

11 nights, 12 days | Summary Itinerary

BALTIC CAPITALS CRUISE SEPTEMBER 11TH TO 22ND, 2021



Saturday, September 11th

Day 1

Depart Canada

Depart from select Maritime airports (Charlottetown, Halifax, Moncton, or Fredericton) on your overnight **flight to Copenhagen**. Try to sleep on this overnight flight before your morning arrival in Copenhagen.

Sunday, September 12th

Day 2

Arrive Copenhagen

Welcome to the capital of Denmark! Meet your local, English-speaking guide and transfer to the hotel. An **included lunch** has been arranged on arrival. After lunch you will check in to the hotel and the remainder of the afternoon is free to explore on your own. Your Tour Director will provide some suggested activities and sightseeing. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a **welcome dinner at a local restaurant**.



Overnight: *Imperial Hotel (or similar)*

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Monday, September 13th

Day 3

Copenhagen & Board Norwegian Escape

Enjoy **complimentary breakfast** in hotel. This morning you will depart on a **3-hour guided tour of Copenhagen**. During the tour you will see highlights such as Amalienborg Palace, Christiansborg Palace (seat of the Danish Parliament), Gefion Fountain, the old harbour of Nyhavn, the famous Little Mermaid, and many other popular sights. Later you will arrive at the cruise terminal and board the Norwegian Escape at approximately 1:00 pm. The ship will set sail at 5:00 pm.



Overnight: Norwegian Escape

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Tuesday, September 14th

Day 4

Warnemunde (Berlin), Germany (7:30 am to 10 pm)

It has been more than three decades since the walls came down and Berlin became unified in many ways, including the pursuit of joy. Germany's capital city is one that balances cosmopolitan chic with a liberal undercurrent of creativity and cool. Famous landmarks like the Brandenburg Gate and Reichstag fascinate and the elegant Bavarian Quarter amazes.



Overnight: Norwegian Escape

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Wednesday, September 15th

Day 5

Full Day at Sea

Today is a full day at sea. It is a great opportunity to enjoy the activities and entertainment on board this exciting cruise ship. Connect with the sea on The Waterfront, Norwegian Escape's quarter-mile oceanfront promenade. Visit Mandara Spa, which offers guests a world-class rejuvenating experience. Feel the rhythm flow throughout three connecting decks of daytime and night time entertainment at 678 Ocean Place. Bustling with bars, nightlife, shopping and dining venues, each level offers something different. This evening take in fabulous shows such as Howl at the Moon, the world's greatest rock 'n' roll dueling piano show or be dazzled by Broadway hits like After Midnight.

Overnight: Norwegian Escape

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Thursday, September 16th

Day 6

Tallinn, Estonia (9:00 am to 4:30 pm)

The capital of Estonia impresses cruise guests with its mix of medieval houses and very modern boutiques and cafe culture. Journey inside the ancient walls of Old Town to explore stunning Medieval landmarks like Toompea Castle and a 15th century apothecary shop. Move up a couple centuries to experience Tsar Peter I's Kadriorg Palace which is filled with art and surrounded by sculpted gardens and peaceful woodlands.



Overnight: Norwegian Escape

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Friday, September 17th

Day 7

Saint Petersburg, Russia (Arrive 7 am)

**** Please note that due to Russia's visa requirements there will be an included shore excursion arranged by Target Tours for the two days spent in this port. This shore excursion will include your entry visa. You will not be permitted to enter the port independently outside of this shore excursion. ****

Founded by the Russian Tsar, Peter the Great, Saint Petersburg has for centuries been the cultural centre of Russia, with its spectacular architecture, Tchaikovsky operas and the famous Kirov ballet. It has undergone many changes over the decades, but "The Venice of the North" remains a dazzling cruise destination. A Russian city with a European flair, more than 200 museums, and one of the largest English gardens in Europe!



Included Shore Excursion (9 hours)

Day one will include a **city sightseeing morning tour** and a **tour of Peter and Paul Fortress**, the first structure to be built in Saint Petersburg, and thus the birthplace of the city, it never served its intended defensive function. Instead it has had a rich, hugely varied, and sometimes sinister history as a military base, a home of government departments, the burial ground of the Russian Imperial family, the site of ground-breaking scientific experiments, and a forbidding jail that held some of Russia's most prominent political prisoners. After a **tour of Saint-Isaac's Cathedral**, transfer to **Tsarskoye Selo** for a **tour of Catherine Palace**. The Catherine Palace is named after Catherine I, the wife of Peter the Great, who ruled Russia for two years after her husband's death. Originally a modest two-storey building commissioned by Peter for Catherine in 1717, the Catherine Palace owes its awesome grandeur to their daughter, Empress Elizabeth, who chose Tsarskoe Selo as her chief summer residence. **Lunch is included at Podvorie restaurant** with Russian degustation menu including a shot of vodka and a glass of wine.

Overnight: Norwegian Escape

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Saturday, September 18th

Day 8

Saint Petersburg, Russia (Depart 7 pm)

Today you will continue exploring Saint Petersburg on your second day in port.

Included Shore Excursion (8 ½ hours)

Day two of your visit to Saint Petersburg starts with a tour of **The Grand Palace at Peterhof**. This Palace was designed to be the centerpiece of Peter the Great's "Russian Versailles". Around 1720, the Tsar gave up on attempts to establish his court at Strelna, mainly because the boggy ground proved entirely unsuitable for the canals and fountains that he envisioned. Moving his attentions further east to Peterhof, the Tsar began to draw up his own plans for the grounds and palace. Work had already begun on a modest palace, designed by Jean-Baptiste Le Blond, in 1714, and that building was completed in 1721. Also included is a tour of the **Hermitage Museum**, Saint Petersburg's most popular visitor attraction and one of the world's largest and most prestigious museums. **Lunch included** at "**Summer Palace**" restaurant including 3 courses, coffee/tea and mineral water.



Overnight: Norwegian Escape

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Sunday, September 19th

Day 9

Helsinki, Finland (7 am to 4 pm)

Welcome to Scandinavia's "White City of the North," a city defined more by its people and Art Nouveau architecture than its chilly climate. Helsinki is a classic sea-city, with a dramatic coastline colored by bays and inlets. The city keeps its historical roots intact.



Overnight: Norwegian Escape

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Monday, September 20th Day 10 Nynashamn (Stockholm), Sweden (7 am to 7 pm)

When the ship pulls into this small Swedish port, you will be greeted by ferries transporting travellers to Gotland Island. Nynashamn hosts a harbour party each summer where boaters and travelers alike flock. The small and laidback town offers picture-taking opportunities from the surrounding scenic nature and of course, the Baltic Sea.



Overnight: Norwegian Escape

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Tuesday, September 21st Day 11 Full Day at Sea

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Overnight: Norwegian Escape

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Wednesday, September 22nd Day 12 Fly Home

Arrive in Copenhagen and transfer to the airport for your flight home. Once you clear customs in Toronto or Montreal you will find your departure gate for your return flight to select Maritime cities (Charlottetown, Halifax, Moncton, or Fredericton). Say goodbye to your Tour Director and newfound friends from your **Baltic Capitals Cruise**.

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Includes:

- Return flights from select Maritime cities (PEI, NS, or NB)**
- 1-night accommodation including breakfast in Copenhagen
- Group lunch and welcome dinner in Copenhagen
- 3-hour panoramic "Wonderful Copenhagen" tour with English guide
- Transfers from airport to hotel, hotel to cruise terminal, and cruise terminal to airport
- 9-day Baltic Cruise aboard the Norwegian Escape
- **2-day excursion in Saint Petersburg with lunch and visa entry**
- Baggage handling
- All taxes and fees
- Services of a professional Tour Director

PLUS book an INSIDE cabin and receive the following amenities for FREE:

Approximate value of \$1800 CAD per person!

- Premium beverage package for the entire cruise and gratuities
- 4-meal specialty dining package and gratuities
- Prepaid service charges for staff on board Norwegian Escape
- \$100 USD on board credit per stateroom

PLUS book a BALCONY cabin and receive the following amenities for FREE:

Approximate value of \$2000 CAD per person!

- Premium beverage package for the entire cruise and gratuities
- 4-meal specialty dining package and gratuities
- Prepaid service charges for staff on board Norwegian Escape
- \$100 USD on board credit per stateroom
- 250-minute internet package
- \$50 USD shore excursion credit per port (maximum of 4) per stateroom

*** Flight details and planned departure cities are subject to change.*

Important Notes

Activity Level

Travelling with Target Tours requires a certain level of activity in order to enjoy and participate in our tours. This tour requires the following:

- Walking or standing for extended periods of time
- Lifting and carrying your luggage for short distances
- Manage your carry-on luggage through airports
- Climbing multiple sets of stairs
- Walking on uneven surfaces
- Flights in excess of 5 hours and/or overnight
- Busy sidewalks and crowded areas
- A lot of free time with minimal activities planned
- Unable to accommodate walkers or collapsible wheelchairs. Canes are permitted.

For all tours please remember that the Tour Director is there to assist all members of the group. While they are happy to provide a helping hand from time to time, they are unable to provide mobility assistance for extended periods of time during a tour. Therefore, all travellers must be able to manage their mobility independently.

Tour Director and Driver

Your Tour Director and Driver play an important role in making your vacation as memorable and hassle-free as possible. While optional, gratuities are a great way to show your appreciation. The suggested industry guideline is \$4.00 to \$6.00 per person, per day for your Tour Director and also your Driver. This should be extended on a voluntary and individual basis at the completion of the tour.

Travel Protection

Your tour price does not include travel insurance. If you are covered, we advise you to look into coverage details, if there is a deductible, if you need to pay up front, and where to call in case of emergency. We highly recommend medical, trip cancellation and trip interruption coverage. If you would like a quote, please call our office at 1-877-214-5367. **Proof of out-of-country medical coverage is required for this tour.**

After Booking

- We will send you your receipt and proof of reservation via email or mail.
- Before final payment we will reach out to you via phone or email to remind you of your final balance and determine final method of payment.
- About 2 - 3 weeks prior to departure we will send you your Detailed Itinerary which will feature exact times and locations as well as details on your Tour Director.
- Around one week before departure you will be contacted by your Tour Director via email or by phone to introduce themselves and ask if you have any questions before departure.

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