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With lush parks, unique UNESCO-listed architecture, a storied history and a contemporary attitude, Vilnius is your secret European gem. Lithuania's capital combines the very best features in a city that's easily discovered on foot, by bicycle – or even from a hot-air balloon! Vilnius has something for everyone: on land, by water or in the air, adventures await around every corner. Plan your visit in advance; pick activities from the seven themes to discover Vilnius your way. This is your perfect guide to both teambuilding fun and solo experiences. Enjoy sightseeing with a twist, learn about Lithuania's heritage, dive into the cultural scene, awaken your inner superhero, get in touch with nature, surprise your taste buds, treat yourself to a spot of luxury, or enjoy the slower side of city life. Whatever you choose, Vilnius is waiting for you!



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## DISCOVER VILNIUS



### Hot-Air Ballooning over Vilnius Old Town

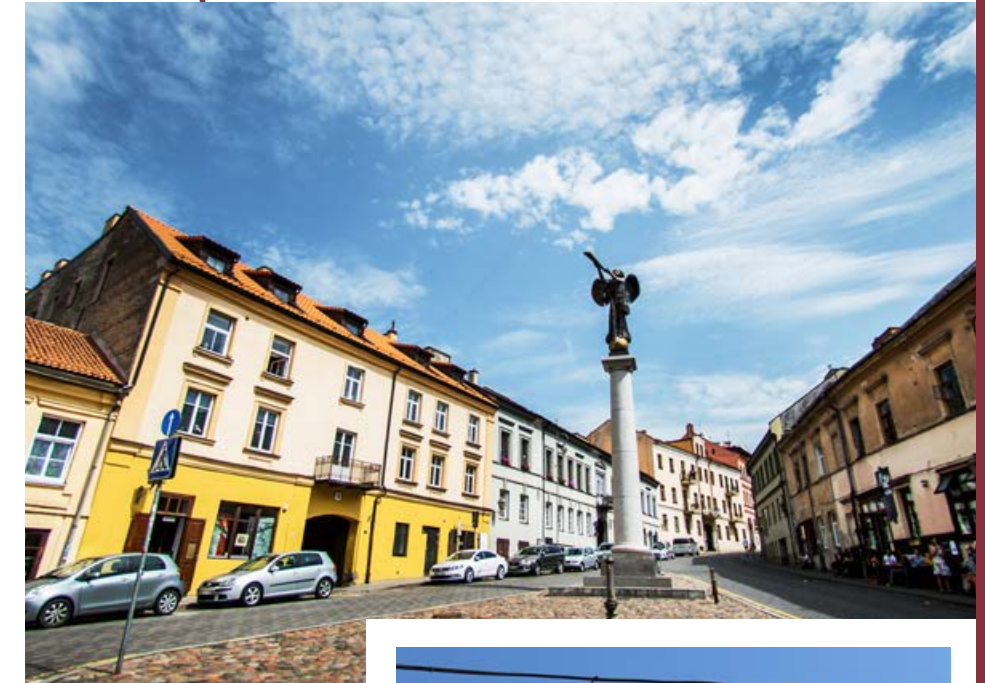


Vilnius offers a truly memorable experience gliding over its charming Old Town in a hot air balloon – something most cities simply don't allow. Take your group to the skies, whether it's a small company or a bigger group of up to 100 people, and enjoy the wonders of quietly floating a kilometre above the city or drifting out over its breath-taking outskirts. It's definitely a bucket list adventure, and once you're back on the ground you'll take part in a special induction ceremony where you'll get a certificate and forever be a part of the local hot air ballooning crew.



## DISCOVER VILNIUS

### Capture the Bohemian Vibe



The district of Užupis is Vilnius' self-proclaimed independent republic filled with artsy eccentrics and hip bohemian types. The once run-down neighbourhood is now thriving, and has evolved into one of Vilnius' must-see areas. Take an unconventional trip: stroll along the cobbled streets to experience the area's laid-back atmosphere from the inside – with a side of stories about how the republic started, and visits to some of the neighbourhood's lesser-known sites. Explore the district's boutiques and indulge in its most sought-after delicacies as you discover one of Vilnius' most popular cultural oddities. It's an activity that's certain to mix things up for any incentive programme.





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## Turn Sightseeing Into a Team Challenge



Take part in an adventurous team game that turns the city's Old Town into a playground. Tackle entertaining and original tasks - you'll each get an iPad and make your way around the city following a special route while solving riddles to unlock the next task. It's a whole new take on sightseeing, with stops designed specifically for tasting some local delights. Discover Vilnius in an unusual way, encourage teamwork, and make some great memories together! The game is a perfect end to a workshop or training day, since it's a combination of team-building, knowledge, and lots of fun.



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## Made in Vilnius Tour



If you're looking for a change of pace following a busy day, the Made in Vilnius tour is just for you. Dive into some of the city's most exciting trends paying homage to local artisans in this shopping journey. Get ready to learn about older handicraft practices at a traditional workshop where you'll have a chance to make your own souvenir; visit some stylish boutiques to discover what young local designers have to offer; see what's popular at the old local market and family run stores offering products from ecological farms; and top the day off with a visit to a local microbrewery where you can play host by pouring a couple of draft beers yourself.



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## Explore the City of Mercy



A significant part of Lithuania's history can be told in its churches, so it is no surprise that the country has a deep tradition as a pilgrimage destination. Explore the path of Mercy! You don't need to travel for miles elsewhere to see one of many copies of the iconic image of Divine Mercy; come and see the original painting right here in Vilnius. Delve into Vilnius' most holy places, including the painting of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Gates of Dawn, the convent house where St. Faustina experienced mystical visions, the Monastery of the Sisters of Merciful Jesus, the Church of the Holy Spirit and many other religious sites.



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## Listen to Talking Statues



Discover 15 talking statues of prominent writers, personalities and historical figures adored by Lithuania. Scattered throughout the heart of Vilnius and animated by the voices of famous Lithuanian writers and performers, the statues have been given the gift of speech and come to life to interact with you via telephone call. Simply walk up to one of the talking statues, swipe your smartphone over the nearby QR code and voilà – you'll receive a call from the statue! It may be legendary American musician Frank Zappa on the line...or the world-renowned 20th century French writer Romain Gary...or Gediminas, the medieval Grand Duke of Lithuania... calling you to share an intriguing story!

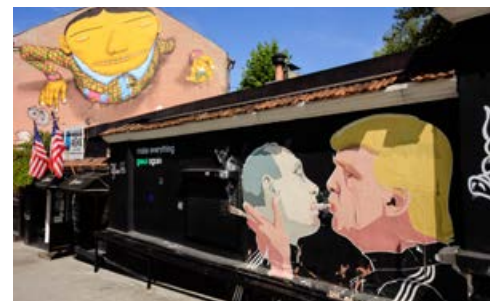
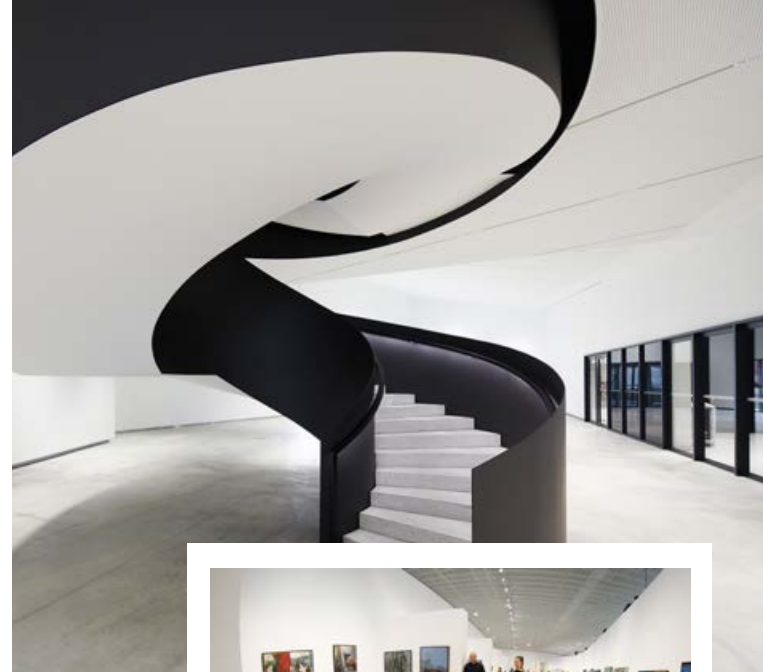




## Appreciate the Contemporary Brushstrokes of Vilnius



The city is filled with modern culture. Contemporary art museums and modern galleries are scattered throughout Vilnius. You don't even need to go indoors to savour the city's artistic atmosphere. Vilnius will astonish you with its creative street art; walk around the open art gallery to feel the pulse of urban culture. Bring your team to the brand new Modern Art Museum. Get involved in a visual thinking session, make a connection with the art and get your curiosity piqued. Share what you see with others and let the mediators guide you to create a storytelling experience. You will become more outspoken about culture and more mindful about cultural differences.



## Dive Into Modern Performance Art



Vilnius is a lively and multifaceted city where compelling artistic projects, vibrant festivals and bold ideas are born. Contemporary and non-traditional art spaces invite everybody to enjoy modern art performances, plays by talented theatre directors, or music and fashion festivals. Immerse yourself into the centre of the city's culture, choose the most thrilling event and combine it with your own event or incentive programme.





## TRADITION & HISTORY



## An Evening in Traditional Lithuanian Style



Lithuania's extraordinarily rich and complex history dates back a thousand years, during which time its national heritage has been imbued with influences from countless other cultures from East to West. Take part in a traditional Lithuanian evening, sample a range of national dishes and drinks, prepare traditional food, learn more about classic Lithuanian cuisine, get to know folk customs and traditions and explore scenes from old Lithuania. The celebratory programme continues with singing, dancing and other delights.



## TRADITION & HISTORY

## Bake Your Own Tree Cake



Bake and taste your very own *šakotis*, a traditional 15th century cake. It takes true finesse to bake this so-called tree cake with distinct branch-like shapes. Roll up your sleeves and pay attention while the master bakers uncover the secrets of *šakotis*. Pour a layer of liquid dough onto a rotating spit over the open fire. Once done, your efforts will be rewarded with a heavenly taste while the cake is still warm. Choose an authentic location or ask the bakers to come to your event with their mobile oven and make it a source of hands-on entertainment for an entire evening.







## Feel the Medieval Spirit



Looking for some entertainment with a historical twist, or would you like to take part in a truly memorable event? Step back in time to the Middle Ages and join a Medieval Feast. Watch knights fight in a gruesome battle, learn how to use a sword or to shoot a bow, solve ancient puzzles, and play medieval games that will definitely boost team spirit. Dance in a ball and enjoy the festive authentic food accompanied by mead, a traditional Lithuanian drink. The grand finale is a spectacular fire show. Take the feast anywhere you want - to your selected venue or outdoors.



## Get Crafty!



Participate in a range of workshops organised by some of the country's leading professional artists and craftspeople and immerse yourself in diverse cultures. Learn the history and techniques of different crafts, and get a hands-on experience in the art of stained glass, leather craft, pottery, weaving, brass jewellery, candle making, bookbinding and other time-honoured traditions. Craft your own souvenir to bring home as a memory of your time in Vilnius.





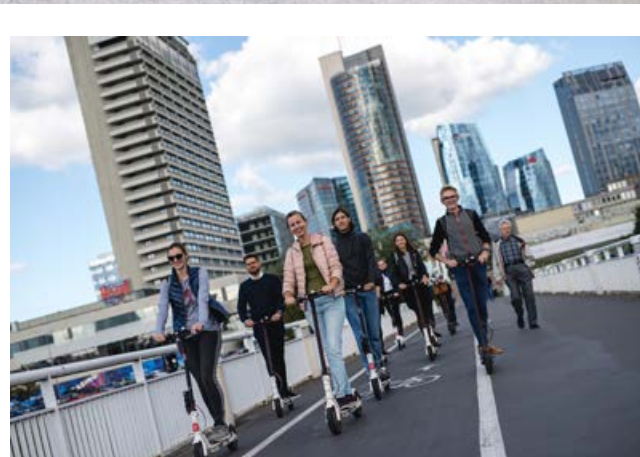
## ACTION & ADVENTURE



## Rolling Around Vilnius



Feel the wind in your hair as you zip around Vilnius on wheels. Choose the mode of transport that suits you best: scooters, segways, and roller skates are ready to take you on a sightseeing adventure. Take it as fast or slow as you wish. Explore the lush parks and nature, or ride around the Old Town and marvel at its fascinating historic sights. Take a guided tour, enjoy a ride with your team, or be your own guide and discover places off the usual tourist radar.



## ACTION & ADVENTURE

## Team Up for Curling



You won't get cold on ice. Curling is a team sport that will challenge you and your team members to learn the basics of throwing, sweeping and the skipping strategy. This team sport is all about leadership, communication, trust, problem solving and decision-making. You don't need any previous curling experience to play and enjoy the game. With some help and encouragement from the professional instructors, curling will provide your group with a novel team-building experience. Practice your strategy and teamwork by choosing the ideal path and placement of the stone for each situation. This is what gives curling its nickname of 'chess on ice'.







## Row Your Boat



Take in the sights of Vilnius from a whole other perspective while kayaking. Your water adventure will begin along the narrow Vilnelė River where trees and big stones might try to flip your kayak over, so you are definitely in for some extreme experiences. Delight in views of the rapidly-changing forests and parks merging with the city's new districts and the Old Town, get a glimpse of some wildlife and take in some of Vilnius' architectural wonders from a different angle. Light the way with a headlamp while taking a night kayaking tour on the Neris River. Kayaking is a great teambuilding activity, especially since you don't need any special skills or tons of experience to have a great time together.



## Make a Bigger Splash!







Try water parks and wake-boarding sites that are just a short drive from Vilnius Old Town. Come rain or shine, upgrade your typical trampoline experience while conquering the water obstacle course for all ages and skills: boom, Tarzan rope swing, trampolines, slides, and a floating island await. Looking for more thrills and extreme action? Choose wake-boarding. No matter if you are a beginner or a water sport enthusiast, a fun experience is guaranteed. Don't worry about the gear, you can get a wetsuit and everything else you need on the spot.







## Release Your Inner Viking

-  Lithuania proudly shares a strong Viking tradition with our Scandinavian neighbours; Curonian Vikings living in Lithuania were fierce warriors feared by other tribes. Sail the Neris River on an 11th century replica Viking ship and feel like a Viking of old days. It's a true adventure for those interested in Northern European history and unique experiences. The 12-metre long ship can take your group of up to 16 people on a historic tour with a deep-inland Viking ship programme. Listen to ancient stories and medieval songs, help row the ship, and taste the food of archaic tribes while admiring the lush forests, meadowlands and habitats home to diverse wildlife.
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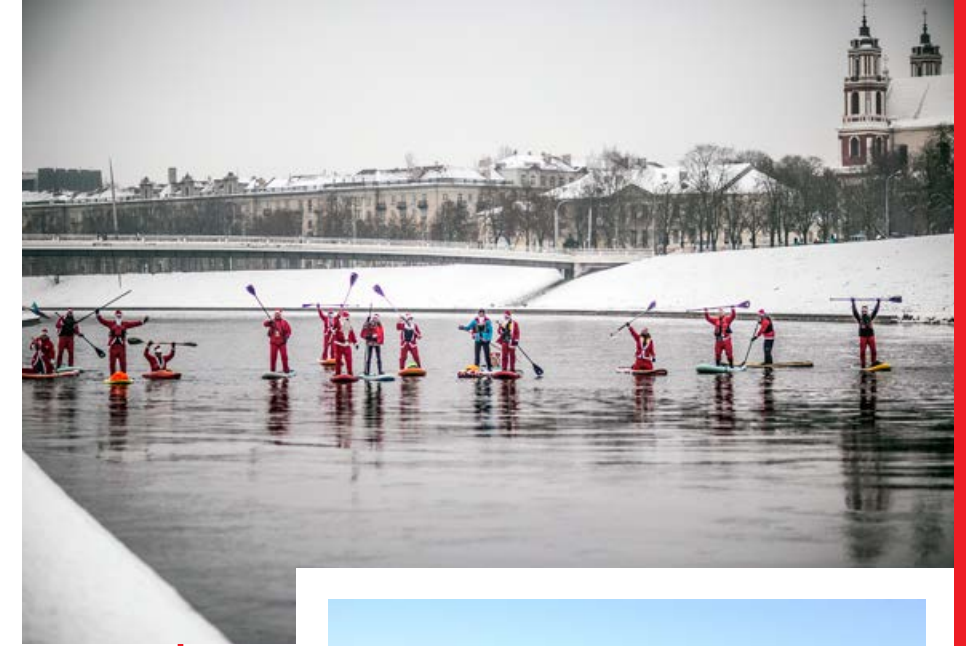
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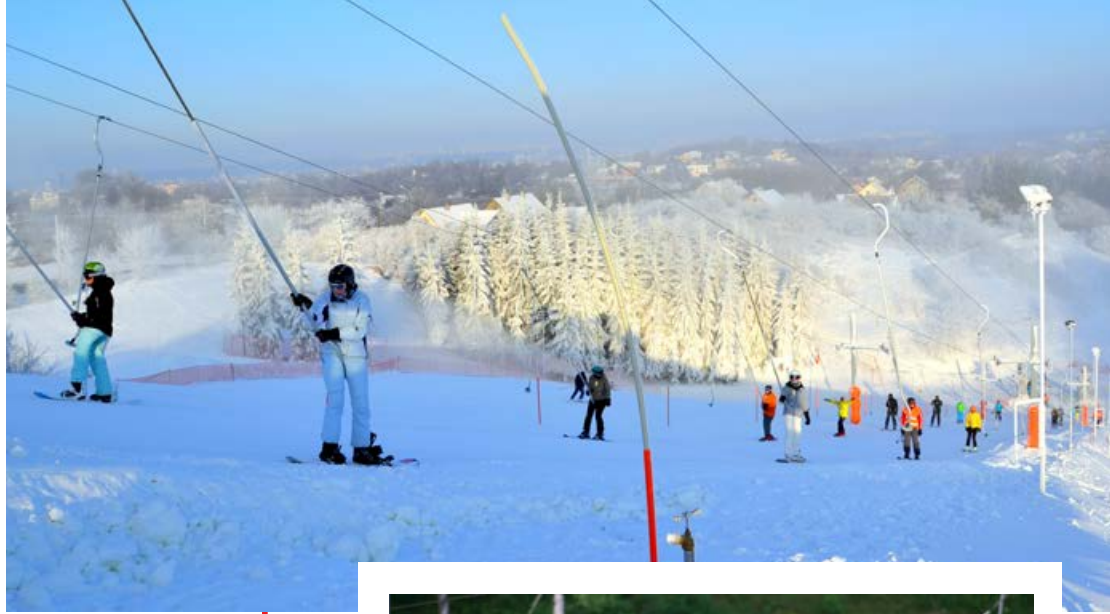
## Go With the Flow

-  There are more ways than one to explore Vilnius from the perspective of its rivers. Jump into a gondola and enjoy the gentle swaying, refreshing breeze, soothing natural sceneries, and historic architecture while you float down the Neris River. Love travelling in style? A catamaran promises just that, and will take your team up and down the river on a pleasant ride. For an exceptional start to the day or a great evening activity try your hand at stand-up paddleboarding; it's all about keeping your balance, or getting wet if you don't. Any season is great for paddleboarding, as long as there's no ice.
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## Alpine Adventures on a Mighty Hill



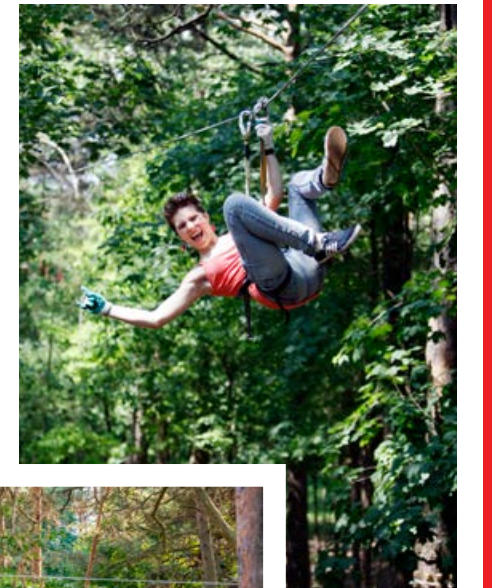
No matter the season, Liepkalnis hill has an adventure for you. It's all about embracing winter in the colder months, which you can do by going down the hill on skis or a snowboard, even if it's your first time. In the warmer months hop on the 350-metre toboggan track, speed down a tubing slide, or make like Tarzan in the multi-level rope-climbing park. Tired of moving your own body? Well, that's what the off-road mountain scooters are for. Whatever activity you choose, you'll have even more fun as a group, especially if things get a little competitive.



## Conquer a Rope Adventure



Sounds bold! Feels strong! Looks ultimate! It's the rope adventure. Platforms, zip wires, rope bridges, Tarzan swings between trees, high walls, rope walks, balance poles and all kinds of vertical climbs – they're all ready for you in the city's exciting adventure parks. Conquer the obstacles with your team and find out which one of you is the strongest and boldest. Ready for an even bigger challenge? Try the 400-metre long zip-line course over the river or the most thrilling attraction – the Elephant Jump – a 16-metre free fall.





## Become a Pilot for a Day



Take full control of the cockpit of the most popular aircraft models, the Boeing 737 or Airbus A320, and experience the thrill of flying. Full motion flight simulators designed to train professional pilots will give you the most exciting experience. Choose the departure and destination airports, weather conditions, time of day and let's take off! Feeling adventurous? Try to control and safely land the aircraft with some major turbulence, engine failure or other extreme flight conditions. Try out the prestigious pilot profession for a day with one of the largest independent aviation training centres in Europe.



## Enjoy More Activities Indoors



If you like solving mysteries, get your friends together and try one of Vilnius' many escape rooms. They're all about challenging your imagination, logic and problem-solving skills. You have 60 minutes; think you can escape? If you're up for even more action, bring your team to a real 700 m<sup>2</sup> labyrinth and take your escape skills to the next level. Looking for something a bit more physical? Try your hand at rock climbing or bouldering; there's a wide variety of climbing routes available for all skill levels. On the other hand, if you want all the adventure without breaking a sweat, then a virtual reality experience might be in order. Swim with whales in the ocean, take a ride on a rollercoaster, fly a spaceship, fight off a bunch of zombies and much more.







## Next-Level Studio Experience



Record a song of your choice or create a team anthem in a modern studio. Have a blast singing different lines and listening to your team members trying to impersonate an opera singer. Want your voice to have a bigger impact? Dub a superhero and create a personalised movie with your team's voices. Who are you going to be? For an even bigger challenge, try making your own movie. Choose your titles: director, cameraperson, actors; and recreate a scene from movies like Star Wars, Jurassic Park, and Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, or film a script of your own. Creating and watching a movie is a great team building activity. Laughter, fun, and long lasting memories guaranteed.



## Extreme Off-Road Challenge



You're in for an adrenalin rush and endless thrills on an exciting four-wheeler or buggy tour. Summer or winter, this off-road adventure awaits you right by Vilnius. Choose from an orienteering game by driving off the beaten path to solve riddles and search for hidden locations using a GPS, or discover Lithuanian nature in true 4x4 style by scaling steep sand dunes and riding through water, mud and the wildest forests. Get your team ready - two people per buggy or four per four-wheeler. Gather around a fire grill after the drive, enjoy an outdoor barbecue and share your best moments. Are you up for the challenge?







## Operate an Excavator



If you've ever wanted to drive an excavator or work with a crane, loader or a bulldozer that weighs 10 tonnes or more, your dream can come true. Learn to lift heavy objects, navigate obstacles, or dig a hole with a range of heavy equipment at the adventure polygon. Once you acquire some practical skills, head straight to the obstacle course to challenge your colleagues or friends, who are also behind the wheels of heavy-duty machinery. If you're up for something more extreme and want to experience the full power of heavy equipment, try to crush a car with an excavator. It's sure to help release a bit of daily stress.



## Travel Back to the Soviet Era



It's been over 25 years since the collapse of the Soviet Union, but you can still get a taste of what life was like back then at the 1984 survival camp challenge. Dive into a world full of tension and social peculiarities in a bunker five metres underground. You'll be taken through a maze to be interrogated in a KGB office, learn the anthem of the USSR and get used to wearing a gas mask. Before you finally escape you'll be treated to a Soviet dinner. If you're more into war history and experiences, test your tank-driving skills while trying to safely navigate through a minefield with your team.







## Tag With a Bow and Arrow



Try your hand at a fun and unique sport Archery Tag that combines elements of dodge ball with the timeless skills of archery. Get your team ready; it's a unique way for people of all ages to enjoy archery. Take aim at each other with foam-tipped arrows to score points or eliminate opposing team members. The game is a great way to practice teamwork and concentration. Play Archery Tag in a special arena or any other place of your choice. The Archery Tag team will bring all the necessary equipment, teach you to fire a bow correctly, monitor the game and model it according to your needs and gaming style.



## Shoot Like Rambo



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Feel like a true movie star gripping a smoking barrel at one of Vilnius' professional shooting ranges. Whether you're after the sheer power of an AK-47, or want to see how accurate the army's new bullpup rifle is, here's your chance to be Rambo in disguise. Try different revolvers, shotguns and sniper rifles, and practice your accuracy on moving or stable targets. If real guns aren't your thing, you can still get a workout and hone your shooting skills as part of a team; paintball, airsoft, or laser tag games are perfect choice. The games are usually organised in old abandoned factories or special areas in the forests around Vilnius.





## GREEN & SUSTAINABLE



## Your Nature Getaway in the City



Often called a city in the forest, Vilnius makes it easy to escape the urban bustle and become immersed in nature. A dense network of hiking trails through the city's parks and outskirts winds alongside the most important natural and cultural sites. Start your hiking trip with an experienced park guide through the protected landscapes. Discover unspoiled Lithuanian nature and learn the secrets of the past centuries in the form of local legends and folklore stories. Picturesque sceneries, unique flora and fauna, impressive hill forts, burial mounds, spectacular outcrops, sacred hills, and stones revealing the cultural heritage of Europe's last pagan country provide the perfect setting to unwind and focus on individual and group wellness.



## GREEN & SUSTAINABLE

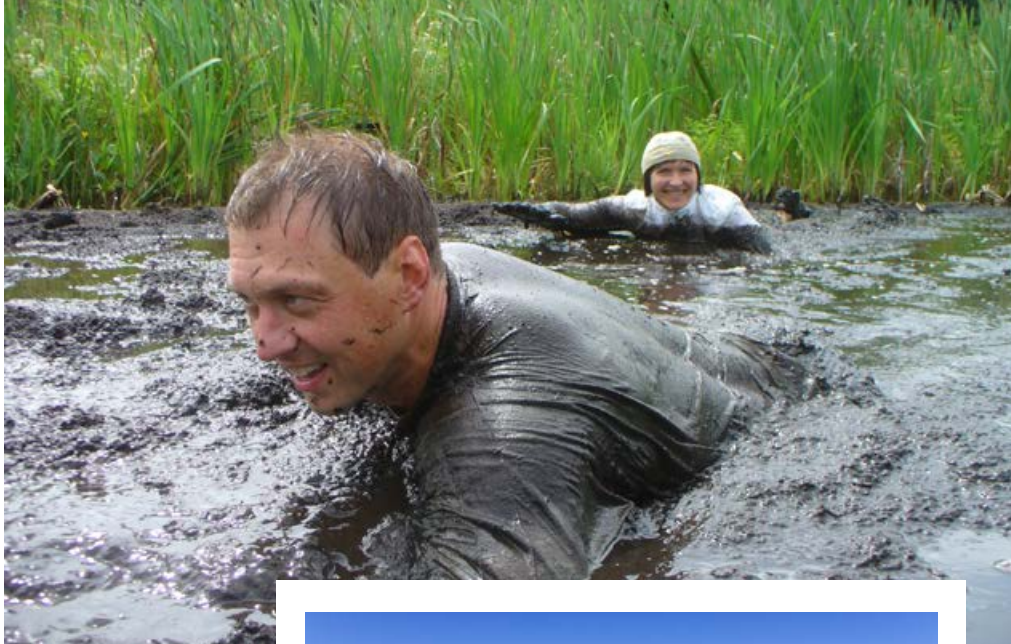
## Sharpen Up Your Golf Swing



If you want to spend some leisure time outdoors with your friends or colleagues, golf is a perfect choice. Learn the basics with an instructor or challenge each other in a match play at one of the three golf courses around Vilnius. Each of the 18-hole golf courses are unique in their own way: one is in the geographical centre of Europe; another boasts the only Professional Golfers Association design in the Baltics; while the third is situated within an impressive nature reserve. The golf courses are happy to welcome players of all levels, and are always ready to teach first-timers the basics.







## Hike Across a Swamp



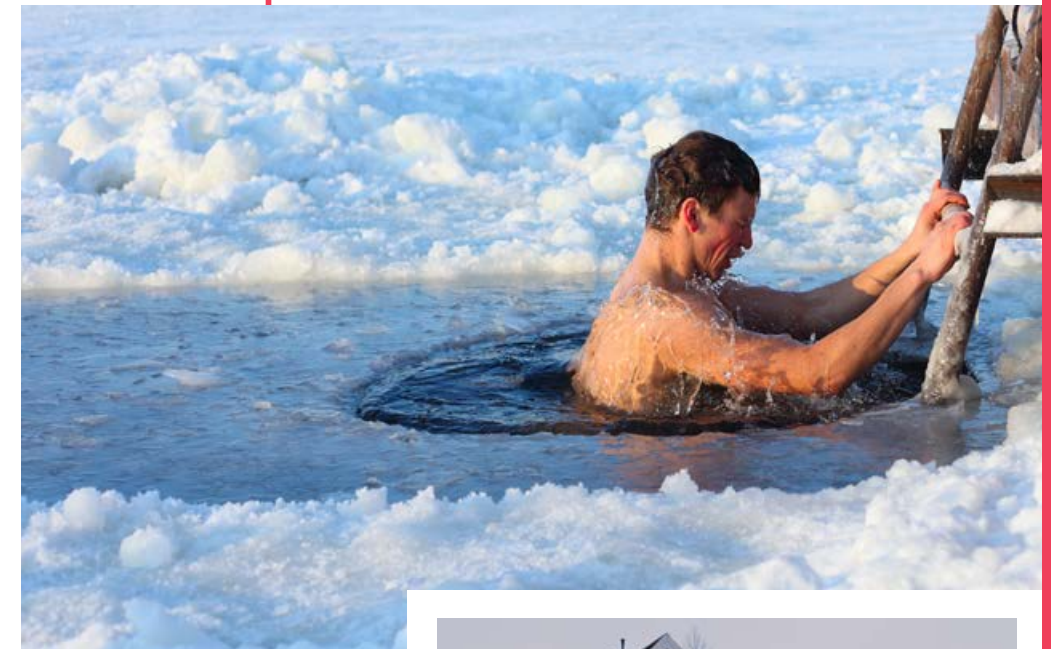
If you're looking for an adrenaline-boosting activity like no other, try swamp hiking.



Take a short 40-kilometre tip from Vilnius to trek through a natural swamp with a variety of paths and small islands that feel like a rainforest. The two-hour hiking tour guarantees an extreme experience, unforgettable memories and natural SPA facilities. Are you up for the challenge?



Try to overcome the three-hour obstacle course, which will require some serious teamwork to complete. Rain or shine, the swamp awaits you.



## Get Steamy at a Traditional Bath House



Traditional Lithuanian baths are a great source of strength and health, and a perfect way to relax and recharge after a busy day. In fact, legend has it that time spent in a bathhouse does not count towards your lifespan! Lithuanian baths combine nature's elements – fire, water, stone and air – with bath whisks made from tree branches and herbs. Learn about this longstanding tradition by immersing yourself in hot steam, get lashed with a whisk by an experienced bath master, and finally wash yourself with cool water. If you're daring enough, take advantage of the complete energising experience by jumping into a frozen lake after the bath.







## Cycle Around Vilnius



Jump on a saddle for a two-wheeled adventure tour of Vilnius. Explore the charming UNESCO-listed Old Town and get to know the historic and cultural heritage of the city. Would you like to explore the fascinating natural surroundings of Vilnius? Get away from the tourist trail for some scenic routes at the picturesque regional parks within the city. Enjoy the freedom to stop whenever you want to explore hills, forests, and wildlife while enjoying the fresh air. Taking a bike tour around Vilnius and sharing an experience is a great group activity.



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## Get Your Team on a Volleyball Court



Even though Vilnius is far away from the Baltic Sea, beach activities are still an option. Sign your team up for a volleyball competition at one of the courts in the heart of the city. Professional beach volleyball coaches will facilitate many different team-building exercises for a competitive and fun atmosphere that encourages you to learn new skills. It is a perfect choice to energise, motivate and unite your team in a fun, social and active way.







## Ride Out on the Equestrian Trails



Escape the city bustle and opt for the soothing calmness of horses on a visit to one of the equestrian centres around Vilnius. The ranchers will teach you all about Lithuania's different horse breeds, horse psychology, and their behaviour. Get on a horse and take an orienteering trip, or if you're more experienced embark on a relaxing tour in nature and swim in the river with the horses. The rides are just as exciting during the winter when the forests and meadows are covered in snow. If riding a horse is not the type of adventure you're looking for, switch to a winter sleigh ride.



## Ultimate Dogsledding Adventure

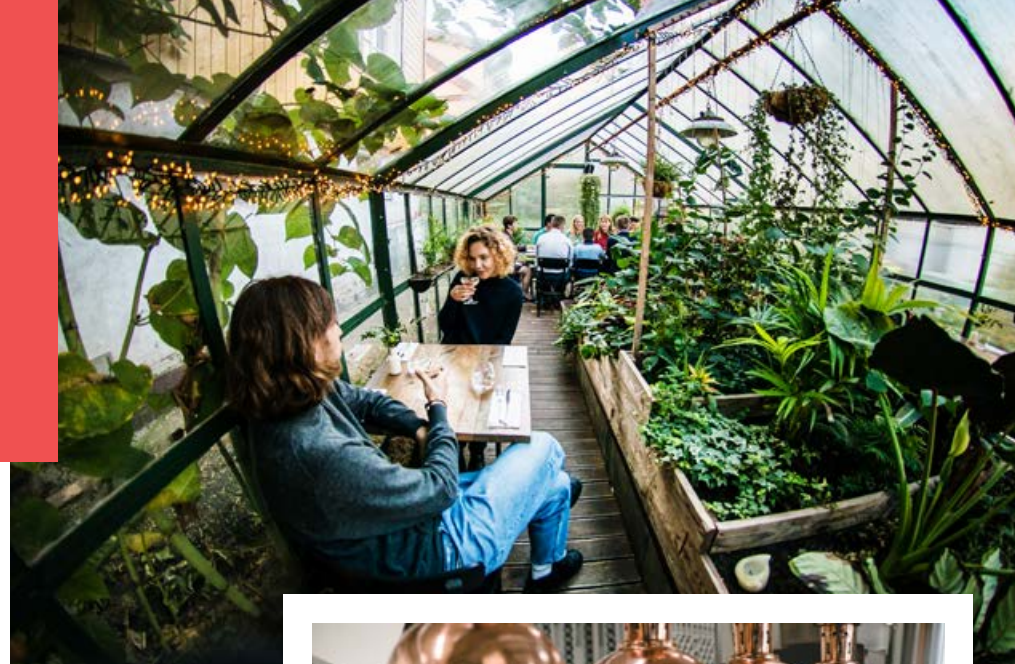


If you're looking to make the most of Lithuania's exceptional natural settings and are up for a real adventure, there's a group of fun and energetic huskies that are eager to make it happen. Dogsledding is a great and novel way to unwind with friends and colleagues while taking in the fresh air. Let these amazing dogs take you to another world where you'll enjoy the still Lithuanian winter and its picturesque landscapes. Learn all about these dogs, their character, and how to get them to pull your sled, which you'll ride in pairs along with an instructor. In summer a special carriage with wheels is used instead of sleds so you can still enjoy the ride when there's no snow.






## CULINARY DELIGHTS



### Restaurant Tour Through Vilnius


-  No incentive programme is complete without a strong local food element. Bring your appetite and get ready to encounter some of the most popular restaurants in the city while exploring Vilnius Old Town on foot. Start your trip with delicious stops and get your starter, main course, and dessert at three different restaurants. Hear the stories about the city's famous places where food culture flourished in the past and get to know the evolution of Lithuanian cuisine from your guide while walking from one restaurant to another. Are you up for a unique experience filled with delicious adventures?



## CULINARY DELIGHTS



### Bottoms Up! Lithuanian Drinks to Savour

-  The brewing tradition in Lithuania dates back to as early as the 11th century. Pay a visit to some renowned pubs and sample premium local craft beers while meeting the microbrewers that make them and learning their secrets. If beer is not your thing, try Lithuanian berry wine made from various local berries collected from farms and forests; or try mead, the oldest alcoholic drink in the world. Traditional Lithuanian mead is made from honey and fermented with a number of aromatic ingredients. When your tour ends, use it as a starting point for exploring Vilnius' energetic nightlife.





## Discover the Secrets of Chocolate



There's a small chocolate factory called Chocolate Naive in a little town on the Eastern side of Lithuania that produces chocolate of exclusive quality. It is one of only 200 such producers worldwide. The production cycle starts with choice dried cacao beans diligently selected from exceptional farms. They travel a long way to reach the factory. After a lengthy production process and a meticulous analysis of taste, colour, smell, and texture, the luxury chocolate is finally born. Take this unique opportunity and walk through the whole bean-to-bar chocolate-making process led by a master chocolatier. Taste the chocolate at its different stages, discover extraordinary aromas, identify the qualities and defects of chocolate, and become a chocolate-tasting expert.



## Enjoy a Team Cook-Up!



Roll up your sleeves for a team cooking session at a chic and modern culinary studio. Spend a couple of hours learning about the art of cooking and making a delicious dinner together. The studio's chefs will invite you to cook the most appetising dishes and give you guidance along the way. Choose between traditional Lithuanian dishes, national cuisines, or fusion. Share tasks, strive towards the same goal, overcome challenges, and enjoy a meal prepared by your team. Have a great team building experience and a delicious evening.





## LUXURY EXPERIENCES



### Go Sightseeing in a Helicopter

✦ Taking off in the very heart of Vilnius, this sightseeing flight is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to take in the city's panoramas. Get a bird's-eye view of the Old Town's winding streets, the independent Republic of Užupis, the Hill of Three Crosses, Gediminas' Tower, Vilnius Cathedral, and the twists and turns of the Neris River. Hop into a four-seater helicopter and get ready for an exciting 20-minute experience as you fly over the rooftops of Vilnius!



## LUXURY EXPERIENCES



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### Immerse Yourself in a Spa Treatment








✦ Need something to unwind and relax after an intensive day? Immerse yourself into the pleasures of a visit to the spa and choose from a number of treatments to get you feeling relaxed and refreshed. Enjoy moments of tranquillity, exceptional attention and a slower flow of time. Indulge yourself in a unique massage and relaxation procedures using amber – a stone of energy, health and sun. It will soothe and cleanse your skin like nothing else. Try various therapies with amber powder, an amber oil, or bags of warm amber and experience the positive effects of the so-called Baltic gold.








## Dine Over Vilnius in a Hot Air Balloon

-  Hot air balloons in the sky over Vilnius are both a magical and relatively common sight.
-  Take your group to the sky for dinner on the biggest hot air balloon in the Baltics – it can accommodate up to 16 people. Enjoy the hour-long balloon ride with a deluxe dinner directly above Vilnius Old Town. With a
-  blended approach to fine dining and gazing over the city, this unique activity is perfect for group incentive travel. It's a one-of-a-kind experience that is sure to offer you one of the best views of dinner you've ever had.
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## Feast Like a Noble

-  An evening in a luxurious environment – the beautifully renovated residence of a noble Lithuanian family in the very heart of the Old Town, near the magnificent St. John's Church and just a few steps away from the scenic Pilies Street, with its boutiques and cafes. Step into the lavish home of a family who only opens it to the public on rare occasions. Enjoy a fancy dinner with interesting people who are famous in the fields of science and the arts, listen to their fascinating stories, and take pleasure in meaningful conversations.
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## CITY ESCAPES



### Spend the Day in a Medieval Town



Take a trip to Trakai, a historic town just a half-hour drive from Vilnius. The town's calm lakes and serene forests are a real delight, and you're bound to feel like royalty sharing a medieval feast inside Trakai's Island Castle, or exploring the magnificent Užutrakis Manor. Another one of the town's charms lies in the ethnic Karaims that inhabit it. The small community of Turkish descent is known for being great hosts and upholding their many traditions, including their tasty pastry Kibinai, which are stuffed with minced lamb meat. Learn how to make your own while exploring their culture, and follow that up with one of many water activities, including yacht and canoe racing, or a leisurely stand-up paddleboard ride on the mirror-like lakes.



## CITY ESCAPES



### Discover Lithuania's Ancient Capital



Visit Kernavė, the Grand Duchy of Lithuania's first capital dating back to the 13th century. This UNESCO World Heritage Site serves as an exceptional testament to the last 10,000 years of human settlement in the region and harbours complex archaeological strata. Moreover, the State Cultural Reserve's five hillforts are the only ones found within the Baltic Sea Region. Experience the spirit of deep antiquity by taking an engaging journey through the reserve and trying your hand at medieval crafts like bone carving, jewellery making, or metalworking. For an exclusive experience take a tour of Kernavė in a wooden bus called Kernavete. This cultural trip and activities are a great addition to any incentive programme.







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## Feel at One with Nature in the Countryside



Spend time relaxing in Lithuania's impressive nature. Enjoy a day in one of the unique countryside cottages near Vilnius. Choose to idle around sailing by a lake or take part in an activity most locals love - gathering herbs, berries and mushrooms. You'll learn to bake Lithuanian bread in an authentic oven, or get your hands dirty in a garden. Lunch will be prepared using the ingredients you pick, along with some produce straight from the hosts' organic garden and nearby farm. You're sure to get a taste of nature with every bite.



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## Get Hooked on Fishing



Lithuania is proud of its clean lakes and abundant rivers. Many of them are around Vilnius, which makes it easy to catch various fish. Choose the most appropriate time for fishing and enjoy the adventure. Professional fishermen will show you the best spots, teach you to cast a line, and will prepare your catch of the day. Challenge your team to see who catches the most fish, or the biggest one. For a completely different experience, choose an ice fishing adventure.





# CULTURAL EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

MARCH

## Kaziukas Fair

A large annual folk arts and crafts fair dedicated to the Patron of Lithuania - St. Casimir. The fair has been celebrated over 410 times since the 17th century.

[www.kaziukomugevilnius.lt](http://www.kaziukomugevilnius.lt)



MAY

## Street Music Day

A special day where music professionals and amateurs play and sing in the streets, squares, and parks, transforming the capital into one big stage.

[www.gmd.lt](http://www.gmd.lt)

MARCH

## Užgavėnės | Shrovetide

A traditional carnival when people are burning Morė - a huge doll symbolizing winter, thus driving the winter away.

[www.etno.lt](http://www.etno.lt)



MARCH-APRIL

## Vilnius Film Festival Kino Pavasaris

The festival offers audiences a chance to see renowned and award-winning movies from various film festivals around the world.

[www.kinopavasaris.lt](http://www.kinopavasaris.lt)

MAY

## International Folklore Festival Skamba Skamba Kankliai

Exciting concerts involving folk groups from Lithuania and many foreign countries take place in the squares, parks and courtyards of Vilnius Old Town.

[www.etno.lt](http://www.etno.lt)



APRIL

## Fashion Festival – Mados Infekcija | Fashion Infection

An innovative and conceptual event fusing art and fashion, featuring three days of free and ticketed public events that bring professional and upcoming designers together under one roof.

[www.madosinfekcija.lt](http://www.madosinfekcija.lt)



JUNE

## International Music Festival Vilnius Festival

An international music festival attracting distinguished performers, representatives of the world music elite, and Lithuania's best bands.

[www.vilniusfestivals.lt](http://www.vilniusfestivals.lt)



MAY - SEPTEMBER

## Open Kitchen

The best opportunity to taste a large variety of local summer culinary delights under the romantic sky of Tymo Market.

[www.openkitchen.lt](http://www.openkitchen.lt)



JUNE - SEPTEMBER

## Christopher Summer Festival

The largest and one of the most impressive summer events in Vilnius, offering masterpieces of classical music and experimental projects.

[www.kristupofestivaliai.lt](http://www.kristupofestivaliai.lt)



JUNE

## Culture Night

The festival of culture offers concerts in churches, exhibitions in museums and galleries, night dance lessons, an open air cinema, fashion shows, poetry reading and other art campaigns.

[www.kulturosaktis.lt](http://www.kulturosaktis.lt)



# CULTURAL EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

JUNE

## Joninės | Midsummer Night

Joninės is the traditional Lithuanian Midsummer Day that marks the summer solstice. It is an evening party with songs, folk dances and fortune telling.

[www.kernave.org](http://www.kernave.org),  
[www.etnokultura.lt](http://www.etnokultura.lt)



SEPTEMBER

## Vilnius City Fiesta

The biggest free city festival in Vilnius, offering the extensive audiences of Vilnius a great variety of concerts and events.

[www.vilniusfestivals.lt](http://www.vilniusfestivals.lt)

OCTOBER - NOVEMBER

## Contemporary Music Festival – Gaida Festival

The festival's aim is to present the most interesting works of Lithuanian and world music as well as to initiate new projects, including top international musicians.

[www.vilniusfestivals.lt](http://www.vilniusfestivals.lt)



JULY

## Days of Live Archaeology in Kernavė

Each year at the beginning of July, the magnificent solitude of Kernavė's mounds is disturbed by the awakening past.

[www.kernave.org](http://www.kernave.org)



NOVEMBER

## European Film Forum Scanorama

One of the most distinctive cultural events in Lithuania, presenting films from all over Europe by European directors in various formats and genres.

[www.scanorama.lt](http://www.scanorama.lt)



JULY

## Street Theatre Festival SPOT

Series of street performances and art installations invite everyone to see urban spaces in a different way and participate with no age restrictions and no tickets.

[www.menuspaustuve.lt](http://www.menuspaustuve.lt)



NOVEMBER

## International Jazz Festival Vilnius Mama Jazz

The youngest jazz festival in Lithuania, open to all styles and interpretations of jazz music.

[www.vilniusmamajazz.lt](http://www.vilniusmamajazz.lt)



SEPTEMBER

## New Circus Weekend

Performers from different countries around the world come for the contemporary circus festival to present their most interesting and unexpected acts.

[www.menuspaustuve.lt](http://www.menuspaustuve.lt)



SEPTEMBER

## Vilnius Gallery Weekend

Around 30 galleries and art spaces across Vilnius invite visitors to join exhibition openings, open studios, educational programmes and other art events.

[www.letmekoo.lt](http://www.letmekoo.lt)

DECEMBER

## Winter Festivities in the Capital

Each year, winter brings numerous concerts, performances, exhibitions, fairs and other entertainment activities to Vilnius.

[www.kaledossostineje.lt](http://www.kaledossostineje.lt)



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