

Slovenian study-trip to Estonia 05.-10.09.2021

AIM: to get acquainted with Estonian Leader initiatives, rural businesses and rural tourism; experience differences of culture in small country: island lifestyle, suburban lifestyle, nature-based tourism, culture-based activities.

Sunday, September 5th 2021

16.20 - Arrival to Tallinn, transfer to the hotel in city centre, free time, dinner by yourself
Hotel St. Barbara <https://stbarbara.ee/en/>

Monday, September 6th

start from hotel at 9.00

9.30-11.30 visit to Ääsmäe village center, coffee-break; meeting with Chairman of Estonian Leader Association, Rafael Milerman

13.00 ferry (1h 15 min) to Hiiumaa island, lunch on ferry

14.15 -18.30 visits in Hiiumaa: Heltermaa Handicraft House <https://kasitoomaja.com/>;

Tuuletorn/Windtower Experience Centre <https://tuuletorn.ee/en/>, Orjaku harbour

<https://orjaku.ee/sadam/en/>

19.00 dinner in Orjaku harbour hall

21.00 accommodation in hotel Lõokese <https://hiiumaale.ee/services/accomodation/lookese-hotell>

Tuesday, September 7th

Breakfast at 7.00, start from hotel at 7.45, ferry to mainland 8.30 (1 h 15min)

11.30 Visit to Piesta Kuusikaru Apple farm, <https://www.piesta.ee/en/>, degustation

13.30 Arriving to Klaara-Manni Holiday Center <https://klaaramanni.ee/>

14-15 Lunch and accommodation

15.30-17.30 Seminar „Rural Life in Estonia and Slovenia“

19.00 dinner and folk music/dance

Wednesday, September 8th

Breakfast 8.15-9.15, start from hotel at 9.30

10.00-11.00 Visiting Soomaa national park visitor center <https://loodusegakoos.ee/where-to-go/national-parks/soomaa-national-park/visitor-centre-of-soomaa-national-park>

12.00 Visiting Mõisaküla, the smallest town in Estonia and Organic farm 'Mahenäksi vabrik Süü ää' - dried raw snacks made of organic vegetables <https://mahenaks.ee/> degustation, coffee (shopping only by cash)

13.45-15 Tour in Abja-Paluoja - Finno-Ugric Capital of Culture 2021

15.00 Lunch in Mulgi Tavern

16.00-17.30 Visiting Mulgi Ukuvakk handicraft and cultural centre, „hands on“ workshop, (shopping only by cash)

18.00 Accommodation in Kopra tourism farm <http://www.kopra.ee/>

19.00 Dinner

Thursday, September 9th

Breakfast 8.00-9.00, start 9.00

10.30-13.00 Visit to marmelade producer Minna Sahver, degustation <https://minnasahver.ee/> and eco-cosmetics producer BonMerite <https://bonmerite.com/>

(half and half group and then change)

13.30 Lunch in Metsanurme village center (Anneli's place)

15.30 Arriving to Tallinn, accommodation in hotel Tallink Express

<https://www.tallinkhotels.com/en/tallink-express-hotel>

17.00 -18.00 Anneli's guided tour in old town (1h, completely optional :-)

Free time and dinner by yourself

Friday, September 10th

12.00 transfer from hotel to airport