can't leave Athens without visiting. And before heading out for a night of dancing at one of the city's rooftop bars, fuel up with some juicy *souvlaki* or enjoy Greek hospitality at its fullest in a traditional taverna. If time allows, get your island-life experience on the nearby Saronic Islands, which include Aegina and Hydra.

Book a trip to Athens for EUR 99 one way.

### MADRID

Rejoice in the liveliness of Spanish culture in Madrid. Explore the grand boulevards and majestic plazas, such as Puerta del Sol and Plaza Mayor, and marvel at the masterpieces by Picasso, Velázquez, and Miró at the Prado Museum and the Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofía before embarking on some tapas-filled bar hopping in the Malasaña neighbourhood. The close-by ancient towns of Toledo and Segovia are also well worth a detour.

Jet off to Madrid at a price of EUR 109 one way.



The main beach in Agadir is located on the shore of the Atlantic Ocean

## CATCH THE AFRICAN SUN!

With mild temperatures throughout the year, Morocco is the perfect fall getaway. Experience the most of the vibrant tapestry of Morocco, from the maze-like streets of Marrakesh to the stunning Atlas Mountains and blue waves of the North Atlantic Ocean. Fly with *airBaltic* to Marrakesh, take a detour to Rabat and Casablanca, and finish your trip in Agadir.

### MARRAKESH

Bursting with colour, aromas, and flavours, Marrakesh leaves a lasting impression. Wander through the lively Jemaa el-Fnaa square, where snake charmers and street performers move among the food stalls doling out delicious pastries, tagines, kebabs, and mint tea. Explore the stunning Bahia Palace and the iconic Koutoubia Mosque, get lost in the labyrinthine streets of the historic Medina, and rejuvenate in the tranquillity of the Majorelle Garden.

Travel to Marrakesh for just EUR 169 one way.

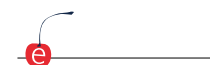
### AGADIR

Known for its variety of sandy beaches, Agadir is a fitting destination for surfers and lazy sunbathers alike. After a beach day, enjoy fresh seafood at the Marina, score a bargain at the bustling Souk El Had market, and catch a bird's-eye view from the historical Kasbah Agadir Oufella.

Book a flight to Agadir for EUR 169 one way.

## INTRODUCING THE SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL OPTION FOR GREENER FLIGHTS

Now *airBaltic* passengers can contribute to a sustainable future by adding sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) to their flights. You can do this by purchasing SAF along with your booking on *airBaltic's* website, with prices starting from EUR 2.99 per person per flight. Passengers can also purchase SAF through travel agencies or use loyalty points. SAF is produced more sustainably, using other raw materials as an alternative to crude oil and thus produces up to 80% fewer CO<sub>2</sub> emissions compared to fossil fuels, aligning with *airBaltic's* commitment to achieving carbon neutrality by 2050.



To get the best flight deals, look for prices with cherries on [airbaltic.com](http://airbaltic.com)!

All flight prices mentioned in this magazine apply to GREEN tickets from Riga that are booked in advance at [www.airbaltic.com](http://www.airbaltic.com). Prices are subject to availability and not available for all flights or days. Special conditions apply. Prices can be changed unilaterally by *airBaltic*.



## A NEW BASE IN THE CANARY ISLANDS FOR WINTER 2023

*airBaltic* will open a seasonal base in Gran Canaria, Las Palmas airport for the upcoming winter season, starting from the beginning of December 2023. The airline will base two *Airbus A220-300* aircraft at Gran Canaria Airport, serving ten direct routes to the Baltics and Northern Europe.

Starting with December, flights from Riga to Gran Canaria will run three times per week. Alongside Riga, the airline will operate flights from Gran Canaria to our bases in Tallinn, Vilnius and Tampere, and three destinations in Norway: Oslo, Oslo Sandefjord Torp, Bergen; and three destinations in Denmark: Copenhagen, Billund and Aalborg.



## BEST CABIN SERVICE IN EUROPE

Passengers have acknowledged *airBaltic's* hospitality – a perfect balance of Baltic warmth and unobtrusiveness – by voting it the Best Cabin Service in Europe at the 2023 Apex Passenger Choice Awards held as part of the Future Travel Experience EMEA Ancillary & Retailing event. The awards are based on anonymous ballots from passengers on more than a million flights and nearly 600 airlines worldwide.





### ENJOY THE FLIGHT!

**Kid's menu:** Nothing keeps children as busy as a tasty meal. Pre-order some of the special meals cooked up by our sky chefs that are specially made for little flyers. From chicken nuggets and fish sticks to pancakes, everything is served in a playful way that will make your child smile. [airbaltic.com/meal](http://airbaltic.com/meal)

**Entertainment:** To while away the flight hours, *airBaltic* has prepared special sticker sets for kids. Ask your flight attendant for a free copy.

## FAMILY-FRIENDLY DESTINATIONS

### Copenhagen, Denmark

The Danish love spending time with children, and this is reflected in Copenhagen's urban fabric, with the Tivoli Gardens amusement park as its highlight.

### Barcelona, Spain

With its beautiful beaches, enchanting Park Güell, and the thrilling Tibidabo amusement park, this city is ideal for families.

### Paris, France

Paris is a dream destination for families, offering iconic landmarks such as the Eiffel Tower, stunning boat rides on the Seine River, and the magical world of Disneyland Paris.

### Berlin, Germany

This is a family-friendly city with attractions including the Berlin Zoo, Legoland Discovery Centre, and the fascinating Museum of Natural History.

## Family-friendly flying

*airBaltic* believes every flight is an opportunity to create magical family experiences. Here are some things to consider in order to make flying with children easy and fun.

### TRAVELLING WITH INFANTS (0–2 YEARS)

#### Booking tickets

- Infant passengers without a seat receive a 90% discount (excluding taxes and surcharges).
- Each infant must be accompanied by an adult (16 years or older). One adult can only take care of one baby on board, so the number of infants requires the same number of adult passengers. For example, three infants must travel in the company of three adults.
- Book your tickets early: only ten infants are allowed on board an *Airbus A220-300* aircraft.
- Have you decided to bring along the baby at the last minute? No worries, you can still purchase a child's ticket after booking the flight by contacting the *airBaltic* Call Centre.

#### Arriving at the airport

- Check in online to avoid extra hassle at the airport. Online check-in is available as early as five days before the flight.
- Passengers travelling with infants can take on board reasonable quantities of liquids (e.g., baby food, etc.). However, you may be asked to show them at the security gates. Security restrictions may vary from airport to airport.
- Just like any other passenger, children must hold a valid travel document with

a photo to board the flight. Newborns younger than eight days old can only fly with a valid medical clearance.

- Diapers, clothes, toys – we know that little passengers come with baggage. Therefore, each baby or toddler gets one checked bag (up to 10 kg) free of charge, plus one fully collapsible pram (or stroller, carrycot, or infant-type car seat). The accompanying adult's cabin baggage allowance remains the same.
- To make your airport experience even smoother, *airBaltic* offers priority boarding for all passengers travelling with infants. Ease your way through the airport by taking a stroller to the gate and dropping it off when boarding the plane.

#### On board

- Nothing feels safer than a loved one's lap. Infant fare does not include a separate seat on the plane; the baby sits on the accompanying adult passenger's lap. Flight attendants will provide a safety belt for the infant before take-off.
- If a passenger wants a separate seat for an infant, this service can be purchased online or through the Call Centre. But for safety reasons, they are still required to hold the infant in their lap during the aircraft's ground movement, take-off, and landing and when the seatbelt sign is on, even if a separate seat has been booked.
- *airBaltic* does not provide an infant restraint system, but parents are

welcome to bring their own car seats or baby baskets on board (for specific requirements, check [airbaltic.com/en/travelling-with-infants](http://airbaltic.com/en/travelling-with-infants)).

- For security reasons, passengers with infants must sit in window seats. But this provides them with captivating views of the clouds to keep babies engaged!

### TRAVELLING WITH CHILDREN (2–17 YEARS)

Children receive a discount of up to 25% on their fares (excluding taxes and surcharges) for any ticket type, but they must be accompanied by an adult aged 16 or older. Children aged 12 or older can fly alone if they hold a passport/ID card.

### CHILDREN TRAVELLING ALONE

If you are ready to send your little adventurer on a solo flight, make sure they arrive safely with *airBaltic's* unaccompanied minor service. The service is available for children aged five and up. The unaccompanied minor service includes supervision from check-in to meeting a parent/guardian at the destination. Additional rules apply depending on the child's country of residence and destination country. For more info, see [www.airbaltic.com/en/children-travelling-alone](http://www.airbaltic.com/en/children-travelling-alone).



## Planies NFTs – a new digital loyalty experience

*Planies* is a digital collection of 10 000 cartoon aircraft collectibles powered by *airBaltic*. Each *Planie* is a unique work of digital art made from 180 different traits such as a mouth, wings, and engines. The magic happens when *Planies* are linked to your *airBaltic Club* account and start earning you amazing travel benefits such as loyalty points and flight upgrades. *Planies* bring digital loyalty to new heights – a place where digital art and loyalty benefits become one. This is something that has never been done before in the airline industry.



*Planies* will get you unlimited *airBaltic Club* benefits for each *Planie* you hold; these benefits can be enjoyed by *Planie* holders or anyone else. The more *Planies* you own, the more benefits you get.

**Each *Planie* will get you numerous *airBaltic Club* benefits:**

- ✈️ **20 loyalty points every day;**
- ✈️ **Business class upgrade** after every 10 flights flown;
- ✈️ **VIP membership status** when staking 25 *Planies*.

You can purchase a *Planie* at [planiesnft.com](http://planiesnft.com) with a credit card or a cryptocurrency wallet and enjoy a new digital loyalty experience.

To start earning *airBaltic Club* travel benefits, all you need to do is link the wallet in which the *Planie* is stored to your *airBaltic Club* account at [mint.planiesnft.com/stake](http://mint.planiesnft.com/stake).

Scan to get your *Planie*



- 🌐 [airbaltic.com/en/planies-nft](http://airbaltic.com/en/planies-nft)
- ✉️ [planies@airbaltic.com](mailto:planies@airbaltic.com)
- 💬 [discord.gg/planiesnft](https://discord.gg/planiesnft)
- 🐦 @PlaniesNFT
- 🔗 [opensea.io/collection/planies](https://opensea.io/collection/planies)



5000+ **PLANIES** MINTED

The *Planies* project recently achieved a significant milestone marking a major step forward in its journey. Since the launching of the 10,000-large *Planies* collection in October 2022, the project has witnessed remarkable success – with a total of 5,120 *Planies* having been minted, the halfway mark of the entire *Planies* collection has been surpassed. And the overwhelming support from our valued community of *Planies* holders has been truly amazing. Together, we are revolutionising the future of travel. With a limited availability of only 10,000 *Planies*, time is of the essence if you wish to join the exclusive *Planies* travel community. Don't wait and purchase your *Planies* now!

**FREE BUSINESS CLASS TRAVEL FOR *PLANIE* HOLDERS**

When you become a *Planies* holder, you unlock the privilege of receiving free Business class upgrade vouchers – after every ten flights with *airBaltic*, you'll get a complimentary Business class upgrade voucher. This benefit applies to each individual *Planie* you own. For example, if you hold five *Planies* and fly ten times with *airBaltic*, you'll receive five vouchers. Since the introduction of *Planies*, our holders have been granted a total of 744 Business class vouchers. These vouchers provide an opportunity to elevate your travel experience and indulge in the comforts of Business class, including fast-track security, access to the Business Lounge, and extra baggage allowance. Whether you choose to upgrade your own flights or treat someone else to a luxurious journey, these vouchers offer an unparalleled level of comfort and convenience.

**13 MILLION LOYALTY POINTS ISSUED**

As a proud *Planies* holder, you gain access to incredible travel benefits, including the opportunity to earn *airBaltic Club* loyalty points that can be redeemed for complimentary flights, luggage, and more. Since the launch of *Planies*, our holders have collectively earned an impressive 13 million *airBaltic Club* loyalty points. With *Planies*, earning points is effortless – simply purchase and link your *Planie* to your *airBaltic Club* account to earn 20 loyalty points daily, without needing to purchase a flight ticket to earn points. It's the simplest and smartest approach to accumulating loyalty points.



**FLY GREEN WITH *PLANIES***

*Planies* provide an excellent passive method to boost your *airBaltic Club* loyalty points because you receive 20 points per day, regardless of whether you fly or not. Unsure of how to utilise these points? Accumulated points can be redeemed like any other *airBaltic Club* points – for flights, upgrades, baggage vouchers, and now, even for purchasing sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) through the *airBaltic Club* Rewards shop. Fly sustainably with *Planies* and contribute to a greener future!

**Planie of the Month**



**WANT TO SEE YOUR *PLANIE* IN THE NEXT *BALTIC OUTLOOK*?**

The hunt for the *Planie of the Month* is still ongoing, and this is your opportunity to showcase your unique *Planie*. Submit your *Planie* for the chance to be featured in the upcoming August issue of *Baltic Outlook*, and also try your hand at winning some fun *Planies* merchandise.

Don't let this exciting chance to exhibit your *Planie* to the world slip away. Keep an eye out for the competition announcement on Twitter: @PlaniesNFT, which will be made in early July.

**Chapter 7**

**Every takeoff requires planning, and when it**

comes to flight planning, managing weather conditions is extremely important in order to ensure the safety and comfort of passengers. Pilots try to avoid thunderstorm clouds during flight, but sometimes, regardless of how precisely you've followed the weather forecasts, you will hit a thunderstorm. In such situations, training and preparation are crucial, but there have been cases when there is no preset checklist for handling the situation. That is precisely what happened when we were hit by an unprecedented global thunderstorm.

This, however, was not a meteorological cloud one could fly through, above, under, or even around. This dark cloud was a pandemic that affected all *Planies* and their travel buddies throughout the world. We were in a state of shock and fear and could not believe what was happening. And just as during a flight, if something does not go according to plan, decisions have to be made quickly. At first, we were not allowed to fly to certain places; then we started flying less and less until... the unimaginable happened - we were prohibited to fly at all. It happened so fast that we were not even able to process it. Seeing everybody grounded when all we wanted to do was take off up into the sky simply broke our hearts.

This was a historical moment in aviation. We were facing extraordinary circumstances, and even though it was hard to grasp that this was truly happening, we believed that the dark cloud would eventually lift and that the sky would be clear and full of *Planies* once again. The only question was - what do we have to do to get there?

Author: Lāsma Ozoliņa,  
Loyalty Projects Manager at *airBaltic*

**CAPTAIN *PLANIE*'S LOG**

Get ready for another thrilling chapter in the *Captain Planie's Log* series! This month, *Captain Planie* takes us on a journey back in time to the darkest moments of the *Planies* journey.

Every month a new chapter will be published in *Baltic Outlook* and at medium.com/@planiesnft. Don't miss out on the opportunity to join the *Planies* on their adventures and discover the secrets of their past.

**HAVE FUN SHOPPING!**

Whether you're the proud owner of a *Planie* or only thinking about buying one, you can still rock that *Planies* hoodie or warm winter hat. Shop for *Planies*-inspired merchandise and gifts at the *airBaltic Shop*: souvenirs.airBaltic.com.



For more information and updates on *Planies* NFTs, visit planiesnft.com and follow @PlaniesNFT on Twitter.





Jānis Krištopš, captain on  
*Airbus A220-300* aircraft

Words by Ilze Pole  
Photo by Dmītrijs Šulzičs (*I764*)

## The man in front of all the bronze

It was a genuine national celebration when the Latvian national men's ice hockey team returned to Riga in May having earned bronze medals in the Ice Hockey World Championship. *airBaltic* captain Jānis Krištopš was invited to bring the team home, and it was his idea to show the team and the fans a special honour by flying around the Freedom Monument in central Riga. It is estimated that around 50,000 hockey fans gathered in the centre of Riga on that day to congratulate the team.

You were working and had to concentrate on the flight, but how did it feel to know that the passengers on this airplane were very special?

Of course, this team is special – it's the first time the Latvian national team has won bronze medals at the World Championship, and these guys will always be the first. Our spirits among the cabin crew were also very high. But the day before, when it was clear that the approvals had been received and that we had managed to coordinate this not-easy flight, I called First Officer Jēkabs Krastiņš, and he said, 'All we have to do is do our job well.' Krastiņš is a great new first officer who used to work in the IT department at *airBaltic*, but he knew from day one that he wanted to become a pilot and fly.

What were the main challenges of this flight?

Commercial flights are mainly operated according to instrument flight rules. However, visual flight rules also exist. This means that the aircraft can fly in all weather conditions using radio navigation or GPS.

Sometimes, like when an airplane flies into a cloud, you might think that the pilots have no idea where they're going because they can't see anything. But that's not the case, because everything is controlled by using the instruments. However, our arc around the Freedom Monument was a purely visual manoeuvre – we had to rely on the sensors in our own heads and hands. We knew the lowest altitude we were allowed to fly at, and then we determined the geographical coordinates of the Freedom Monument and formed an arc around it. The task was to keep the whole orbit visually neat and then fly out. Around the monument we flew at an altitude of 1000 feet above sea level, which is about 500 metres. This is the minimum altitude at which an airplane is allowed to fly over a populated area. Riga Airport had also given clearance for a visual approach and landing.

Had you ever flown over Riga before?

When flying into or out of Riga Airport, we fly over the city almost every day, but at a much higher altitude, of course. We also do visual approaches from time to time, if the weather and volume of air traffic allow it. During heavy air traffic, air traffic control doesn't allow visual approaches, because airplanes have to enter and leave in a certain order. You can't have one hooligan out there doing whatever he or she wants, while everyone else continues marching in a nice and tidy line (*laughs*). But I've also flown on Latvia's birthday, Independence Day, when the airplane is escorted by fighter jets over central Riga.

You had very little time to prepare for this flight.

The specific flight plan had been made in advance, but the idea of doing a special greeting around the Freedom Monument only came the day before, on Sunday. On that same evening, we planned the flight and coordinated it with the relevant authorities.

When you open any aeronautical chart, there are certain no-fly zones where you cannot fly under a certain altitude, and the altitude we were at on that day was under that limit. In addition, the presidential palace lay on our flight route.

The bodies responsible for these regulations are under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Defence. I therefore say a big thank you to the Latvian Civil Aviation Agency, the Ministry of Transport, the Ministry of Defence, and the Military Police for coordinating the route very quickly and efficiently, and for being so accommodating!

And when you finally landed at Riga Airport?

As my colleague and I laughed, we only had one chance to land beautifully. There would be no second chance, and our cargo was very important. But Riga Airport, *airBaltic*, and the government representatives who were present had prepared a very special welcome. In addition, Riga Airport gave the airplane a water salute as a special gesture. The fire trucks parked along the runway facing each other and used water cannons to create a beautiful water arch that we drove through.

Never before on any other flight have I heard such loud emotions, so much positivity, and so much joy inside the cabin of an aircraft. We don't usually hear anything outside our cockpit door, but this time we did.

Have you ever played hockey yourself?

I have, when I was still in school. I attended Ogre Secondary School, and our physical education teacher organised hockey competitions between the classes. In winter, we turned the school stadium into an ice rink; we all helped to build it, put up the boards, and even took care of the ice ourselves. But we didn't have nice uniforms, nor did we have masks or helmets, so I remember very well what it's like to get hit in the face with a puck, as happened to our hockey player Jānis Jaks in the World Championship game against the United States. We put snow on our busted lips, and if we needed stitches, we'd go to the hospital and get stitched up.

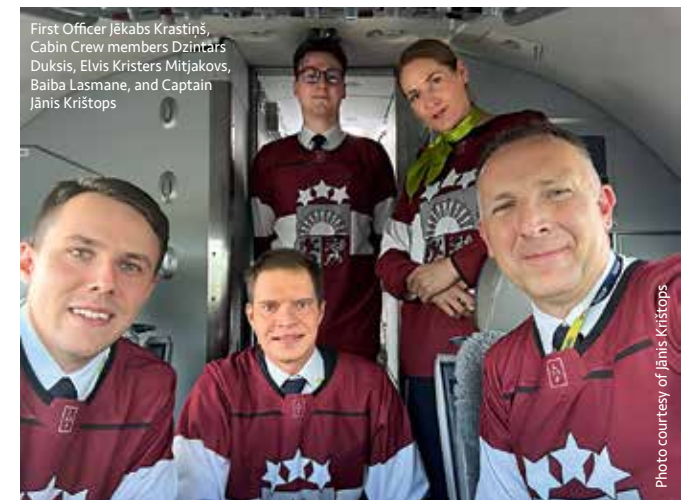
How long have you been working at *airBaltic*?

It's been 15 years; I began working here in 2008. The company was completely different back then, and it also flew with completely different aircraft, which were also some of the most modern aircraft at the time. Back when the *Fokker 50* was still being produced, it was ahead of its time. It was a turboprop aircraft, and even though the engine power was considerably lower, it had very advanced technical solutions for the time.

But you have other duties besides being a pilot. You're one of the people who conducts type rating exams for new pilots and simulator checks for existing pilots.

And in addition to these, my duties at the company also include the job of safety manager. Among the people in my team are those who, put simply, study the black boxes in aircraft... which are actually orange. These boxes record all of a flight's parameters, and they're looked at to determine whether a flight was carried out well and correctly. If any deviations from the flight parameters, standards, or limitations are detected, an investigation is carried out. My team analyses the data and investigates if necessary. But it's also an opportunity to observe various trends and take proactive action if necessary.

I also see a good link here with my work as a trainer. By knowing what happens in real life, I can use specific cases as examples when training future pilots – why certain situations developed and what can be done to prevent them from developing in the first place.



Never before on any other flight  
have I heard such loud emotions  
inside the cabin of an aircraft

What keeps you motivated in your work?

Above all, it's the desire to develop further. For myself, I've formulated three main pillars on which my professional life is based. First, I'm very happy that Latvia has its own airline, and thanks to that I can fly from home and always return home after work. The second is my passion for flying, which is an activity that brings me a lot of joy. No matter what kind of aircraft I may fly (*laughs*)! And the third pillar is seeing the fruits of my labour. These are the people whom I have taught and who are now flying on their own.

I remember one year during Shadow Days, a boy interested in becoming a pilot shadowed me at work. This past April, as I was flying home from a conference in Berlin, I realised that the first officer on the airplane was the same guy who had shadowed me several years ago at work. He had graduated from the *airBaltic* Pilot Academy and is now a pilot. Now we have two pictures: in the first one, he's on the flight deck as my shadow; and in the second one, he's wearing a pilot's uniform and sitting in the first officer's chair on the flight deck, and I'm there next to him as *his* shadow (*laughs*)! That makes me happy.



Words by Ilze Pole  
Photo by Dmitrijs Sulžics (F64)

## Pilots out of their office

*Baltic Outlook* introduces you to some of the most important people at *airBaltic* – its flight crew members, who have some of the most interesting hobbies.



**Toms Ezeriņš (25),**  
first officer on  
*Airbus A220-300* aircraft

### HOBBY

Toms Ezeriņš was five years old when his father first put him on a moped. His legs hardly touched the ground, but he drove it nonetheless. And from that moment on, mopeds, motorcycles, and also cars have been his main hobby.

‘I began repairing and tuning mopeds and then later motorcycles and dirt bikes, when I was 9 years old. When I was 12 years old my father gave me a car, an old *Niva* off-road model, and that sparked my passion for cars,’ Toms recalls. ‘I also trained as a car mechanic, which fascinated me even more. I have had more than ten cars in total, because I was not only repairing them but also driving them. I’ve done drag racing, but I like drifting the best.’

Toms is from Kandava, a beautiful small town about an hour-and-a-half’s drive from Riga. His father has built a garage next to his home, which also has a car lift. Due to his job, Toms has relocated to Riga and doesn’t make it to Kandava that often, but he still goes home from time to time and repairs cars for his friends and acquaintances.

‘I really like repairing cars,’ he says. ‘It gives me a great sense of satisfaction to take apart a car that doesn’t work, replace the parts, and bolt it back together so that it’s drivable again.’ He also watches a lot of *YouTube* videos of others repairing cars, thus learning new tips and tricks.

### HOW IT ALL BEGAN

‘Flying has fascinated me since I was a young child,’ Toms says. ‘But it seemed so out of reach and impossible for me. Like I said, I initially trained as a car mechanic. But during my apprenticeship at a car repair shop, I realised that this wasn’t going to be a job I would be happy doing every day. So I applied to *Havas*, which serviced Riga Airport at the time, and loaded luggage for a while. Our training took place at the *airBaltic* Training Centre, where I also saw future pilots training, and I thought, “Whoa... Hey, I want to do that, too!” Even the fact that the trainees wore uniforms appealed to me.’

So Toms applied to the *airBaltic* Pilot Academy, was accepted, and received his pilot’s licence three years later – the pandemic had significantly prolonged the training process. He still remembers the indescribable feeling of fulfilment when he was recruited by *airBaltic* and began flying.

‘The reality turned out to be even better than I had imagined,’ Toms says. ‘And I also enjoy the whole pilot lifestyle – the layovers as well as the extremely interesting destinations. When possible, my wife comes along on longer work trips, which is a great opportunity for both of us to travel together. It really is a dream come true!’

# Come under our wing!

Join us



**Mārtiņš Jaunzemis**  
Ramp Handling  
Supervisor

**Viktorija Fjodorova**  
Technical Testing  
Inspector



# An innovative loyalty programme for every traveller

*airBaltic Club* is our loyalty programme with which you can earn points, get instant travel perks, and receive reward flights.



## EARN POINTS WITH PARTNERS, SPEND POINTS ON PRIZES!

Points are the currency of *airBaltic Club*. You can earn points every time you fly with *airBaltic* or use the services of other partners – add your membership number to a reservation or scan your digital card during the payment process to collect points for onboard purchases while flying with *airBaltic*.

Collected points can be used for reward flights to destinations all over the world as well as flight upgrades, *airBaltic* gift cards, baggage vouchers and even to pay for tickets at *airBaltic.com*. Visit the Rewards shop at *spend.airBalticclub.com* and choose your favourite prize!




## Slide towards a free flight

- Want to spend less money on a ticket? Use *airBaltic Club* points to pay for the ticket at *airBaltic.com*!
- Have at least 10 *airBaltic Club* points per passenger in your account.
  - Log into your *airBaltic* profile.
  - Mix cash and points or pay for the ticket by fully using points.



## *airBaltic Club* FLIGHT E-VOUCHER

- Book a reward flight online at any time!
- Visit the Rewards shop and exchange your points for an *airBaltic Club* flight e-voucher at *spend.airBalticclub.com*.
  - Go to *airBaltic.com* and insert the voucher code in the 'I have a gift card / discount code' field.
  - See the available reward flights and complete your online booking.

## *airBaltic* REWARD FLIGHTS

Direct flights to/from the Baltics & Finland* <small>*except Kittila</small>	the Baltics & Finland* <small>*except Kittila</small>	Scandinavia & Poland	Central & Eastern Europe	Western & Southern Europe	Asia, Middle East, Canary Islands, North Africa
In Economy class	4 500 points	5 500 points	7 500 points	12 000 points	17 500 points**
In Business class	17 000 points	22 000 points	30 000 points	35 000 points	50 000 points**

\*Airport taxes must be paid additionally. Special conditions apply.  
\*\*The price is valid for all direct flights to/from the Canary Islands.

# Partnership with KLM & Air France

Collect and spend points not only with *airBaltic*, but also with *KLM & Air France*!



## HOW DO I COLLECT POINTS?

- Go to *airBaltic.com*.
- Book a ticket for codeshare flights with *KLM* or *Air France*.
- Enter your *airBaltic Club* membership number in the reservation.
- After completing the flights, you will receive one point for every euro spent.\*

## SPEND POINTS TO TRAVEL AROUND THE WORLD

More than 100 destinations from all over the world are waiting for you, so check out your *airBaltic Club* point balance, choose your favorite *KLM* or *Air France* destination and start packing your suitcase now!

Directs flights to/from Amsterdam and Paris	Europe	Middle East	Africa	North America	Asia	South America
In Economy class	15 000 points	25 000 points	35 000 points	35 000 points	40 000 points	45 000 points
In Business class	45 000 points	75 000 points	105 000 points	105 000 points	120 000 points	135 000 points

\*Applies only to *airBaltic* tickets for codeshare flights marketed by *airBaltic* operated by *KLM* or *Air France*.

# The more you fly, the more benefits you get!

Executive and VIP status allows you to enjoy special privileges when travelling – extra baggage, fast track, and much more.



## THREE MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

If you take at least 30 one-way flights with *airBaltic* over the course of one year, you will achieve *airBaltic Club* Executive level. To reach *airBaltic Club* VIP status, you need to have at least 60 one-way flights flown with *airBaltic* within a year.

More information at *airBaltic.com/club*

Download the *airBaltic Club* app

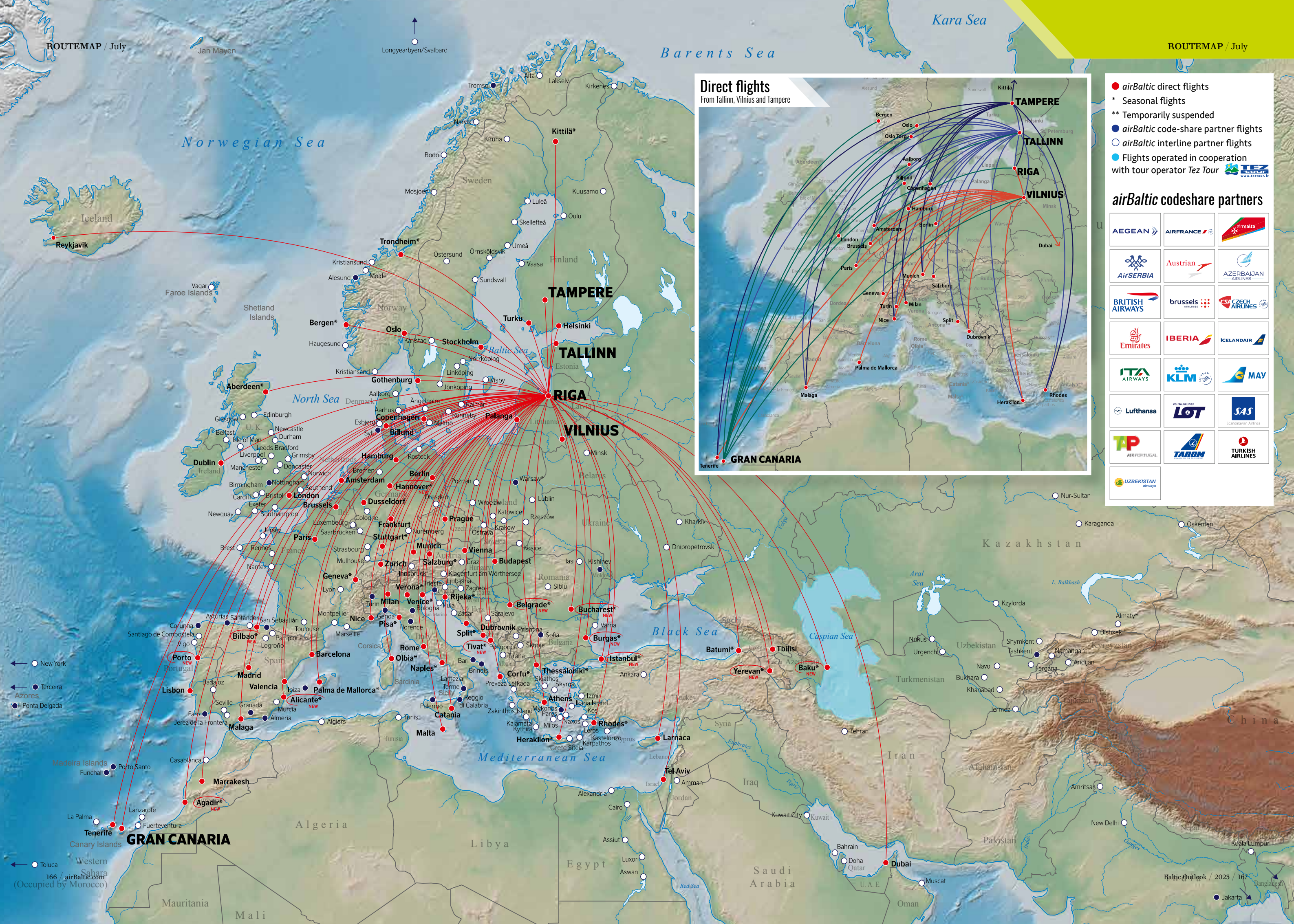




RIGA, LATVIA

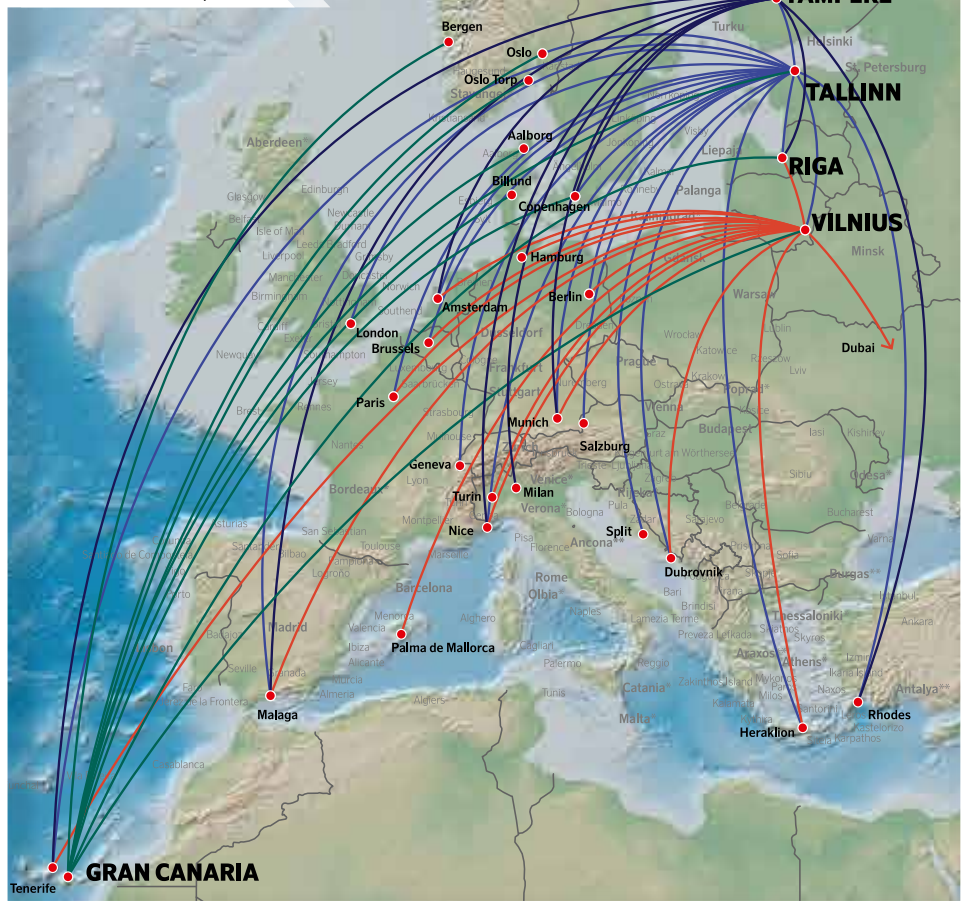
	Flights from RIGA						Flights to RIGA					
	Flight No	From	To	Days	Departure	Arrival	Flight No	From	To	Days	Departure	Arrival
A	ABERDEEN						ABERDEEN					
	BT 659	RIX	ABZ	-2---6-	16:55	17:30	BT 660	ABZ	RIX	-2---6-	18:10	22:30
	AMSTERDAM						AMSTERDAM					
	BT 617	RIX	AMS	1234567	07:45	09:05	BT 618	AMS	RIX	1234567	09:55	13:10
	BT 619	RIX	AMS	1234567	17:00	18:20	BT 620	AMS	RIX	1234567	19:05	22:20
	ATHENS						ATHENS					
	BT 611	RIX	ATH	---4---	07:15	10:25	BT 612	ATH	RIX	---4---	11:05	14:20
	BT 611	RIX	ATH	-2---6-	11:15	14:25	BT 612	ATH	RIX	-2---6-	15:05	18:20
B	BAKU						BAKU					
	BT 732	RIX	GVD	--3---7	23:15	05:05+1	BT 733	GVD	RIX	1-4----	06:05	10:15
	BATUMI						BATUMI					
	BT 720	RIX	BUS	-2---6-	23:20	04:20+1	BT 721	BUS	RIX	--3---7	05:30	08:50
	BARCELONA						BARCELONA					
	BT 683	RIX	BCN	1-345-7	11:00	13:40	BT 684	BCN	RIX	1-345-7	14:25	19:00
	BELGRADE						BELGRADE					
	BT 487	RIX	BEG	-2---6-	11:40	12:55	BT 488	BEG	RIX	-2---6-	13:55	17:10
	BERGEN						BERGEN					
	BT 171	RIX	BGO	-2---6-	17:30	18:35	BT 172	BGO	RIX	-2---6-	19:15	22:10
	BERLIN Brandenburg						BERLIN Brandenburg					
	BT 211	RIX	BER	12--56-	07:05	07:40	BT 212	BER	RIX	12--56-	08:20	10:55
	BT 213	RIX	BER	1-345-7	18:25	19:00	BT 214	BER	RIX	1-345-7	19:40	22:15
	BILBAO						BILBAO					
	BT 699	RIX	BIO	---4--7	10:45	13:35	BT 700	BIO	RIX	---4--7	14:20	18:55
	BILLUND						BILLUND					
	BT 147	RIX	BLL	1-345-7	12:55	13:35	BT 148	BLL	RIX	1-345-7	14:15	16:50
	BRUSSELS						BRUSSELS					
	BT 601	RIX	BRU	123-56-	07:30	08:55	BT 602	BRU	RIX	123-56-	09:40	13:05
	BT 603	RIX	BRU	1--45-7	16:50	18:15	BT 604	BRU	RIX	1--45-7	18:55	22:20
	BUCHAREST						BUCHAREST					
	BT 757	RIX	OTP	1-3-5--	11:55	14:25	BT 758	OTP	RIX	1-3-5--	15:10	17:40
	BUDAPEST						BUDAPEST					
	BT 491	RIX	BUD	1--4---	11:25	12:20	BT 492	BUD	RIX	1--4---	13:00	16:00
BT 491	RIX	BUD	-----6-	12:55	13:50	BT 492	BUD	RIX	-----6-	14:30	17:30	
BURGAS						BURGAS						
BT 755	RIX	BOJ	-2-----	07:15	9:55	BT 756	BOJ	RIX	-2-----	10:45	13:30	
BT 755	RIX	BOJ	-----6-	15:35	18:15	BT 756	BOJ	RIX	-----6-	19:05	21:50	
C	CATANIA						CATANIA					
	BT 639	RIX	CTA	--3---7	07:15	09:45	BT 640	CTA	RIX	--3---7	10:30	14:50
	COPENHAGEN						COPENHAGEN					
	BT 131	RIX	CPH	1234567	07:05	07:35	BT 132	CPH	RIX	1234567	08:15	10:40
	BT 139	RIX	CPH	1234567	18:50	19:20	BT 140	CPH	RIX	1234567	20:00	22:25
	CORFU						CORFU					
	BT 643	RIX	CFU	-2---6-	15:50	18:45	BT 644	CFU	RIX	-2---6-	19:30	22:30
	D	DUBAI						DUBAI				
BT 791		RIX	DXB	1--4-6-	00:20	08:10	BT 792	DXB	RIX	1--4-6-	09:10	15:40
DUBLIN						DUBLIN						
BT 661		RIX	DUB	-2-4-6-	15:30	16:40	BT 662	DUB	RIX	-2-4-6-	17:20	22:15
DUBROVNIK						DUBROVNIK						
BT 497		RIX	DBV	-2---6-	09:35	11:10	BT 498	DBV	RIX	-2---6-	11:55	15:30
DUSSELDORF						DUSSELDORF						
BT 233		RIX	DUS	12345-7	17:10	18:20	BT 234	DUS	RIX	12345-7	19:05	22:10
F	FRANKFURT						FRANKFURT					
	BT 243	RIX	FRA	123456-	07:50	09:10	BT 244	FRA	RIX	123456-	09:50	13:00
	BT 245	RIX	FRA	1-345-7	17:10	18:30	BT 246	FRA	RIX	1-345-7	19:10	22:20
G	GOTHENBURG Landvetter						GOTHENBURG Landvetter					
	BT 121	RIX	GOT	--3-5-7	12:40	13:05	BT 122	GOT	RIX	--3-5-7	13:45	16:05
H	HANNOVER						HANNOVER					
	BT 257	RIX	HAG	-2---6-	12:15	13:10	BT 258	HAG	RIX	-2---6-	13:55	16:50
	HAMBURG						HAMBURG					
	BT 251	RIX	HAM	12345-7	12:50	13:40	BT 252	HAM	RIX	12345-7	14:20	17:00
	HELSINKI Vantaa						HELSINKI Vantaa					
	BT 301	RIX	HEL	1234567	07:20	08:20	BT 302	HEL	RIX	1234567	09:00	10:00
	BT 303	RIX	HEL	12345--	13:50	14:50	BT 304	HEL	RIX	12345--	15:30	16:30
	BT 307	RIX	HEL	1234567	19:40	20:40	BT 308	HEL	RIX	1234567	21:20	22:20
BT 325	RIX	HEL	1234567	23:20	00:20+1	BT 326	HEL	RIX	1234567	05:25	06:25	





Direct flights

From Tallinn, Vilnius and Tampere



- **airBaltic** direct flights
- \* Seasonal flights
- \*\* Temporarily suspended
- **airBaltic** code-share partner flights
- **airBaltic** interline partner flights
- Flights operated in cooperation with tour operator **Tez Tour**

**airBaltic** codeshare partners



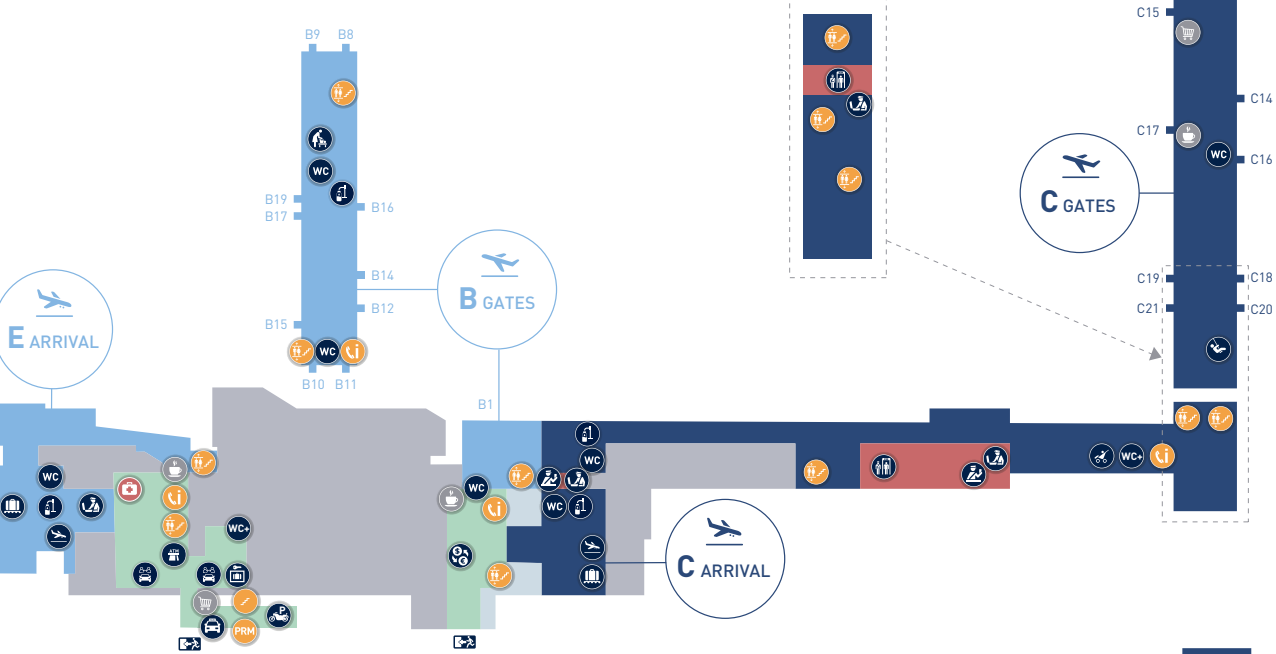

# Welcome to Riga Airport

airBaltic's home base, the Riga Airport is modern and comfortable, with many shops and cafés. At the same time it is very compact, so transferring from one flight to another can be easily done on foot.

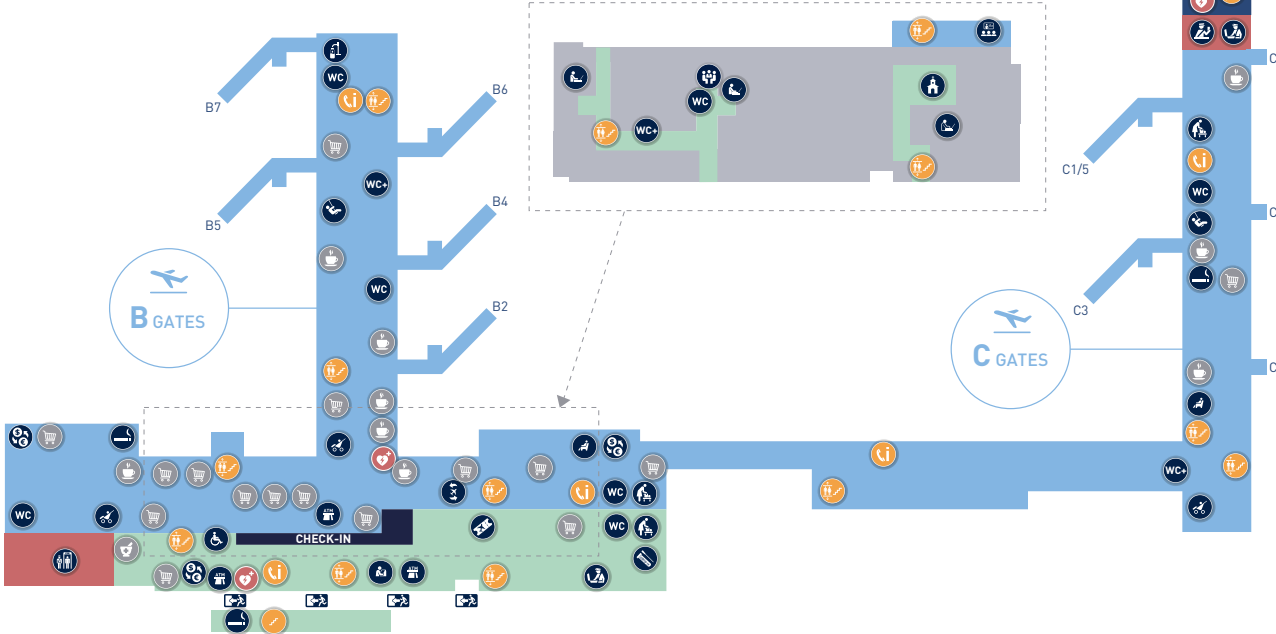
Please take into account the following average transit times:

- ▶ From Non-Schengen passport and security control 1<sup>st</sup> floor to Schengen departure gates – 15 minutes;
- ▶ From Security control 2nd floor to: Schengen departure gates – 15 minutes; Non-Schengen departure gates – 22 minutes.

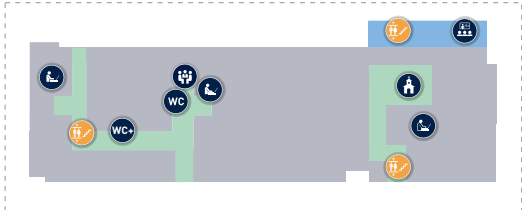
## 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR



## 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR



## 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR



Entrance, exit	Drinking water	Baggage Storage	Transfer center	Motorcycle parking	Cafe
WC	PRM Meeting Point	Arrival Service	Chapel	Smoking area	Pharmacy
WC+ WC/diaper-changing table	Self-Check-In Kiosk	Passport Control	Office	Elevator&Stairs	Shop
Nursery	Currency Exchange	Customs Control	Longue	PRM call point	
Baby Carriage	ATM	Security Control	Conference room	Information Point	
Playground	Ticket offices	Arrival Service	Car rental	Defibrillator	
Testing point	Baggage Claim	Business Lounge	Taxi	First aid	

# airCafé

Freshly made before your flight

## airBaltic Sky Service

Order meals and shop onboard from your mobile device during the flight



Scan here to order





# Appetizers | Uzkodas

Fresh meals available on flights over 1 h 30 min.

Svaigās maltītes ir pieejamas lidojumos, kas ir ilgāki par 1 h 30 min.



## Salmon salad

with quail egg and avocado dressing

Laša salāti ar paipalu olu un avokado mērci

8<sup>99</sup> €

GOES WELL WITH  
SIM PIESTĀVĒS  
Prosecco

## Tapas

Olives, breadsticks, cheese, ham and mini fuet sausages

Olīvas, maizes standziņas, siers, šķiņķis un mini fuet desiņas

7<sup>49</sup> €

GOES WELL WITH  
SIM PIESTĀVĒS  
Beer  
Alus



Ask the cabin crew about the ingredients of a given product or what allergens it contains.  
Jautājiel stjuartiem par produktu sastāvu un tajos esošajiem alergēniem.

## Croissant

with local smoked ham, cheese and pickled cucumbers

Pildīts kraukšķīgs kruasāns ar vietējā kūpinājuma šķiņķi, sieru un marinētu gurķi

5<sup>99</sup> €

GOES WELL WITH  
SIM PIESTĀVĒS  
Chicken soup  
Vistas zupa



## Wrap

with shrimp and vegetables in ponzu sauce

Garneļu vraps ar svaigiem dārzeņiem ponzu mērcē

6<sup>99</sup> €

GOES WELL WITH  
SIM PIESTĀVĒS  
White wine  
Baltvins

Collect  
airBaltic Club  
POINTS here!





# Hot dishes | Siltie ēdieni

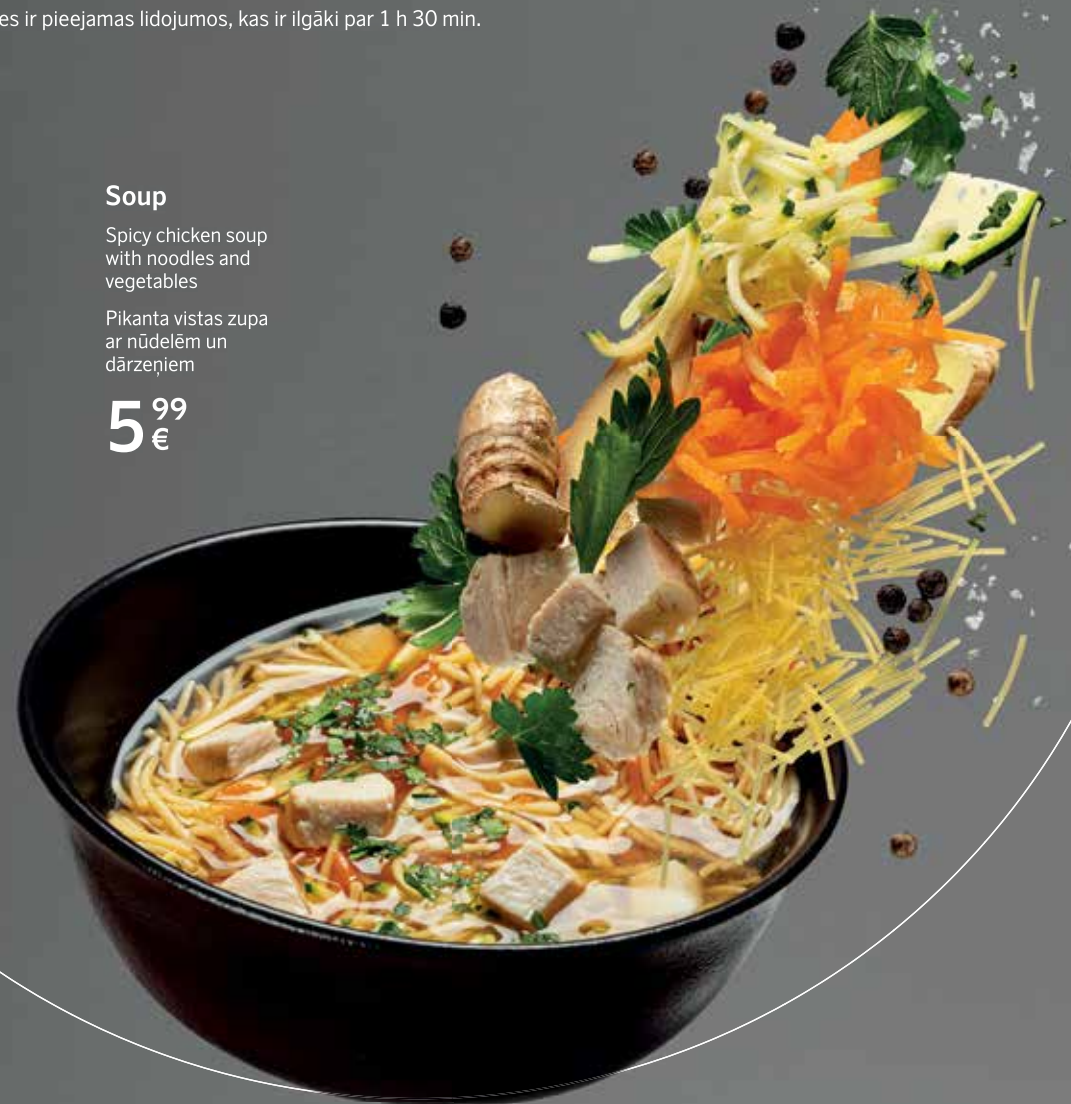
Fresh meals available on flights over 1 h 30 min.  
Svaigās maltītes ir pieejamas lidojumos, kas ir ilgāki par 1 h 30 min.

## Soup

Spicy chicken soup with noodles and vegetables

Pikanta vistas zupa ar nūdelēm un dārzeņiem

5<sup>99</sup> €



## Panini

Freshly made chicken cold cut and cheese panini with BBQ mayo

Svaigi gatavota panini maize ar vistas šķiņķi, sieru un BBQ majonēzi

7<sup>49</sup> €

## Lasagne



Vegan lasagne with vegetable sauce (gluten free)

Vegānā lazanja ar dārzeņu mērci (bez glutēna)

8<sup>99</sup> €



## Chicken

Sweet&sour chicken with rice and vegetables

Vistas filejas gabaliņi saldskābā mērcē ar rīsiem un dārzeņiem

8<sup>99</sup> €

GOES WELL WITH  
SĪM PIESTĀVĒS  
Red or white wine  
Sarkanvīns vai baltvīns





# Desserts | Deserti



## Ice cream

Assortment of  
“Skriveru mājas  
saldējums” ice cream

Dažādu veidu “Skriveru  
mājas saldējums”

4<sup>49</sup>  
€

## Cookies

The Beginnings black-  
currant cookies, 80g

“The Beginnings”  
upreņu cepumi

3<sup>99</sup>  
€

## Blueberry muffin

Melleņu kūkss

2<sup>99</sup>  
€

# Hot drinks | Karstie dzērieni



## Basilur tea

Black / green / mint

Tējas – melna /  
zaļa / piparmētru

3<sup>49</sup>  
€

## Douwe Egberts cappuccino

“Douwe Egberts”  
kapučīno

3<sup>49</sup>  
€

## Freshly brewed Barista coffee

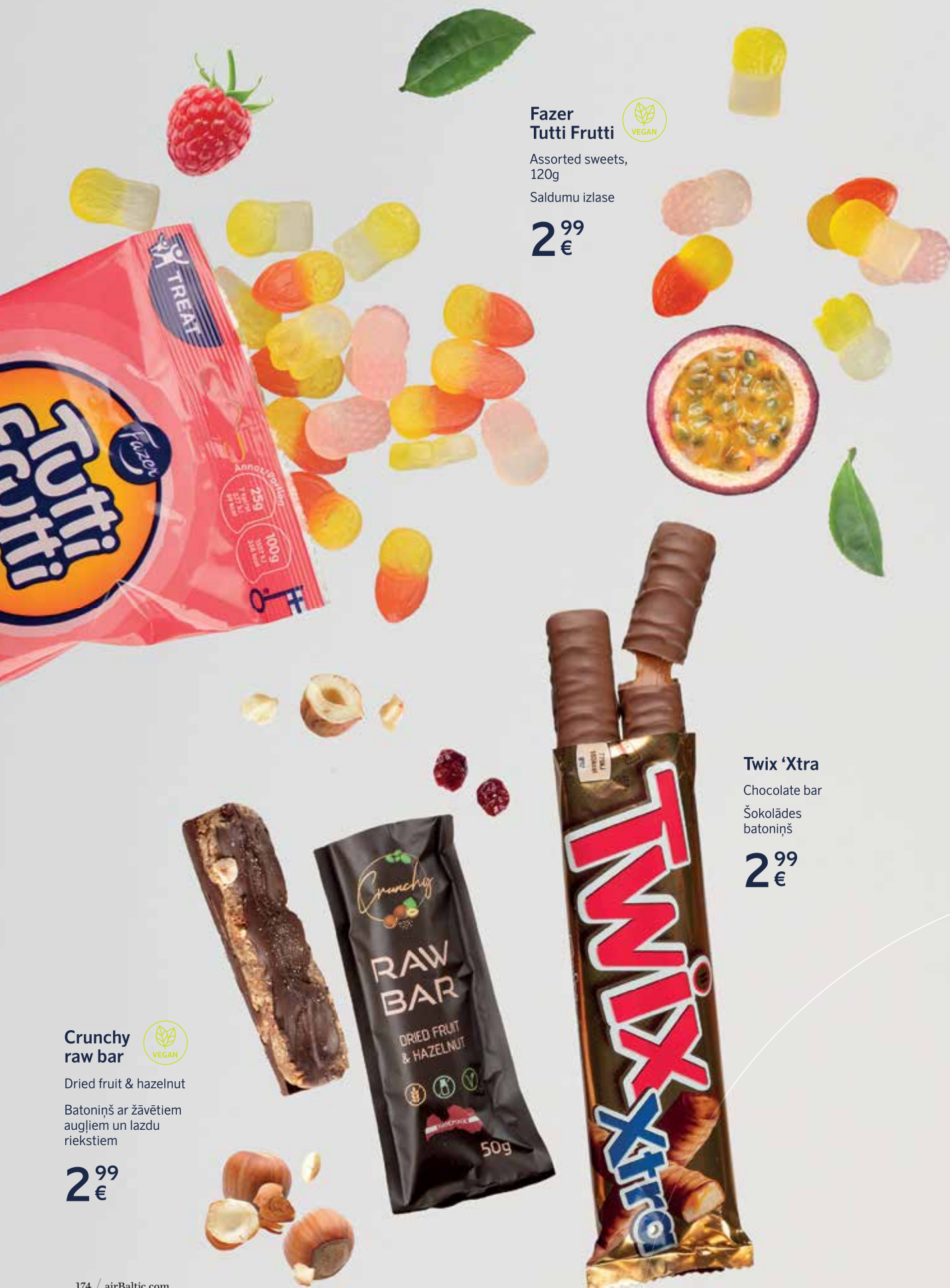
“Barista coffee”  
svaigi gatavota kafija

3<sup>99</sup>  
€





# Sweet snacks | Saldie našķi



**Fazer  
Tutti Frutti**

Assorted sweets,  
120g  
Saldumu izlase

**2<sup>99</sup>  
€**



**Crunchy  
raw bar**



Dried fruit & hazelnut  
Batonīš ar žāvētiem  
augļiem un lazdu  
riekstiem

**2<sup>99</sup>  
€**

**Twix 'Xtra**  
Chocolate bar  
Šokolādes  
batoniņš

**2<sup>99</sup>  
€**

# Salty snacks | Sāļie našķi



**Pringles  
Original**



**Pringles Sour  
Cream & Onion**

Potato chips, 40g  
Kartupeļu čipsi

**3<sup>49</sup>  
€**

**Salysol  
salted  
peanuts**



"Salysol" sāļīti  
zemesrieksti, 60g

**3<sup>49</sup>  
€**

**Crackers**



The Beginnings  
carrot&almond protein  
crackers

"The Beginnings"  
krekeri no burkāniem un  
mandelēm

**4<sup>49</sup>  
€**

**Nõo Parmesan  
Snack cigar  
sausages**

"Nõo Snack"  
cigāresīņas ar  
parmežāna sieru

**2<sup>99</sup>  
€**

**Beef Jerky**

"Nākotne" dried and smoked  
barbeque Beef Jerky, 45g

"Nākotne Beef Jerky" vītīnāta  
un kūpināta liellopa gaļa

**3<sup>99</sup>  
€**

**Mežete Dip & Go  
Classic Hummus**



with breadsticks, 90g

Humuss ar maizes  
standziņām

**3<sup>99</sup>  
€**



# Soft drinks | Dzērieni

## BalticWater natural mineral water

Still or sparkling, 33cl  
Viegli mineralizēts dabīgais ūdens, negāzēts un gāzēts

2<sup>99</sup> €

## Red Bull

Energy drink, 25cl  
Energijas dzēriens

3<sup>99</sup> €

## Ginger shot

Kloster Kitchen organic ginger shot with ginger pieces, 3cl

Dabīgs ingvera šots ar ingvera gabaliņiem

3<sup>49</sup> €



## Rauch apple, orange or tomato juice, 20cl

Ābolu, apelsīnu vai tomātu sula

2<sup>99</sup> €

## Coca-Cola, Coca-Cola Zero 33cl

2<sup>99</sup> €



## Rudy's Kombucha

Naturally fermented green tea with mango and passion fruit, 33cl

Dabīgs zaļās tējas dzēriens ar mango un marakuju

4<sup>49</sup> €



## Franklin & Sons Original Ginger Ale, 15cl

Ingvera limonāde

## Franklin & Sons Natural Indian Tonic Water, 15cl

Toniks

2<sup>99</sup> €



Collect  
airBaltic Club  
POINTS here!

# Cocktails | Kokteiļi

## Jägermeister & Red Bull

9<sup>98</sup> €

## Jägermeister & ginger ale

8<sup>98</sup> €



## Beefeater London dry gin & Indian Tonic Water / apple juice

9<sup>98</sup> €

## Finlandia Premium vodka & Indian Tonic Water / ginger ale / tomato juice

8<sup>98</sup> €

## Jack Daniels whiskey & Coca-Cola / ginger ale

10<sup>48</sup> €

## Rémy Martin VSOP cognac & ginger ale

10<sup>98</sup> €



# MEŽPILS

ALUS

WHEN WE DO, WE DO GOOD

## CHEERS IN THE AIR



Experience the rich heritage and authentic taste of Mežpils Tradicionālais beer on your flight. This classic lager is brewed with the finest ingredients, resulting in a smooth and full-bodied flavor.

ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION HAS ADVERSE EFFECTS.  
IT IS PROHIBITED TO SELL, PURCHASE OR GIVE ALCOHOL  
TO UNDERAGE PERSONS.

## Wines&beers Alus un vīns



**Marcy  
Merlot& Cabernet  
Sauvignon**

18,7cl, 13%, France  
Sarkanvīns, Francija

**7<sup>99</sup> €**

**Marcy  
Sauvignon  
Blanc**

18,7cl, 11,5%, France  
Baltvīns, Francija

**7<sup>99</sup> €**

**Bottega Gold  
Prosecco Brut**

20cl, 11%, Italy  
Dzirkstošais vīns, Itālija

**8<sup>49</sup> €**

**Bottega Rose  
Gold Brut**

20cl, 11,5%, Italy  
Dzirkstošais vīns, Itālija

**8<sup>49</sup> €**



**Mežpils  
Traditional Lager**

50cl, 5,1%, Latvia  
Mežpils Tradicionālais  
Lāgers, Latvija

**7<sup>49</sup> €**

**Grimbergen  
Double Ambree**

Dark-coloured ale  
50cl, 6,5%, Belgium  
Tumšais alus, Beļģija

**7<sup>49</sup> €**

**Carlsberg**

Pilsner 33cl, 5%,  
Denmark  
Gaišais alus, Dānija

**4<sup>99</sup> €**



## Alcoholic beverages | Alkoholiskie dzērieni

### Finlandia

Premium vodka  
5cl, 40%  
Degvins

5<sup>99</sup> €

### Beefeater

London dry gin  
5cl, 40%  
Džins

6<sup>99</sup> €

### Tobago Gold

Chocolate rum  
cream 5cl, 17%  
Līķieris

5<sup>99</sup> €

### Jack Daniels

Whiskey  
5cl, 40%  
Viskijs

7<sup>49</sup> €

### Jägermeister

Digestif herbal  
liqueur 4cl, 35%  
Līķieris

5<sup>99</sup> €

### Rémy Martin

VSOP cognac  
5cl, 40%  
Konjaks

7<sup>99</sup> €

WATCHES • JEWELLERY • FRAGRANCES • BEAUTY • ACCESSORIES • AIRBALTIC SOUVENIRS

# Sky Shop

FIND  
A PERFECT  
GIFT

UP TO  
**61%**  
OFF





# Price Breaker

## FRAGRANCE SUPER DEALS



**PALOMA PICASSO**  
Mon Parfum EDT for her, 30 ml

€19<sup>90</sup>

City Price €36  
SAVE 45%

**NEW**  
ON BOARD



**ESPRIT**  
Rise & Shine EDP for her, 40 ml

€19<sup>90</sup>

City Price €24.90  
SAVE 20%

**NEW**  
ON BOARD



**BUGATTI**  
Bella Donna EDP for her, 60 ml

€19<sup>90</sup>

City Price €49.90  
SAVE 60%

**NEW**  
ON BOARD



**BUGATTI**  
Signature Black EDT for him, 100 ml

€19<sup>90</sup>

City Price €49.90  
SAVE 60%

# Price Breaker

OUR LOWEST  
PRICES

UP TO

61%  
OFF



**SARAH JESSICA PARKER**  
Lovely EDP for her, 50 ml

€19<sup>90</sup>

City Price €41  
SAVE 43%

**NEW**  
ON BOARD



**GUY LAROCHE**  
Drakkar Noir EDT for him, 50 ml

€19<sup>90</sup>

City Price €51  
SAVE 61%

**NEW**  
ON BOARD



**CERRUTI 1881**  
Image Woman EDT for her, 75 ml

€29<sup>90</sup>

City Price €58  
SAVE 48%

**NEW**  
ON BOARD





ICE-WATCH  
Ice Solar Watch

Go green and do your bit for the planet! The white solar-powered timepiece is ultra slim and feather light. Made from super soft silicone with a sleek dial, this unisex model is the ultimate minimalist statement. Simply expose it to natural or artificial light to charge! It comes in a reusable felt pouch made from recycled plastic bottles.

Rūpējieties par apkārtējo vidi un planētu! Šis baltais ar saules enerģiju darbināmais laikrādis ir īpaši plāns un viegls. Izgatavots no mīksta silikona ar elegantu ciparnīcu, IceSolar unisex modelis ir izteikti minimālistisks. Pulkstenis uzlādējas, vienkārši atrodoties dabiskā vai mākslīgā gaismā. Tas ir iepakots atkārtoti lietojamā filca maiņiņā, kas izgatavots no pārstrādātām plastmasas pudelēm.

NEW  
ON BOARD

€99

City Price €109  
SAVE 9%

DIAL SIZE  
36 MM

CASE MATERIAL  
PLASTIC

WATER RESISTANCE  
5 ATM

MOVEMENT  
SOLAR

STRAP MATERIAL  
SILICONE

STRAP LENGTH  
18.5 CM



RAINBOW  
Colors of Happiness  
Unisex Watch

Designed in Germany, Japanese movement. Rainbow e-motion of Colors – the innovative transformation of time into an interaction of colors and shapes. Transparent discs continuously create new color segments which precisely show the time. Adds color to your life.

Inovātivs dizains no Vācijas, unisekss. Japāņu kvarca mehānisms. Varavīksnes krāsu e-mocijas atjautīgi pārvērš laiku krāsu un formu saspēlē. Caurspīdīgie diski nepārtraukti veido jaunus krāsu segmentus, kas rāda precīzu laiku. Krāsainai ikdienai.

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

€149

DIAL SIZE  
38 MM

CASE MATERIAL  
STAINLESS STEEL

WATER RESISTANCE  
5 ATM

MOVEMENT  
QUARTZ

STRAP MATERIAL  
LEATHER

STRAP LENGTH  
21.5 CM



CHOCOMOON  
Holi Ladies Watch

Stylish ladies watch with flexible strap – fits on almost every wrist. Get your new collection!  
Stilīgs sieviešu pulkstenis ar elastīgu siksnīņu, kuru var pielāgot gandrīz jebkurai plaukstu locītavai. Iegūstiet savu jauno kolekciju!

DIAL SIZE  
36 MM

CASE MATERIAL  
METAL

WATER RESISTANCE  
3 ATM

MOVEMENT  
QUARTZ

STRAP MATERIAL  
METAL

STRAP LENGTH  
FLEXIBLE

€49

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

€49

BEST  
SELLER

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE





GORGEOUS JEWELRY  
Infinity Love Tri-Colour Set

Classical design, soft lines and timeless tri-colour plating, surrounding high quality Swarovski crystals – all this makes Infinity Love set from Gorgeous Jewelry a must have. The delicate set consists of a pair of earrings, silver-plated chain and eye-catching bracelet. Special gift box, which can turn this 1 buy into 3 separate gifts, adds extra value to this elegant and feminine set.

Komplektā ietilpst klasiska dizaina auskaru pāris, apsūdrabota ķēdīte un iespaidīga aproce, kurus rotā augstas kvalitātes Swarovski kristāli. Īpaša dāvanu kārbīņa, kas var pārvērst šo pirkumu trīs atsevišķās dāvanās, piešķir šim komplektam papildu vērtību. Ķēdītes garums: 45–50 cm, aproce: 15.5–20.5 cm.

€49

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

BRACELET LENGTH  
15.5–20.5 CM

NECKLACE LENGTH  
40–50 CM

COMES  
IN 3 SEPARATE  
GIFT BOXES



BYELOISE  
Bangle Set

NEW  
ON BOARD

€19

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

byEloise London Bangle Bands do the job of keeping your hair looking gorgeous whatever the occasion with its flexible diameter of 6 cm. Apart from looking great keeping your hair in place, they also look lovely on your wrist when worn as bracelets. This set includes three bestselling hair bands: Gold Heart on Gold Metallic Bubble Band, Bling Bee on Black Bubble Band and Gold Heart on Champagne Pink Bubble Band. Material: rubber band, nylon, metal. This product is exclusively available on board or at airports.

byEloise London aproces/matu gumijas garantē krāšņus matus jebkurā situācijā, pateicoties to elastīgajam 6 cm diametram. Tās izskatās lieliski, ne tikai saturot matus kopā, bet arī tad, ja tās valkā kā aproces. Komplektā ietilpst trīs populārākās matu gumijas: zelta metāliska gumija ar zelta sirdi, melna gumija ar vizuālo šķērsojošu biti un rozā šampanieša gumija ar zelta sirdi. Materiāli: gumija, neilons, metālisks pārklājums. Šī prece ir nopērkama tikai lidmašīnās vai lidostās.



SOIRÉE MONTRÉAL  
Crystal Charme Necklace

Charming! Delicately crafted necklace by Soirée Montreal. Five glittering cubic zirconia crystals combined with fine fashionable graphic shapes on a gold-plated chain. Your perfect accessory to complement your style – whether your business outfit during the day or your elegant evening dress.

Apburoša un smalka Soirée Montreal kaklarota. Pieci mirdzoši kubiskā cirkonija kristāli uz apzeltītas ķēdītes, kurus vienu no otra atdala četri grafiski simboli. Ideāls aksesuārs, lai papildinātu jūsu stilu – neatkarīgi no tā, vai tas ir lietišķs apģērbs dienas laikā vai eleganta vakarkleita. Ķēdītes garums 39 cm + 7 cm.

€39

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

NECKLACE LENGTH  
39 CM + 7 CM EXTENDER





ORQUIDEA  
Trio Earring Set 8 in 1

Beautiful Sterling Silver earrings with Zirconium and 3 pairs of exchangeable 8 and 9 mm first quality organic Majorcan Pearls in different colours, making it an “8 in 1”!

Stilīgi sudraba auskari ar cirkoniju un 3 maināmiem 8 un 9 mm augstākās kvalitātes Majorkas pārļu pāriem dažādās krāsās. Astoņi vienā!

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

€76



ORQUIDEA  
Majorca Duo Bracelet

Bracelet in 6 mm white and 12 mm black, first quality organic Majorcan Pearls and sterling silver elements. Handcrafted from traditional Orquidea's pearl factory on the island of Majorca. Can complement both a formal and a casual look. One size fits all.

Rokassprādze, ko rotā augstākās kvalitātes organiskas Orquidea Majorkas pērles baltā (6 mm) un melnā (12 mm) krāsā, kā arī sudraba elementi. Roku darbs no tradicionālās Majorkas pārļu fabrikas. Piemērots gan formālam, gan ikdienas stilam. Der visiem izmēriem.

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

€49



ORQUIDEA  
Selene – Orquidea Classic Pearl Necklace And Earring Set

This stunning pearl necklace is every woman's must have accessory. 8 mm first quality organic Majorcan pearls with a clasp in sterling silver. A genuine handcrafted necklace from Orquidea's traditional Pearl Factory on the Spanish island of Majorca. Comes complete with a pair of matching stud pearl earrings.

Satriecoša pārļu kaklarota, obligāts aksesuārs katras sievietes garderobei. 8 mm augstākās kvalitātes organiskās Majorkas pērles ar sudraba aizdari. Autentisks roku darbs no tradicionālās pārļu fabrikas Orquidea Majorkas salā. Komplektā ietilpst pārļu auskaru pāris.

€126

NECKLACE LENGTH:  
45 CM + 8 CM EXTENDER



MY JEWELLERY  
Mother & Daughter  
Bracelets, Gold

Premium stainless steel, do not discolour, 100% waterproof, 100% recyclable. The material is of high quality and very long-lasting. You can wear it in the shower, at the beach with no need to take it off.

Aproces izgatavotas no augstākās klases nerūsējošā tērauda, nezaudē krāsu, 100% ūdensizturīgas, 100% pārstrādājamas. Augstas kvalitātes, ilgmūžīgs materiāls. Aproces nav nepieciešams noņemt, kad esat pludmalē vai ejat dušā.

€19

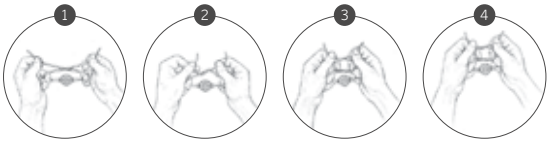
City Price €27.95  
SAVE 32%

BRACELET LENGTH  
16 CM + 3 CM EXTENDER

MATERIAL  
STAINLESS STEEL



HOW DO YOU TIE A KNOT ON A BRACELET?



UKIYYO  
Bracelet Tree of Life

€22

A rose gold plated bracelet from a brand that appreciates living in the moment. The tree of life represents rebirth, lifelong growth and connection to family. Like branches on a tree, we all grow in different directions, yet our roots remain as one. Adjustable bracelet length.

Aproce ar rozā zelta pārklājumu no zīmola, kas novērtē dzīvi dotajā mirklī. Dzīves koks simbolizē atdzimšanu, izaugsmi mūža garumā un saikni ar ģimeni. Gluži kā koka zari, mēs katrs augam dažādos virzienos, tomēr mūsu saknes paliek vienotas. Regulējams garums.











**SOLID SCENT CO.**  
Juno Solid Perfume  
for her, 8 g

€29 City Price €31.95  
SAVE 9%

Bergamot, Rose & White Musk. Mischievous. Frisky. Playful. A warm, sweet floral fragrance with top notes of citrus. If you are a provocative, captivating woman, then Juno is definitely your "partner in crime"! All natural base of Cocoa, Shea Butter, Sweet Almond oil and pure Beeswax, this formula ensures a rich and lasting scent.

Bergamote, roze un baltais muskuss. Nerātns. Savdabīgs. Rotaļīgs. Silts, salds ziedu aromāts ar citrusaugļu augšējām notīm. Ja esi provokatīva, valdzinoša sieviete, tad Juno noteikti ir "tava nozieguma līdzdalībnieks"! Formula uz kakao, šī sviesta, saldo mandeļu eļļas un tīra bišu vaska dabīgas bāzes nodrošina bagātīgu un noturīgu smaržu.



**SOLID SCENT CO.**  
Hudson Solid Cologne  
for him, 8 g

€29 City Price €31.95  
SAVE 9%

Hudson - Mandarin, Rosewood & Juniper. Joyful. Seductive. Captivating. Capturing the energy from the beautiful and sunny Mediterranean, this scent opens with sun-drenched mandarin and aromatic Juniper with a heart of Sichuan pepper and sensual rosewood with a base of incense and Oak Moss that gives this a strong masculinity feel. If you are a modern, edgy man... then this is for you. All natural base of Cocoa, Shea Butter, Sweet Almond oil and pure Beeswax, this formula ensures a rich and lasting scent.

Hudson - mandarīns, palisandrs un kadiķis. Dzīvespriecīgs. Vilinošs. Valdzošs. Enerģija no skaistās un saulainās Vidusjūras, ko atklāj saulpilnais mandarīns un aromātiskais kadiķis ar Sičuāņas piparu, jutekliskā palisandra, viraka un ozola sūnu notīm, kas piešķir odekolonam spēku un virišķību. Ja esat mūsdienīgs, enerģisks vīrietis, šis odekolons ir domāts jums. Formula uz kakao, šī sviesta, saldo mandeļu eļļas un tīra bišu vaska dabīgas bāzes nodrošina bagātīgu un noturīgu smaržu.



**GISADA**  
Ambassadora  
EDP for her, 50 ml

NEW  
ON BOARD  
€75 City Price €85  
SAVE 12%

Feminine sweetness, luxurious soft notes: Mandarin and blueberry form a fragrant duet in the top note playing with the rich fruitiness of jasmine and orange blossom. Underpinned with the comforting warmth of vanilla, musk and sandalwood, while cashmere wood and icing sugar give the accords a delicate finish with their extravagance. Pink pepper provides the subliminal wow effect.

Sievišķīgs aromāts ar greznām un maigām notīm: mandarīna un melleņu duets augšējā notī saspēlējas ar jasmīna un apelsīna ziedu piegaršu. Pamattoni veido vaniļas, muskusa un sandalkoka mierinošais siltums, savukārt kašmira koksne un pūdercukurs piešķir aromātam īpašu maigumu un ekstravaganci. Rozā pipari panāk tā dēvēto "wow efektu".



**GISADA**  
Ambassador EDP for him, 50 ml

€75 City Price €85  
SAVE 12%

Lively, fresh and intense, this masculine, cool fragrance features slightly oriental accents. Juicy and tangy notes of mandarin orange lend the fragrance an initially fresh citrus impression. These aspects combine with the spiciness of peonies and patchouli. Amber accents are accompanied by finest vanilla. The result: A fragrance to express your elegant style.

Dzīvīgs, svaigs un intensīvs. Šo virišķīgo, vēso aromātu raksturo nedaudz austrumnieciski akcenti. Mandarīna sulīgās un pikantās notis piešķir aromātam sākotnēji svaigu citrusaugļu nokrāsu. Tai pievienojas peoniju un pačūlijas pikantums ar vaniļas dzintara akcentu. Aromāts, kas pasvītrot jūsu eleganto stilu.





**PORSCHE DESIGN**  
180 Blue EDT for him, 50 ml

Modern, dynamic, revitalizing. Green notes that meet woody, warm facets like an airy breeze offer an exciting contrast and form the excitingly different energy of the men's fragrance. The unique flacon in radiant blue is a freshness kick from a purely visual point of view. With a 180-degree turn, this distinctive flacon can be opened and closed in a refined way.

Mūsdienīgs, dinamisks, spēcinošs. Siltās koksnes notis veido aizraujošu kontrastu ar zaļajām notīm, veidojot izteiksmīgu vīriešu aromātu. Tualetes ūdens pildīts unikālā flakonā mirdzoši zilā krāsā.

NEW  
ON BOARD

City Price €65  
SAVE 20%  
€52



**PORSCHE DESIGN**  
Woman Satin EDP for her, 50 ml

Feminine, floral, captivatingly lively. The fragrance creation is a perfect balance of delicate and powerful and exudes dynamism and joie de vivre. Jasmine and orange blossoms accompanied by a delicate rose create a sensual aura. Vanilla and warm woody notes give the fragrance an exclusive, feminine touch.

Sievišķīgs un valdzinoši dzīvīgs ziedu aromāts. To raksturo ideāls līdzsvars starp spēku un sievišķību, tas izstaro dinamismu un dzīvesprieku. Jasmīna, apelsīnu ziedu un rozes toni rada juteklisku auru. Vanīļas un siltās koksnes notis piešķir aromātam īpašu, sievišķīgu pieskārienu.

NEW  
ON BOARD

City Price €79  
SAVE 20%  
€63



**PORSCHE DESIGN**  
Pure EDT for him, 50 ml

Clean. Refined. Elegant. The scent radiates exclusivity and masculine purism. In the top note, the signature scent exudes a transparency characterized by ozone accords and grapefruit. In combination with warm, woody notes, a masculine aura develops.

Tīrs. Rafinēts. Elegants. Šis tualetes ūdens izstaro ekskluzivitāti un vīrišķību. Augšējā nots: ozona akordi un greipfrūts. Apvienojumā ar siltajām koksnes notīm tie veido neatkarīgi vīrišķīgu auru.

NEW  
ON BOARD

€55

City Price €69  
SAVE 20%

**Invincible in quality and composition**

For Her & Him

More information on:  
[www.soumme.com](http://www.soumme.com)

- ✿ 100 % natural ingredients
- ✿ 98 % organic Aloe Vera
- ✿ With Vitamin C & Hyaluronic acid
- ✿ Crowned with grapefruit essential oil

- ✿ High-quality violet glass bottle
- ✿ Vegan and free from animal testing
- ✿ Absorbs quickly ✿ For face & body
- ✿ Ideal for dry skin or as After Sun



**SOUMMÉ**  
Aloe Vera Gel, 200 ml

Whether as daily care for the face & body, after sunbathing or during the cold winter air, as a basis for make-up or after shaving - the aloe vera gel by Soummé is a real allrounder and makes your skin look hydrated and cared for. The moisture booster on a 100% natural basis. A MUST for all aloe vera fans.

Neatkarīgi no tā, vai lietojat gelu ikdienas sejas un ķermeņa kopšanai, pēc sauļošanās vai aukstā ziemas laikā, kā bāzes gelu vai pēc skūšanās – Soummé alvejas gels ir patiesi universāls līdzeklis mitrinātai un koptai ādai. 100% dabīgs gels, kas ir ieteicams visiem, kam patīk alveja.

NEW  
ON BOARD

€18

City Price €19.95  
SAVE 10%

**Stops sweat  
& smell efficiently**

Effectiveness  
clinically approved ✓

- For normal and profusely sweating
- High-quality glass bottle
- Made in Germany



[www.soumme.com](http://www.soumme.com)  
info@soumme.com

For women & men



Use only  
1-3 times  
per week

Precious  
herbal substances

Profitable and sustainable,  
bottle lasts up to 9 months of usage

**SOUMMÉ**  
Anti-Transpirant Deo, 50 ml

It was one of the absolute star products in the most famous German investor TV show. The salvation for all those who do not like to sweat in stress, heat or sports. With Soummé, unpleasant body odour and sweat stains on clothing are finally a thing of the past. With only 1-3 applications per week, you will experience a new quality of life.

Produkts, kas izraisīja milzīgu interesi populārākajā Vācijas investoru TV šovā. Ideāls risinājums visiem tiem, kam nepatīk svīst stresa situācijās, karstumā vai sporta aktivitāšu laikā. Pateicoties Soummé, nepatīkamais sviedru aromāts un sviedru traipi uz drēbēm nu ir pagātnē. Izbaudiet jaunu dzīves kvalitāti, lietojot šo dezodorantu tikai 1-3 reizes nedēļā!

NEW  
ON BOARD

€18

City Price €19.95  
SAVE 10%



# Skin Magic

A Magical Balm & Serum for all your Skin Solutions







**SKIN MAGIC**  
Wonder Serum, 30 ml

All-natural facial serum packed with antioxidants. Formulated from a cocktail of 11 lightweight organic plant oils including Cannabis Sativa Oil, Borage Oil and Rosehip Seed Oil. Stripped from all synthetic ingredients, fragrances, colours, irritants, and parabens.

Pilnīgi dabisks, antioksidantu pārpilns sejas serums. 11 viegļu organisko augu eļļu kokteilis, kurā ietilpst arī kanēpju eļļa, gurķenes eļļa un mežrozīšu sēklu eļļa. Nesatur sintētiskas sastāvdaļas, smaržvielas, krāsvielas, kairinātājus un parabēnus.

€38

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE



**SKIN MAGIC**  
Wonder Balm, 40 gr

A multi-purpose skin balm that hydrates, nourishes, and heals the skin. With the scent of citrus, natural ingredients and anti-fungal properties, this Skin Magic Wonder Balm has an infinite amount of uses and is a must-have for any savvy traveller. Can be used on all skin types.

Daudzfunkcionāls ādas balzams, kas mitrina, baro un atveseļo ādu. Pateicoties tā citrusaugļu aromātam, dabīgām sastāvdaļām un pretsēnišu iedarbībai, balzamam Skin Magic Wonder Balm ir bezgalīgi daudz pielietojumu. Der visiem ādas tiptiem.

€32

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE





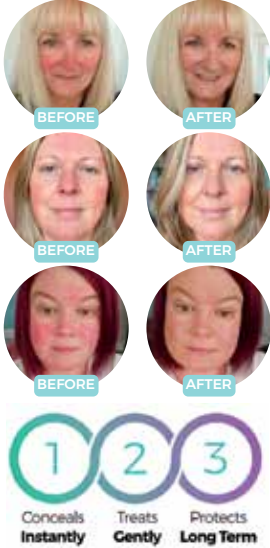
**TANORGANIC**  
Facial Tan Oil, 50 ml

Specially formulated for the delicate skin on the face. A luxurious self-tan that absorbs quickly, without leaving a greasy layer, to reveal a radiant and natural golden tan. Made wholly from natural and organic ingredients that are super nourishing and will leave your skin looking and feeling hydrated for up to 7 days.

Īpaši izstrādāts maigajai sejas ādai. Lielisks pašiedeguma līdzeklis, kas ātri iesūcas, neatstājot taukainu slāni, lai radītu mirdzošu un dabisku zeltainu iedegumu. Pilnībā izgatavots no dabīgām un organiskām sastāvdaļām, kas ir īpaši barojošas: jūsu āda izskatīsies un jutīsies mitrināta līdz pat 7 dienām.

€27

City Price €29.99  
SAVE 20%



**ROSALIQUE**  
3 IN 1 ANTI-REDNESS MIRACLE FORMULA SPF50

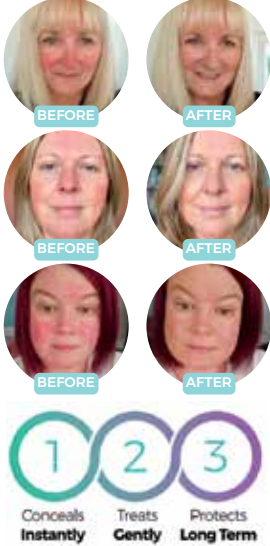
*Embrace your natural beauty this summer!*

This unique green formula was specially developed for sensitive and redness-prone skin. Rosalique neutralises redness and gives you a smooth, even and radiant complexion, whilst protecting your skin with an award-winning SPF50.

Our Triple Action Effect:

- Instantly conceals redness and uneven skin tone
- Gently treats and nourishes the skin with 5 anti-inflammatory, naturally active ingredients
- Protects long-term with a 5\*-rated SPF50

Rosalique is the perfect multifunctional travel companion. Use as a tinted moisturiser for natural coverage and sun protection, use as a concealer to cover red patches or use as a primer for a long-lasting base under makeup.



**ROSALIQUE**  
Anti-Redness Cream, 30 ml

NEW  
ON BOARD

€29

City Price €34.95  
SAVE 17%

This unique green formula offers beautiful natural coverage, a 5\*-rated broad-spectrum SPF50 and a sun-kissed glow. Instantly conceals redness and uneven skin tone. Gently treats and nourishes the skin with 5 anti-inflammatory, naturally active ingredients. Protects long-term with an award-winning SPF 50. Rosalique was specially developed for sensitive and redness-prone skin and is perfect as a tinted moisturiser, colour corrector or as a primer under your makeup.

Unikāla dabīga formula nodrošina skaistu dabisku pārklājumu, efektīvu SPF50 saules aizsardzību un mirdzošu iedegumu. Uzreiz novērš ādas apsārtumu un nevienmērīgu ādas toni. Maigi attīra un baro ādu ar 5 dabīgi aktīvām pretiekaisuma sastāvdaļām. Noturīga SPF 50 aizsardzība pret sauli. Rosalique krēms ir īpaši izstrādāts jutīgai ādai ar tendenci uz apsārtumu, tas ir lieliski piemērots kā tonēts mitrinātājs, krāsas korektors vai grima bāze.



**TALIKA**  
Lipocils Expert Collector Edition - Eyelash Growth & Pigmentation Serum, 10ml

Legendary Lipocils Expert is a patented and unique combination of five plants that stimulate eyelash growth, natural pigmentation and curl. Clinically proven: after 30 days eyelashes are longer +2.1 mm on average, +50% pigmentation, +50% curlier. Apply day and night as a cure or all year long. 96% natural ingredients!

Legendārā Lipocils Expert formula ir patentēta un unikāla piecu augu kombinācija, kas stimulē skropstu augšanu, dabisko pigmentāciju un izliekumu. Klīniskos pētījumos ir pierādīts, ka jau pēc 30 dienām skropstas ir vidēji +2.1mm garākas, +50% pigmentācija, +50% izliekums. Lietojiet dienu un nakti, vai visu gadu. 96% dabīgas sastāvdaļas!

€39

City Price €45.40  
SAVE 14%





Diego dalla Palma  
MILANO

MyHappyToy  
mascara

100%  
DEFINITION\*\*\*

100%  
VOLUME\*\*\*

100%  
LENGTH\*\*\*

95%  
CLUMP-FREE\*\*\*

LASTS  
24  
HOURS\*  
UP TO 24H WEAR  
SMUDGE-PROOF\*\*

Lash growth  
in 30 days  
+13%  
LENGTH\*\*\*\*  
+6%  
VOLUME\*\*\*\*

I DON'T WANT A TOY,  
I WANT MYHAPPYTOY!  
A REVOLUTIONARY  
HIGH-DEFINITION MASCARA.  
LASHES ARE INSTANTLY  
CURLED AND LIFTED FOR AN  
EXTRAORDINARY "PUSH-UP"  
EFFECT. ULTRA-DEFINED, CLUMP-  
FREE AND SMUDGE-FREE VOLUME.  
VEGAN FORMULA, LASTING 24 H,  
OPHTHALMOLOGICALLY TESTED.

\* Instrumental test on 20 subjects. \*\* Assessment carried out by  
a dermatologist on 20 subjects. \*\*\* Self-evaluation test carried  
out immediately after application of the product on 20 subjects.  
Percentage of subjects who found a visible improvement of the  
effect claimed. \*\*\*\* Instrumental test carried out on clean lashes  
with Antera 300 instrumentation after 30 days of application on 20  
subjects. Average % value of increase.



**DIEGO DALLA PALMA**  
MyHappyToy Mascara, 13 ml

**NEW**  
ON BOARD

**€23** City Price **€27.90**  
SAVE 18%

A revolutionary high-definition mascara. Lashes are instantly curled and lifted, for an extraordinary push-up effect! Ultra-defined, clump and smudge free volume. Vegan formula enriched with active ingredients that help repair weak lashes. Increases lashes growth in just 30 days of continuous use. Ophthalmologically tested. 24-hour wear.

Revolucionāra un īpaši efektīva skropstu tuša. Tā acumirkli piešķir skropstām izliekumu un izteiktu apjomu, turklāt skropstas nesalīp kopā. Vegāniska formula ir bagātināta ar aktīvām sastāvdaļām, kas stiprina skropstas. Paātrina skropstu augšanu tikai 30 dienu lietošanas laikā. Tuša ir oftalmoloģiski pārbaudīta. 24 stundu noturība.

Diego dalla Palma  
MILANO

MyToyBoy  
mascara

100%  
VOLUME\*

100%  
LENGTH\*

90%  
DEFINITION\*

LASTS  
24  
HOURS

AN ICONIC AND IRRESISTIBLE  
PRODUCT. INNOVATIVE AND  
VEGAN FORMULA, IN A 4D  
ACTION MASCARA: EXTRA  
VOLUME, LENGTHENING, MAXIMUM  
DEFINITION, LASTING 24 H. IT  
BOOSTS THE NATURAL GROWTH  
OF THE LASHES IN ONLY 30 DAYS.  
OPHTHALMOLOGICALLY TESTED.

\* Self-evaluation test carried out immediately after the application of the product  
on 20 subjects. Percentage of subjects who found a visible improvement in the  
claimed effect.



**DIEGO DALLA PALMA**  
MyToyBoy Mascara,  
13 ml

**€23** City Price **€27.90**  
SAVE 18%

An iconic and irresistible product. Innovative and vegan formula in a 4D action mascara: extra volume, lengthening, maximum definition, lasting 24 h. It boosts the natural growth of the lashes in only 30 days.

Ikoniska un neatvairāma 4D darbības skropstu tuša ar inovatīvu un vegānisku formulu: lielāks apjoms, pagarināšana, maksimāla precizitāte, noturība 24 stundas. Tā paātrina skropstu dabisko augšanu tikai 30 dienu laikā.

Diego dalla Palma  
MILANO

Nuda  
WARM



**DIEGO DALLA PALMA**  
Palette NUDA, 30 g

**NEW**  
ON BOARD

**€35** City Price **€42.90**  
SAVE 18%

An eye palette inspired by warm nude colours to create a wide range of looks, from natural to dramatic. Five matte eyeshadows in different shades. The matte eyeshadows have a highly pigmented formula and a smooth and silky texture for ultimate comfort. The extra pearl eyeshadows have a cream-to-the-touch texture and take any look to the next level.

Acu ēnu paleti veido dabisko toņu gamma, kas piemēroti visdažādākajiem stiliem. Pieci dažādi matēti acu ēnu toņi ar izteikti pigmentētu formulu, gludu un zīdainu tekstūru, kas nodrošina maksimālu komfortu. Acu ēnām ir krēmīga tekstūra, tās piešķir jūsu izskatam īpašu efektu neatkarīgi no jūsu stila.

Diego dalla Palma  
MILANO

MAKEUPSTUDIO  
ORIENTAL KAJAL

A multi-purpose product for a surprisingly deep look:



• classic  
cream kajal



• eyeliner



• eyeshadow

Intense black with a creamy,  
long-lasting texture for a seductive look.

**Ophthalmologically tested and water-resistant formula,  
also suitable for sensitive eyes.**



**DIEGO DALLA PALMA**  
Makeupstudio Oriental Kajal  
& Eyeliner, 3.2 g

**€18** City Price **€21.90**  
SAVE 18%

A multipurpose product for a surprisingly deep look. Easy application, thanks to the exclusive latex brush. An intense black with a creamy, smooth, and long-lasting texture. Ophthalmologically tested and water-resistant formula, suitable also for sensitive eyes.

Universāls produkts, lai panāktu satriecoši dziļu skatienu. Pateicoties ekskluzīvai lateksa otiņai, to ir viegli uzklāt. Piesātināti melna krāsa ar krēmīgu, gludu un noturīgu tekstūru. Oftalmoloģiski pārbaudīta, ūdensizturīga formula, piemērota arī jutīgām acīm.

198 / airBaltic.com

Collect airBaltic Club  
POINTS  
here!

Baltic Outlook / 2023 / 199



Diego dalla Palma

MILANO

## VITAMINA C RADIANCE SERUM

**BRIGHTENING BOOSTER SERUM**

An infusion of concentrated Vitamin C to recharge your skin with a powerful burst of energy. Ideal for all skin types, all year long. Contains 10% stabilized Vitamin C. Dermatologically tested.

<b>Visible and proven results in just 28 days.</b>	
Reduction of fine lines by	<b>27%*</b>
Increase in radiance by	<b>38%*</b>
Reduction of dark spots by	<b>55%**</b>
Increase in skin density by	<b>100%***</b>

---

Clinical-instrumental tests carried out for 28 days on 20 subjects. Daily use of VITAMIN C BRIGHTENING SERUM + 24 HOUR BRIGHTENING & ANTI WRINKLES CREAM and weekly use of BRIGHTENING & ENERGIZING MASK. \* Assessment by a dermatologist. Average percentage of improvement in the visibility of the parameter declared. \*\* Assessment by a dermatologist. Percentage of subjects in whom an improvement of the visibility of hyperchromic spots was found. \*\*\* Observation made by skin ultrasound scan. Percentage of subjects in whom a significant increase in skin density was found.

Free from:

**Paraffin**

**Mineral oils**

**Propylene glycol**



### DIEGO DALLA PALMA

Vitamina C Radiance Serum,  
30 ml

An infusion of concentrated Vitamin C to boost your natural radiance with multiple properties: reduces wrinkles, enhances skin brightness, counteracts dark spots, protects the skin against UV rays, relieves irritation. Free from paraffin, mineral oils and propylene glycol. Ideal for all skin types, all year long.

Koncentrēta C vitamīna serums, kas vairākos veidos uzlabo jūsu ādas dabisko mirdzumu: tas samazina grumbas, uzlabo ādas toni, novērš tumšos plankumus, aizsargā ādu pret UV stariem, mazina kairinājumu. Nesatur parafinu, minerālējās un propilēnglikolu. Ideāli piemērots visiem ādas tipiem visa gada garumā.

€29

City Price €34.90

SAVE 17%

# Diego dalla Palma

MILANO

## GOLD INFUSION

### YOUR TREASURE OF YOUTH

Precious anti-aging treatment based on exquisite Polynesian flower oil with pure gold leaves for regenerated, revitalized and radiant skin.

VISIBLE AND PROVEN RESULTS IN ONLY 28 DAYS	
Reducing the depth of wrinkles	19%*
Greater resilience (Collagen and Elastin)	65%**
Greater deep hydration	70%***
Greater elasticity	80%****

Clinical-instrumental tests on 20 subjects after 28 days of treatment. \* % reduction measures in micrometres with instrumental techniques of Three-Dimensional Optical Profilometry. Average value. Maximum value of instrumental reduction of average wrinkles of the profile found. 14%. \*\* Observation made with skin ultrasound scan. Percentage of subjects in whom a significant increase of skin density was found. \*\*\* Observation made through measuring the water content in the skin up to a depth of 1 mm. Percentage of subjects in whom a significant increase in the water content was found. \*\*\*\* Observation made using a cutometer. Percentage of subjects in whom a significant increase in the average base values of total elasticity was found.

COSMOS NATURAL  
certified by Ecocert Greenlife  
according to COSMOS standard

## DIEGO DALLA PALMA

### Gold Infusion - Youth Potion,


30 ml

A blend of 30 natural oils and pure gold leaf, which promotes skin regeneration and gives a more even, fresh and radiant appearance. A concentrated essence rebuilding the architecture of the skin in depth, restoring strength, stimulating the production of collagen and elastin. Does not contain paraffin, mineral oil and silicones.

30 dabigu eļļu un vizuizelta maisījums, kas veicina ādas atjaunošanos un piešķir tai vienmērīgu, svaīgu un mirdzošu izskatu. Koncentrēta esence, kas atjauno ādas arhitektūru, stiprina to, stimulē kolagēna un elastīna veidošanos. Nesatur parafīnu, minerāleļļu un silikonus.

€59

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE



*M. Asam®*  
**RESVERATROL**  
 PREMIUM NT50

**VISIBLY LIFTED  
 & YOUTHFUL SKIN**

**LIFTING CREAM**

Smoothing Lifting cream with highly effective resveratrol  
 for smooth, visibly lifted & youthful skin and  
 NT50® technology for a longer, targeted effect.

asambeauty.com | made in germany

**M. Asam® RESVERATROL  
 PREMIUM NT50**


Resveratrol Lifting Cream 50 ml

**NEW**  
 ON BOARD

**€29<sup>50</sup>** City Price **€34.99**  
 SAVE 16%

Lifting cream with highly concentrated resveratrol, cross-linked hyaluronic acid and a special lifting peptide firms the skin and maintains its youthful appearance. Further key ingredients include lipids like shea butter, argan oil and squalane. This formulation intensely cares for your skin and leaves it feeling soft and supple.

Liftinga krēms ar augstu resveratrola koncentrāciju, šķērssaistītu hialuronskābi un īpašu liftinga peptīdu nostiprina ādu un piešķir tai jauneklīgu izskatu. Krēma sastāvā arī ietilpst lipīdi, piemēram, šī sviests, argāna eļļa un skvalāns. Krēms intensīvi kopj jūsu ādu un padara to maigu un elastīgu.



*M. Asam®*  
MAGIC FINISH

LET THE MAGIC  
HAPPEN

SATIN LIPSTICK SET

The M. Asam® MAGIC FINISH lipstick trio combines intensive care and volume with natural nude shades. Micro color pigments provide intensive color with a silky, semi-matte finish.

asambeauty.com | made in **germany**

**M. Asam® MAGIC FINISH**  
**SATIN LIPSTICK TRIO**  
3 x 4 g Hazelnut Heaven,  
Almond & Rosewood


The M. Asam® MAGIC FINISH Satin Lipstick Set contains three lipsticks in the naturally soft nude shades Hazelnut Heaven, Almond & Rosewood, and combines rich colours with intensive care. Special volume peptides and a total of 11 nourishing waxes and oils help to improve the shape and volume of the lips.

M. Asam® MAGIC FINISH Satin Lipstick Set komplektā ietilpst trīs lūpu krāsas ar dabiskiem un maigiem kailtoņiem lazdu riekstu, mandeļu un rožkoka krāsās, kas nodrošina intensīvu lūpu ādas kopšanu. Lūpu krāsu sastāvā ietilpst īpaši peptīdi un 11 barojoši vaski un eļļas, kas uzlabo lūpu formu un apjomu.

€32

City Price €37.90  
**SAVE 21%**

**CREW FAVOURITES**  
THEY TRIED. THEY LIKED.



**LAURA VANCĀNE**

**What does this product mean to me?**  
Usually I struggle with dry lips after using other lipsticks for long hours up in the sky; after using this product, I did not feel that usual lip dryness; furthermore, the lipstick is quite long lasting.

**What this experience gave me**  
This experience gave me a chance to try new quality lipsticks and new colors for my daily work. When I am not in the mood for a bright red lipstick, this set is perfect - light purple or nude tones for daily work up in the clouds (my favorite is rosewood, works perfectly with my skin tone and green eyes).





M. Asam®

PERFECT DUO  
PERFECT LOOK SET

The M. Asam® PERFECT best-selling duo combines smoothing and tightening of the eye area with instant optimisation of the entire complexion for a flawless skin appearance.

asambeauty.com | made in germany

M. Asam®  
PERFECT LOOK Set  
(PERFECT TEINT 30 ml  
+ PERFECT EYE Serum 7 ml)

The two M. Asam® PERFECT bestsellers ensure skin-perfecting results. The fragrance-free M. Asam® PERFECT EYE eye serum visibly tightens eye wrinkles. The mattifying M. Asam® PERFECT TEINT skin optimizer reduces the appearance of pores & wrinkles. Šie divi M. Asam® PERFECT bestselleri lieliski uzlabo ādas stāvokli. M. Asam® PERFECT EYE bezsmaržas acu serums iedarbīgi savēl acs grumbas, savukārt M. Asam® PERFECT TEINT matējošais ādas kopšanas līdzeklis padara poras un grumbas mazāk pamanāmas.

€23 TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE



M. Asam®  
RETINOL  
INTENSE

EFFECTIVE  
WRINKLE REDUCTION  
24H CREAM

Intensely nourishing face cream with retinol for effective wrinkle reduction. It visibly reduces fine lines and wrinkles and regenerates the skin.

asambeauty.com | made in germany

M. Asam® RETINOL INTENSE  
Retinol Intense 24H cream  
50 ml

The intensely caring Anti-Aging facial cream with retinol visibly softens the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles for better looking skin. It contains retinol combined with pampering lipids and helps counteract the signs of skin aging and revitalizes the look of your skin. Leaves the skin looking visibly firmed and smooth. Intensīvi kopjošs sejas krēms pret ādas novecošanos izlīdzina smalkās krunciņas un grumbas un uzlabo ādas izskatu. Tas satur retinolu un lipidus, kas palīdz novērst ādas novecošanās pazīmes un atjauno sejas ādu, padarot to redzami tvirtāku un gludāku.

€22 City Price €24.99  
SAVE 12%



M. Asam®  
MAGIC FINISH

LOOK PERFECT  
IN 1 MINUTE  
MAGIC FINISH SET

The 4-in-1 bestseller is primer, concealer, make-up and powder in one and adapts to many skin tones. It effectively hides little imperfections and redness.

asambeauty.com | made in germany

M. Asam® MAGIC FINISH  
MAGIC FINISH Set (MAKE-UP  
MOUSSE 30 ml classic + 10 ml  
travelsize classic)

Adapts to many skin tones. Even in winter, the lightweight make-up mousse imparts a healthy, fresh skin tone. Hiding unevenness, wrinkles and redness, the skin looks silky smooth. No powder is needed, as it naturally mattifies the skin all day long. The international bestseller is suitable for all skin types and can be applied on top of any day cream or serum. The set contains the make-up mousse in sizes 30 ml and practical 10 ml - perfect for traveling! Grima putas individuāli pielāgojas dažādiem ādas toniēm. Pat ziemā putas piešķir ādai veselīgu un svaigu toni. Putas apslēpj ādas nepilnības, grumbas un apsārtumu, un āda izskatās zīdaini gluda. Pūderis nav nepieciešams, jo putas dabiski matē ādu visas dienas garumā. Šis ārkārtīgi populārais līdzeklis ir piemērots visiem ādas tipiem un to var uzklāt uz jebkura dienas krēma vai seruma. Komplektā ietilpst kosmētikas putas 30 un 10 ml tūbiņās, kas ir ideāli piemērotas ceļojumiem.

€29 TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE



M. Asam®  
AQUA  
INTENSE®

IMMEDIATE PLUMP SKIN  
SUPREME HYALURON CREAM

The fragrance-free face cream provides an intense hydration of the skin. The patented hyaluronic acid complex with depot technology immediately smoothes and plumps up the skin.

asambeauty.com | made in germany

M. Asam® AQUA INTENSE®  
Supreme Hyaluron Cream  
50 ml

This fragrance-free hyaluronic face cream from asambeauty is formulated with a patented hyaluronic acid complex. It plumps up fine lines caused by dryness and gives the skin a plumped, even complexion. The perfect care for a fresh, soft complexion! For all skin types. Šis bezsmaržas hialurona krēms no asambeauty satur patentētu hialuronskābju kompleksu, kas izlīdzina sausās ādas krunciņas un padara sejas ādu gludu, piešķirot tai vienmērīgu nokrāsu. Lielisks līdzeklis svaigai, maigai ādas krāsai! Der visiem ādas tipiem.

€18 City Price €19.99  
SAVE 10%





**FEET FRIENDS**  
Healthy Socks

The ultimate magic cure against painful feet – the innovative Feet Friends Healthy Socks relax your tired feet in a very short time. The specially shaped terry fabric loops gently separate and massage your toes. Wear the socks after a long day at work, after a workout or after a night full of dancing, and you will experience relief. Beyond this, the socks are a great help when polishing your nails. Follow the instructions on the packaging for the best results. Size 36-40.

Īpaši veidotas frētē auduma cīlpas maigi atdala un masē jūsu kāju pirkstus. Uzvelciet zeķes pēc garas darbadienas, treniņa vai nodejotas nakts un izbaudiet atvieglojumu, ko tās sniedz jūsu kājām. Šīs zeķes arī lieliski noder, krāsojot nagus. Izmēri: 36-40. Informāciju par valkāšanas intensitāti, lūdzu, skatiet lietošanas norādījumos.

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

**BEST  
SELLER**

€49



**M2 BEAUTÉ**  
Hair Activating Serum,  
30 ml

An innovative activating serum that promotes hair growth for long, thick and naturally beautiful hair. Initial improvements can usually be seen after approximately six to eight weeks when used regularly. For long, thick and naturally beautiful hair.

Inovāts, aktivizējošs un matu augšanu veicinošs serums, kas nodrošina garus, biezus un dabiski skaistus matus. Regulāri to lietojot, sākotnējos uzlabojumus parasti var novērot pēc aptuveni sešām līdz astoņām nedēļām. Gariem, bieziem un dabiski skaistiem matiem!

€29

City Price €35  
**SAVE 17%**



## LAVERTU

Long-lasting Moisturising Lipstick That Changes Colour

Lipstick Excellent enhances the natural glow of your lips. The lipstick reacts with the specific pH value of your skin, creating a beautiful lip colour that is unique to you. Formulated with richly nourishing ingredients, this waterproof lipstick stays in place. Lipstick Excellent is available in 4 shades that adapt to your skin tone. The colours shown are indicative. Find out which one suits you.

Lūpu krāsa Excellent akcentē lūpu dabīgo spīdumu. Tā reaģē ar jūsu ādas individuālo pH līmeni, veidojot skaistu lūpu nokrāsu, kas ir unikāla tikai jums. Šī ūdenssaturīgā lūpu krāsa, kuras sastāvā ietilpst bagātīgi barojošas vielas, ir izteikti noturīga. Tā ir pieejama 4 toņos, kas pielāgojas jūsu ādas tonim. Norādītajām krāsām ir informatīvs raksturs. Uzziniet, kura no tām ir piemērota jums.

€36

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

**DR. LEVY SWITZERLAND**  
Intense Eye Rescue,  
15 ml

Dr. Levy, Switzerland's first aesthetic Botox® pioneer, has patented this intensive stem cell formula to visibly renew the delicate eye area and help restore its youthful glow. Proven in independent clinicals. Free Gift: micro-current lifting device for instant results.

Dr. Levijs, estētiskā Botox® pionieris no Šveices, ir patentējis šo intensīvo cīsmes šūnu formulu, kas palīdz atjaunot jūtīgo ādu ap acīm un atgriezt tai jauneklīgu mirdzumu. Līdzeklis pārbaudīts neatkarīgos klīniskos pētījumos. Bez maksas dāvāna: mikrostrāvas liftiņa ierīce tūlītējiem rezultātiem.

€170

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

Shop for food, drinks and souvenirs during the flight on your phone



BRAND WITH MORE THAN 50 AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

2-week stem cell face + eye mini cure

50ml 3ml 4ml

SWISS MADE PATENTED STEM CELL TECHNOLOGY Swiss Clean Beauty Dermatologically & ophthalmologically tested

4 APPLICATION OPTIONS

Not tested on animals  
Vegan  
NO animal by-products  
Mineral oil free  
Paraben free

# Look 10 years fresher in 20 minutes

BEFORE AFTER

Results may vary with different users

Dr. Levy

## DR. LEVY SWITZERLAND 4 Miracles Mask & Cure

Developed specifically for the traveller by Switzerland's number 1 Botox® Doctor, this inflight exclusive set combines the R3 Cell Matrix Mask (50 ml) with a two-week stem cell cure of the brand's bestselling Eye Booster Concentrate (3 ml) and award-winning Booster Serum (4 ml).

Šis ekskluzīvais komplekts, ko īpaši ceļotājiem ir izstrādājis Šveices vadošais Botox® eksperts, ietver šūnu matricas masku R3 (50 ml), divu nedēļu ārstniecisku kursu ar cilmes šūnām, izmantojot Eye Booster koncentrātu (3 ml), un godalgoto aktivācijas serumu (4 ml).

€59

TRAVEL RETAIL EXCLUSIVE

Dr. Severin VITAMIN C HYALURON, Dr. Severin RETINOL VITAMIN A, Dr. Severin COLLAGEN HYALURON

## DR. SEVERIN® Beauty Routine Set

The 3-pack with the best care serums from Dr. Severin includes the new Hyaluron Collagen Serum, the Retinol Vitamin A Serum together with the popular Vitamin C Hyaluron Serum. The high-quality and highly concentrated active ingredients work very specifically on certain skin conditions such as wrinkles, dull and dry skin, and uneven complexion and impurities. Incorporate the use of Dr. Severin serums into your daily beauty routine for all-around better skin. The best anti-aging effect of the highest quality. Made in Germany.

Dr. Severin trīs labāko ādas kopšanas serumu komplektā ietilpst jaunais hialurona kolagēna serums, retinola (A vitamīna) serums un populārais hialurona serums ar C vitamīnu. Augstas kvalitātes koncentrētas aktīvās vielas iedarbojas uz noteiktiem ādas stāvokļiem, piemēram, grumbām, blāvu un sausu ādu, nevienmērīgu sejas krāsu. Iekļaujiet Dr. Severin serumu lietošanu savā ikdienas skaistumkopšanas rituālā, lai jūtami uzlabotu ādas stāvokli. Labākais pretnovecošanās efekts, augstākā kvalitāte – ražots Vācijā.

CREW FAVOURITES THEY TRIED. THEY LIKED.

ILMA ŽARKOVA

What does this product mean to me? These products surprised me and made me a believer in just a few days I used them!

What this experience gave me Retinol vitamin A serum (anti-age, exfoliation, pore reduction) has a fantastic scent, works overnight miracles on my combination/ acne-prone skin. Vitamin C hyaluron serum (skin brightening, smoothing) is perfect after some possible summer tan damage which I do have, and Maritime Collagen hyaluron serum is ideal for my thirsty skin – it drinks it up instantly and feels super moisturized and protected, especially under eye area, after long hours in aircraft's dry air. Products are simple to use, they absorb quite quickly and make the skin instantly smoother. Serums can be used alone or combined with your regular skincare products and will last for a long time, since you only need a few drops daily.

€55

City Price €59.99 SAVE 8%

MIE

## Instant Eye Lift

- Visibly reduces the appearance of fine lines by an average of 23% in 4 weeks
- Increases luminosity by an average of 9% in 4 weeks
- Reduces puffiness and firms skin around the eye by an average of 82% in 1 hour

CREW FAVOURITES THEY TRIED. THEY LIKED.

JEKATERINA ŠEPTORE

What does this product mean to me? It was a pleasure to try this product. And it feels very comfortable under makeup.

What this experience gave me I have applied the cream right after cleansing my skin in the morning, and proceeded with my day. Over time I noticed that the skin around my eyes looks much more nourished, it feels soft and the first signs of wrinkles aren't bothering me anymore.

MIE

## 3D Lip Plumping Treatment

- Naturally increases lip volume by an average of 20%
- in 2 minutes up to 70% increased hydration even after 12 hours after the first application
- Reduces the appearance of wrinkles and smooths lip lines by up to 72% in 4 days

MY INSTANT EFFECTS 3D Plumping Treatment, 5 ml

Enhance your natural features with the 3D Lip Plumping Treatment clinically proven to plump and hydrate lips in just two minutes, giving you a 20% fuller pout without aggravation.

Akcentējiet savas dabiskās iezīmes ar 3D lūpu apjoma palielināšanas procedūras palīdzību. Klīnisko izmēģinājumu laikā ir pierādīts, ka procedūra mitrina lūpas un palielina to apjomu par 20% tikai divu minūšu laikā.

City Price €24.99 SAVE 24%

€19

MIE

## MY INSTANT EFFECTS Instant Eye Lift, 8 ml

Say goodbye to dark circles with the Instant Eye Lift Serum, this lightweight and refreshing eye serum instantly brightens, firms and hydrates dull and tired eyes, leaving you looking brighter and more youthful.

Atbrīvojieties no tumšajiem lokiem zem acīm ar Instant Eye Lift seruma palīdzību – šis vieglais un atsvaidzinošais acu serums uzlabo ādas izskatu ap acīm, mitrina un izgludina ādu un ļauj jums izskatīties jaunākai.

CREW FAVOURITES THEY TRIED. THEY LIKED.

JEKATERINA ŠEPTORE

What does this product mean to me? It was a pleasure to try this product. And it feels very comfortable under makeup.

What this experience gave me I have applied the cream right after cleansing my skin in the morning, and proceeded with my day. Over time I noticed that the skin around my eyes looks much more nourished, it feels soft and the first signs of wrinkles aren't bothering me anymore.

City Price €24.99 SAVE 24%

€19





# TEAOLOGY

TEA INFUSION SKINCARE®

**TEAOLOGY**  
Tea Mask Collection

**NEW**  
ON BOARD

**TRAVEL**  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

The complete collection of our beauty masks for face, neck and eyes made of soft, biodegradable, and elasticised plant fabric to let you discover the effectiveness of infusions of different types of organic teas combined in exclusive formulas with phytoextracts and active molecules. After just a short time, your skin feels fresher, smoother, and brighter!

Sejas, kakla un acu skaistumkopšanas masku kolekcija. Maskas ir izgatavotas no mīksta, bioloģiski noārdāma un elastīga augu materiāla. Atklāriet dažādu organisko tēju uzlējumu efektivitāti, ko nodrošina ekskluzīvas formulas ar fitoekstraktiem un aktīvām molekulām. Jau pēc neilga laika jūsu āda jutīsies svaigāka, gludāka un mirdzošāka!

€25



# TEAOLOGY

TEA INFUSION SKINCARE®

100% TEA INFUSION  
0% WATER



DISCOVER THE WORLD OF  
TEAOLOGY  
[www.teaologyskincare.com](http://www.teaologyskincare.com)



## TEAOLOGY

Matcha Tea Ultra-Firming Face Cream, 50 ml

Ultra-Firming Face Cream with Organic Matcha Tea infusion and a 9 plants active complex redensifies, conceals, and ensures lifting effect. The natural green colour of Organic Matcha Tea performs a concealing action on blemishes, as the special mineral pigments and “soft focus effect” powders even and brighten the complexion.

Ļoti iedarbīgs sejas krēms, kas satur organisko mača tēju un aktīvu 9 augu kompleksu. Atjauno, uzlabo ādu un piešķir tai tvirtumu. Organiskās mača tējas dabīgā zaļā krāsa maskē ādas trūkumus, savukārt īpaši minerālpigmenti un maigas iedarbības pūderi izlīdzina un izgaismo sejas ādu.

€45

City Price €50  
SAVE 10%

# iTOUCH® Air 3

SMARTWATCH

ANDROID™ & IOS COMPATIBLE

## Style that *moves* you.

### KEY FEATURES

- NOTIFICATIONS
- HEART RATE MONITOR
- PEDOMETER
- CALORIE TRACKER
- SLEEP MONITOR
- 7+ DAY BATTERY
- WEATHER
- SPORTS MODES & MORE

DESIGNED BY AMERICAN EXCHANGE TIME, NYC, NY USA

## iTOUCH

Smart Watch

**NEW**  
ON BOARD

€69<sup>95</sup>


City Price €89  
SAVE 21%

Experience a healthier lifestyle with the Air 3 smartwatch. This New York City-designed smartwatch features continuous heart rate monitoring, tracks your steps, calories, & distance, and sleep monitoring. Stay active with workout modes and connected with important app notifications. The Air 3 has up to seven days of battery life.

Izbaudiet veselīgāku dzīvesveidu ar viedpulksteni Air 3. Šis Ņujorkā izstrādātais viedpulkstenis nodrošina nepārtrauktu sirdsdarbības uzraudzību, seko līdzi jūsu soļu skaitam, uzņemtajām kalorijām un pieveiktajiem attālumiem, kā arī jūsu miegam. Esiet aktīvs, izmantojot dažādus treniņu režīmus un turpinot saņemt svarīgus lietotņu paziņojumus. Air 3 akumulatora darbības laiks ir līdz septiņām dienām.








**VONMÄHLEN**  
Northern Germany

USB-C to USB-C cable  
Micro-USB | USB-A | Lightning



Fast Charging Performance

Compact case  
Ø70mm


**VONMÄHLEN**  
allroundo® c

**NEW**  
ON BOARD


**€24** City Price **€24.99**  
SAVE 4%

allroundo® c is the compact all-in-one charging and data transfer cable with fast charging (USB-C to USB-C). The innovative design offers six (6in1) different connections for end devices. The spiral cable extends up to 75 cm in length for flexible use of the phone while charging. The compact travel case contains a USB-A, a micro-USB and a Lightning Adapter.

allroundo® c ir kompakts un universāls ātrās uzlādes un datu pārraides kabelis (no USB-C uz USB-C). Inovatīvs dizains ar sešiem dažādiem savienojumiem gala ierīcēm. Pateicoties spirālveida līdz 75 cm garajam kabelim, tālruni var ērti lietot uzlādes laikā. Kompaktā ceļojumu somā arī atrodas USB-A, micro-USB un Lightning adapteri.



**VONMÄHLEN**  
Northern Germany



reddot award 2019  
winner

DESIGN  
AWARD  
2019


**HIGH FIVE®**  
THE 5IN1 CHARGING CABLE

**VONMÄHLEN**  
High Five® The 5in1  
Charging Cable

**€19**


Compact, elegant, multifunctional—High Five® is the 5in1 charger cable for your key ring. It is compatible with all Micro-USB and USB-C devices as well as iPhone, iPad and iPod. With its sophisticated design and robust materials, High Five® can be attached to any bunch of keys and is always ready for use.

Kompakts, elegants, daudzfunkcionāls – High Five® ir pieci-vienā lādētājs, kuru var pievienot jūsu atslēgu piekariņam. Tas ir savietojams ar visām Micro-USB un USB-C ierīcēm, kā arī ar iPhone, iPad un iPod. Pateicoties pārdomātajam dizainam un izturīgajiem materiāliem, High Five® var piestiprināt pie jebkura atslēgu saišķa, un tas vienmēr ir gatavs lietošanai.



**VONMÄHLEN**  
Northern Germany

Easy adjustable  
up to 150 cm



All ports  
remain free

With case & without case


**VONMÄHLEN**  
Infinity Phone Strap, Black

**NEW**  
ON BOARD

**€17** City Price **€17.99**  
SAVE 6%


Infinity is the phone strap by Vonmählen. It slips around any phone with ease and the adjustable nylon drawstrings assures the most comfortable, secure hold. Infinity provides your phone with refuge by your side while still being easily accessible, the perfect tech accessory when you are on-the-go and need to be reachable, busy at the office, or enjoying a day of sight-seeing.

Vonmählen tālruņa siksnīņa Infinity viegli aptver ap jebkuru tālruni, regulējamas neilona aukliņas nodrošina drošu un stabilu tālruņa pozīciju. Pateicoties Infinity, jūsu tālrunis ir drošībā un vienlaikus viegli sasniedzams – tas ir ideāls risinājums, kad esat ceļā, aizņemts birojā vai piedalāties ekskursijā un jums ir jābūt viegli sazināmam.



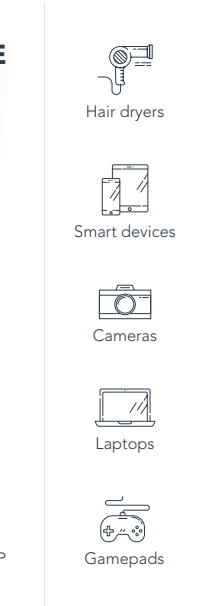
**VONMÄHLEN**  
Northern Germany

OUTPUT  
USB-A USB-C



**UNITY ONE**  
THE TRAVEL CHARGER

US | AU | UK | EU | CN | HK | JP



Hair dryers

Smart devices

Cameras

Laptops

Gamepads

**VONMÄHLEN**  
Unity One  
Travel Charger

**€49** City Price **€59**  
SAVE 17%

Unity One is the most compact travel charger for your electronic devices. In addition to the main connector, the integrated USB-A and USB-C ports allow you to charge different devices in parallel. Unity One is compatible with power outlets in over 150 different countries. The integrated overcharge protection converts the voltage and adapts it safely to your end devices.

Unity One ir kompaktais lādētājs jūsu elektroniskajām ierīcēm ceļojuma laikā. Papildus galvenajai ligzdai USB-A un USB-C porti ļauj vienlaicīgi uzlādēt dažādas ierīces. Unity One ir savietojams ar strāvas kontaktligzdām vairāk nekā 150 dažādās valstīs. Aizsardzība pret pārlādešanu pārveido spriegumu un droši pielāgo to jūsu gala ierīcēm.





**ÖGON DESIGNS**  
Carbon Fibre Aluminium Wallet

Elegant wallet made in France. This light and strong wallet provides super-fast access and optimum protection. Designed to open with one hand. For 10 cards and cash. RFID Safe: protection against demagnetisation and electronic data theft. Size: 11x7.4x2.1 cm. Francijā ražots elegants maks. Tas ir viegls, izturīgs, nodrošina ērtu piekļuvi maka saturam un tā optimālu aizsardzību. Atverams ar vienu roku. Vieta 10 kartēm un skaidrai naudai. RFID aizsardzība pret demagnetizāciju un elektronisko datu zādzību. Izmērs: 11x7.4x2.1 cm.

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

€38



**DOPPLER**  
Pocket Umbrella

Always with you, as light as a feather, small and slim. This umbrella is small enough to fit in every pocket. Carbon steel technology makes this model super lightweight and at the same time provides stable protection against weather and wind up to 100 km/h. Weight: 170 g. Vienmēr ar jums, viegls kā spalviņa, neliels un plāns. Šis lietussargs ir tik mazs, ka to var ielikt jebkurā kabatā. Tam ir oglekļa tērauda rāmis, tādēļ lietussargs ir neticami viegls, tomēr nodrošina efektīvu aizsardzību pret lietu un līdz pat 100 km/h stipru vēju. Svārs: 170 g.

BEST  
SELLER

€29



**I-CLIP**  
Carbon Optics Wallet incl. RFID Shields

The smallest of the wallets! A compact, safe and an elegant way to carry up to 12 cards and notes. Full-grain naturally tanned cowhide with a thrilling carbon finish in black or perforation in camel colour! With RFID shield for protection against electronic data theft. Mazākais no visiem makiem! Kompakts, drošs un elegants, ar 12 karšu un banknošu ietilpību. Tagad no dabīgi miecētas teļādas ar oglekļa perforācijas pārklājumu melnā vai kameļjādas krāsā. Ar RFID karti, kas nodrošina aizsardzību pret elektronisko datu zādzību.

€39

City Price €45  
SAVE 13%

**I-CLIP**  
AdvantageR Caramel incl. RFID Shields

The smallest of the wallets! A compact, safe and an elegant way to carry up to 12 cards and notes. Full-grain naturally tanned cowhide with a thrilling carbon finish in black or perforation in camel colour! With RFID shield for protection against electronic data theft. Mazākais no visiem makiem! Kompakts, drošs un elegants, ar 12 karšu un banknošu ietilpību. Tagad no dabīgi miecētas teļādas ar oglekļa perforācijas pārklājumu melnā vai kameļjādas krāsā. Ar RFID karti, kas nodrošina aizsardzību pret elektronisko datu zādzību.

€39

City Price €50  
SAVE 22%



**KODAK**  
Ring Light

The Ring Light Mini 4 brings a new dimension of light and style to your images and videos. This handy light is perfect for everything from portraits and selfies to online meetings and makeup. Works with any smartphone and laptop. Technical details: 4 inch diameter, 1.5 h running time (90 mins), 50 individual LEDs.

Gredzenveida lampa Ring Light Mini 4 piešķir jūsu attēliem un videoklipiem jaunu gaismas un stila dimensiju. Šis parocīgais gaismas avots ir lieliski piemērots it visam, no portretiem un pašbildēm līdz tiešsaistes sapulcēm un grima uzklāšanai. Lampa ir savietojama ar jebkuru viedtālruni un klēpj datoru. Tehniskā informācija: 4 collu diametrs, 1,5 h darbības laiks (90 min), 50 gaismas diodes.

NEW  
ON BOARD

€29

City Price €29.90  
SAVE 3%



**BEURER**  
LS 10  
Luggage Scale

Portable luggage scale that will help you avoid excess luggage charges. Small, handy and easy to use, comes equipped with a practical torch and a fastening strap for space-saving storage. With a weight capacity of 50 kg. Portatīvie svāri, kas palīdzēs izvairīties no bagāžas pārsniegtā svāra maksas. Šie svāri ir mazi, parocīgi un viegli lietojami, ar iebūvētu praktisku lukturi un siksnīņu. Uzturāda svāru līdz 50 kg.

€25

50 g graduation, torch light.

BEST  
SELLER

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE



**BANALE.**  
OMNI PILLOW  
3 IN 1 MEMORY FOAM PILLOW

OmniPillow is the 3in1 travel pillow which allows you to switch between three unique forms – neck pillow, bed pillow or double cushion – and simply fold it up in its waterproof cover when you are done. 100% pure memory foam moulds around your natural posture. With removable and washable pillow cover. Omnipillow ir "trīs vienā" ceļojumu spilvens, kas viegli pieņem vienu no trim formām: kakla spilvens, gultas spilvens vai dubultais spilvens. Kad jums tas nav nepieciešams, to var vienkārši salocīt un ievietot ūdensnecaurīdīgā pārvalkā. 100% atmiņas putas balsta jūsu dabisko ķermeņa stāvokli. Noņemams un mazgājams spilvena pārvalks.

€49

City Price €59  
SAVE 17%



**ZIPSTAR**  
Mobile Screen Magnifier

This magnifier acts like a phone projector magnifying your phone's screen 2 to 4 times the size. Perfect for watching movies whilst travelling. Offers an excellent viewing experience as it helps reduce strain on your eyes allowing you to enjoy your smart phone even more. Compact and lightweight, it folds up easily to provide protection whilst not in use. Suitable for nearly all smartphones. Telefona ekrāna palielinātājs darbojas kā projektor, kas palielina jūsu tālruna ekrānu 2–4 reizes. Ideāli piemērots filmu skatīšanai ceļojuma laikā. Piedāvā lielisku skatīšanās pieredzi, jo tas samazina acu noslodzi, ļaujot jums vēl vairāk izbaudīt savu viedtālruni. Kompakts un viegls, tas ir viegli salokāms, lai palielinātāju pasargātu, kamēr tas netiek lietots. Piemērots gandrīz visiem viedtālruniem.

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

€10





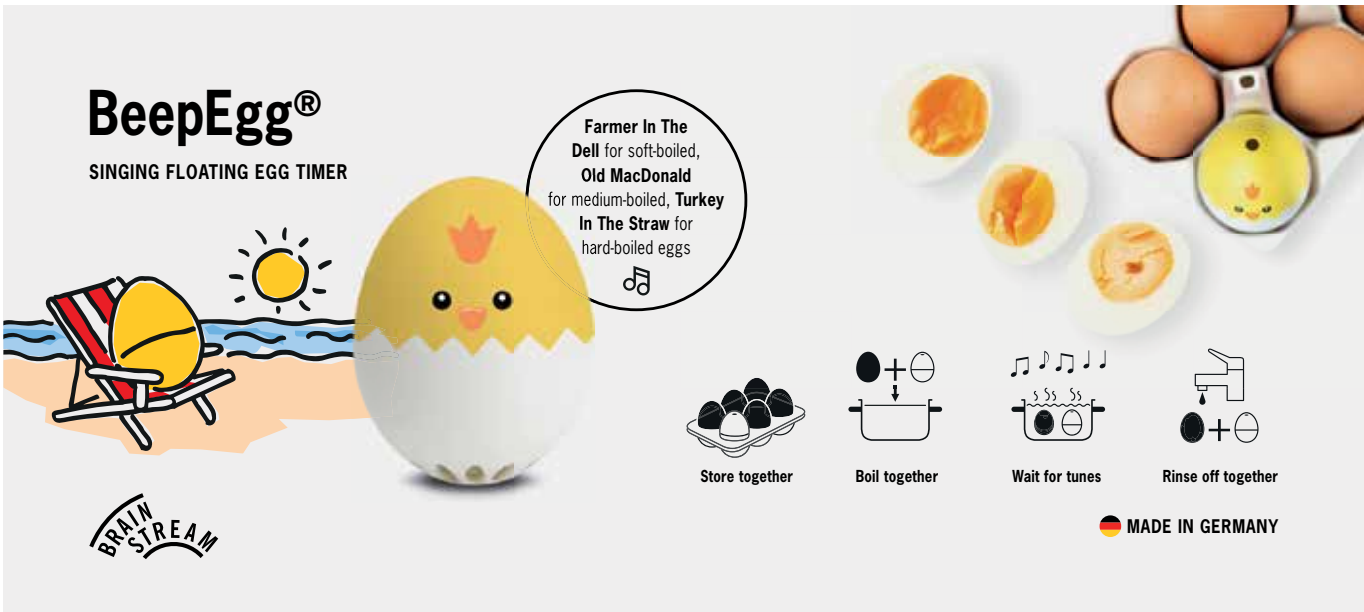
**WABOBA**  
Water Bouncing Set

**NEW**  
ON BOARD

**€19** City Price **€21.90**  
SAVE 13%

The Swedish classic! The one that started it all - the original water bouncing ball. An essential for the days when life takes you to the beach or lake. Bounce it on water like skipping a stone. Best for oceans, lakes, rivers, and waterfalls.

Zviedru klasiskās atsperīgās bumbas, kas atlec no ūdens. Tām ir īpaša nozīme dienās, kad atpūšaties pludmalē vai pie ezera. Pēc katra metiena bumba vairākkārt atsperīgi atlec no ūdens. To vislabāk var spēlēt jūrā, ezeros, upēs.



**BRAINSTREAM**  
Chicken Beep Egg

**€19** City Price **€21.90**  
SAVE 13%

This fun and functional egg timer guarantees perfect boiled eggs. Simply store and boil with the eggs until BeepEgg will play three tunes. It's fun, it's smart and it really works.

Šis amuzants un tajā pašā laikā funkcionālais taimeris garantē perfektu novārītas olas. Tas ir jāuzglabā un jāvāra kopā ar olām, līdz BeepEgg atskaņos trīs melodijas. Tas ir jautri, tas ir gudri, un tas patiešām darbojas.



**SMARTGAMES**  
Iq Puzzler Pro

The Original! The IQ PUZZLER PRO is the world's most popular solitaire puzzler! 12 coloured and differently shaped ball elements have to be placed in the playing field. No less than 120 tasks in five different levels of difficulty have to be mastered! There are three different game forms: even pyramids can be played! But beware: there is always only one correct solution per task! Tricky, endless fun with an addictive factor for players aged 6 and up!

IQ PUZZLER PRO ir pasaulē populārākais galvas mežģis! Spēles laukumā jānovieto 12 krāsainas dažādu formu bumbiņas. Ne mazāk kā 120 uzdevumi piecās dažādās grūtības pakāpēs! Spēli var spēlēt trīs dažādos veidos. Taču uzmanieties: katram uzdevumam vienmēr ir tikai viens pareizais risinājums! Atjautīga izklaide, kam nekad nav gala. Var izraisīt atkarību! Paredzēts spēlētājiem no 6 gadu vecuma.

**€12<sup>50</sup>**



**DISNEY**  
Frozen Kids Watch

Express your love for the magical icy world of Disney's Frozen movies by wearing your officially licensed Disney Frozen watch. A vivid dial art of Elsa and Anna with a nylon strap is easy to use for children. Every Disney Frozen kids' watch features watch hands labelled "hour" and "minute" to help young children learn how to tell time.

Aplieciniet savu mīlestību pret Disneja multfilmas "Ledus sirds" maģisko un ledaino pasauli, valkājot oficiāli licencēto Disney Frozen rokaspulksteni. Spilgto ciparnīcu rotā Elzas un Annas attēli, pulkstenim ir neilona siksnīņa, kas ir ērti lietojama bērniem. Uz stundu rādītāja rakstīts "hour" un uz minūšu rādītāja "minute", lai palīdzētu maziem bērniem iemācīties pulksteni.

**€29**



**SCRATCH ART**  
Magic Rainbow Scratch Notes

Use the wooden stylus to reveal bright colours that are hidden underneath a matte coating. Jot notes, etch doodles and create great designs. Perfect for keeping the children occupied whilst travelling.

Ar koka irbuļa palīdzību atklājiat spilgtas krāsas zem matēta pārklājuma. Rakstiet zīmītes, zīmējiet ķirķēziņus vai skaistus attēlus. Lielisks palīgs, lai nodarbinātu bērnus ceļojuma laikā.

**TRAVEL**  
**RETAIL**  
**EXCLUSIVE**

**€5**



**DISNEY**  
Mickey Mouse Kids Watch

Express your love for the magic of Mickey by wearing your officially licensed Disney Mickey Mouse watch. A vivid dial art of Mickey Mouse with a soft silicone strap for a child's comfort. Every Disney Mickey Mouse kids' watch features watch hands labelled "hour" and "minute" to help young children learn how to tell time.

Aplieciniet savu mīlestību pret neatkārtājamo Mikipeli, valkājot oficiāli licencēto Disney Mickey Mouse rokaspulksteni. Spilgto ciparnīcu rotā Mikiņas attēls, pulkstenim ir mīksta un ērta silikona siksnīņa. Uz stundu rādītāja rakstīts "hour" un uz minūšu rādītāja "minute", lai palīdzētu maziem bērniem iemācīties pulksteni.

**€29**



# Nature Friendly

MADE FROM RETRIEVED GHOST NETS THAT FLOAT IN THE SEA



## BRACENET Arctic Ocean Bracelet

TRAVEL  
RETAIL  
EXCLUSIVE

€25

They are one of the biggest dangers for our oceans: discarded and lost fishing nets. The ghost nets can float around undiscovered for decades and turn into dangerous traps for animals. Together with the marine protection organisations Healthy Seas and Ghost Diving, we retrieve these deadly traps and upcycle them to bracelets—the Bracenet. One size fits all.

Pamesti vai nozaudēti zvejas tīkli ir viens no lielākajiem draudiem pasaules okeāniem un jūrām. Šādi tīkli var dreifēt gadu desmitiem, kļūstot par nāvējošām lamatām jūras iemitniekiem. Sadarbībā ar jūru aizsardzības organizācijām Healthy Seas un Ghost Diving mēs šādas lamatas likvidējam un no pamestajiem zvejas tīkliem izgatavojam aproces Bracenet. Der jebkuram rokas apkārtmēram.

YOUR PURCHASE IS A VOTE FOR A GREEN AND FAIR FUTURE



## TREECELET Amazonia Bracelet

Treecelet is a global tree planting project that plants trees in the most affected areas. Every sold bracelet plants 3 trees. Bracelets are handmade in the EU by people with disabilities to provide them fair work. Gift-ready packaging with a tree planting certificate included. Adjustable bracelet size.

Treecelet ir globāls koku stādīšanas projekts, kura ietvaros koki tiek iestādīti visvairāk cietušajos reģionos. Katra pārdota rokassprādze palīdz iestādīt 3 kokus. Roku darbs no Eiropas – rokassprādzes izgatavo cilvēki ar īpašām vajadzībām, kuri tiek nodrošināti ar darbu. Dāvanu iepakojums ar koku stādīšanas sertifikātu. Regulējams izmērs.

€16

City Price €19.90  
SAVE 20%

€16

City Price €19.90  
SAVE 20%

## TREECELET Madagascar Bracelet



## UPCIRCLE Face Moisturiser, 50 ml

€19

A multi award-winning deeply hydrating, fast-absorbing face cream to nourish and brighten the skin. This moisturiser is suitable for all skin types. Vitamin E rich argan powder is combined with skin-soothing cocoa butter, aloe vera and blood orange. Reused, repurposed, reloved: this face moisturiser is made with finely-ground powder of discarded argan shells, a natural by-product of the argan oil industry that is rich in antioxidant Vitamin E.

Daudzkārt godalgots dziļi mitrinošs, ātri uzsūcošs sejas krēms, kas ir barojošs un uzlabo ādas krāsu. Šis mitrinātājs ir piemērots visiem ādas tipiem. Tā sastāvā ietilpst ar E vitamīnu bagātais argāna pulveris, ādu nomierinošs kakao sviests, alveja un sarkanais apelsīns. Atkārtoti izmantots, pārstrādāts, iemīlots: šis sejas mitrinātājs ir izgatavots no smalki samalta argāna čaumalu pulvera, kas ir dabisks argāna eļļas ražošanas blakusprodukts.



## KIND BAG Koi Fish Reusable Kind Bag, Medium

€12<sup>50</sup>

Both stylish and practical, this eco-friendly shopper is made from 6 recycled plastic bottles. The bag can be folded into an attached pouch so you can take it anywhere. And on top of that, you're doing something for our planet!

Stilīga un praktiska, videi draudzīga soma, kas izgatavota no 6 pārstrādātām plastmasas pudelēm. Somu var salocīt un ielikt maciņa izmēra somiņā, lai to varētu paņemt līdzi, lai vai kur jūs dotos. Iegādājoties šo somu, jūs rūpējaties par mūsu planētu!

Vegan and cruelty free. Water-resistant and lightweight

PLASTIC NEGATIVE: FULLY RECYCLABLE PACKAGING.

MADE FROM RESCUED PLASTIC BOTTLES DESTINED FOR OUR OCEANS





### PLANIES NFT SNAP BACK Unisex Hat With Flat Brim

This unisex hat with a flat brim is for those who want to stand out. Plain six-panel cotton hat with straight brim. The back of the hat has a retro-style size adjuster with a plastic clip. Reinforced front panel with graphic embroidery, inspired by Planies. Material: 100% cotton, grammage: 340 g/m<sup>2</sup>. **Planies are a special cartoon aircraft design collection 10 000 one-of-a-kind collectibles stored on the Ethereum blockchain.** More about Planies check out here: [planiesnft.com](https://planiesnft.com)

Šī unisex cepure ar taisnu nagu ir paredzēta tiem, kuri vēlas izcelties. Vienkrāsaina, sešu panelu kokvilnas cepure ar taisnu nagu. Cepures aizmugurē ir retro stila izmēra regulētājs ar plastikāta klipsi. Materiāls: 100% kokvilna, biezums: 340 g. Pastiprināts priekšējais panelis ar grafisku izšuvumu, iedvesmots no Planies. **Planies ir īpaša karikatūru lidmašīnu dizaina kolekcija, kurā ir 10 000 vienreizēju kolekcionējamo priekšmetu, kas tiek glabāti Ethereum blokkēdē.** Vairāk par Planies uzzini šeit: [planiesnft.com](https://planiesnft.com)

€19<sup>99</sup>



### AIRBALTIC Teddy Bear

Teddy pilot is an excellent companion for all your pleasant travels ahead. Lācis pilots būs lielisks pavadoņš visos jūsu nākamajos lidojumos.



### AIRBALTIC Water Bottle, 650 ml

Capacious and easy to use water bottle. No need to tilt your head to drink, there is a comfortable folding spout with a straw, and a handle for easy carrying. A great water bottle to take with you on a hike or when going to the gym.

Ietilpīga un viegli lietojama ūdens pudele. Nav jāatliec galva, lai padzertos, ērts atlokāms snipis ar salmiņu. Aprīkota ar rokturīti ērtākai pārnēsāšanai. Šī būs piemērota ūdens pudele, ko ņemt līdzi pārgājienos vai somā uz sporta nodarbībām.

€20

Size: 8 cm x 24.3 cm

€9<sup>50</sup>

Available exclusively  
on long flights

### AIRBALTIC Blanket

100% polar fleece blanket with airBaltic logo, colour navy.  
100% flīsa sega ar airBaltic logotipu, tumši zilā krāsā.  
Одеяло из 100% полярного флиса с логотипом airBaltic, цвет темно-синий.



€7

Size: 150 cm x 120 cm

## Stay Connected with International SIM or eSIM!

Izmantojiet eSIM vai starptautisku SIM karti, lai uzturētu sakarus!

**Works in over 135 countries**, with a single card&phone number.

Ar vienu karti un tālruņa numuru darbojas vairāk nekā 135 valstīs.

**Better coverage** – 320 networks all around the world to keep you connected.

Labāks pārklājums – 320 tīkli visā pasaulē nodrošina labāku pārklājumu, lai uzturētu savienojumu.

**Reduce roaming cost by up to 85%.**

Samaziniet viesabonēšanas izmaksas līdz pat 85%.

**It's prepaid, so you're in control of the costs.**

Tā kā tas ir priekšapmaksa, jūs kontrolējat izmaksas.



### Recharge voucher with €20 credit

Papildiniet kuponu ar €20 kredītu

€20

### Starter kit with €10 credit

Sākuma komplekts ar €10 kredītu

€10

For more information, ask the cabin crew or visit [www.airbalticcard.com](https://www.airbalticcard.com).  
Konsultējieties ar salona personālu vai dodieties uz [www.airbalticcard.com](https://www.airbalticcard.com), lai iegūtu sīkāku informāciju.

[airBalticCard.com](https://www.airbalticcard.com)



Shop for food, drinks and  
souvenirs during the flight  
on your phone



# USE OF PORTABLE ELECTRONIC DEVICES

	BOARDING	TAXI BEFORE TAKE-OFF	TAKE-OFF	CRUISE	APPROACH AND LANDING	TAXI AFTER LANDING
Connectivity GSM, Bluetooth, Flight Mode						
Handheld devices e.g. tablets, e-readers and mobile phones						
Heavy devices e.g. laptops and notebooks						

\* Shall be stowed in overhead bin or under the front seat inside an appropriate bag.  
In case a battery or device is damaged, hot, produces smoke, is lost, or falls into the seat structure, immediately inform the cabin crew.

# HOUSE RULES

We only accept payment cards:



- We accept payment for purchases only by cards with an embedded chip. We are unable to process payments made by cards with a magnetic stripe.
  - For payment card purchases exceeding EUR 50, ID must be provided. A purchase with a single card may not exceed EUR 250 and total payment by cards per one customer may not exceed EUR 500.
  - All prices include VAT where applicable.
  - For each purchase made on airBaltic flights the cabin crew will provide you a receipt.
  - Fresh Meals available on flights over 1 h 30 min. Ask the cabin crew about the meal availability on your flight today and about the ingredients of a given product or what allergens it contains.
  - All pictures of products and packaging are for illustrative purposes only and may differ from the real product.
  - Ask the cabin crew about the meal availability on your flight today and for the ingredients of a given product or what allergens it contains.
  - When purchasing a flight ticket, you have accepted the airBaltic Terms of Passenger Carriage, which state that it is not permissible on board airBaltic aircraft to use narcotics, consume alcoholic beverages that you have brought on board, smoke any type of cigarette including electronic cigarettes. Passengers must obey acknowledged standards of polite behaviour. Should we have any reason to believe that your behaviour does not comply with these rules, we will take any and all necessary action to stop such behaviour.
  - It is prohibited to sell alcoholic beverages to persons under 18 years of age.
  - Please note that all items are subject to availability.
- FOR ALLERGIC PASSENGERS**
- Passengers with food allergies must assume responsibility for this risk. We will not assume any liability for allergic reactions to the foods consumed or contacted on board.
  - If you have specific food requirements, you can choose and pre-order food for your flight at [www.airbalticmeal.com](http://www.airbalticmeal.com)

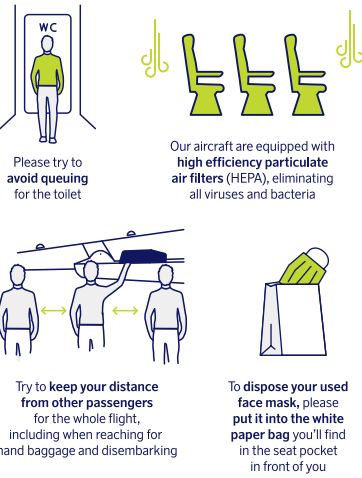
Apmaksai pieņemam tikai maksājumu kartes:



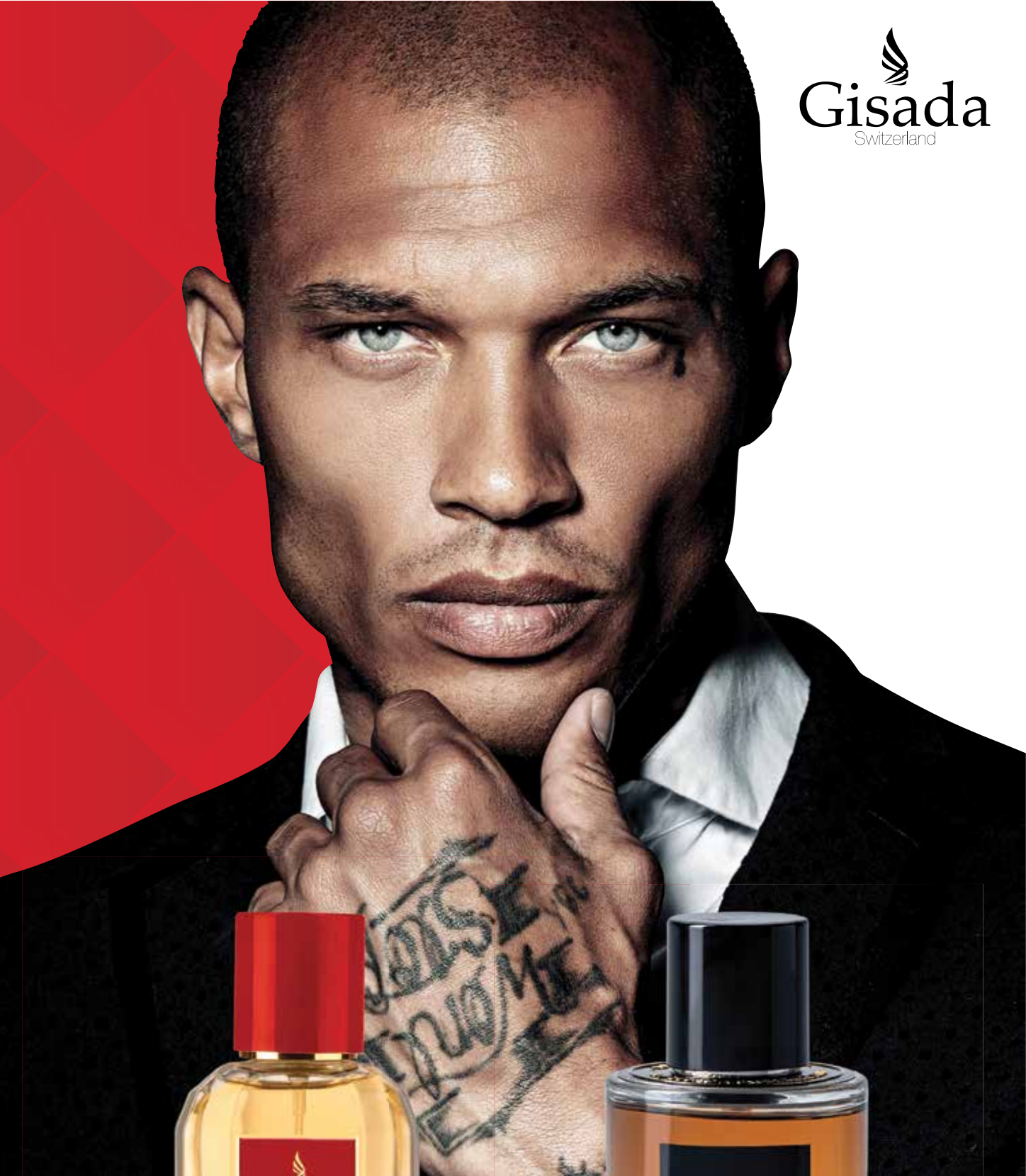
- Norēķiniem ar maksājumu kartēm pieņemam tikai kartes ar čipu. Darījumi ar magnētisko joslu kartēm netiek nodrošināti.
  - Ja maksājums ar maksājumu karti pārsniedz 50 EUR, jāuzrāda personu apliecinošs dokuments. Pirkums ar vienu maksājumu karti nedrīkst pārsniegt 250 EUR, kopējā pirkumu summa ar maksājumu kartēm no vienas personas nedrīkst pārsniegt 500 EUR.
  - Visas cenas norādītas ar atbilstoši piemērojamo PVN.
  - Par katru pirkumu airBaltic stjuarti izsniegs jums čeku vai stingrās uzskaites kvīti.
  - Svaigās maltītes ir pieejamas lidojumos, kas ir ilgāki par 1 h 30 min. Jautāiet stjuartiem par produktu sastāvu un tajos esošajiem alergēniem.
  - Produktu un iepakojumu attēli norādīti tikai informatīvā nolūkā un var atšķirties no reālā produkta.
  - Jautāiet stjuartiem par maltītes pieejamību jūsu reisā, kā arī par produktu sastāvu un tajos esošajiem alergēniem.
  - Ēgādājoties aviobiļeti, Jūs esat piekritis airBaltic pasažieru pārvadāšanas noteikumiem, kas paredz, ka airBaltic lidmašīnās nav atļauts lietot narkotikas, līdzpapemtos alkoholiskos dzērienus un smēķēt t.s. elektroniskās cigaretes, kā arī ir jāievēro vispārpieņemtās pieklājīgas uzvedības normas. Ja būs pamats uzskatīt, ka Jūsu uzvedība neatbilst noteikumiem, veiksīm nepieciešamās darbības, lai šādu uzvedību novērstu.
  - Alkoholiskos dzērienus aizliegts pārdot personām, kuras ir jaunākas par 18 gadiem.
  - Ņemiet vērā, ka preču daudzums var būt ierobežots.
- PASAŽIERIEM AR ALERĢISKĀM REAKCIJĀM**
- Esiet piesardzīgi, ja jums ir alerģija pret kādu no pārtikas produktiem. Mēs neuzņemamies atbildību par alerģisku reakciju no pārtikas produktiem, ko esat patērējuši vai ar ko esat nonākuši saskarsmē lidmašīnā.
  - Ja jums ir īpašas prasības attiecībā uz pārtiku, varat izvēlēties un pasūtīt maltīti pirms lidojuma vietnē [www.airbalticmeal.com](http://www.airbalticmeal.com)

# Your health and well-being are our top priority

We kindly ask you to act responsibly and follow these recommendations as well as general safety measures.



Take note that masks may still be required on flights, airports or public spaces in other countries so make sure you are familiar with the local rules.



Gisada  
Switzerland



AMBASSADORA  
WOMEN



AMBASSADOR  
MEN

For any suggestions on our product selection, please write to / Ja jums ir ieteikumi vai komentāri par piedāvāto preču klāstu, lūdzam tos sūtīt uz e-pastu [info@airo.lv](mailto:info@airo.lv)





# Spice up your trip with our extras!

Book these useful services along with your ticket at [airbaltic.com](http://airbaltic.com) or add them to your booking later on.



## Flight cancellation and name change options

For your peace of mind, add the option to cancel your reservation and get a full refund in the form of an *airBaltic* gift card in case your travel plans change. This service costs **EUR 19.99** per passenger per direction. Or add the option to change the passenger name on your ticket for a fee from **EUR 9.99** per flight segment.

The Cancellation option is available only for *GREEN* and *GREEN plus* tickets, whereas the Name change option is available for *GREEN*, *GREEN plus* and *GREEN Classic* tickets.



## Heavy cabin baggage

You can take on board one cabin bag (55x40x23 cm) and one personal item (30x40x10 cm) with a total weight of eight kilograms free of charge.

However, sometimes you may need to carry more but want to avoid waiting for a checked suitcase at the baggage belt. Now you can **add an extra four kilograms to your cabin baggage from EUR 11.99** and take a total of 12 kilograms on board.

Please note: If you purchase extra cabin baggage weight, your cabin baggage must still remain within the above-mentioned dimensions. Exceeding the allowed cabin baggage weight or size limits will cost EUR 75 at the airport.



## Checked baggage

Add checked baggage if you want to take up to **25 kilograms**, including liquids over 100 ml, which are not allowed in cabin baggage. The cheapest option is to book checked baggage along with your ticket at [airbaltic.com](http://airbaltic.com) starting from **EUR 19.99**. You can also add baggage anytime later at a higher price.



## Pre-order a meal

Order a meal before your flight and be among the first served on board. Choose our great value meal sets, which include a main course, dessert, and a drink starting from **EUR 11.99**. All meals are freshly prepared and packed separately under strict hygiene standards. Special vegetarian and kids' meals are also available.



## Reserve a seat

Are you a window person, or do you favour more legroom? Want to avoid the middle seat or sit together with your family? Or do you want to sit in the front to be the first off the plane?

Whichever it is, you can secure your favourite seat in advance starting from **EUR 5.99**. With a reserved seat you will enjoy an additional bonus – the opportunity to **check in for your flight already five days before departure** (instead of the usual 36 hours).



## Fast track in Riga

Add fast-track security check to your booking for only **EUR 9.99** and skip the security lines at Riga Airport.



## Special equipment

Whatever your hobby, you don't have to live without it during your trip. Take your bicycle, skis, or golf bag with you from **EUR 39.99**. \*Guitars, cellos, and other fragile musical instruments that do not fit in cabin baggage can be transported on the seat next to the passenger if a special ticket has been purchased for their transportation.



## Assistance for children flying alone\*

If you are unable to accompany your children, our crew can take care of them from the time they check in to the moment when they meet a parent or guardian at the destination airport. Unaccompanied minor service costs from **EUR 60** and is available for children aged 5 to 17.



## Travelling with pets\*

Your furry friend can travel in the cabin if its crate fits under the seat in front of you. Maximum dimensions for PETC are 55x40x23 cm and maximum weight is 12 kg (pet together with box/bag). Larger animals are placed in the cargo hold during the flight.

# Ticket types on *airBaltic* flights

Whenever you reserve an *airBaltic* flight, you can choose from five different ticket types depending on your needs and wishes: *GREEN*, *GREEN plus*, *CLASSIC*, *BUSINESS light* and *BUSINESS*.

The date can be changed for all tickets. This gives our guests extra flexibility and security when planning their trips.

Check out the chart to see what services are included in each ticket type, and choose the one that's best for you.



	GREEN	GREEN plus only on <a href="http://airBaltic.com">airBaltic.com</a>	CLASSIC	BUSINESS light	BUSINESS
	The simplest ticket for the lowest price – with the option of changing the flight date.	A great price that includes checked baggage and the option of flexibility. Plus regular discounts on different ancillary services.	A smart choice! The most important services plus greater flexibility in changing or cancelling the flight.	Exceptional service for an affordable price.	Our proven value – enjoy plenty of benefits, sophisticated service and total flexibility.
CABIN BAGGAGE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CHECKED BAGGAGE	from EUR 19.99	✓	✓	✓	✓
SEAT RESERVATION	from EUR 5.99	from EUR 5.99	✓	✓	✓
DATE CHANGE*	EUR 50 per direction	EUR 50 per direction	✓	✓	✓
REFUND	✗ **	✗ **	EUR 50 per direction, or EUR 25 per direction, if you choose a refund in the form of a gift voucher	non-refundable	✓
NAME CHANGE	✗ **	✗ **	EUR 100 per ticket	EUR 100 per ticket	✓
MEAL	from EUR 11.99	from EUR 11.99	from EUR 11.99	✓	✓
AIRPORT CHECK-IN	EUR 35.00	EUR 35.00	✓	✓	✓
FAST TRACK	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓
BUSINESS LOUNGE	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓
<i>airBaltic Club</i> ***	Earn 1–3 points per euro spent	Earn 1–3 points per euro spent + 50 bonus points	Earn 1–3 points per euro spent + 100 bonus points	Earn 1–3 points per euro spent + 150 bonus points	Earn 1–3 points per euro spent + 200 bonus points

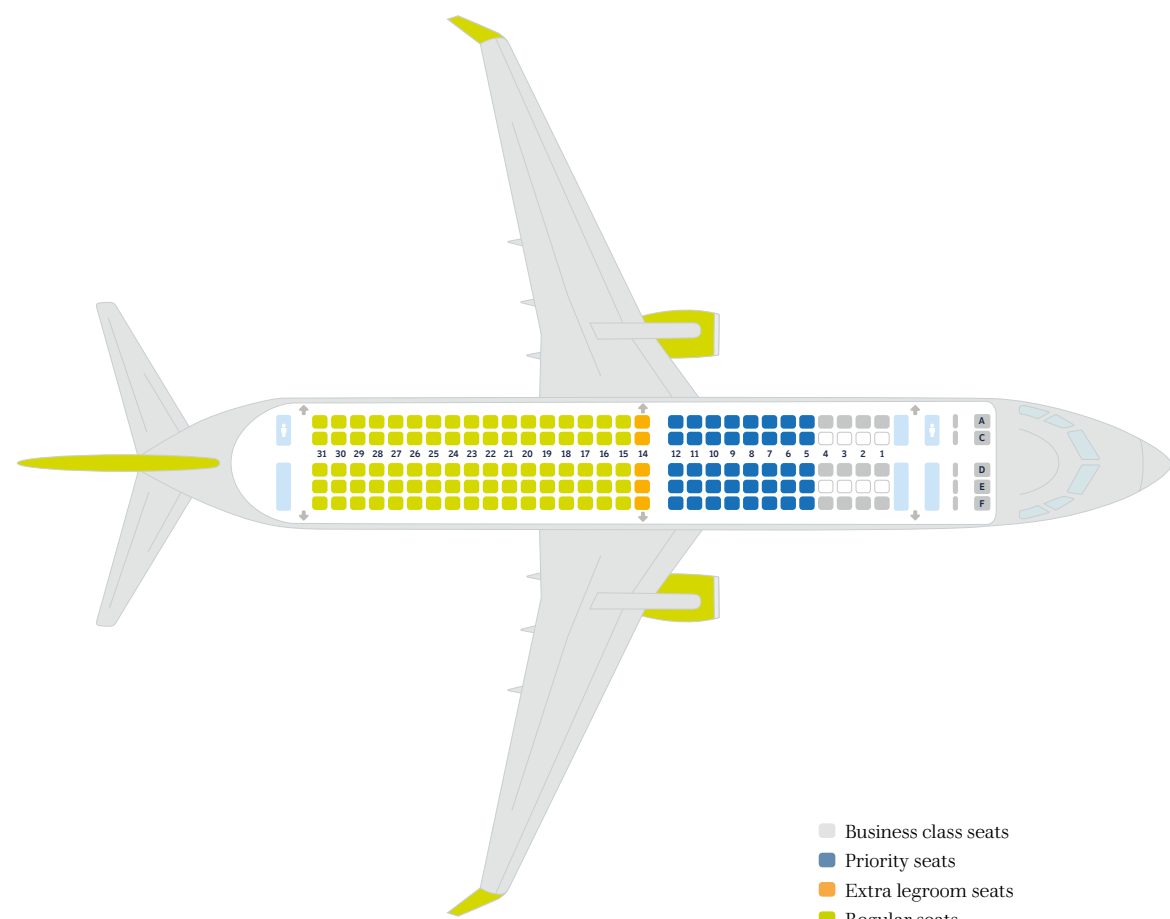
\* Fare difference may apply.





\*\* A Flight Cancellation option and Name Change option can be added to your tickets by making the reservation on [airBaltic.com](http://airBaltic.com).

\*\*\* The number of points earned per each euro spent on a ticket depends on the tier level within the *airBaltic Club*.

See [www.airbaltic.com](http://www.airbaltic.com) for current terms.

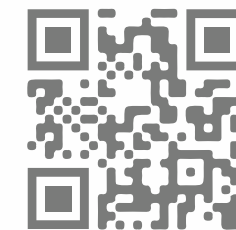




 Business class seats	
 Priority seats	
 Extra legroom seats	
 Regular seats	

Number of aircraft	42
Number of seats	145
Max take-off weight	67.6 metric tons
Max payload	16.7 metric tons
Length	38.7 m
Wing span	35.1 m
Cruising speed	870 km/h
Commercial range	4575 km
Fuel consumption	2200 l/h
Engine	PW 1521G

# WELCOME TO AIRBALTIC SKY SERVICE!



Order inflight meals and do onboard shopping from **your mobile device** during the flight!



Please note that *airBaltic* SKY service will start to work **only after take-off**, once the Personal Electronic Device sign is switched off



Ventspils Toboggan Track



Adventure Park  
of Ventspils



Science Centre  
"VIZIUM"



# Welcome **to Ventspils,** the City on **the Move!**

The city respecting the past,  
thinking about tomorrow  
and productively  
working today!



[www.ventspils.lv](http://www.ventspils.lv)  
[www.visitventspils.com](http://www.visitventspils.com)

Street Sports and Culture Festival  
"Ghetto Games"



Blue Flag Beach

