

Arrival by Air

Tallinn Airport (see <http://www.tallinn-airport.ee/eng/>) is located only 4 km from the city centre making the airport quickly accessible.

The **bus stops** are located on floor 0. Bus route no. 2 departs towards the city centre – the Laikmaa stop – approximately every 20 minutes (from ~6:30 AM until midnight). Tickets (2 EUR) are sold by the bus driver upon entering the bus. See also <http://www.tallinn.ee/eng/pilet/>

A **Taxi** stand can be found just outside the arrivals hall. The fare from the airport to the city centre is about 13€. Tallinn Airport's contractual taxi partners are Tulika Takso, Tallink Takso and Tulika Business. You can use the services of other trustworthy taxi companies.

Arrival by Sea

Estonia is well served by ferry, with connections from Tallinn to Helsinki and Stockholm.

Ferries cross the Gulf of Finland between Tallinn and Helsinki several times a day and between Tallinn and Stockholm every evening.

See passenger ship schedule <http://www.portoftallinn.com/passenger-ship-schedules>

Passenger terminals are located a short distance from the Old Town.

Arrival by Bus

International **bus lines** (Lux Express <http://www.luxexpress.ee/en> and Ecolines <http://ecolines.net/en/>) offer bus connections between Tallinn and many European cities. There are regular lines running several times a day from **Riga** (Latvia), **Vilnius** (Lithuania) and **St. Petersburg** (Russia).

Location. Tallinn, the capital of Estonia, is located in the north-eastern part of the Baltic Sea region. Area of Tallinn – 159,2 km² (Estonia 45 227 km²).

Climate: June is the third warmest month of the year in the Estonian capital, after the peak summer months of July and August. June is characterised by the longest days of the entire year.

On weather conditions in June, see <http://www.holiday-weather.com/tallinn/averages/june/>

Time: Eastern European Time Zone: GMT + 2 hours. In summer: GMT + 3 hours.

Time Zone Converter <http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/converter.html>

Population. The population of Tallinn is 433 653 (02.10.2014). Nationalities living in Estonia: Estonian 52.5%, Russian 38.5%, Ukrainian 3.7%, other 5,3%.

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

Religion. The largest denomination in Tallinn is Russian Orthodox (23%), followed by Lutheran (8%). However, only about 35% of Tallinn's population practice any religion.

Visa Regulations. As of 21 December 2007, Estonia is a part of the Schengen visa area. Nationals of EU and EEA member states are free to enter Estonia. The required travel document for entry is a national ID card or passport.

For more specific information, please contact the nearest Estonian consulate or embassy, or check the Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs' website <http://vm.ee/en/taxonomy/term/41> and <http://vm.ee/ru>.

Currency. The national Currency is the EURO. Major international credit cards are widely accepted. Use of American Express is not as common. However, it is reasonable to carry some cash with you.

Internet. Public Internet access points have been set up all over Estonia. They are located in local libraries and post offices, etc. There are over 100 free wireless Internet zones around the country.

The **electricity** current is 220 volts AC, 50 Hz, European-style 2-pin plugs are in use.

New! Safety and security

Crime Rating: Medium

Terrorism Rating: Low

Emergency number: 112

Crimes against persons mainly occur in congested areas (malls, seaports, tourist areas, on/around public transportation, bars/nightclubs, restaurants). Pickpocketing, theft, and other street crimes do occur, particularly in areas where tourists and foreigners congregate. In the summer, pickpockets are very common, often working in teams in crowded areas. Pedestrians should be aware of their belongings and surroundings at all times. Pickpockets use various diversionary tactics to distract victims; one method involves bumping the victim in an effort to draw his/her attention to one individual, while another takes the wallet.

ATM use is generally safe.

Read more about Estonia <http://www.visitestonia.com/en> (available in 12 languages)