



## **Event idea Latvia**

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Old Riga walking city tour (~2 hours)

Since 13 century the Old Riga is the economic, financial and cultural centre of Baltic region. Riga was never simply the city of Latvia. There were many times, when Riga was grasped; Riga was also involved in many long internal conflicts. Until the beginning of 20th century the Germans were main inhabitants of Riga. Then the national structure changed and mostly Latvians and Russians were the ones, who lived in the capital of Latvia. Later representatives of such nationalities as Lithuanians, Poles etc. have joined. All these changes have affected a cultural development of the city; special influence was on architecture of the Old city, where nowadays it is possible to meet the lines of German, Russian, Italian and Dutch architectures, so as architecture of other cultures.

To the most well-known masterpieces of architecture of the Old city is the Riga castle. It is the greatest and well remained medieval castle in northern Europe. The Dome Cathedral - the greatest church in Northern Europe, which at the beginning of the 20th century could have been proud of having the greatest working wind-box in the world.

On the small territory of Old city there could have existed five various confessions in the same time. Each confession had a church which has remained up to now. The Old Riga is a unique part of the city, which was included in the list of the UNESCO world's cultural heritage.

The tour includes guide service around the old part of the Hanseatic city - Riga. During the tour you will be introduced a brief history of Riga and you will be shown the ancient places of interest the first of which dating back to the 15th century. During the walk along the Old Riga cobble-stone picturesque streets you will see numerous places of cultural and historical importance, such as the Dome Cathedral, St.Peters church, St.Jacob's church, Great and Small Guild houses, Parliament building, Swedish Gate, etc.

Entrance fees are not included but possible during the tour for additional charges.

HIGHLIGHT: "Kuze" Coffee stop



Exclusive cozy cafe "Kuze" is located on a quiet street in the Old Town. "Kuze" offers unique cookies, cakes and sweets, specially prepared based on medieval chocolate recipes. Café is named ater the legendary confectionary empirer V. Ķuze and the atmosphere reminds of Latvia in its 30ies, when V. Ķuze created Latvia's chocolate legend.

Café draw ideas from the past traditions and ancient recipes as well as the latest tendencies in confectionary production.

These sweets allow you to enjoy the chocolate therapy - restore energy, encourage a romantic mood, and even treat depression.