Guaranteed Escorted Tours

Winter 2018–2019

5 languages • 13 tours • 47 departures
Our tours combine three things, which are important for modern travellers: affordable prices, first class service and plenty of individual choices. Our Winter programs are featuring traditional Christmas Markets, sparkling New Year Celebrations and unique Arctic Winter Adventures in the Nordic countries.

### A First Class Product

**GUARANTEED ESCORTED WINTER TOURS**

All our tours are guaranteed. They are offered in five different languages (English, German, Italian, Spanish and French). Depending on sales, most tours are bilingual and guests are normally from a number of different countries. Other guests with the same languages may join in or may leave during a tour. Our tours represent a unique possibility to meet people across borders and win new friends.

**ARCTIC WINTER ADVENTURES**

The Arctic Winter Adventures in the Nordic countries offer the most fascinating and invigorating winter activities in the region. The breath-taking arctic nature, authentic snow adventures, reindeer and husky safaris, encounters with the indigenous Sami people and the search for dancing Northern Lights are the highlights of these programs. Visit to Santa Claus’ village and icebreaker cruises in Finnish Lapland are important parts of the winter adventure.
SERVICE STANDARDS

Hotels: We are using good centrally located three-star superior, four-star or five-star hotels. We reserve the right to change the featured hotels. Alternative hotels will be of the same standard as the featured hotels both in terms of standard and location. Any changes from featured hotels will be advised latest one month prior to arrival.

Breakfast: Breakfast is buffet style at all hotels.

Coaches and vans: Our coaches are new 49-seater first class coaches with air conditioning, adjustable seats, toilet, fridge and possible other conveniences. Depending on sales, some tours or segments of tours and optional tours are operated with new first class vans with adjustable seats and air conditioning. For comfort and security we always keep at least three empty seats in coaches and vans. Passengers are covered by third person liability insurance. Drivers are driving strictly according to EU regulations. Seating in the vehicles is free.

Tour escorts: Our tour escorts are university graduates and have been specially trained as guides and as tour escorts. The tour escorts are very experienced and most have been working for us for many years. The tour escorts are assisted by local guides if needed or required.

Portage: Portage of one piece of luggage is included when indicated.

Visa support: Visa is required for almost all nationalities for tours including Russia and only for some fewer nationalities for tours covering EU destinations and Norway. Unless otherwise indicated, we supply visa support complementary.

Number of participants: We allow maximum 45 guests on the same tour. The average number of guests is around 25–30.

SPECIAL FEATURES

Arrival and departure transfers: Guests can pre-order private arrival and departure transfers. By private transfer the guests are met by a driver with a name board reading their surnames in the arrival hall of the airport. In the Arctic areas we arrange regular airport transfers and we will provide vouchers for the service after the booking is made.

Welcome info: On arrival to the hotel the guests receive information announcing time and place for the welcome meeting or the first meeting with the tour escort or welcome package with further details about the start of the tour.

Welcome meeting: For programs with welcome meeting the guests are served a welcome drink. The tour escort introduces the program and the optional tours, and the guests receive various materials such as a personalized program and information materials. On tours, where there is no welcome meeting indicated the tour escort will brief the guests and hand out materials at the start of the tour.

MORE VALUE

Optional excursions and dinners: Most of our tours come with an extensive choice of optional excursions and dinners. The optional services can be booked in advance or during the tour. Please note that optional excursions and dinners in the Arctic areas need to be pre-booked.

The optional excursions feature important highlights not included into the standard sightseeing tours and always include transport, guide service and entrances. The optional dinners are half-board at hotel or special highlight dinners at local restaurants.

The optional dinners at hotels are substantial 3-course set menu or buffet style and include ice-water and coffee/tea. Highlight dinners at local restaurants include a substantial 3-course menu with ice-water and coffee/tea. In some cases alcoholic drinks or live entertainment is included. The highlight dinners at local restaurants include guide and transport, in few cases the restaurants are within walking distance from the hotel (max 10 min walk) and transport is not included. At both hotels and local restaurants additional drinks can be ordered and paid for on the spot.

PRE- AND POST STAYS

We offer attractive hotel rates for guests who would like to arrive earlier or depart later. Please ask for a detailed pricelist. We are also offering more comprehensive customized pre- and post-arrangements on and around the destinations. Please contact us for detailed offer.

QUALITY, SAFETY AND SECURITY

Quality control: We ask all guests to fill out a service questionnaire. The questionnaires are handed over to the guests during the welcome meeting or at the start of the tour and collected at the end of the tour. Moreover, we are happy to receive feedback in any other form, aiming to help us to maintain and raise the standards of our product.

Safety and security: Safety and security is a priority in all our operations. We only use suppliers that guarantee the same. We carefully check the insurance and operating licenses of all our suppliers.

PRICE POLICY

All prices in this catalogue include service and VAT.
Baltic Highlights New Year

December 2018 – January 2019, 8 days/7 nights
Dates:
GNS01: 28.12-04.01.19.

Package prices per person:
EUR 810.00 (double occupancy)
EUR 305.00 (single supplement)

Including:
• 7 overnights at centrally located 4-5 star hotels
• 7 x buffet breakfast
• Welcome meeting with champagne-cocktail or juice
• Personalised welcome package
• 3-hour Vilnius, Riga and Tallinn old town walking tours
• Entrances to Old University in Vilnius, Rundale Palace and medieval Great Guild Hall in Tallinn
• Fabulous New Year Gala at a Riga city restaurant
• Service of English and German speaking tour escort on all tours
• Service of Italian and Spanish speaking tour escort on all tours
• Service of 1st class cars or 1st class minivans throughout the itinerary
• Portage at hotels

Day 1 (Friday): Arrival Vilnius
Arrival in Vilnius, optional transfer to Hotel Artis Centrum**** or similar, check-in, welcome meeting.

Day 2 (Saturday): Vilnius
Vilnius is known for its more than 1.200 medieval buildings and 48 churches. The morning walking tour of the Old Town includes Vilnius Cathedral, Gediminas Tower, St. Anne’s Church, Old University and the Gates of Dawn. The afternoon offers an optional excursion to Trakai, the medieval capital of Lithuania, with the well-preserved Trakai Castle, beautifully located on an island in Lake Galve. The evening offers an optional folklore dinner at Restaurant Belmontas.

Day 3 (Sunday): Vilnius-Riga
Heading for Riga, the first stop is the Hills of Crosses, one of the most holy sites of Catholic Lithuania. After crossing into Latvia we soon reach the magnificent Rundale Palace, the former summer residence of the Duke of Courland. Following a guided tour of the palace we travel through the rolling hills of Southern Latvia to reach Riga late afternoon, check-in at Hotel Radisson Blu Ridzene**** or similar.

Day 4 (Monday): Riga
Riga, founded in 1201 by the German bishop Albert, is the largest of the three Baltic capitals and boasts a real kaleidoscope of architectural styles and by the end of December the whole city is preparing for a vibrant New Year celebration. The walking tour of the Old Town includes Riga Castle, the Dome Cathedral, St. Peter’s Church, the Swedish Gate, the Three Brothers, the Large and Small Guilds and the Freedom Monument. The afternoon offers an optional tour to Riga Art Nouveau district and a visit to the Art Nouveau Museum. The tour ends with warming drink with the traditional Riga Black Balsam. In the evening we enjoy an entertaining and fabulous New Year Gala.

Day 5 (Tuesday): Riga
Morning at leisure. The afternoon offers an optional guided shopping tour that will take us to interior decoration and design stores, art galleries and fashion boutiques in the Old Town with the main focus on local brands and artists. En route we enjoy a warm cup of coffee with Latvian Christmas pastry at a cozy café. The evening offers an excursion to the Lido Recreational Centre, a large restaurant and entertainment centre located in the largest wooden log house in Europe and surrounded by a lot of winter attractions. We enjoy a traditional Latvian dinner before going back to the hotel.

Day 6 (Wednesday): Riga-Tallinn
The tour continues along the coastal highway to the Estonian summer resort of Parnu. We do a short tour of the resort before we continue through the North Estonian land of forests and arrive in Tallinn early afternoon, check-in at the Hotel L’Ermitage**** or similar.

Day 7 (Thursday): Tallinn
Tallinn is a charming blend of medieval tranquillity and modern urban life. The Old Town is magical all the year round but it is at its best in the run-up to Christmas and New Year, where the magic is felt at every corner. The walking tour takes us through the old medieval city walls and into the Old Town where we see Toompea Castle, Dome Church, Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, medieval Old Town Hall and Great Guild Hall. In the afternoon an optional excursion is offered to Kadriorg Park and visit to KUMU, the award-winning new Estonian art museum, with its collections of classic and contemporary fine art. The evening offers an optional medieval dinner at Restaurant Maikrahv.

Day 8 (Friday): Tallinn Departure
Optional transfer to airport.

Optional:
• Transfer from airport to Hotel Artis Centrum: EUR 35.00 for private car (1-3 persons), EUR 55.00 for private minivan (4-7 persons)
• 3-hour excursion to Trakai and visit to Trakai Castle: EUR 40.00 pp
• Folklore dinner at Restaurant Belmontas: EUR 40.00 pp
• 3-hour visit to Riga Art Nouveau district with a visit to Art Nouveau museum: EUR 30.00 pp
• Guided shopping tour in Riga: EUR 35.00 pp
• 3-hour excursion to Lido Recreational Centre with a 3-course Latvian meal: EUR 60.00 pp
• 3-hour excursion to Kadriorg Park and visit to KUMU: EUR 40.00 pp
• Medieval dinner at Restaurant Maikrahv: EUR 40.00 pp
• 6 x 3 course dinners at hotel: EUR 160.00 pp
• Transfer from Hotel L’Ermitage to airport: EUR 35.00 for private car (1-3 persons), EUR 55.00 for private minivan (4-7 persons)
NEW YEAR IN ST. PETERSBURG

DAY 1 (SATURDAY): ARRIVAL ST. PETERSBURG
Arrival in St. Petersburg, optional transfer to Hotel Ambassador**** check-in, welcome meeting, optional welcome dinner at the hotel

DAY 2 (SUNDAY): ST. PETERSBURG
St. Petersburg is an amazing city, its imperial palaces and museums enjoy worldwide fame, while the Neva River and the many canals have deservedly given the city the title "The Venice of the North". When the city is covered in snow it has a special romantic atmosphere. During the morning sightseeing tour we get acquainted with all the splendours of the city; the Winter Palace, St. Isaac’s Cathedral, the Church of the Bleeding Saviour, the Nevsky Convent and much more. The afternoon offers an optional visit to the world-famous Hermitage Art Museum.

DAY 3 (MONDAY): ST. PETERSBURG
The first part of the day offers an optional tour to Zarskoye Selo with the impressive Catherine’s Palace and the Amber Room, which vanished during World War II and was restored for St. Petersburg’s tri-centennial celebrations. After admiring the endless palatial splendours we continue to Pavlovsk and experience a real Russian winter adventure during an unforgettable troika ride. In the evening we enjoy an optional entertaining and fabulous Russian New Year Gala at the hotel.

DAY 4 (TUESDAY): ST. PETERSBURG
The optional tour this morning offers a visit to a holy mass in the Orthodox Kazan Cathedral and a visit to the Peter-and-Paul Fortress to see the Peter-and-Paul Cathedral, the pantheon of the Russian czars from Peter the Great to Nicholas the 2nd. In the evening enjoy an optional farewell dinner at Restaurant Demidov.

DAY 5 (WEDNESDAY): ST. PETERSBURG DEPARTURE
Optional transfer to the airport.

MOSCOW EXTENSION

DAY 1 (WEDNESDAY): ST. PETERSBURG-MOSCOW
Morning at leisure, Around noon we go to the Moscow Railway Station and board the Sapsan high-speed train bound for Moscow. The train ride takes us through endless snow-clad Russian landscapes along the River Volga. In the evening we arrive to Moscow and check in at Hotel Marriott Tverskaya**** or similar.

DAY 2 (THURSDAY): MOSCOW
Moscow, the Mother of Russia, is a genuine Russian city with the Kremlin and its onion domed cathedrals. The dramatic changes over the last decade have made the city to one of the most dynamic metropolises in the world. The morning sightseeing tour includes all the highlights of the vast city: the Red Square with Kremlin, the Theatre Square with Bolshoi Theatre, Sparrow Hills with Moscow University and a visit to the famous Moscow Metro including the historical stations on the Ring-Line. In the afternoon is offered an optional excursion to the Kremlin grounds, where we see the Czar Canon, Ivan the Great Bell Tower and visit one of the cathedrals. The evening offers an optional ice-breaker cruise on the Moscow River to admire the illuminated centre of Moscow by night.

DAY 3 (FRIDAY): MOSCOW
The morning offers an optional excursion to Novodevichy Convent, a 16th century cluster of sparkling domes, one of the city’s most beautiful groups of buildings and full of history and treasures. The adjacent Novodevichy Cemetery is Moscow’s most prestigious resting place after the Kremlin. The balance of the day is reserved for an optional excursion to the Tretyakov Gallery with its outstanding collection of French impressionists. The evening offers an optional dinner at Restaurant GlavPivTorg, located opposite to the former KGB-building and decorated with unique interior in Soviet “ministry style”.

DAY 4 (SATURDAY): MOSCOW
Optional transfer to the airport.

Optional:
- Transfer from airport to Hotel Ambassador: EUR 70.00 for private car (1-3 persons), EUR 90.00 for private minivan (4–7 persons)
- Welcome dinner at hotel: EUR 40.00 pp
- 3-hour visit to Hermitage Art Museum: EUR 50.00 pp
- 6-hour visit to Zarskoye Selo and Catherine’s Palace and troika ride in Pavlovsk Park: EUR 90.00 pp
- Fabulous New Year Gala at Hotel Ambassador: EUR 260.00 pp
- 3-hour visit to Kazan Cathedral and Peter and Paul Fortress: EUR 45.00 pp
- Farewell dinner at Restaurant Demidov: EUR 50.00 pp
- Transfer from Hotel Ambassador to airport: EUR 70.00 for private car (1-3 persons), EUR 90.00 for private minivan (4–7 persons)
- Extra night: EUR 110.00 single room/night BB and EUR 130.00 double room/night BB

Optional:
- 3-hour excursion to Kremlin and visit to a cathedral: EUR 50.00 pp
- 3-hour ice-breaker cruise on the Moscow River: EUR 45.00 pp
- 3-hour excursion to Novodevichy Convent: EUR 55.00 pp
- 3-hour visit to the Tretyakov Gallery: EUR 45.00 pp
- Farewell dinner at Restaurant GlavPivTorg: EUR 60.00 pp
- Transfer Hotel Marriott Tverskaya**** to airport: EUR 80.00 for private car (1-3 persons), EUR 100.00 for private minivan (4–7 persons)
Riga Christmas Market

December 2018 – January 2019, 4 Days/3 Nights

Dates:
- GRH01: 06.12–09.12.18
- GRH02: 13.12–16.12.18
- GRH03: 03.01–06.01.19

Package prices per person:
- EUR 235.00 (Double occupancy)
- EUR 125.00 (Single supplement)

Including:
- 3 overnights at centrally located Hotel Radisson Blu Ridzene****
- 3 x buffet breakfast
- Welcome meeting with champagne-cocktail or juice
- 3-hours guided walking tour of Riga Old Town
- Entrance to the Riga History and Navigation Museum
- 1 ticket to Latvia National Opera or European Christmas Festival
- Service of English and German speaking local guide
- Service of Italian and Spanish speaking local guide
- Service of French speaking local guide
- Service and VAT

Day 1 (Thursday): Arrival Riga
Arrival in Riga, optional transfer to Hotel Radisson Blu Ridzene****, check-in; welcome meeting, optional welcome dinner at hotel.

Day 2 (Friday): Riga
Riga, founded in 1201 by the German bishop Albert, is the largest of the three Baltic capitals and boasts a real kaleidoscope of architectural styles. The walking tour of the Old Town includes Riga Castle, the Dome Cathedral, St. Peter’s Church, the Swedish Gate, the Three Brothers, the Large and Small Guilds and the Freedom Monument. The tour ends at the Old Town Hall Square where we join the bustle of the traditional Christmas Market and shop for unique gifts. The afternoon offers an optional tour to Riga Art Nouveau district and a visit to the Art Nouveau Museum. The tour ends with a warming drink with the traditional Riga Black Balsam. In the evening we attend a ballet or opera performance at the Latvian National Opera or the European Christmas Festival.

Day 3 (Saturday): Riga
The morning offers an optional Candle Workshop, where we will acquire knowledge about candle making and the history of candles under the guidance of professionals! We will try our own skills in candle making, making candles of different shapes and colours and creating aromatic candles. The optional guided shopping tour in the afternoon will take us to interior decoration and design stores, art galleries and fashion boutiques in the Old Town with the main focus on local brands and artists. En route we enjoy a warm cup of coffee with Latvian Christmas pastry at a cosy café. In the evening an optional farewell dinner at the elegant Restaurant Forest is on offer.

Day 4 (Sunday): Riga Departure
Optional transfer to airport.

Tallinn Christmas Market

December 2018, 4 Days/3 Nights

Dates:
- GTG01: 06.12–09.12.18.

Package prices per person:
- EUR 260.00 (Double occupancy)
- EUR 310.00 (Single supplement)

Including:
- 3 overnights at centrally located Hotel Centennial****
- 3 x buffet breakfast
- Welcome meeting with champagne-cocktail or juice
- 3-hours guided walking tour of Tallinn Old Town
- Entrance to the Great Guild Hall
- 1 ticket to Estonian Theatre
- Service of English and German speaking local guide
- Service of Italian and Spanish speaking local guide
- Service of French speaking local guide
- Service and VAT

Day 1 (Thursday): Arrival Tallinn
Arrival in Tallinn, optional transfer to Hotel Centennial****, check-in; welcome meeting, optional welcome dinner at hotel.

Day 2 (Friday): Tallinn
Tallinn is a charming blend of medieval tranquility and modern urban life. The Old Town is magical all the year, but at its best in the run-up to Christmas when the magic is felt at every corner. During the morning walking tour we will get to know the most important sights in the Old Town including Toompea Castle, Dome Cathedral and Alexander Nevsky Cathedral in the Upper Town as well as the St. Nicholas Church and the medieval Old Town Hall in the Lower Town. The tour ends at the Old Town Hall Square where we join the bustle of the traditional Christmas Market and shop for unique gifts. The optional guided shopping tour in the afternoon will take us to interior decoration and design stores, art galleries and fashion boutiques in the Old Town with the main focus on local Estonian brands and artists. En route we enjoy a warm cup of coffee with Estonian Christmas pastry at a cosy café. In the evening we attend a ballet or opera performance at the Estonian Theatre.

Day 3 (Saturday): Tallinn
In the morning an optional excursion is offered to Kadriorg Park and visit to KUMU, the award-winning new Estonian art museum, with its collections of classic and contemporary fine art. The afternoon is free for exploring more of Tallinn on our own. Alternatively you can choose one of offered Day Spa packages at the hotel. In the evening an optional farewell dinner at the elegant Restaurant Balthasar is on offer. Balthasar is on offer.

Day 4 (Sunday): Tallinn Departure
Optional transfer to airport.
NEW YEAR IN RIGA

DAY 1 (SUNDAY): ARRIVAL RIGA
Arrival in Riga, optional transfer to Hotel Radisson Blu Ridzene*****, check in, welcome meeting, optional welcome dinner at hotel.

DAY 2 (MONDAY): RIGA
Riga, founded in 1201 by the German bishop Albert, is the largest of the three Baltic capitals and boasts a real kaleidoscope of architectural styles and by the end of December the whole city is preparing for a vibrant New Year celebration. The walking tour of the Old Town includes Riga Castle, the Dome Cathedral, St. Peter’s Church, the Swedish Gate, the Three Brothers, the Large and Small Guilds and the Freedom Monument. The afternoon offers an optional tour to Riga Art Nouveau district and a visit to the Art Nouveau Museum. The tour ends with warming drink with the traditional Riga black balsam. In the evening we enjoy an entertaining and fabulous New Year Gala.

DAY 3 (TUESDAY): RIGA
Morning at leisure. The afternoon offers an optional guided shopping tour that will take us to interior decoration and design stores, art galleries and fashion boutiques in the Old Town with the main focus on local brands and artists.

NEW YEAR IN TALLINN

DAY 1 (SUNDAY): ARRIVAL TALLINN
Arrival in Tallinn, optional transfer to Hotel L’Ermitage*****, check-in, welcome meeting, optional welcome dinner at the hotel.

DAY 2 (MONDAY): TALLINN
Tallinn is a charming blend of medieval tranquillity and modern urban life. The Old Town is magical all the year, but at its best in the run-up to Christmas and New Year when the magic is felt at every corner. During the morning walking tour we will get to know the most important sights in the Old Town including Toompea Castle, Dome Cathedral and Alexander Nevsky Cathedral in the Upper Town as well as the St. Nicholas Church and the medieval Old Town Hall in the Lower Town. The afternoon offers an optional guided shopping tour to the many lovely shops, boutiques and galleries in the Old Town and a visit the beautiful Christmas Market on the Town Hall Square. In the evening we enjoy an unforgettable New Year Gala dinner.

DAY 3 (TUESDAY): TALLINN
The morning leisure. The afternoon offered an optional visit to the unique Maritime Museum constructed in the Seaplane Harbour Hangars, which were initially completed as a part of the Peter the Greats Naval Fortress in 1916–1917. The museum is undoubtedly one of the most modern and inter-active maritime museum in Europe. The evening offers an optional enjoyable New Year’s Day concert at the Estonia Theatre.
NEW YEAR IN STOCKHOLM

DAY 1 (SATURDAY): ARRIVAL STOCKHOLM
Arrival in Stockholm, optional transfer to Hotel Scandic Grand Central**** or similar, check-in, optional welcome dinner at the hotel.

DAY 2 (SUNDAY): STOCKHOLM
Stockholm – the beauty on the water – is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful capitals in the world, built on 14 islands and protected from the sea by Skargarden, the Stockholm archipelago. The morning walking tour takes us through the central part of Stockholm with the City Hall and the Royal Opera to the Old Town, Gamla Stan, with the Royal Palace, Stockholm Cathedral and the many narrow old cobblestone streets. The afternoon is free for individual visits and shopping.

DAY 3 (MONDAY): STOCKHOLM
Morning at leisure. From noon is offered an optional Brunch Cruise in Stockholm Archipelago. The ship is a pearl with large, airy lounges, a grand dining room and an inviting promenade deck. The buffet is filled with traditional Swedish delicacies: herrings, salmon, shrimps, cold cuts and warm meat dishes, salads of all kinds and home-made breads. Make sure to leave some room for the cheese and dessert, the dessert table is packed with everything which could be desired by anyone with a sweet tooth. From the table you will have a first-class view while the ship cruises through the inner parts of the lovely archipelago. Sit back and enjoy the great food and the beautiful views. In the evening we offer to enjoy an optional sparkling New Year Gala at popular Restaurant Kaknästornet, topped at midnight with the spectacular fireworks over the city.

DAY 4 (TUESDAY): STOCKHOLM
Day at leisure. Most shops and all museums are closed on January 1st and this will be a quiet and relaxed day in Stockholm. Go for a walk in the centre of city and have lunch and a coffee at a cafe or restaurant. Some coffee shops are open and Stockholm has an abundance of exciting foreign restaurants of which many are still open on this day.

DAY 5 (WEDNESDAY): STOCKHOLM DEPARTURE
Optional transfer to the airport.

NEW YEAR IN COPENHAGEN

DAY 1 (SATURDAY): ARRIVAL COPENHAGEN
Arrival in Copenhagen, optional transfer to Hotel Admiral**** or similar, check-in, optional welcome dinner at the hotel.

DAY 2 (SUNDAY): COPENHAGEN
Copenhagen is Scandinavia’s largest and most lively city and one of Europe’s most romantic capitals with its old castles and churches and charming squares and harbours. The morning walking tour will acquaint us with all the city’s treasures: the Royal Castle, Nyhavn with its restaurants and small boats, the Royal Theatre, the pedestrian “Stræget” and its up-market shops and boutiques and the City Hall Square. The afternoon is free for individual visits and shopping.

DAY 3 (MONDAY): COPENHAGEN
This morning is reserved for an optional visit to Tivoli Gardens, which was founded in 1843 and has become a national treasure and an international attraction. During the winter opening the snow has chosen to fall especially in Tivoli, transforming the Gardens into an enchanting winter wonderland with jolly snowmen, glittering frost crystals, snow-cladded exotic buildings and ethereal light. Visit one of the many stalls for a real New Year bargain and rest your feet on an exciting ride. The great thing about Tivoli is that there is something for everyone. The afternoon is reserved for exploring more of wonderful Copenhagen individually and preparing for the evening. In the evening we enjoy an optional sparkling New Year’s Gala at the hotel.

DAY 4 (TUESDAY): COPENHAGEN
Day at leisure. Most shops and all museums are closed on January 1st, so this will be a quiet and relaxed day in Copenhagen Go for a leisurely walk in the royal quarter surrounding the hotel or the old part of the city and have lunch and a coffee at a cafe or restaurant. Some of them are open on this day. Or do as the Danes: visit one of the many movie theatres in the centre to watch a movie premiere. All foreign films are screened in original language.

DAY 5 (WEDNESDAY): COPENHAGEN DEPARTURE
Optional transfer to the airport.

**New Year Package Prices**

- **Package prices per person:**
  - **EUR 555.00 (DOUBLE OCCUPANCY)**
  - **EUR 350.00 (SINGLE SUPPLEMENT)**

**Including:**
- 4 overnights at centrally located Hotel Scandic Grand Central****
- 4 x buffet breakfast
- 3 hour Stockholm walking tour
- Service of English and German speaking local guide
- Service of Italian and Spanish speaking local guide
- Service and VAT

Optional:
- **Transfer airport to Hotel Scandic Grand Central:**
  - EUR 130.00 for private car (1-3 persons), EUR 150.00 for private minivan (4-7 persons)
  - Welcome dinner at hotel: EUR 80.00 pp
  - 3 hour Brunch cruise in Stockholm archipelago: EUR 90.00 pp
  - Sparkling New Year Gala at restaurant "Kaknästornet": EUR 295.00 pp
  - Transfer Hotel Scandic Grand Central to airport: EUR 130.00 for private car (1-3 persons), EUR 150.00 for private minivan (4-7 persons)

**Package prices per person:**

- **EUR 650.00 (DOUBLE OCCUPANCY)**
- **EUR 380.00 (SINGLE SUPPLEMENT)**

**Including:**
- 4 overnights at centrally located Hotel Admiral****
- 4 x buffet breakfast
- 3 hour Copenhagen walking tour
- Service of English and German speaking local guide
- Service of Italian and Spanish speaking local guide
- Service and VAT

Optional:
- **Transfer airport to Hotel Admiral:**
  - EUR 130.00 for private car (1-3 persons), EUR 150.00 for private minivan (4-7 persons)
  - Welcome dinner at hotel: EUR 80.00 pp
  - 3 hour visit to Tivoli Gardens: EUR 160.00 pp
  - Sparkling New Year Gala at Hotel Admiral: EUR 325.00 pp
  - Transfer Hotel Admiral to airport: EUR 130.00 for private car (1-3 persons), EUR 150.00 for private minivan (4-7 persons)
Package prices per person:

- EUR 3980.00 (double occupancy)
- EUR 1840.00 (single supplement)

Including:

- 6 overnights at 4 star hotels
- 2 x buffet breakfast
- 2 dinners, 2 lunches and 1 picnic as specified in the program
- Personalised welcome package
- Snowshoes safari, Sami reindeer farm visit and sleigh ride, Husky farm visit and ride, Sampo ice breaker visit and ice swimming
- Service of English and Spanish speaking tour escort on all tours
- Service of 1st class motor coaches or 1st class minivans throughout the itinerary
- Outdoor clothing for winter activities/safaris mentioned in the program
- Regular arrival transfer Ivalo Airport to Hotel Santa Tunturi and departure transfer Hotel Santa Claus to Rovaniemi Airport.

Optional:

- 2 hour evening reindeer safari in Saariselka: EUR 140.00 per person
- Snow sauna and outdoor Jacuzzi in Sinetta: EUR 65.00 per person
- Mystical New Year’s Party in Rovaniemi: EUR 100.00 per person

December 2018 – January 2019, 7 days/6 nights

Dates:
GAN01: 27.12-02.01.19

Arctic New Year

Day 1 (Thursday): Arrival Saariselka
Arrival to Ivalo Airport and regular transfer to the Hotel Santa Tunturi**** for check-in. The unique northern countryside, national parks, lake areas, rivers and highland fells offer a wealth of opportunities for year-round travel. In winter, the Northern Lights dance across the sky up to 200 days a year. The legendary Saariselka is the northernmost travel destination in Finland and boasts a variety of services. Here the Sami culture is still very evident in everyday life.

Day 2 (Friday): Saariselka
In the morning we put on our snowshoes to feel the crunch of snow under the feet. We capture the true feeling of winter in the northern woods as we explore the nearby white wilderness of forest and hills and the Urho Kekkonen National Park surrounding Saariselka. The afternoon is at leisure and we have the opportunity to try a Finnish sauna available at the hotel. The evening offers an optional reindeer safari. We are taken into the quiet evening forest on a sleigh pulled by a reindeer and maybe we will even get to marvel at the beautiful Northern Lights dancing in the sky. Upon return to the camp a nice warm campfire and warm drink is waiting for us before going back to the hotel.

Day 3 (Saturday): Saariselka-Sinetta
This morning we continue our adventure to Sinetta, located 25 km from Rovaniemi. Along the way, we visit one of the highlights of the tour – traditional Sami farmers who tell us about their reindeers, and teach us how to throw the Suopunki (Sami lasso). Sitting in a two-person sleigh pulled by a reindeer we experience this traditional and peaceful way of moving through the white landscape over the lake and through the forest. A typical Sami three course lunch is included at the farm. Check in at Arctic Snow Hotel & Glass Igloos. We enjoy the warmth of our Glass Igloo and weather permitting we will have the opportunity to marvel at the amazing Northern Lights in the evening we are invited for a traditional Lappish three course dinner in a magnificent wooden “Kota”. The late evening also offers an optional snow sauna and outdoor Jacuzzi experience where only the sauna benches are made of wood!

Day 4 (Sunday): Sinetta – Rovaniemi
We depart to Rovaniemi and check-in at Hotel Santa Claus****. We are in for yet another winter adventure with a visit to the Husky Farm & Safari. We embark on a run through the forest behind our packs of huskies. After the trip there is time to visit the farm and enjoy a traditional outdoor lunch of Lappish sausage grilled on the campfire followed by Lappish pancakes. The day continues with a visit to the world-famous Santa Claus Village built right on the Arctic Circle and home to the real Santa Claus.

Day 5 (Monday): Rovaniemi
The day is at disposal for exploring the small and picturesque town on our own. In the evening we meet Santa Claus who pays us a visit before New Year’s Eve Gala Dinner buffet is served at the hotel. The late evening offers an optional Mystical New Year’s Party located at Lapland’s magical border of the Arctic Circle. A lot of festivities are held for welcoming the New Year at this venue. Fire, ice, darkness, snow, lights, music, dance are the combined elements that create a magical event. The mysterious shamans fuel the atmosphere and as the New Year approaches Santa Claus himself also appears. A giant snow disco, snow bars, firework displays and the spectacular New Year show bring us into the New Year, before going back to the hotel after midnight.

Day 6 (Tuesday): Rovaniemi-Kemi-Rovaniemi
Today we experience one of the highlights of our winter adventure. We travel to Kemi, board the Sampo Icebreaker and spend 4 hours on this unforgettable vessel breaking though the ice of the northern Gulf of Bothnia. This extraordinary experience includes a guided tour of the ship, ice swimming and a three-course lunch at the onboard restaurant. We have the opportunity to jump in the sea and float in the middle of the largest ice field in Europe! Everyone is fitted with a warm survival suit and those who dare receive a certificate by the ship authorities.

Day 7 (Wednesday): Rovaniemi
Regular transfer to Rovaniemi airport.
**Fabulous Lapland**

**January – March 2019, 6 days/5 nights**

**Dates:**
- GAL01: 07.01–12.01.19
- GAL02: 14.01–19.01.19
- GAL03: 21.01–26.01.19
- GAL04: 28.01–02.02.19
- GAL05: 04.02–09.02.19
- GAL06: 11.02–16.02.19
- GAL07: 18.02–23.02.19
- GAL08: 25.02–02.03.19
- GAL09: 04.03–09.03.19
- GAL10: 11.03–16.03.19
- GAL11: 18.03–23.03.19
- GAL12: 25.03–30.03.19

**Including:**
- 5 overnights at 4 star hotels
- 5 x buffet breakfast
- 1 dinner, 2 lunches and 1 picnic as specified in the program
- Personalised welcome package
- Snowshoes safari, Sami reindeer farm visit and sleigh ride, Husky Farm visit and ride, Sampo Icebreaker visit and ice swimming
- Service of English and Spanish speaking tour escort on all tours
- Service of 1st class motor coaches or 1st class minivans throughout the itinerary
- Outdoor clothing for winter activities/safaris mentioned in the program
- Regular arrival transfer Ivalo Airport to Hotel Santa Tunturi and departure transfer Hotel Santa Claus to Rovaniemi Airport.

**Package prices per person:**
- EUR 2760.00 (double occupancy)
- EUR 740.00 (single supplement)

**DAY 1 (MONDAY): ARRIVAL SAARISELKA**

Arrival to Ivalo Airport and regular transfer to the Hotel Santa Tunturi**** for check-in. The unique northern countryside, national parks, lake areas, rivers and highland fells offer a wealth of opportunities for year-round travel. In winter, the Northern Lights dance across the sky up to 200 days a year. The legendary Saariselka is the northernmost travel destination in Finland and boasts a variety of services. Here, the Sami culture is still very evident in everyday life. The evening offers an optional snowmobile safari tour. The safari is heading to the igloo site, where we have the possibility to roam around the forest nearby. We watch the Northern Lights show inside the igloo and we enjoy a Lappish Northern Lights dinner.

**DAY 2 (TUESDAY): SAARISELKA**

In the morning, we put on our snowshoes to feel the crunch of snow under the feet. We capture the true feeling of winter in the northern woods as we explore the nearby white wilderness of forest and hills and the Urho Kekkonen National Park, surrounding Saariselka. In the afternoon, we enjoy the silence of the tranquil forests and nature around us. The evening offers an optional Northern Lights sleigh ride. During this brisk safari we enjoy the view and ride. If we are lucky, the sky will be clear to see the moon, the stars and even the Northern Lights may appear.

**DAY 3 (WEDNESDAY): SAARISELKA-SINETTA**

This morning we continue our adventure to Sinetta, located 25 km from Rovaniemi. Along the way, we visit one of the highlights of the tour – traditional Sami farmers who tell us about their reindeers, and teach us how to throw the Suopunki (Sami lasso). Sitting in a two-person sleigh, pulled by a reindeer, we experience this traditional and
peaceful way of moving through the white landscape over the lake and through the forest. A typical Sami three course lunch is included at the farm. Check in at Arctic Snow Hotel & Glass Igloos. We enjoy the warmth of our Glass Igloo and weather permitting we will have the opportunity to marvel at the amazing Northern Lights. In the evening we are invited for a traditional Lappish three course dinner in a magnificent wooden “Kota”. The late evening also offers an optional snow sauna and outdoor Jacuzzi experience where only the sauna benches are made of wood!

DAY 4 (THURSDAY): SINETTA – ROVANIEMI
We depart to Rovaniemi and check-in at Hotel Santa Claus****. We are in for yet another winter adventure with a visit to the Husky Farm & Safari. We embark on a run through the forest behind our packs of huskies. After the trip there is time to visit the farm and enjoy a traditional outdoor lunch of Lappish sausage grilled on the campfire followed by Lappish pancakes. The day continues with a visit to the world-famous Santa Claus Village, built right on the Arctic Circle and home to the real Santa Claus. The late evening offers optional snowmobile excursion to the Aurora Borealis camp.

DAY 5 (FRIDAY): ROVANIEMI-KEMI-ROVANIEMI
Today we experience one of the highlights of our winter adventure. We travel to Kemi, board the Sampo Icebreaker and spend 4 hours on this unforgettable vessel breaking though the ice of the northern Gulf of Bothnia. This extraordinary experience includes a guided tour of the ship, ice swimming and a three-course lunch at the on-board restaurant. In the middle of the largest ice field in Europe, we have the opportunity to jump in the sea and float! Everyone is fitted with a warm survival suit and those who dare receive a certificate by the ship authorities. Back in Rovaniemi, the evening offers an optional tour to “The Magic of the Arctic Circle”, an idyllic Igloo which opens its doors for special events. We enjoy a dinner with local specialties and if we are lucky we will be dazzled by the Nordic light.

DAY 6 (SATURDAY): ROVANIEMI
Departure transfer to Rovaniemi airport.

OPTIONAL:
- 5-hour evening snowmobile safari tour in Saariselka: EUR 200.00 per person
- 3-hour FatBike snow adventure: EUR 95.00 per person
- 3-hour Aurora Borealis sleigh ride: EUR 90.00 per person
- Snow sauna and outdoor Jacuzzi in Sinetta: EUR 65.00 per person
- 3-hour snowmobile tour to Aurora Borealis camp: EUR 65.00 per person
- 3-hour tour “The Magic of the Arctic Circle”: EUR 115.00 per person
Days:

**Day 3 (Tuesday): Arrival Tromso**

Arrival in Tromso, transfer with regular airport express bus to the city centre, short walk to Hotel Radisson Blu Tromso**** or similar, check-in.

**Day 2 (Wednesday): Tromso**

Tromso is one of the world’s largest cities North of the Arctic Circle and a city, where modern urban life and breath-taking arctic nature go hand in hand. During morning city tour we get acquainted with the world’s most northern Botanical gardens and enjoy the views of the mountains to the east and south. We continue with a visit Tromso University Museum where we learn fascinating facts on nature and culture in northern Norway and the indigenous Sami people. Following that, we continue around the island, passing Lake Prestvatn with the Meteorological Institute and cross the bridge to the Arctic Cathedral for a visit to this masterpiece with a monumental stained-glass window. In the evening we go to the Aurora Camp where we are equipped with thermal overalls and boots to keep us nice and warm all evening. 300 friendly Alaskan huskies are waiting to greet us and enjoy some cuddles. We enjoy a traditional Norwegian dinner and wait for the Northern Light to appear in the sky.

**Day 3 (Thursday): Tromso-Alta**

Today we continue to Alta. The distance between Tromso and Alta is about 300 km. The trip takes around 8 hours and includes two ferry rides and a lunch break. The trip takes us through the most stunning mountain landscapes and is something to remember for a long time. We arrive late afternoon in Alta and check-in at Hotel Thon Alta****. In the evening offers optional sleigh ride under the northern lights. We travel to a farm in the nearby countryside where we climb aboard a sleigh and get huddled up in warm blankets. The sleigh is pulled by a Norwegian Fjord Horse through the forest and along the Alta River, while we sit back and enjoy the peace and beauty around us. At the end of the ride, we stop at a wilderness shelter where a traditional dinner is served around a warm fire and if we are lucky we are dazzled by the Northern Lights.

**Day 5 (Saturday): Alta-Saariselka**

Today we continue south from Alta to Saariselka. The journey takes approximately 6 hours, during which we have the opportunity to take in the breath-taking beauty of the changing Arctic landscape. In the far North of Finnish Lapland lies the popular resort of Inari-Saariselka. The unique northern countryside, national parks, lake areas, rivers and highland fells offer a wealth of opportunities for year-round travel. In winter, the Northern Lights dance across the sky up to 200 days a year. We arrive early afternoon and check in at Hotel Santa Tunturi****.

**Day 6 (Sunday): Saariselka-Kirkenes**

We continue 270 km further north to reach the Norwegian town Kirkenes almost at the border to Russia. Our eyes feast on the Arctic nature as we make your way up north. We arrive and check-in at Hotel Thon Kirkenes****. In the afternoon we depart for the King Crab Safari - one of the absolute highlights of Northern Norway with the chance to taste the local delicacies known worldwide. Heading out on the Kirkenes Fjord we come face to face with mighty Berent Sea. Once our king crab has been caught it is...
**January-March 2019, 5 days/4 nights**

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- GCL02: 08.01–12.01.19
- GCL03: 15.01–20.01.19
- GCL04: 22.01–26.01.19
- GCL05: 29.01–02.02.19
- GCL06: 05.02–09.02.19
- GCL07: 12.02–16.02.19
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- GCL09: 26.02–02.03.19
- GCL10: 05.03–09.03.19
- GCL11: 12.03–16.03.19

**Package prices per person:**
- **EUR 990.00** (double occupancy)
- **EUR 390.00** (single supplement)

**Including:**
- 5 overnights at 3–4 star hotels
- 6 x buffet breakfast
- 1 dinner as specified in program
- Personalised welcome package
- Aurora husky visit, entrance to Alta Museum, entrance to Northern Lights cathedral
- Service of English and Spanish speaking tour escort on all tours
- Service of 1st class motor coaches or 1st class minivans throughout the itinerary
- Outdoor clothing for winter activities/safaris mentioned in the program
- Regular arrival transfer Tromso Airport to Hotel Radisson Blu Tromso and departure transfer Hotel Thon Alta to Alta Airport

**Capital of Northern Lights**

**DAY 1 (TUESDAY): ARRIVAL TROMSO**

Arrival in Tromso, transfer with regular airport express bus to the city centre, short walk to Hotel Radisson Blu Tromso**** or similar, check-in.

**DAY 2 (WEDNESDAY): TROMSO**

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**DAY 3 (THURSDAY): TROMSO–ALTA**

Today we continue to Alta. The distance between Tromso and Alta is about 300 km. The trip takes around 8 hours and includes two ferry rides and a lunch break. The trip takes us through the most stunning mountain landscapes and is something to remember for a long time. We arrive late afternoon in Alta and check in at Hotel Thon Alta****. The evening offers an optional Northern Lights tour. We visit the family owned Sorrisniva Adventure Facility which is perfectly located to maximize our chances of seeing the magnificent Northern Lights. We have an excellent opportunity to learn more about this intriguing phenomenon as well as the history of Alta.

**DAY 4 (FRIDAY): ALTA**

Today we start with a visit to the award-winning Alta Museum, located at the site of early settlement of Finnmark dating around 11,000 years ago and featuring exhibitions on local culture and history. Afterwards we visit to the elegant and modern Northern Lights Cathedral located in the central part of the town. The balance of the day is reserved for exploring more of this arctic town on our own. The evening offers optional sleigh ride under the northern lights. We travel to a farm in the nearby countryside where we climb aboard a sleigh and get bundled up in warm blankets. The sleigh is pulled by a Norwegian Fjord Horse through the forest and along the Alta River, while we sit back and enjoy the peace and beauty around us. At the end of the ride, we stop at a wilderness shelter where a traditional dinner is served around a warm fire and if we are lucky we are bedazzled by the Northern Lights.

**DAY 5 (SATURDAY): ALTA**

Transfer with regular airport express bus to Alta airport.

**Optional:**
- 4-hour Northern Lights tour in Alta: EUR 155.00 per person
- 4-hour Sleigh tour under northern lights in Alta: EUR 215.00 per person

Please note the optional tours have to be pre-booked. For this specific program optional tour commission is: 10%.

Tromsø

Alta
Booking Conditions

**PRICES**
All prices, including transfers, optional excursions, activities and meals, are gross rates and agreed commission will be deducted from the invoice for the bookings. If you do not have an agent agreement for Guaranteed Escorted Tour bookings, please contact us. Special commission conditions are applied to selected tours in Scandinavia.

**CANCELLATION CONDITIONS**
The seller reserves the right to charge the following cancellation fees: for cancellations from 28–21 days prior to arrival - 30% of the basic tour price; for cancellations 20–7 days prior to arrival - 60% of the basic tour price; 6–1 days prior to arrival - 70% of the basic tour price and for “no show” - 75% of the basic tour price. For programs Arctic New Year, Arctic Lapland, Capitals of Northern Lights and Lights of Arctic special cancellation conditions are applied: after confirmation the reservation cannot be cancelled or changed without penalty. All cancellations will be charged with a minimum cancellation fee of EUR 75.00 per person. Cancellations until 91 days prior to the arrival of the passengers are subject to a fee of EUR 75.00 per person for tours excluding overnight in Glass Igloos, and EUR 275.00 for tours including overnight in Glass Igloos; cancellations 90–45 days prior to the arrival of the passengers are subject to a charge of 50% of the total cost of the reservation per person; cancellations 44–15 days of 75% of the total cost of the reservation and cancellations made within less than 14 days prior to arrival of the passenger are subject to a charge of 100% of the total cost of the reservation per person. Name change is considered as cancellation and rebooking and can only be done up to 21 days prior to arrival. Name changes will be charged with a fee of EUR 75.00 per name change.

**VISA SUPPORT**
Our issued visa support letter is not visa itself and valid visa must be obtained prior to arrival, where required. If visa support letters have been supplied timely and correctly, we do not resume responsibility for guests arriving without valid visa.

**FORCE MAJEURE**
The seller shall not be liable for any delay or failure in its performance of any of the services, when such delay or failure arises for reasons beyond its reasonable control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, civil insurrection, blockade, labour disputes and strikes, material shortages, embargoes, rationing, acts of local, state or national governments or public agencies, utility or communication failures or delays, fire, acts of war, floods and epidemics.

**PROGRAM AMENDMENTS**
We reserve the right to amend the itinerary and/or included entrances without prior notice due to weather conditions or interference of local authorities, which is out of our control or the control of our suppliers. Should the itinerary and/or program be amended due to unforeseen circumstances, we will endeavour to find suitable alternative activities.

**3rd PERSON AND CHILD POLICY.**
The price for an adult in an extra bed is the same as the price per person in a double room. To provide
triple occupancy we are generally booking a higher room category for the comfort of our guests. Children between 2-11 years old receive a discount when sharing a room with two paying adults. Extra beds may be folding beds and do not in all cases offer same comfort as a regular bed. For programs Arctic New Year, Arctic Lapland, Capitals of Northern Lights and Lights of Arctic 3rd person and child rates are on request.

**TRANSFER INFORMATION**

If a private arrival transfer is booked, a driver will meet the guests with a name-board reading their names inside the arrival hall of the airport of arrival. If arrival transfer is not booked, the guests will be met by the tour leader of the group at the welcome meeting at the hotel lobby on the day of arrival at 07:00 PM, local time. For some programs timing might differ. In this case information about the welcome meeting will be provided during check-in. For tours Arctic New Year, Arctic Lapland, Capitals of Northern Lights and Lights of Arctic no welcome meeting is held but instead the guests receive a personalized welcome package with all the relevant information. In case of late arrival, the tour leader will leave info material at hotel reception and we ask the guests to be at hotel lobby next morning at 08:45 AM. Departure transfers in Riga and Tallinn are performed 2 hours before flight, in Stockholm 2.5 hours before flight, in St. Petersburg and Copenhagen 3 hours before flight and in Moscow 4 hours before flight. This timing has been estimated based on our knowledge and experience working in these destinations, considering traffic in each particular city, driving time and required time at the airport check-in counters.

**OPTIONAL TOURS**

All optional tours are guaranteed. They can be either pre-booked or booked on the spot. Payment for on-site bookings is accepted by our tour leaders in cash in EUR or USD. For programs in Baltic countries payment by Visa or Master credit cards is also possible.