

PRACTICAL INFORMATION ON TALLINN

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOTELS

Radisson SAS Hotel Tallinn

<http://www.tallinn.radissonsas.com>

Price Level: €128 - € 192

Tallinn University: 1,5km

Airport: 3km

Port: 2km

Bus Station: 1,5km

Old Town: 0,4km



Best Western Hotel Tallink

<http://bwhotel.tallink.com/eng>

Price Level: €128 - € 192

Tallinn University: 1,5km

Airport: 3km

Port: 2km

Bus Station: 1,5km

Old Town: 0,4km



Reval Hotel Central

<http://www.revalhotels.com/eng/central/>

Price Level: €64 - € 128

Tallinn University: 700m

Airport: 7 km

Port: 1,5km

Bus Station: 5km



More information about accommodation establishments

www.tourism.tallinn.ee/fpage/travelplanning/accommodation/facilities

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<http://www.tourism.tallinn.ee/fpage/discover>

Climate:

The climate in Tallinn is characterized by a fairly cold winter, a cool spring with little precipitation, a moderately warm summer and a long and rainy autumn. However, some summers have weeks at a stretch of temperatures around +30°C, and a warm, sunny summer can keep autumn at bay until mid-October.

Average temperature in July +16,7°C (2004)

Average temperature in February -4°C (2004)

4 day weather forecast

<http://www.weather.ee/4day/>

Time: GMT+2 (winter), GMT+1 (summer)

Population:

401 821 in Tallinn (01.04.2005)

Nationalities in Tallinn:

Estonian 53,7%, Russian 36,5%, Ukrainian 3,7%, Byelorussian 2,0%, Other 4,1% (Latvian, Lithuanian, Finnish, Jewish, German, Tatar, Polish).

Languages:

Estonia's official language is Estonian. Russian, Finnish, English and German are also understood and widely spoken.

Religions in Estonia:

The largest denomination is Lutheran (30%) followed by Orthodox (28%), and Catholic (3%). However, only about 20% of Estonians practice any religion.

Currency

National currency: Estonian kroon (EEK) = 100 cents

Fixed exchange rate: 1 EUR= 15.65 EEK

Most larger hotels, stores and restaurants accept Visa, MasterCard, Eurocard, Diner's Club and American Express. However, it is advisable to carry some Estonian kroons with you.

Traveller's checks can be exchanged in most banks but are less likely to be accepted in shops. Euro cheque is the most widely accepted traveller's check but American Express and Thomas Cook are also accepted.

Banks are plentiful and easy to find in Tallinn. Most are open from 9:00 to 18:00 on weekdays, while some offices are also open on Saturday mornings. All banks offer currency exchange services. Exchange offices can also be found in larger hotels, the airport, harbour, railroad station and major shopping centres.

Medical Services

For entry into Estonia, you need a valid health insurance policy. No vaccinations or health certificates are required.

In case of accident or illness, call 112.

Pharmacies are usually open from 10:00- 19:00, but one stays open all night (Linnaapteek, Pärnu mnt 10, ph: +372 644 2262). Ordinary medication is available in all pharmacies.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT**Buses, trolleys and trams operate regularly from 6:00 to 23:00.**

You should have a valid ticket before getting on public transport or you have to buy one from the driver immediately upon entering. If you need to buy a ticket, enter at the front door; tickets are only sold at stops, not while the vehicle is moving.

Tickets bought from the driver are more expensive (15 EEK) than those bought at a newsstand (10 EEK). At newsstands it is possible to buy a 10 ticket package for 85 EEK.

Tallinn public transport offers also 1 and 2-hour tickets as well as 1 and 3-day tickets. These tickets can be bought only at newsstands and not from the driver. A 1-hour ticket costs 15 EEK and a 2-hour ticket 20 EEK. A day ticket (24 h) costs 45 EEK and a 3-day (72 h) ticket 85 EEK. Electronic devices for registering these tickets are situated at the second door of the vehicle and will print the time and the date of validity on the ticket.

The Tallinn Card holders may use unlimited public transportation free. If you have questions or complaints, please contact the Transport Department by tta@tallinnlv.ee or phone +372 640 4618.

TAXIS

Taxi stands are located at major intersections and in front of bigger hotels. Passengers can choose from any of the available taxis at a taxi stand. Taxis can be also ordered by phone or hailed on the street.

The price list for taxi services is determined by the taxi operator; that is, prices are not uniform for all taxis. In order to avoid misunderstandings, be sure that the approximate cost of the trip to your destination is clear in advance.

Linnatakso Beginning: 35 EEK (€2,20) Fare: 7 EEK/km (€0,40)

Tulika Beginning: 35 EEK (€2,20) Fare: 7 EEK/km (€0,40)

IMPORTANT : INSTRUCTIONS FOR TAXI PASSENGERS

Before entering the taxi, take a look at the price list for the taxi service located on the window of the back right hand door. The price list will also be on the dashboard of the taxi.

The price list includes: the flag fare, the per-kilometre charge and the waiting charge. The per-kilometre charge is either a day (from 6 am to 11 pm) or night charge (11 pm to 6 am). The waiting charge is only used when the taxi is actually standing.

Always make sure that the taximeter is turned on. The passenger pays for the ride according to the reading on the taximeter, and the driver is not allowed to ask for more than what is shown on the meter.

The driver must be paid in kroons (EEK), Estonia's official currency.

At the end of your ride, ask the taxi driver for a receipt from the meter's printer. If the taximeter or printer is out of order, the driver should not have been allowed to be in service and you have the right to refuse to pay the fare.