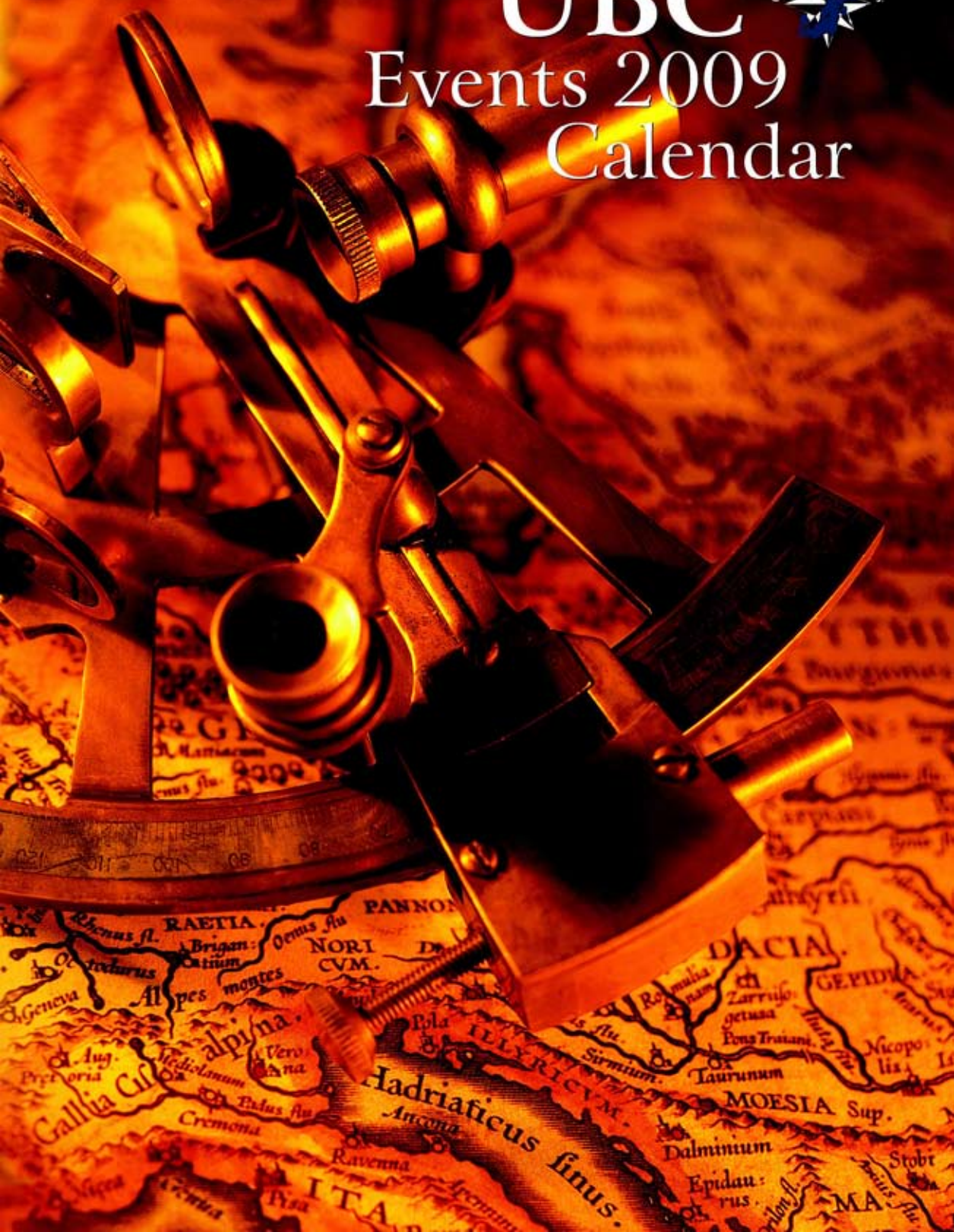


UBC



Events 2009 Calendar





Dear UBC Friends,

The Union of the Baltic Cities is a forum for cooperation in various fields. Furthermore, it provides a unique opportunity to present and promote its member cities within the Baltic Sea Region and Europe. The UBC has always been aiming to raise the awareness of the history, culture, economy of each member city. Doubtless the mutual knowledge makes the UBC cooperation more friendly and familiar.

All UBC cities offer an enormous variety of things to see and do. Either a music fan or a businessman can find something interesting. The numerous events all year long and thousands of people make the city's atmosphere vibrant and lively. But how to choose from such a wide range of options?

Hereby, the UBC presents the **Events Calendar 2009** which gathers the event information in one publication. This is an informative guide to business, cultural, sporting, recreational activities and exhibitions to be organized by your cities. The calendar will allow you to be up-to-date on what is going on in our members and enable to make preliminary arrangements for the visits. Additional travel tips will hopefully make the travel pleasant and more convenient.

In this publication you will be able to see the highlights of the events held around the Baltic Sea. You are welcome to contact the municipalities and welcome centers for further information.

Let's meet in the UBC cities!

With the Baltic Sea greetings,

Per Bødker Andersen
President of UBC

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ASSOCIATION OF EUROPEAN SCHOOLS OF PLANNING (AESOP)

CONTACT:

www.planninglaw2009.land.aau.dk
Visit Aalborg Convention
Østerågade 8
DK-9000 Aalborg
Phone: + 45 99317522

11 – 14 February

WIRELESS VITAE

CONTACT:

www.wirelessvitae2009.org
Aalborg Congress & Culture Centre
Visit Aalborg Convention

17 – 20 May

JOINT ACTIONS ON CLIMATE CHANGE

CONTACT:

www.jaocc.net
Aalborg Congress & Culture Centre
Visit Aalborg Convention

8 – 10 June

DANFISH 2009

CONTACT:

www.danfish.com
Aalborg Congress & Culture Centre
Visit Aalborg Convention

7 – 9 October

Travel TIPS

Aalborg is situated in the Northern Jutland and is a 45 min. flight from Copenhagen Airports to which all international flights arrive. For further information on domestic flights from Copenhagen to Aalborg, please visit www.sas.dk, www.cimber.dk or www.cph.dk. It is also possible to go directly to Aalborg from various international airports. For further information on international flights, please visit Aalborg Airport's homepage on www.aal.dk. Further information on Aalborg Congress & Culture Centre: www.akkc.dk. Further information on Aalborg University: www.aau.dk



ÅRHUS



VIKING FAIR IN THE CITY

The Vikings are coming back to the very heart of the city – exactly where Århus was founded by the Vikings 1200 years ago.

CONTACT:
VisitAarhus Events
Phone: +45 87315015
E-mail: info@visitaarhus.com

23 – 24 May

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS ATHLETICS FOR VETERANS

European Championships in athletics for veterans in outdoor disciplines.

29 – 31 May

SCULPTURE BY THE SEA

The world famous Australian sculpture festival takes place in Århus for the first time outside Australia – under protection of H.R.H. Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Mary.

CONTACT:
Sculpture by the Sea and Århus
tra@aros.dk, www.sculpturebythesea.com

5 – 28 June



AARHUS INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL

CONTACT:
Aarhus International Jazz Festival
Phone: +45 86121312
E-mail: info@jazzfest.dk
website: www.jazzfest.dk

11 – 19 July

AARHUS FESTIVAL

The Aarhus Festival is among the largest cultural events in Scandinavia and showcases both local, national and international artists. The Aarhus Festival is a thematic event and the theme of the year determines the artistic programme. The programme encompasses various forms of art such as dance, theatre, exhibitions, opera, sports, children's entertainment and a varied offering of music.

CONTACT:
Århus Festuge
Phone+45 87308300
E-mail: mail@aarhusfestuge.dk
www.aarhusfestuge.dk

28 August –
6 September





CRAFT AND DESIGN BIENNIAL AT KOLDINGHUS AND TRAPHOLT

CONTACT:

Director at Trapholt Britta Tøndborg
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bt@trapholt.dk

6 May –
6 September

WINEFESTIVAL IN CHRISTIANSFELD

CONTACT:

Business Kolding
Phone: +45 76332111
info@businesskolding.dk

6 – 9 August



CULTURE NIGHT

CONTACT:

Cultural Department of Kolding
Phone: +45 79791009

14 August



OPERA AT THE SKAMLINGSBANKEN

CONTACT:

Benny Nicolaisen
Phone: +45 75568367

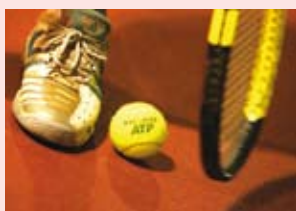
16 August

ØLIADEN – BEER FESTIVAL

CONTACT:

Business Kolding
Phone: +45 76332111
E-mail: info@businesskolding.dk

3 – 5 September



ATP CHALLENGER IN TENNIS

CONTACT:

Cultural Department of Kolding
Phone: +45 79791841

12 – 18 October



CULTURAL FESTIVAL FOR CHILDREN

The festival is addressing children aged 1½ - 14.
The Festival presents concerts, workshops, theatres, etc.

CONTACT:

Børnekulturhuset
Phone: +45 55883930

25 - 29 May

GREEN CONCERT

The concert takes place in 8 towns in Denmark, and for many concert-goers the festival has become a permanent tradition.

CONTACT:

Muskelsvindfonden
www.groenkoncert.dk

25 July



NÆSTVED FESTIVAL WEEK

Næstved Festival Week is an eventful program for all and presents top-artists from the international, national and local scenes.

CONTACT:

Det Gule Pakhus Erhvervskontoret
Phone: + 45 55736699
www.naestvedfestuge.dk

1 - 8 August



SUSÅ MUSIC FESTIVAL

Three intense days featuring prominent soloists and ensembles from home and abroad, and a fascinating meet-the-composer event in conjunction with "Young Players play New Music".

CONTACT:

Phone: +45 57649164
www.susaafestival.dk

28 - 30 August



THEATRE FESTIVAL FOR CHILDREN

The Theatre-Festival focuses on theatre for children, youths and their families. The theatres performing at the festival represents the most qualifying theatre-groups in Denmark.

CONTACT:

Grønnegades Kaserne, Kulturcenter
Phone + 45 55883940, www.gkkkultur.dk

24 - 27 September

STREETFESTIVAL

The festival presents street-football, street-basket, street-dance, graffiti, skating, concerts, etc.

CONTACT:

Børnekulturhuset
Phone: + 45 55883930

15 - 16 October

*Information on travel
and accommodation at:
www.visitnaestved.com*

ELVA



February

SNOW TOWN

Snow town is built in the center of Elva.

MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE

March

Bicycling race.



ST. GEORGE NIGHT MARATHON

All family event in running.

April



TRADE FAIR BUSY ELVA

The entrepreneurs introduce their businesses.

May

ELVA BIKE MARATHON

The biggest bike marathon of the year.

July



PIANO MUSIC DAYS

During one week different piano concerts in Elva.

October

MONTH OF ART

Art exhibitions, arts and crafts.

November

Travel
TIPS

Elva is located 25 km south of Tartu. The peaceful forests, refreshing waters of Lake Paisjärv, sandy beach at Lake Verevi, the River Elva, snowy tracks and numerous sporting facilities attract visitors to Elva all year round. In addition, a great variety of hiking trails is available in Elva and the surrounding. Detailed information on hiking can be obtained from the hiking center in the renovated train station. In a lounge there are an open gallery and a tourist information center with an interactive exposition that introduces history, sightseeing's and hiking trails of the area.

Tourist Information Center in the train station

Pargi 2, Elva, Estonia

Phone + 372 7330 123

i-punkt@elva.ee www.elva.ee

Haapsalu celebrates its 730th anniversary in 2009. It will culminate with the top events on 19 - 21 June 2009 when there is a variety of exciting performances and concerts planned. The anniversary year calendar is still under preparation. For further information please contact:
Ms Anne Andrejev, Municipal Government of Haapsalu, phone + 372 472 5345, anne.andrejev@haapsalu.ee, www.haapsalu.ee



HAAPSALU

THE POWER OF FAIRY TALE

The conference gives an opportunity for people who work with children to meet and discuss the transformation of fairy tales.

CONTACT:

Municipal Government of Haapsalu
Talis.Vare@haapsalulv.ee
Phone: +372 4725308
www.haapsalu.ee

29 – 30 May

GRAND JUBILEE CELEBRATION

CONTACT:

Municipal Government of Haapsalu

19 – 21 June

16TH EARLY MUSIC FESTIVAL

World's leading artists offer the best pieces of early music.

CONTACT:

Concerto Grosso Phone: +372 5016005
egmont@concertogrosso.ee, www.concertogrosso.ee

July

16TH INTERNATIONAL STRING FESTIVAL

Chamber music and symphonic concert for all tastes by the best local and international artists.

CONTACT:

MTÜ Haapsalu Kontserdiühing
Phone: + 372 5564596, ingrid.arro@gmail.com

22 – 26 July

WHITE LADY FESTIVAL

It is dedicated to the symbol of Haapsalu and the most known legend of Estonia, the White Lady. Concerts, plays, competitions, handicraft sales on the Lossi Square and open air performance every night.

CONTACT:

Haapsalu Culture Center Phone: + 372 4724470
info@kultuurimaja.ee; www.kultuurimaja.ee

6 – 9 August

AUGUST BLUES – BLUES FESTIVAL

Open air concerts and night club shows.

CONTACT:

Haapsalu Culture Center

14 – 15 August

VII MATSALUS NATURE FILM FESTIVAL

CONTACT:

Phone: +372 4775141
E-mail: tiit.mesila@matsalufilm.ee; www.matsalufilm.ee

16 – 20 September

JÕGEVA



Jõgeva is 160 km from Tallinn airport. Usually some discounts with transport available for participants of Jõgevatreff.

Travel
TIPS

JÕGEVATREFF

Largest camp of motocyclists in Estonia with cultural programme.

CONTACT:

Jõgeva MC, Igor Ellisson
GSM +372 5053989
jogevamc@jogevamc.ee
www.jogevamc.ee

30 July – 2 August



KÄRDLA



HIUMAA CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

Annual children's festival has declared the beginning of summer since 2001. 3 days lasting festival starts with festive parade, followed by days full of performances by children as well as workshops, competitions, trampolines, merry-go-rounds and other fun things to keep yourself busy with. Everybody's favourite is the children's version of "Who wants to be a millionaire" with candies for prizes and TV show's host. Festival offers entertainment for all ages.

CONTACT:

Kaja Hiis
Phone: +372 5109255, +372 4636080
kaja@kardla.ee
www.lastefestival.hiiumaa.ee

5 – 7 June



Travel
TIPS

Mostly people come to Hiiumaa by ferries, either from Rohuküla to Heltermaa or from Triigi in Saaremaa to Sõru. Timetables and other information on ferries can be found on website www.laevakompanii.ee. The quickest way to reach Hiiumaa is by air. There are regular flights between Tallinn and Kärdla and the information on schedules, tickets, etc. can be found on www.avies.ee. You can find accommodation on the island's website www.hiiumaa.ee



VALLIKRAAVI WATER RALLY

Spring season opening event, shows and competition, watergames.

CONTACT:

www.ametikool.ee

24 April

KURESSAARE 446

Anniversary Celebrations of the City.

CONTACT:

www.kuressaare.ee

8 – 10 May

TRADITIONAL SAAREMAA FOLKDANCE FESTIVAL

Folk concert on Kuressaare Stadium.

CONTACT:

www.kuressaare.ee

6 June

SAAREMAA WALTZ FESTIVAL

Saaremaa Waltz Festival takes place at Kuressaare Castle. It is a song and dance festival.

CONTACT:

www.saaremaavalss.ee

26 – 27 June

SAAREMAA VELOTUUR

52th high-level International Bicycle Race.

CONTACT:

www.saaremaavelotuur.ee

June

MUHU FUTURE MUSIC FESTIVAL

This Music Festival's purpose is to preserve Muhu island's cultural heritage, to develop and introduce it, connecting it with the world culture.

CONTACT:

www.nordicsounds.ee

2 – 5 July

KURESSAARE CASTLE DAYS

Historical events in the courtyard of Kuressaare Castle, Bishop's Dinner in the dormitory. Castle Days offer not only an aesthetic experience but also various historical information - contact the sense of the past and experience the Middle Ages.

CONTACT:

www.saaremaamuuseum.ee

3 – 5 July



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KURESSAARE MARITIME FESTIVAL

An action-packed programme of different amusements: bands, dancing programs, karaoke club, sports events, handicraft fair, jumble market, children's world, traditional seafood, different watercrafts and much more.

CONTACT:
www.merepaevad.ee

31 July – 2 August



KURESSAARE CHAMBER MUSIC DAYS

The concerts are performed at the festival, but also Estonian and world premieres of many works have taken place in Kuressaare.

CONTACT:
www.kammerfest.ee

4 – 8 August

42ND SAAREMAA RALLY

The special stages are on the gravel roads of central and western Saaremaa, in the streets of Kuressaare, and on the Oriküla double track.

CONTACT:
www.saaremaarally.ee

9 – 10 October

EXHIBITIONS IN GALLERIES

CONTACT:
Lii Pihl, Phone: +372 4533266;
raegalerii@kuressaare.ee

EXHIBITIONS IN KURESSAARE CASTLE

CONTACT:
Kuressaare Castle
www.saaremaamuseum.ee

SPORT EVENTS: www.saaregolf.ee

Kuressaare Tourist Information Centre:
Tallinna str 2, Kuressaare 93819
Phone: +372 4533120; +372 4533766
turism@kuressaare.ee

- BY PLANE:** Kuressaare Airport
eeke@eeke.ee www.eeke.ee
- BY FERRY:** Saaremaa Shipping Company
broneerimine@laevakompanii.ee
www.laevakompanii.ee
- BY YACHT:** Kuressaare Yacht Harbour
jahisadam@kuressaare.ee
Roomassaare Harbour
saarteliinid@hotmail.ee www.marinus.nautilus.ee
- BY BUS:** www.bussireisid.eew

Travel
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NARVA



FESTIVAL OF SCHOOLTHEATERS "KULDKALAKE"

More than 30 performances in a different genre: fairytales for children, puppet-shows, philosophic tales, farces and more.

CONTACT:

Jelena Kaljadina, Phone: +372 3572745
rugodiv@hotmail.ee, www.narva.ee

1 – 5 April



DAYS OF NARVA

Annual public holidays in the beginning of summer, with distinctive programme reflecting past, present and future prospects of town and its dwellers.

CONTACT:

Valeri Jääger, Phone: +372 3599129
valeri.jaager@narva.ee, www.narva.ee

5 – 7 June



NARVA SUMMER THEATRE SEASON

Amateur and professional theaters at open-air stages, performances of different genres: fairytales for children, puppet-shows, philosophic tales, farces and more.

CONTACT:

Valeri Jääger

June – August

SAILING REGATTA "PIIRIST PIIRINI"

14 June

CONTACT:

Valeri Jääger, www.narva.ee

SUMMER YOUTH MUSIC

Concerts and entertainment programme for the young people.

June – August

CONTACT:

Valeri Jääger

SUMMER FAIR

Annual summer fair: handycraft, market gardening and more.

CONTACT:

Ander Sile, Phone: +372 3569348
nvtc@nvtc.ee, www.narva.ee

15 August

MORE INFORMATION:

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Valeri Jääger
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6TH JAZZ FESTIVAL "JAZZ TIME 2009"

For the last 5 years Jazz Music Festival "Jazz time" has become one of the most important events in Sillamäe.

CONTACT:

Nadezhda Bezborodova
Phone: +372 3925735
bezborodova@sillamae.ee

13 – 14 February



SINIMÄE MARATHON

Ski competition for everybody interested in skyng. Competition is held in a picturesque place near Sillamäe-Sinimäe.

CONTACT:

Indrek Põdra
Phone: +372 3925734
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February



SILLAMÄE TOWN DAYS ST JOHN'S DAY

This event includes various actions devoted to the town days and St. John's Day. The sport competitions are held in the town centre, and the entertaining program for children is organised on the shore of the Finnish gulf. The culmination is fireworks at night.

CONTACT:

Nadezhda Bezborodova

23 – 24 June

MUSIC OF SEVEN TOWNS

The festival "Music of seven towns" has become significant event of all Ida-Virumaa. Idea of festival - seven days, seven concerts, seven towns.

CONTACT:

Nadezhda Bezborodova

July



EVENING OF ROMANCES

The purpose of this event is to introduce to all interested people such popular genre, as romance. Evening is held in a cosy atmosphere with Christmas tree and candles. Famous singers take part.

CONTACT:

Nadezhda Bezborodova

13 December

Tourist information in Ida-Virumaa:

www.ida-virumaa.ee

Information on Sillamäe:

www.sillamae.ee

TARTU ART MONTH 2009

CONTACT:

www.tartu.ee/kunstikuu

1 – 28 February



TARTU

III INTERNATIONAL CHOIR FESTIVAL FOR YOUTHCHOIRS

CONTACT:

www.segakooredeliit.ee

5 – 8 February

38TH TARTU SKIING MARATHON

CONTACT:

www.tartumaraton.ee

7 – 15 February



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TARTU CITY DAY

CONTACT:

www.tartu.ee

29 June

TARTU HANSEATIC DAYS

CONTACT:

www.hansapaevad.ee

17 – 19 July



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TARTU OPEN AIR LOVE FILM FESTIVAL "TARTUFF"

CONTACT:

www.tartuff.ee

10 – 15 August

ESTONIAN THEATRE FESTIVAL "DRAMA"

CONTACT:

www.festival.ee

7 – 13 September

FESTIVAL TARTU JAZZ

CONTACT:

www.concert.ee

12 – 15 November

BY BUS: Each day more than 40 express buses make the 2.5-hour trip from the capital, departing from Tallinn's bus station (bussijaam). The ride costs about 125-140kr. See www.bussireisid.ee.

BY CAR: Driving from Tallinn is fairly simple. Just head out of town on Tartu mnt. and once you get past the airport, it's a straight road all the way down.

BY PLANE: So far there are no international flights that arrive at Tartu's airport.

BY TRAIN: Trains to Tartu are scarce, with only four of them rolling in from Tallinn each day. Rides take either two hours. See www.edel.ee.

Travel
TIPS



SCHOOLJAZZ 2009

CONTACT:

NGO Viljandi Oldmusic Festival, Phone: +372 56659257
trall@viljandimaa.ee, www.kultuur.edu.ee/muusika

9 – 11 January

YOUTH WEEK

CONTACT:

NGO Viljandi County Youth Centre, Phone: +372 4333994
info@vanker.ee, noor.viljandi.ee

14 – 21 April



80TH RUNNING RACE AROUND LAKE VILJANDI

The tradition of the race dates to the year 1928. In recent years there have been more than 1300 participants.

CONTACT:

Viljandi County's Sports Union
spordiliit@viljandimaa.ee
www.spordiliit.viljandimaa.ee

1 May

XIII INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL "THEATRE IN THE SUITCASE"

CONTACT:

Viljandi Puppet Theatre, Phone: +372 4334295, +372 5277129
nukuteater@viljandi.ee, www.viljandinukuteater.ee

21 – 24 May



HANSEATIC DAYS

In traditional hansa fair it is possible to buy forgings, basketwork, souvenirs, garden furniture, etc. The program is set up for the people to enjoy concerts, exhibitions and performances. These are XVIII Hanseatic Days in Viljandi.

CONTACT:

Viljandi Town Government
ivi.lillepuu@viljandi.ee, www.viljandi.ee

5 – 7 June



VILJANDI FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL

Many performers and guests from all around the world come to Viljandi. This major folk music event held in July every year includes different concerts, workshops, dance clubs, joint singing and playing, courses and an instrument fair.

CONTACT:

NGO Estonian Traditional Music Centre
Phone: +372 4342050
folk@folk.ee, www.folk.ee

23 – 26 July



VÕRU



HANDICRAFT FAIR

CONTACT:
Võru town, Aino Suurmann
Phone: + 372 7820240
aino@fem.ee
www.visitvoru.ee

May

SUMMERFEST

A musical event for young people.

CONTACT:
Võru town, Roomet Allas
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roomet.allas@mail.ee, www.summerfest.ee

June – August

VÕRUMAA SONG AND DANCE FESTIVAL

CONTACT:
Võru town, Maie Pau
Phone: + 372 7868366
maie@mv.werro.ee, www.werro.ee

June

WÕRO ROLLER

Summer skiing competition in the streets of Võru.

CONTACT:
Võru town, Sixten Sild
Phone: + 372 5068377
sixten@okvoru.ee, www.okvoru.ee

July

VÕRU FOLKLORE FESTIVAL

International folklore festival (songs, dances, food, handicrafts).

CONTACT:
Võru town, Peeter Laurson
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peeter@mv.werro.ee, www.werro.ee/folkloor

July

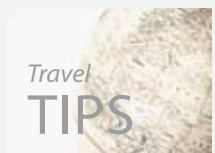
VÕRU TOWN DAYS

Town anniversary celebrations

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www.voru.ee



August



**TRAVEL
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www.estonian-air.ee
www.bussireisid.ee
www.voru.ee



Hartwall Areena: www.hartwall-areena.com

Jäähalli: www.helsinginjaahalli.fi

Finlandia-talo: www.finlandiatalo.fi

City of Helsinki/Event Office

P.O. Box 20

00099 City of Helsinki

FINLAND

www.hel.fi

www.hel.fi/elinkeinopalvelutalo.fi



NORDIC TRAVEL FAIR MATKA 2009

Helsinki Fair Centre.

15 – 18 January

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS IN FIGURE SKATING

Hartwall Areena.

20 – 25 January

DOCPOINT

Helsinki Documentary Film Festival.

21 – 25 January

VIAPORI WINTER BLUES

Suomenlinna.

Suomenlinna Shrovetide.

27 – 28 February

APRIL JAZZ

Espoon kulttuurikeskus.

22 – 26 April

MAY DAY EVE CELEBRATIONS

Students give Havis Amanda
a wash and her graduation hat;
Market Square.

30 April



JYVÄSKYLÄ SUMMER JAZZ

This urban jazz and worldmusic festival is offering an absolutely enchanting entity of events.

CONTACT:

www.summerjazz.net
Producer: Ville Niutanen
ville.niutanen@summerjazz.net

4 – 7 June



JYVÄSKYLÄ

JYVÄSKYLÄ FESTIVAL

The theatre stages will accommodate circus, comedians, mimes and international stars of physical theatre. Splendid concerts aside, the Festival will provide a special programme for children. The downtown pedestrian precinct will also feature a free admission programme.

CONTACT:

www.jyvaskylankesa.fi
Festival Manager: Tanja Rasi
tanja.rasi@jkl.fi

7 – 12 July



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VOLVO LAKE PÄIJÄNNE SAILING RACE

Every other year the harbour in Säynätsalo, a district of Jyväskylä, hosts the Volvo Lake Päijänne sailing race, one of Europe's biggest sailing events on inland waterways for cruising yachts.

CONTACT:

<http://paijannepurjehdus.fi>
Mirka Kiljala, GSM +358 451140569

17 – 19 July



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NESTE OIL RALLY

Neste Oil Rally Finland is Finland's most important motorsport event and it is part of the World Rally Championship.

CONTACT:

www.nesteoilrallyfinland.fi
Helinä Mäenpää, City of Jyväskylä
helina.maenpaa@jkl.fi

30 July – 2 August

11TH INTERNATIONAL ALVAR AALTO SYMPOSIUM

A symposium held every three years. Its purpose is to stimulate discourse about the artistic, social and technical problems of modern architecture.

CONTACT:

www.alvaraalto.fi/symposium
Mari Forsberg, mari.forsberg@alvaraalto.fi

7 – 9 August

ATHENIS FINLANDIAE

A unique event dedicated to the Finnish summer and the Latin language in Europe. The programme is a mixture of art, science, culture and music.

CONTACT:

www.athenisfinlandiae.com
Tuula Poutanen, tuula.poutanen@avete.fi

22 – 29 August

Travel TIPS

The flight time from Helsinki is approximately 45 minutes. The distance between the capital Helsinki and Jyväskylä is approximately 270 km. The bus journey from the capital to Jyväskylä takes about 3 hours.

<http://jyvaskylanseutu.fi/travel/transportation>
<http://www.centralfinland.net/gettingthere.html>

Timetables and journey searches:

VR Ltd, Finnish Railways timetable: www.vr.fi/heo/eng
Busses in Finland: www.matkahuolto.info/lippu/en/
Finnair: www.finnair.fi

Accommodation possibilities:

Jyväskylä Region Tourist Office
<http://jyvaskylanseutu.fi/travel>

KEMI



THE SNOWCASTLE OPENING

Snow hotel, restaurant, chapel. Various artists, events for children and adults.

CONTACT:

www.snowcastle.net

30 January



ARCTIC ICE MARATHON

CONTACT:

www.arcticice Marathon.fi

28 February

KEMI 140TH JUBILEUM

There will be a variety of happenings throughout the year.

CONTACT:

www.kemi.fi

5 March



28TH INTERNATIONAL ARCTIC COMICS FESTIVAL

Exhibitions, lectures, kitacon happening with anime and cosplay, Nordic comic strip competition, Nordic comics magazine competition.

CONTACT:

www.kemi.fi/sarjis

22 – 24 May

KEMI TOURISM

Kauppakatu 16,

FI - 94100 Kemi

Phone: + 358 405682069

Fax: + 358 16259675

kemin.matkailu@kemi.fi

www.kemi.fi



Travel TIPS

Kotka is only one and a half hour' drive from Helsinki. The Vaalimaa border crossing station on the border between Finland and Russia lies 65 kilometres away from Kotka, and the distance to the metropolis of St Petersburg is only 279 kilometres.

- 20 daily buses between Helsinki and Kotka, approx. 2 hours.
- Several buses to the Helsinki-Vantaa airport, approx. 2 hours.
- Daily bus services to St Petersburg from Karhula (10 km from the centre of Kotka).
- Kymi airfield (approx. 15 km from the centre) for small aircraft.
- Six daily train services to Kouvola directly from the Kotka City Port, travel time less than one hour.
- In summer, Emperors' Summer Route cruises by Kristina Cruises to Lake Saimaa on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

KOTKA



KOTKA



CHILDREN'S CULTURAL WEEKS

Concerts, theatre performances, dance, movies, literature.

CONTACT:

Children's Cultural Centre of Kotka
www.kotka.fi/lastenkulttuuri

1 – 22 February



III INTERNATIONAL ORGAN COMPETITION

CONTACT:

City of Kotka
Sibelius Academy and Kotka Parish
www.organcompetition.kotka.fi

18 – 24 April

130 YEARS OF KOTKA

Anniversary with various events: concerts, seminars, street performances.

CONTACT:

City of Kotka, www.kotka.fi

13 – 19 July

KOTKA MARITIME FESTIVAL

And on 17 - 19 July: Children's Maritime Festival.

CONTACT:

Kotka Cultural Services
www.meripaivat.com
Children's Cultural Centre of Kotka
www.lastenmeripaivat.com

16 – 19 July

KYMI GRAND MARKET

CONTACT:

Markkinaperinteiden tuki ry
www.markkina.net

31 October –
1 November

THINGS TO SEE AND DO

Maritime Centre Vellamo
www.merikeskusvellamo.fi

Kotka Maretarium
www.maretarium.fi

Langinkoski Imperial Fishing
Lodge (1889)
www.langinkoskimuseo.com

MORE INFORMATION:

Kotka City Tourist Office
Keskuskatu 6, FI-48100 Kotka
Tel. +358 (0)5 234 4424
tourism@kotka.fi,
www.visitkotka.fi

LAHTI



36RD FINLANDIA SKI MARATHON

Ridge Salpausselkä and the Hollola countryside scenery offer the skiers a varying skiing terrain. Races: P/C 62 km, 32 km and Free 50 km, 20 km.

CONTACT:

Finlandia Ski Marathon
info@finlandiahiihto.fi
www.finlandiahiihto.fi

21 – 22 February



LAHTI SKI GAMES

Long traditions, large crowds of spectators, versatile programme selection and the wonderful setting create the unique atmosphere.

CONTACT:

Lahti Ski Games, Marketing Assistant, Inkeri Määttä
Phone: +358 38168402
inkeri.maatta@lahtiskigames.com
www.lahtiskigames.com

6 – 8 March



F1 POWER BOAT GRAND PRIX

The fastest power boats in the world meet on Lake Vesijärvi. The Lahti GP belongs to the F1 Power Boat World Championships series.

CONTACT:

Lahti Travel Ltd., Sales Manager, Tiina Koivisto
Phone: +358 207281755
tiina.koivisto@lahtitravel.fi
www.f1lahti.com

June

JAZZ AT THE MARKET PLACE

Versatile selection of high-class Finnish and international artists and bands will perform in a tent erected at the Lahti Market Square.

CONTACT:

Jazz at the Market Place
www.jazztori.com

August

MORE INFORMATION:

Lahti Travel Ltd.
Rautatienkatu 22, FI-15110 Lahti
Phone: +358 207 281 750
Fax +358 207 281 751
info@lahtitravel.fi
www.lahtitravel.fi



LAHTI INTERNATIONAL SIBELIUS FESTIVAL

Lahti Symphony Orchestra's international festival is a tribute to the Finnish national composer Jean Sibelius. The theme of the festival will be 'Sibelius – Direction to Europe'.

CONTACT:

Lahti Symphony Orchestra
Managing Director, Tuoma Kinberg
tuoma.kinberg@lahti.fi, www.sinfonia-lahti.fi

10 - 13 September

KARAOKE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

CONTACT:

President of the Organization, Kari Hujanen
kari.hujanen@kwc.fi, www.kwc.fi

October



MARIEHAMN WINTER JAZZ

A small-scale jazz festival with international artists.

4 – 8 February

CONTACT:
www.winterjazz.nu

MARIEHAMN LITERATURE DAYS

An opportunity for readers to meet and discuss with authors and poets at public gatherings or small intimate seminars.

20 – 22 March

CONTACT:
www.mhbibl.aland.fi/littdag

ALANDIA CUP

The largest international football competition for 11 year-olds held in Scandinavia. More than 1500 youngsters compete.

14 – 18 June

CONTACT:
www.alandiacup.com

ÅLAND ORGAN MUSIC FESTIVAL

An international festival with concerts held in Mariehamn and surrounding districts.

21 – 27 June

CONTACT:
www.alfest.org

NATWEST ISLAND GAMES XIII

An international multi-sport competition.

27 June – 4 July

CONTACT:
www.natwestislandgames2009.ax

ÅLAND SEA DAYS

A gathering of traditional sailing vessels and farm boats held at the Maritime Quarter in the Eastern Harbour.

14 – 19 July

CONTACT:
www.sjokvarteret.com

ROCKOFF

This annual festival attracts well-known Scandinavian artists and has something for all age groups.

17 – 25 July

CONTACT:
www.rockoff.nu

More information at:
www.visitaland.com

PORVOO



ANTIQUÉ ART AND COLLECTOR'S FAIR AT TAIDETEHDAS

There you will find antique and art products for sale.

CONTACT:

Tommi Mäkinen, Phone: +358 500886217
tommi.makinen@rannikonmessut.com
www.rannikonmessut.com

14 – 15 March



Information on travel and accommodation at:
<http://tourism.porvoo.fi/en>

PORVOO DIET'S 200 JUBILEE YEAR

Opening ceremony on 28 March, Closing on 18 July
Listen to music and follow different events in the streets, cafés, restaurants and shops of the Old Town.

CONTACT:

Sari Hilska, Phone: +358 195202405
sari.hilska@porvoo.fi, www.porvoo.fi

28 March
18 July

PORVOO SPRING MARKET

An annual event that fills up the market place and the riverside with sale booths for different products.

CONTACT:

Hannu Pirttinokka, Phone: +358 40745 8595
hannu.pirttinokka@porvoo.fi
www.porvoo.fi

28 – 29 May

AVANTI! XXIV SUMMER SOUNDS MUSIC FESTIVAL

24 – 28 June

CONTACT:

Hannele Markkula
avanti@avantimusic.fi, www.avantimusic.fi

PORVOO FALL MARKET

8 – 9 October

CONTACT:

Hannu Pirttinokka
hannu.pirttinokka@porvoo.fi, www.porvoo.fi





TAMPERE VOCAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Festival offers a variety of concerts featuring top international artists in choral and ensemble music, as well as gems of classical and popular music. Programme details will be published in February 2009.

CONTACT:

Tampere Vocal Music Festival, Eija Koivusalo
music@tamperere.fi, www.tampere.fi/vocal

3 – 7 June



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TAMMERFEST CITY FESTIVAL

Tammerfest spreads the message of summer, joy, music and festival atmosphere to the whole town.

CONTACT:

Riki Huhtala
riki@tammerfest.fi, www.tammerfest.fi

8 – 11 July

EUROPEAN YOUTH OLYMPIC SUMMER FESTIVAL

The protocol of the EYOF is the same as in normal Olympic Games. The values of the the Tampere EYOF event are sportsmanship, good economy and sustainability.

CONTACT:

www.tampere2009.fi

19 – 24 July



TAMPERE JAZZ HAPPENING

Fresh and uncompromising programme and friendly atmosphere. The internationally esteemed programme incorporates the diverse styles of modern jazz. Programme details will be published in September 2009.

CONTACT:

Tampere Jazz Happening, Juhamatti Kauppinen
Phone: +358 505308777
music@tamperere.fi, www.tampere.fi/jazz

29 October –
1 November



GO TAMPERE

www.travelplan.fi
E-mail: gotampere@travelplan.fi
Phone: +358 (0)32330055 Fax: +358 (0)32330033
Address: Rautatienkatu 25 A, 33100 Tampere
www.tampere.fi/vocal, www.travelplan.fi
More events at: www.tampereconventionbureau.fi



EUROPEAN DAY OF ENTREPRENEUR

EDE offers a possibility to develop international networks. Hundreds of active representatives of business life from the Baltic Sea countries.

CONTACT:

Business Development Officer Markku Aholainen
 GSM: +358 505590594
markku.aholainen@turku.fi
www.edeturku.fi/english

10 June

THE MEDIEVAL MARKET

Medieval Market every day: meet jesters, bards and troubadours
 The Market play; Work display area

CONTACT:

Project Manager Riitta Luoma, GSM: +358 505947295
riitta.luoma@turku.fi
www.keskiaikaisetmarkkinat.fi

25 – 28 June

PAAVO NURMI MARATHON

CONTACT:

Kari Ahonen, GSM: +358 445678256
info@paavonurmisports.com
www.paavonurmisports.com

27 June

RUISROCK

Second oldest rock festival in Europe is held annually on the island of Ruissalo.

CONTACT:

www.ruisrock.fi

July

THE TALL SHIPS' RACES BALTIC

Opening ceremonies 23.7.2009
 Parade of Sails 26.7.2009

CONTACT:

Project Manager Kimmo Hyypä, GSM: +358 505590180
kimmo.hyypa@turku.fi
www.tallshipsrace.fi

23 – 26 July

DOWN BY THE LAITURI CITY FESTIVAL

Rock and pop concerts by riverside

CONTACT:

info@dbtl.fi
www.dbtl.fi

28 July –
 2 August

TURKU MUSIC FESTIVAL AUGUST

Concerts, Baroque music, Sinfonia Orchestras, cello and piano music.

CONTACT:

Phone: +358 22620814
info@turkumusicfestival.fi
www.turkumusicfestival.fi

August

UEFA WOMEN'S EURO

Matches in Turku: 23, 26, 28, 31.8., 3.9.

CONTACT:

Center Director of Turku Jouni Koivuniemi
GSM: +358 400781659
jouni.koivuniemi@weuro2009.palloliitto.fi
www.uefa.com/competitions/woco
http://www.palloliitto.fi/palloliitto/euro_2009/

23 August –
10 September

FACTORY FESTIVAL MANIFESTI

Dance, Circus, Performances, Theatre

CONTACTS:

Producer Katja Lehmussaari
katja.lehmussaari@manillantehdas.fi
www.manillantehdas.fi

10 – 20 September



CHRISTMAS CITY OF FINLAND

Opening ceremonies, Ecumenical Christmas, Santa Lucia's day
13.12.2009

The Christmas market in the Old Great Square 28-29.11, 5-6.12,
12-13.12, 19-20.12.

Declaration of Christmas Peace 24.12.2009

CONTACTS:

Project Manager Maarit Keto-Seppälä
GSM: +358 449072911
maarit.keto-seppala@turku.fi
www.christmascity.com

28 November
– 13 January

Straight flights to Turku from Stockholm (Sweden), Copenhagen (Denmark), Gdansk (Poland), Helsinki and Oulu (Finland).

More information: www.finavia.fi/airport_turku

Ferries to Turku from Stockholm:

www.vikingline.fi

www.silja.com

Railway traffic in Finland:

www.vr.fi

Accommodation:

www.turkutouring.com



Event calendar of Turku: www.turkukalenteri.fi



The event provides a unique opportunity to raise awareness in the current and emerging skilled trades. The vocational competitions aim to encourage young people and adults to excel in their vocational skill area.

CONTACT:

susanna.vestling@vaasa.fi

25 – 27 March

VAASA XVII CHOIR FESTIVAL

Happy and social celebration of the conclusion of the singing season which is open for every choir. Choir music can be heard at churches, concert halls, schools, restaurants, etc.

CONTACT:

<http://www1.vaasa.fi/choirfestival/>

20 – 24 May

KORSHOLM MUSIC FESTIVAL

The festival brings its own mood to this coastal region as music resounds in concert halls, restaurants, museums and idyllic church buildings. Plus white nights - a special magic!

CONTACT:

www.korsholmmusicfestival.fi

10 – 17 June

WASA YOUTH FOOTBALL CUP

Some 250 teams representing countries in Scandinavia and Europe, participate every year in junior soccer tournament.

CONTACT:

www.wasafootballcup.com

25 - 28 June



Travel TIPS

EVERYTHING CLOSE!

Good traffic services from morning till night. You can fly to Vaasa in one hour from Helsinki and Stockholm. By train you arrive directly at the city centre. And the shortest shipping route to Sweden goes from Vaasa all year round. Everything in Vaasa is at walking or cycling distance.

Information about the events or accommodation:

VAASA TOURIST OFFICE

Raastuvankatu 30 (Box 3)
65101 VAASA, Finland
Tel +358 (0) 63251145
touristinfo@vaasa.fi
<http://matkailu.vaasa.fi>

VAASAN MARSSI WALKING EVENT

Unique walking event in Finland. All walking routes start from the market place and end at the Hietalahden Villa.

CONTACT:

<http://www1.vaasa.fi/marssi/>

7 – 9 August

VAASA LITTFEST VASA

The purpose of the event is to support and develop the knowledge of literature for the bilingual Ostrobothnia by offering the public a high-level program free of charge.

The program includes author visits, seminars, and evening program.

CONTACT:

Birgitta Aurén, Director of Vaasa City Library – Regional Library
birgitta.auren@vaasa.fi
<http://littfest.vaasa.fi>

November

Request for information about events and change requests can be made by phone: +49 4316791050

Contact person:
Janine-Christine Schmidt
Accommodation can be booked online:
www.kurskiel.de or by phone: +49 431679100



KIEL

KIELER UMSCHLAG (SUNDAY WITH OPEN SHOPS)

The four-day-long folk festival is based on old traditions. The "Old Market" becomes an historical village, featuring basket makers, smiths and potters.

CONTACT:
www.eventbuero-kiel.de

26 February
– 1 March

SAILING CAMP (CAMP 24 | SIEBEN)

"A taste of sailing" – trips and sailing courses for children, youths and guests.

CONTACT:
www.camp-24sieben.de

May – September

KIELER WOCHE

Kiel Week is the world's biggest sailing event. Furthermore, it is the year's socio-political and cultural highlight and a big summer festival.

CONTACT:
www.kieler-woche.de

20 – 28 June

HANSEATIC LLOYD DRAGON GRAND PRIX

Top-class sport and a great golf-charity day are at the centre of the Hanseatic Lloyd Dragon Grand Prix.

13 – 18 July

CONTACT:
www.drachenklasse.de, www.kyc.de

SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN MUSIC FESTIVAL

Country focus 2009: Germany. A major international festival with concerts in Kiel and more than 40 other locations throughout Schleswig-Holstein and Hamburg.

11 July – 30 August

CONTACT:
www.shmf.de

11TH ANNUAL ICE FESTIVAL

Kiel's winter wonderland. A 750 sqm open-air ice rink at Kiel's Rathausplatz invites all ice skaters young and old to show their sporting skills.

November
– January

CONTACT:
www.kiel-marketing.de

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Traditional punch and snack stands, arts and crafts and culinary delights invite you to come for a nice long advent time

November
– December

CONTACT:
www.eventbuero-kiel.de



TRAVEMÜNDE



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KITE FESTIVAL - SPRING AND AUTUMN

Box kites, aero-sculptures, stunt kites and historical kites of all styles, constructions and steerings can be seen in the sky above Travemünde's beach.

CONTACT:

Hotline: +49 4518899700

www.travemuende-tourismus.de

10 – 13 March

1 – 4 October



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TRAVEMÜNDE WEEK

Top-flight international water sport and sailing event
More than 3,000 sailors from 20 different nations take part.

CONTACT:

www.travemuenderwoche.de

17 – 26 July

SAIL TRAVEMÜNDE

Windjammers, tall ships and museum vessels from around the Baltic Sea will come to Travemünd. Each year hundred thousands of visitors discover the charm of the maritime heritage when the tall ships and museum vessels conquer the seaports on their criss-cross cruise through the Baltic Sea.

CONTACT:

Hotline: +49 4518899700

www.sail-travemuende.de

21 – 23 August

NEW-YEARS-GARDEN

A traditional market with a very special flair: rustic cottages with an outstanding offering of catering and goods.

26 December 2009

– 1 January 2010



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BY CAR - MOTORWAYS

From the North - A1, from the East - A20, A24, from the South - A7, from the West - A1

BY RAIL

Travel to Lübeck by rail at especially low rates. The prices are valid only when booking a basic package. Children under the age of 12 get a 50% discount.

FLYING TO LÜBECK

Ryanair from London-Standsted, Dublin, Milano-Bergamo, Pisa, Gerona or Stockholm-Skavsta to Lübeck-Blankensee directly! Timetable: www.ryanair.com. From 26 October 2008 you can go from Lübeck-Blankensee to Frankfurt-Hahn also. Wizzair from Gdańsk to Lübeck: www.wizzair.com

Travel TIPS

LÜBECK

MORE INFORMATION

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www.luebeck-tourismus.de
festivals@luebeck-tourismus.de

Booking accommodation

Online booking:
www.luebeck-tourismus.de
Hotline +49 4518899700

BRAHMS FESTIVAL

The best soloists of the conservatoire of Lübeck present a diversified programme with concerts of symphonies, chamber music, recitals as well as choral concerts of Brahms and his contemporaries.

CONTACT:

www.mh-luebeck.de

2 – 10 May

CRAFTSMEN'S MARKET

You can marvel at many old handcrafts like tin-casting, pottery, forging argent and making toys. The visitors can also enjoy the stage programme.

May

DUCKSTEIN-FESTIVAL ON THE BANKS OF THE TRAVE

Street-theatre, performances as well as jazz, blues and classical music. As setting for the performers serves among others a swimming stage.

CONTACT:

www.ducksteinfestival.de

7 – 16 August

50TH NORDIC FILM FESTIVAL

Showing and awarding of new Scandinavian and Baltic films: documentaries- and short films, movies for children and young people as well as retrospective information shows, seminars and discussions.

CONTACT:

www.nordische-filmtage.de

28 October –
1 November

CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Markets Open Air: 23 November - 30 December
Christmas fair for Kids and Families: 23 November - 23 December
Magic Forest of Christmas: 23 November – 30 December
Christmas with Buddenbrooks: December

CONTACT:

www.luebecker-weihnachtsmarkt.de
www.buddenbrookhaus.de

November
– December



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LIGHTHOUSE ABLAZE

The new amazing show with light, laser, firework and live performance that yearly attracts thousands of people into the resort.

1 January

RIVER AWAKENING

Kicks off the season. A long line of market stalls and culinary delights along the Alter Strom and around the lighthouse is a serious draw. The programme includes music and entertainment.

1 – 3 May



FISH 09 - FESTIVAL IM STADTHAFEN

Annual spring event of the Young Film scene, which has been organized since 2004 in Rostock.

CONTACT:

Institut für neue Medien, Festivaloffice
Henrike Hübner, Phone: +49 38120354712
huebner@ifnm.de, www.ifnm.de/fish

17 – 19 April

19TH NORDIC TREE DAYS

An interesting program of presentations and excursions.

CONTACT:

Hansestadt Rostock
Phone: +49 3813818500
stadtgruen@rostock.de
[www.dggl.org/landesverbaende/
meckl_vorp/meckl_vorp_baumtage.html](http://www.dggl.org/landesverbaende/meckl_vorp/meckl_vorp_baumtage.html)

10 – 12 June

72ND WARNEMÜNDE WEEK

Photo: Pepe Hartmann



Top-class sailing. More than 2000 sailors and surfers compete for world and European titles, world ranking points in all Olympic boat classes and the Laser European Cup.

4 – 12 July

19TH HANSE SAIL ROSTOCK

Barques, brigs and schooners conjure up a romantic maritime atmosphere on Rostock's quaysides. Impressive windjammers, traditional sailing ships and museum ships will be stopping off at Warnemünde and the city harbour.

CONTACT:

Bureau Hanse Sail Rostock, Holger Bellgardt
Phone: +49 3812085233
hansesail@rostock.de
www.hansesail.com

6 – 9 August

THE RIVER FESTIVAL

While 200 deep sea fishers search for the longest cod to elect the one and only Cod King, visitors experience the vivid market life, the evening boat parade and fireworks.

4 – 6 September

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CHRISTMAS FAIR

The largest Christmas market in the north of Germany. It is a culinary experience with Glühwein, Christmas biscuits and Rostock smoked sausages but also a funny Christmas programme for kids.

26 November –
22 December

Travel TIPS

Rostock is the gate to the Baltic Sea. Big ferry boats unite the city with Denmark, Sweden, Finland and Latvia. Two hours separate Rostock from Berlin and Hamburg. From the motorway A19 from Berlin and A20 from Hamburg you will arrive fast and uncomplicated. From Berlin you can also use the train Intercity Express (ICE). The airport Rostock-Laage has the scheduled flights to Munich, Cologne and soon to Stuttgart.

TOURIST INFORMATION:

Neuer Markt 3, D-18055 Rostock
Phone: +49 3813812222
(Warnemünde):
Am Strom 59, D-18119 Rostock
Phone: +49 381548000
e-mail: touristinfo@rostock.de

ACCOMMODATION SERVICE:

City Center:
Phone +49 3813812371
Warnemünde:
Phone +49 3815480010
Book online:
www.rostock-travel.de



NIGHT OF MUSEUMS

The event provides a unique opportunity for newcomers, especially the young, to delve into the extraordinarily rich and diverse collections housed in the nation's museums.

CONTACT:
www.mvp.gov.lv

16 May



CĒSIS TOWN FESTIVAL

A lot of different events take place in Cēsis all day long starting from 11 am until the last dancer... As the city is 802 years old, we highlight the Medieval castle and its historical importance during the festival.

CONTACT:
www.cesis.lv

18 July



CĒSIS ART FESTIVAL

A rich program featuring a diverse range of art forms including classical music concerts, visual art exhibitions, opera and drama performances reflects the most significant events in each genre over the past year. The festival aims to transform Cēsis into a centre of active cultural life for the inhabitants and foreign visitors.

CONTACT:
E-mail: info@cesufestivals.lv
www.cesufestivals.lv

18 July – 8 August



Travel TIPS



Cēsis as the centre of district is easily reachable by car. To get to the city you have to use the main roads A2 (Rīga – Vecclaicene) or A3 (Inčukalns – Valka) and follow the signs to Cēsis or some other roads within the territory of the district.

The town is easily reachable by bus as well. There is direct bus connection between all of the district's towns and villages as well as biggest towns of Northern Latvia. To get to Cēsis from other regions of Latvia, you have to take the bus from Rīga. The bus traffic from capital to Cēsis is regular – there are at least 20 runs a day.

A railway line Rīga – Valga is going through Cēsis. There are 5 trains every day to Rīga (where you can change to other railway lines) and to other big towns as Sigulda, Valmiera, Valka and even Valga, Estonia.

ACCOMMODATION IN CĒSIS

More information at www.tourism.cesis.lv or write to info@cesis.lv

Jūrmala is the largest resort city in the Baltic States, well-known for its natural treasures – mild climate, sea, healthy air, curative mud and mineral waters.

It is easy to reach Jūrmala, as the city is located only 25 km from Riga. You can go by train, by minibus, by river ship in the season, by shuttle bus from airport "Rīga", by taxi or rent a car.

The trains depart from Riga Central Station almost every 20 minutes. The minibuses depart from the Central minibus stop opposite to the Riga Central Station every 5 minutes. Getting to Jūrmala would cost in between 0,50Ls up to 1,40Ls.

When entering Jūrmala by private or rented transport with no Jūrmala pass non-residents have to pay the entrance pass 1,00Ls right before entering the city. No charge for buses with the voucher for Jūrmala, as a destination or motorbikes.



JŪRMALA

EASTER DAY IN JŪRMALA

The celebration of the Easter holidays in different parts of the city – traditional games, songs and dances.

12 April

JŪRMALA MUSEUM NIGHT

All the biggest museums in Latvia opened during the night only once a year!

16 May

MIDSUMMER DAY

Celebrating the shortest night of the year! Bonfires, traditional songs and dances till the dawn!

23 June

22ND ANNIVERSARY OF JOMAS STREET

Concerts, shows, attractions all day long, all street long, including III International Baltic Sand sculpture festival „Magic sand“!

4 – 11 July

NEW WAVE 2009

International competition for the new singers in Dzintari Concert Hall – annual festival that brings together artists from all over the world!

29 July – 2 August

SUMMERTIME - INESSA GALANTE INVITES

International music festival in Dzintari Concert Hall brings together: opera and classical music singers, jazz, latino, folk dancers, etc.

8 – 14 August

RETRO JŪRMALA 2009

Antique cars from the entire world!

29 August

TOURISM INFORMATION CENTRE

Lienes street 5, Majori,
Jūrmala, LV – 2015
Phone: +371 67147900;
+371 67147902;
+371 67147905;

Tourism Information Point

Priedaine police office
Priedaine, Jūrmala
Phone: +371 67147900;

info@jurmala.lv
tourism@jpd.gov.lv
www.jurmala.lv



XVII INTERNATIONAL PIANO STARS FESTIVAL

This annual festival is one of the highlights of musical life in Liepāja and over the years has offered opportunities to enjoy performance of outstanding pianists from all over the world.

CONTACT:

Liepāja Symphony Orchestra
 ilona@orkestris-liepaja.lv
<http://festivals.orkestris-liepaja.lv>

8 – 15 March



AILE JAZZ

Musicians from Latvia and abroad, e.g. Alexander Vinitzky (Russia), Esperanza Spalding (USA), Richard Bona (Cameroon), Raimonds Pauls (Latvia); Liepāja Symphony Orchestra and Gunārs Kalniņš' Gospel Choir (Latvia) will feature in this year edition.

CONTACT:

Liepāja City Culture Department
 kaspars.vecvagars@dome.liepaja.lv
www.ailejazz.lv

12 – 25 April



CHILDREN FESTIVAL

Multidisciplinary event including the Day of Songs, the Day of Dance, the Day of Puppets – concerts, masterclasses, performances of puppet theatres and circus, etc.

CONTACT:

Liepāja City Culture Department
 kaspars.vecvagars@dome.liepaja.lv

29 May – 1 June

SEA & CITY FESTIVAL

It merges several events – the street theatre festival, the art plain-air, etc.

CONTACT:

Liepāja City Culture Department
 kaspars.vecvagars@dome.liepaja.lv

9 – 11 July

BALTIC BEACH PARTY

A most exciting event held right on the sandy beach of the Baltic Sea – concerts, performances, beach sport games, sand castles and more!

CONTACT:

Latvia 1st Rockcafe and Music Club Pablo
info@pablo.lv, www.beachparty.lv

24 – 25 July

VIII INTERNATIONAL ORGAN MUSIC FESTIVAL

Most of concerts are held in Liepāja Cathedral of Holy Trinity on the unique organ - the largest non-reconstructed mechanical organ in the world!

CONTACT:

Liepāja Symphony Orchestra
 gundars@orkestris-liepaja.lv

11 – 19 September

Travel TIPS

Information on travel and accommodation:
www.liepaja.lv

SAXOPHONIA

The International Festival of Saxophone Music

CONTACT:

Latvijas Koncerti LTD
Phone: +371 67205485
www.latvijaskoncerti.lv

17 – 22 February



RIGA



9TH INTERNATIONAL BACH CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

CONTACT:

The Bach Musical Foundation
Phone: +371 29208181
www.music.lv/bachfestival

28 February
– 4 April

2 ANNAS

International Youth Short Film Festival

CONTACT:

Virtual Studio URGA
Phone: +371 29593934
www.2annas.lv

25 – 30 May

TIME TO DANCE

The International Contemporary Dance Festival

CONTACT:

Latvian Professional Contemporary
Dance Association
Phone: +371 7043671; 29131796
www.dance.lv

10 – 15 June



MIDSUMMER FAIR

CONTACT:

Riga City Council, Department of Culture,
Concert organization AVE SOL
Phone: +371 67043671
www.avesol.riga.lv
www.rdkd.lv

20 June



RIGA CITY FESTIVAL 2009

CONTACT:

Riga City Council, Department of Culture
Phone: +371 67043648
www.rdkd.lv

21 – 23 August



12TH INTERNATIONAL SACRED MUSIC FESTIVAL

CONTACT:

The State Choir Latvija
Phone: +371 67223839
www.sacredmusicfestival.lv

20 August –
5 September



CONTEMPORARY CULTURE FORUM WHITE HIGHT 2009

CONTACT:

Riga City Council, Department of Culture
Phone: +371 67043648
www.rdkd.lv

29 August

16TH AUTUMN CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

CONTACT:

Latvijas Koncerti LTD
Phone: +371 67205485
www.latvijaskoncerti.lv

1 September
– 8 October

WORLD MUSIC FESTIVAL PORTA

CONTACT:

Riga City Council, Department of Culture
Phone: +371 67206634
www.festivalporta.lv

November



**Information on travel and
accommodation:**

www.rigatourism.lv

More information on events:

Riga Tourism Coordination and
Information Centre (RTKIC)

Rātslaukums 6, Riga, LV 1050
Phone: +371 67026072
rtkic@riga.lv

FESTIVAL OF LIGHT „STARO RĪGA 2009”

CONTACT:

Riga City Council, Department of Culture
www.staroriga.lv

13 – 15 November

FESTIVAL EUROPEAN CHRISTMAS

CONTACT:

Latvijas Koncerti LTD
Phone: +371 67205485
www.latvijaskoncerti.lv

11 – 30 December



Tukums is located 65 km from Riga. It is a perfect blend of small town tranquillity and modern excitement and action. The mountain in the Brīvības square is the best place to meet the friends. The nearest airport Riga – 55 km. Train and bus route Riga – Tukums.

Tourism information: www.tukums.lv/turisms/



TUKUMS TOWN FESTIVITY

Town festivity offers a diverse sport and culture program

Sport activities for family,

Auto rally,

Extreme run for vehicles,

Shows and concerts,

Craftsmen fair.

CONTACT:

Ms Inese Smirnova, Phone: +371 63107239

Inese.smirnova@tukums.lv

www.tukums.lv

19 – 21 June

MINIJA RIVER LOWER REACHES REGATTA

Traditional water tourism event – a day long voyage by various sailing vehicles, competitions of vehicles of different categories, celebratory prize giving ceremony and traditional festive fish soup are the main attractions of the regatta.

Advanced regatta's program:

1. The first day: sailing from Gargždai town to Šernai village.
Sail equipment – canoes and kayaks.
2. The second day: water tourism sport event on the Minija River and various attractions at the campsite.

CONTACTS:

Daiva Buivydienė and Sandra Uktverytė

Phone: +370 46473416, GSM +370 68233872

tourgargzdai@delfi.lt

www.klaipedos-r.lt

8 – 9 August



The nearest airports are in Palanga, Kaunas and Vilnius, ferry terminal in Klaipėda. There is also train connection from Vilnius, Kaunas to Klaipėda. Accommodation: accommodation booking is available through Gargždai Tourism Information Centre. The participants have overnight stay at the campsite. Participants usually bring tent, sleeping bag, some food and other camping equipment.



MORE INFORMATION:

Gargždai Tourism Information

Centre

Klaipėdos str. 15

LT-96135 Gargždai

Phone/fax: +370 46473416

E-mail: tourgargzdai@delfi.lt

www.klaipedos-r.lt



LITHUANIAN THEATRE SPRING FESTIVAL

Lithuanians still find the theatre to be one of the most remarkable languages of art.

CONTACT:

Gintarė Aleksandravičienė, Girstutis Sports and Entertainment Centre
gintare@gandstutis.lt
www.gandstutis.lt

15 April – 10 May



19TH INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL KAUNAS JAZZ

For us jazz will always be synonymous to freedom. Only a liberated inner world can create the external world.

CONTACT:

Indrė Jučaitė
festival@kaunasjazz.lt
www.kaunasjazz.lt

23 – 27 April



5TH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL KAUNAS PHOTO 09

Exhibitions, photo nights, and joint projects – a blend of the archive and modern world bringing the past and present-day world into sharp focus.

CONTACT:

Mindaugas Kavaliauskas, Kaunas Department of the Union of Lithuanian Art Photographers and Public Enterprise Šviesos Raštas
info@light.lt
www.light.lt

May – December



24TH INTERNATIONAL FOLKLORE FESTIVAL ATATARIA LAMZDŽIAI

CONTACT:

Kaunas National Culture Centre, Ms Vilma ČiPLYTĖ
ktkc.info@gmail.com
www.ktkc.lt

20 – 24 May

POEZIJOS PAVASARIS 2009

International Poetry Festival

CONTACT:

Petras Palilionis, Kaunas Department of Lithuanian Writers Association
muza@kaunas.omnitel.net

29 May

14TH INTERNATIONAL CLASSICAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

MORE INFORMATION:

Tourism Information Centre
Phone: +370 37323436
<http://visit.kaunas.lt>

CONTACT:

Public enterprise Pažaislio Muzikos Festivalis
Justinas Krėpšta
filharmonija@pazaislis.lt
www.pazaislis.lt

1 June – 31 August

INTERNATIONAL OPERETTA FESTIVAL

Operetta...
Smiles and cheeriness, a ray chasing away melancholy.

CONTACT:

Danielius Vėbra
baritonutrio@one.lt

4 – 5 July

HANSA KAUNAS 2009

All this did happen: the Middle Ages, the knights,
and Hansa markets in Kaunas only.

CONTACT:

Darius Rumšas, Hansa Kaunas
svente@hansakaunas.lt
www.hansakaunas.lt

22 – 23 August

KAUNAS ART BIENNIAL TEXTILE 09

Living attitude: cooperation, publicity and society.
International textile biennial festival, the only events of this genre of
art of the global level in Lithuania.

CONTACT:

Virginija Vitkienė
kaunobienale@gmail.com
www.bienale.lt

1 October –
30 November

17TH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF SACRED MUSIC 5TH SACRED CHORAL MUSIC COMPETITION CANTATE DOMINO

Chants open up our hearts, flood our souls with blessing, and
anticipate subtle vibrations.

CONTACT:

Rolandas Daugėla
cantatedominoprojektas@yahoo.com
www.vytautine.lcn.lt
www.cantatedomino.projektas.lt

27 – 29 November



KLAIPĖDA MUSIC SPRING

The oldest festival of classical music in Lithuania. Concerts of the symphony and chamber orchestras, operas, etc.

CONTACT:

Klaipėda Concert Hall
 loreta@koncertusale.lt
 www.koncertusale.lt

April – May

GERMAN CULTURE DAYS

Traditional project, dedicated to presentation of German and Austrian culture (literature, visual art, films, theatre, music).

CONTACT:

Klaipėda's German community
 www.vdd.lt

May – June

“ŠERMUKŠNIS“ (“ROWAN-TREE”)

International Festival of Street Theatres. A massive festival of the city, promoting unspecific genres of theatre in the untraditional areas.

CONTACT:

Culture centre “Žvejų rūmai” of Klaipėda City Municipality
 info@zvejurumai.lt
 www.zvejurumai.lt

June

KLAIPĖDA CASTLE JAZZ FESTIVAL

The motto of the festival is „Good music for good people“.

CONTACT:

“Kurpiai” Association Klaipėda Jazz Festival
 kongas@takas.lt
 www.jazz.lt

June / July

SEA FESTIVAL

The main event of Klaipėda, celebrated annually last weekend of July since 1934. More than 100 various events organized (concerts, fairs, exhibitions, artistic actions, ceremonies of seamen, etc.). It is also famous for traditional sailing regattas.

CONTACT:

“Jūros šventė” (“Sea Festival”), Director Remigijus Mockus
 remigijus@jurossvente.lt
 www.jurossvente.lt

July

EUROPEADE

The festival of European folk culture organized since 1964. Variety of national cultures, opportunity to get acquainted with cultural heritage and traditions of Europe.

CONTACT:

“Jūros šventė” (“Sea Festival”)
Director, Remigijus Mockus

22 – 26 July



THE TALL SHIPS' RACES BALTIC 2009

Klaipėda will host the finals of the regatta. About 100 ships from around the world with more than 4000 crew members are expected.

CONTACT:

Klaipėda City Municipality, Ina Sidlauskiene
ina.sidlauskiene@klaipeda.lt
www.talships.lt

31 July – 3 August

CITY BIRTHDAY

Traditional festival of the city organized in the castle. Visit to the Medieval Town is organized with historical dances, songs and art of chivalry.

CONTACT:

The Castle Museum, History Museum of Lithuania Minor
Director, Jonas Genys
info@mlistorija.lt
www.mlimumuziejus.lt

1 August

MORE INFORMATION:

Klaipėda Tourism and Culture
Information Center
Project Manager
Kipras Paldauskas
Phone: +370 46430702
kipras.paldauskas@klaipedainfo.lt

MUSICAL AUGUST AT THE SEASIDE

International Opera and Symphony Music Festival. The only festival of such genres in the Western Lithuania.

CONTACT:

Klaipėda State Musical Theatre, Director Ramūnas Kaubrys
teatras@klaipedosmuzinis.lt
www.muzikinis-teatras.lt

1 – 28 August

FESTIVAL OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC “SALVE MUSICA”

Its program consists of famous pieces of popular classics, diverse entertaining and popular projects that emphasize the elevated mood of the seasonal spirits.

CONTACT:

Klaipėda Concert Hall
info@koncertusale.lt
www.koncertusale.lt

December



CONTACT:
Palanga's Culture Centre
palangoskc@centras.lt
www.palangatic.lt

21 – 22 February

SUMMER OF PIPES

The winding music concert cycle

June – August

CONTACT:
Palanga's Culture Centre



HOLIDAY OF FISHERMEN

CONTACT:
Culture Centre of Šventoji
sventosioscentras@takas.lt

25 July



DAYS OF TOURISM

CONTACT:
Palanga's culture centre

25 – 27 September

SACRED MUSIC FESTIVAL

CONTACT:
Palanga's culture centre

7 – 29 November

Travel TIPS



BY BUS

By international express from Liepāja, Riga, Moscow and Kaliningrad.
By interurban buses from Vilnius, Kaunas, Šiauliai. Buses from Klaipėda (25 km) and Kretinga (12 km) go to Palanga every 20 min.

BY TRAIN

The nearest railway stations are in Kretinga and Klaipėda: www.litrail.lt

BY PLANE

Planes from Copenhagen, Oslo, Dublin, London and Moscow arrive at Palanga airport: www.palanga-airport.lt

BY FERRY

To Klaipėda from Åhus, Karlshamn, Kiel, Sassnitz, Travemünde, Aarhus, Aabenraa, Mukran: www.shipping.lt

More information on events, travel and accommodation:

Palangos Tourist Information Center:
Kretingos str. 1, Palanga
Phone: +370 846048811
info@palangatic.lt, palangaturinfo@is.lt
www.palangatic.lt

Travel TIPS

The direct flights are operated to Riga (Latvia) www.rigaairport.lv and Vilnius www.vilniusairport.lt. International bus line Eurolines) and Šiauliai Busturas www.busturas.lt connect Riga to Šiauliai.

Domestic bus lines connect Vilnius to Šiauliai: www.autobusbiletai.lt. The train from Vilnius to Klaipėda via Šiauliai goes every day www.litrail.lt

Šiauliai Tourism Information Center:

See www.siauliai.lt/tic for:
Interactive map of Lithuania
Interactive map of Šiauliai
Accommodation
Transport
Events / Entertainment, etc



ŠIAULIAI

INTERNATIONAL MEDIA ART FESTIVAL - ENTER

The newest contemporary video art, photography, electrical music, sound art forms and their synthesis with the traditional art.

CONTACT:
Šiauliai Art Gallery
galerija@splus.lt

7 April

VI INTERNATIONAL CH. FRENKELIS VILLA SUMMER FESTIVAL

Outstanding artists, music virtuosos from Lithuania and foreign countries participate.

CONTACT:
Šiauliai Culture Center
kulturoscentras@gmail.com

1 June – 29 August

ŠIAULIAI CITY DAYS

The city will celebrate its 773rd anniversary. Different exhibitions, campaigns, concerts will be held.

CONTACT:
Šiauliai City Municipality Culture Department
Šiauliai Culture Center
kultura@siauliai.lt, www.siauliai.lt

11 – 12 September

XIV INTERNATIONAL CONTEMPORARY ART FESTIVAL VIRUS

The latest original art projects in representational art, fashion, dance, music, theatre, literature, media and film fields.

CONTACT:
Šiauliai Art Gallery
galerija@splus.lt

November –
December

XIV ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS FAIR

Fair presenting goods and services manufactured in Lithuania and abroad. Seminars and discussions on business development.

CONTACT:
Chamber of Commerce Industry and Crafts
Šiauliai City Municipality
siauliai@chambers.lt, www.rumai.lt

November



VILNIUS BOOK FAIR

The biggest fair in the Baltic States, annually visited by 55 thousand people. Numerous cultural events are dedicated to books during the four days of this fair.

CONTACT:

Exhibition Centre LitExpo, Lithuanian Publishers Association,
Lietuviškos knygos (Lithuanian Books)
lla@centras.lt, bookfair@litexpo.lt
www.litexpo.lt

12 – 15 February



UŽGAVĖNĖS (SHROVE TUESDAY)

One of the most entertaining days in Vilnius, marking the end of the winter. The streets are alive with people in masks and costumes. Shows of Vilnius folklore ensembles create a festive atmosphere in the city.

CONTACT:

Vilnius Ethnic Activity Centre
info@etno.lt, www.etno.lt

24 February

FAIR “KAZIUKO MUGĖ”

The traditional folk arts and crafts fair dedicated to the 4 March, the day of the Patron of Lithuania, St Casimir.

CONTACT:

Marceliukės klėtis
marceliukeskletis@one.lt
www.marceliukeskletis.tinkle.lt

27 February
– 1 March

SPRING OF CINEMA

International film and video festival.

CONTACT:

Kino Pavasaris
info@kinopavasaris.lt
www.kinopavasaris.lt

2 – 16 April

NEW BALTIC DANCE

International annual dance festival. One of the most outstanding festivals in the Baltic States. Groups from Sweden, Finland, Norway, Denmark, the UK, France, Russia, Poland, Latvia and Lithuania take part.

CONTACT:

Vilnius Festivals
www.vilniusfestivals.lt

4 – 12 May

**More information on events
Travel and accommodation:**

Vilnius Tourist Information
Centre
Mėsinių street 3A, LT-01119
Vilnius
Phone: +370 5 262 9660
E-mail: tic@vilnius.lt
www.vilnius-tourism.lt
www.vilnius-convention.lt

VILNIUS FESTIVAL 2009

Festival features classical music and invites world-famous performers. Each year the festival has a different concept.

CONTACT:

Vilnius Festivals
www.vilniusfestivals.lt

14 – 29 May

CULTURE NIGHT: LET THERE BE NIGHT!

Feel the joy of the night of culture in anticipation of St. John's Day. Variety of events in the city: performances, concerts, fairs, exhibitions. Add an extra day to your life.

CONTACT:

Vilnius – European Capital
of Culture 2009
www.kulturagyva.lt

20 – 21 June

ST. CHRISTOPHER SUMMER FESTIVAL

Concerts of organ and symphonic music, jazz, or choir and wind orchestra performances.

CONTACT:

Kristupo Festivalis
audra@kristoforas.lt
www.kristupofestivaliai.lt

1 July –
31 August

DAYS OF THE CAPITAL CITY

International Days of the Capital City. Carnivals, fairs, concerts, fireworks in the streets and squares of the city.

CONTACT:

Vilnius Festivals
info@vilniusfestivals.lt
www.vilniusfestivals.lt

4 – 6 September

VILNIUS JAZZ

The oldest annual jazz event in Vilnius. The festival is a threshold between East and West, creates new trends in jazz.

CONTACT:

Vilnius Jazz Festival
office@vilniusjazz.lt
www.vilniusjazz.lt

15 – 18 October

LUX – FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Science, nature and arts will join their forces at the international festival of lights LUX.

CONTACT:

Vilnius – European Capital
of Culture 2009
www.kulturagyvai.lt

20 – 22 November





BERGENFEST – MUSIC FESTIVAL

A star-studded bill ensures that this annual festival stamps its mark on Bergen. The festival focuses on folk music and authentic American blues in particular, as well as R&B, funk, gospel, rock, country and Cajun.

CONTACT:

info@bergenfest.no
www.bergenfest.no

28 April – 3 May

CONSTITUTION DAY

One of Norway's largest parades through the city centre as well as a series of celebrations in and around Bergen. A unique feature in Bergen is the city's many traditional and special "Buekorps" - the traditional drummer brigades.

CONTACT:

www.17-mai.com

17 May

NIGHT JAZZ

The longest jazz festival in Northern Europe. Traditional jazz is presented along with world music.

CONTACT:

nattjazz@nattjazz.no
www.nattjazz.no

20 – 30 May

BERGEN INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

Musical melting pot containing a wondrous mixture of music from five continents, in a variety of styles and genres. The festival presents an exciting programme of music, theatre and dance.

CONTACT:

festspillene@fib.no
www.festspillene.no

20 May – 1 June

GRIEG IN BERGEN

Concert & Story Summer Festival. Chamber music in the intimate way, with a close relation between artists and audience. The festival presents and highlights of Edvard Grieg and also focuses on other composers, mainly related to Grieg.

CONTACT:

www.grieginbergen.com

15 June – 22 June



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You can keep updated on what's on in Bergen at website: www.visitBergen.com

Group bookings and various packages:

Revy & Teaterservice
post@revyogteater.no
Phone: +47 55216170

Billettservice – Norway Post's Ticket Service
www.billettservice.no
Phone: +47 81533133

HOLE IN THE SKY

Metal festival, with international, as well as national artists. This years' festival will be filled with extra events to celebrate the 10 years anniversary!

CONTACT:
USF Verftet
www.holeinthesky.no

26 – 29 August

NORWEGIAN SCIENCE WEEK

Making science and research available to the public. Research and knowledge institutions throughout Norway have an opportunity to participate and provide the general public with new insight into what they do. Nationwide event.

CONTACT:
www.forskningdagene.no

18 – 27 September

MINIATURE RAILWAY FAIR

The Norwegian Railway Club, Bergen branch has again the pleasure of inviting all model railway enthusiasts to our traditional model railway exhibition.

CONTACT:
www.njk.no/bergen

3 – 4 October

THE HOLBERG DAYS – BAROQUE MUSIC FESTIVAL

Through a series of concerts, performances and open lectures and seminars this annual festival aims to generate increased interest in the classical tradition in music, theatre, philosophy, literature and rhetoric.

CONTACT:
www.holbergdagene.uib.no

23 November
– 3 December

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Traditional opening of the Christmas season, where families are invited to light torches and enjoy a magnificent display of fireworks. Torchlight procession round Lille Lungegardsvann lake in the heart of Bergen.

CONTACT:
post@bergensentrum.no
www.bt.no

28 November



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KRISTIANSAND



THE INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S FILM FESTIVAL

This is 12th time the event is being held packed with children's films, film activities, presentations, seminars and social events.

CONTACT:

Kristiansand Kino
post@krskino.no, www.krskino.no

27 April – 3 May

ZOO FESTIVAL

The most fun-filled week of the year. The Zoo Festival is a week packed with super activities for the kiddies.

CONTACT:

Kristiansand Dyrepark
www.dyreparken.no

21 – 26 June

QUART FESTIVAL IN KRISTIANSAND

Top international and Norwegian performers guest this festival in the first week of July each year.

CONTACT:

www.quart.no

30 June – 4 July

PUNKT'09 JAZZ ELECTRONICA

Music festival which concept is centred around a stage/studio-hybrid called the Alpha Room.

CONTACT:

www.punktfestival.no

3 – 5 September

CHRISTIANSAND PROTEST FESTIVAL

A protest against impotence and indifference, inspiring for engagement and action, against categorisation in the community and the lack of tolerance.

CONTACT:

www.protest.no

5 – 13 September



Anders Martinsen@Inspiration Sorlandet AS

Kristiansand Tourist Office

Rådhusgt 6

N - 4611 Kristiansand

Phone + 47 38121314

www.sorlandet.com

Municipality of Kristiansand

Servicebox 417

N - 4604 Kristiansand

Phone + 47 38075000

www.kristiansand.kommune.no



Kristiansand is situated on the very south coast of Norway, facing the European continent and surrounded by water on three sides. The Kristiansand area is known for busy summer harbours, white wooden houses, a rocky coast with skerries and the Quart Music Festival. Kristiansand is easy to reach no matter whether you travel by car, bicycle, bus, train, ferry or plane. Kristiansand Airport Kjevik is situated 12 km east from the city centre and has good world-wide connections with daily flights. The port of Kristiansand is the second largest in Norway. Different shipping lines are responsible for trade, transport and contact with the Norwegian coast and Europe as a whole.

Kristiansand is well served by The Norwegian State Railways (NSB) and different bus/coach companies such as for example Nor-Way Bussekspress.

To the east and west, as well as to the north through the picturesque Setesdal Valley, Kristiansand gives priority to safety for cyclists. Kristiansand is a pioneer town for a network of separate paths for cyclists and walkers.



CHOJNICE

ST. JOHN'S FAIR

Exhibition of regional products, flea market, performances of folk and rock bands from twin-towns.

CONTACT:

Region of Chojnice Promotion
promocja@chojnice.pl
www.promocja.chojnice.pl

June



The nearest international airport is situated in Gdańsk, about 110 km from Chojnice.

More information on events, travel and accommodation:

www.promocja.chojnice.pl
<http://imprezy.chojnice.pl/>

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ORCHESTRA FANS MEETING

Cover bands concerts, karaoke, contests, sightseeing.

CONTACT:

Jerzy Erdman
erdman@chojnice.pl
www.erdman.chojnice.pl/
elo/zloty_fanow_elo.htm

August

CHOJNICE'S INTERNATIONAL SAILING WEEK

Sailing in various classes such as Finn, Laser, 470, Optimist, etc.

CONTACT:

Chojnice Sailing Club
biuro@chkz.pl
www.chkz.pl

August

CHOJNICE'S THEATRE FIESTA

Street theatre and street art

CONTACT:

Culture House in Chojnice
chdk@chojnice.pl
www.chdk.chojnice.pl

August

ELBLĄG



Tourist Information Centre

Czerwonego Krzyża 2 St.
82-300 Elbląg
Phone: +48 552324234
touristinfo@wp.pl
ielblag@umelblag.pl

Brama Targowa
Stary Rynek St., 82-300 Elbląg
Phone: +48 556110820
bramatargowa@umelblag.pl

THE ELBLĄG JUNKET

The inauguration of Elbląg open-air entertainments. The artistic event of a musical-cabaret character, gathers well known musical and cabaret groups from Poland.

CONTACT:

City of Elbląg, wk@umelblag.pl
umelblag@umelblag.pl
www.umelblag.pl

1 – 4 May

THE HANSE DAY

Fairs and the mediaeval craft, antics trade fair, demonstrations of knight fights, street theatres.

CONTACT:

City of Elbląg
umelblag@umelblag.pl
www.umelblag.pl

May

THE NIGHT OF MUSEUMS

The visit in the museum in the evening and night hours joint with additional attractions - performances, concerts, contests.

CONTACT:

The Archaeological - Historic Museum in Elbląg
muzeumel@elblag.com.pl
www.muzeum.elblag.pl

May

DAYS OF ELBLĄG

Annual festival of the city. Open-air concerts, art and photographic exhibitions, theatrical performances.

CONTACT:

City of Elbląg

June

ELBLĄG CULTURAL SUMMER

Open-air performances, particularly concerts of well-known music stars, family-picnics, exhibitions.

CONTACT:

City of Elbląg

July – August

THE ELBLĄG BREAD FESTIVAL

The entertainment in the mediaeval style relating to the legend of "Piekarczyk". It has a character of the fair.

CONTACT:

City of Elbląg

September



Photo: Henryk Mysliński



Photo: Marcin Jacek Kownacki

Follow www.gdansk.pl for up-dated information on events. The website is available in Polish, English, German, Russian, French and Spanish.

Gdańsk Tourism Organisation (GOT) - Office
Heweliusza 29
80-861 Gdańsk
Phone: +48 583014355,
+48 5830570 80
got@got.gdansk.pl
www.got.gdansk.pl
www.visit.gdansk.pl



GDAŃSK

THE FESTIVAL OF THE CITY

A solemn parade and some cultural events.

CONTACT:
www.gdansk.pl

May

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF ORGAN MUSIC AT OLIWA CATHEDRAL

Tuesday and Friday nights in July and August bring the Oliwa organ back to life with the music of the masters. The repertoire combines old masterpieces with the world premieres.

CONTACT:
www.filharmonia.gda.pl

30 June – 28 August

SHANTIES UNDER THE CRANE

Taste the spirit of tradition mixed with sailors songs in the magnificent surroundings. Music will help you feel and understand the unique spirit of Gdańsk.

CONTACT:
www.szantypodzurawiem.pl

9 – 10 July

INTERNATIONAL LOFT MEETING BALTIC SAIL

Annual international 5-week sailors' rally, festivity of the sailing community. "Sail Gdańsk" makes a colourful sailing holiday set in the heart of the historic city centre.

CONTACT:
www.balticsail.org
www.sail.gdansk.pl

9 – 12 July



XIII INTERNATIONAL STREET & OPEN-AIR THEATRES FESTIVAL FETA

Theatrical performances in the historic scenery of the Gdańsk streets. The unique setting makes the theatre a thrilling, magnetic, and engaging experience. The stage is borderless.

CONTACT:
www.feta.pl

16 – 19 July



ST. DOMINIC'S FAIR

The fair continues to attract both tourists and residents combining its commercial aspect with a rich programme of cultural and sports events. The smells of oriental delicacies mingle with the aroma of sweet buns and fresh local bread.

CONTACT:

www.mtgs.pl 25 July – 16 August

XXX FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL SOUND OF THE NORTH

International event presenting traditional music culture of the the North. This year's edition focuses on the folklore of Lapland and Karelia.

CONTACT:
www.nck.org.pl

July – August



XIII SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Ambitious festival providing an international overview of the most interesting productions of the works by the Master of Stratford.

CONTACT:
www.teatr-szekspir.gda.pl

1 - 9 August

Travel TIPS

BY PLANE:

Lech Wałęsa Airport in
Gdańsk - Rębiechowo
www.airport.gdansk.pl

BY TRAIN:

Railway Information
http://rozkład-pkp.pl

BY FERRY:

Ferry Terminal
Gdańsk - Nynäshamn (Sweden)
www.polferries.pl

SOLIDARITY MARATHON

The aim of the Marathon is to honor Victims of December 1970 and Fallen Shipyard Workers as well as popularize running.

CONTACT:
www.solidarnosc.org.pl
www.maratongdansk.home.pl

August

VILNIUS FAIR

Lithuanian culture takes over Gdańsk for three days at the Vilnius Fair. Expect folk music, Lithuanian delicacies and plenty of arts and crafts.

CONTACT:
www.gdansk.pl

September



17TH TWIN CITIES SPORTING COMPETITION

One of the most important youth sports events in Gdynia. Young sportsmen compete in four different disciplines.

CONTACT:

Michał Matejowski, Gdynia Sport Centre
m.matejowski@gosirgdynia.pl

7 – 10 May

4TH NIGHT MARATHON

The length of the marathon is 42 and 195 m. Thanks to its unusual time and beautiful scenery it is very popular among runners.

Contact:

Piotr Suchenia, Gdynia Sport Centre
p.suchenia@gosirgdynia.pl

20 June

SUMMER BEGINS IN GDYNIA – ŚWIETOJANSKA CARNIVAL

The carnival taking place in this famous street features over 200 professional performers.

CONTACT:

Karolina Grabowicz, City Hall of Gdynia
k.grabowicz@gdynia.pl

20 June



Photo: Paweł Pablo Lewinowicz

THE TALL SHIPS RACES 2009

Event combining four days of sports and cultural activities. Gdynia will be the first host port in the race series.

CONTACT:

Joanna Zielińska, Coordinator of the Organisational Committee on the Tall Ships Race' 2009 Gdynia
races2009@gdynia.pl

2 – 5 July



Photo: Maurycy Smierczalski

HEINEKEN OPEN'ER FESTIVAL

Music festival that has become one of the most successful music events in central Europe gathering a crowd of over 50,000 people each day. Such artists have performed: Beaste Boys, Bjork, Erykah Badu, Massive Attack and others.

CONTACT:

Aleksandra Krakowska
ola.krakowska@alterart.pl
www.alterart.pl, www.opener.pl

July



Photo: Krzysztof Romanicki



LADIES JAZZ FESTIVAL

A truly unique event in Europe, which every year features great concerts of fantastic ladies' jazz. Last years brought such performers as Candy Dulfer or Lizz Wright.

CONTACT:

Piotr Łyszkiewicz
piotr.lyszkiewicz@modernlook.pl
www.ladiesjazzfestival.pl

July

GLOBALTICA -WORLD CULTURE

Annual event closely connected with world culture and traditions. Cesaria Evora, Sinead O'Connor and others performed.

CONTACT:

Mrs Ewa Lamża, lama-arnold@o2.pl
www.globaltica.pl

July



GDYNIA SAILING DAYS

Races in Olympic Classes but also a festival for tourists.

CONTACT:

Aneta Religo
Coordinator of Gdynia Sailing Days
a.religo@gosirgdynia.pl

July/August

WIND AND WATER - GDYNIA

The objective of the event is to promote the idea of sea sailing and to present yachts, motor boats as well as water sports and recreation related equipment in the natural scenery.

CONTACT:

Rafał Chmielnicki
Project Coordinator
rchmielnicki@muratorexpo.pl

August

TRANSFOTOGRAFIA

International Photo Festival offers contact with contemporary art in locations normally not connected with cultural activity. It takes place in the area of Tri-City.

CONTACT:

Małgorzata Taraszkiewicz-Zwolicka
mzwolicka@transfotografia.com
www.transfotografia.pl

September



BY PLANE:

Lech Wałęsa Airport in
Gdańsk - Rębiechowo
www.airport.gdansk.pl

BY TRAIN:

Railway Information
<http://rozklad-pkp.pl>

BY FERRY:

Ferry Terminal, Stena Line ferries to/from
Karlskrona in Sweden
www.stenaline.pl

Public Transport: www.zkmgdunia.pl

GDYNIA TOURISM INFORMATION

OFFICE:

Phone/fax: +48 58 7212466
it@gdynia.pl
www.gdynia.pl

**Regional Tourist
Information Centre**
Phone: +48 943462440
Dworcowa 11-15
75-201 Koszalin
www.it-pomorze.pl

More information on
events:
www.koszalin.pl



KOSZALIN

INTERNATIONAL ORGAN FESTIVAL

Concerts given by chamber orchestras, choirs, a symphony orchestra and organ music virtuosos.

CONTACT:
Koszalin Philharmonic Orchestra
sekretariat@filharmoniakoszalinska.pl
www.filharmoniakoszalinska.pl

June – August

FESTIVAL THE YOUTH AND THE FILM

It's a place of a confrontation between the young creators with equally young audience.

CONTACT:
Culture Centre CK105
www.ck105.koszalin.pl

16 – 20 June

CULINARY FESTIVAL AT THE TASTE STREET

An international cooking event, great cooking with a cuisine master. Additionally, exhibitions of folk handicraft, concerts.

CONTACT:
CK 105

August

VI EUROPEAN INTEGRATION YOU AND ME FILM FESTIVAL

A film festival devoted to integration of disabled people. Film projections, workshops, shows and exhibitions.

September

XIV POLISH-GERMAN YOUTH FESTIVAL

Meeting of young people from Sweden, Germany and Poland.

CONTACT:
CK 105

September

V HANSA JAZZ FESTIVAL

The Festival is a joint Polish-German project facilitating cooperation between the jazzmen of both countries. Jazz workshops and joint jam sessions will be held during the festival.

CONTACT:
CK 105

October





Łeba- a Baltic Coastal town with population of 4.000 invites visitors for a holiday to Poland. Thousands of tourists from Poland and abroad visit the town annually. The town is attractively located near two lakes and the mouth of the Łeba River on the Baltic coast, as well as near the Słowiński National Park world wide known for its moving dunes, which are registered by UNESCO as the Biosphere Reserve.

Every tourist will find Łeba attractive- sailors, surfers and health resort visitors, who value the climatic attributes of the town.

Łeba draws crowds of tourists. It has a curative micro-climate with salt and iodine. Green forests and clean beaches are some of the attractions of this picturesque town.

Łeba with modern hotels and restaurants is very popular. There is a modern marina for 120 yachts with Sea Tourism Service Centre.

www.leba.eu

TOURIST INFORMATION

LOT Łeba

11 Listopada 5a str.

Phone/fax: +48 598661623

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

April

SŁOWIŃSKI CUP

Optimist sailing class regattas in yacht harbour in Łeba.

June

TIME CHEST

On 14 August 2004 a 'Time Chest' was buried in Łeba for 100 years. Inside there are files of the inhabitants and tourists from all over Poland.

In 2104 the chest is planned to be dug out.

August

SUMMER SEASIDE MUSIC COURSES

Vocal and instrumental courses finished with participants and teachers concerts.

August

AMBER REGATTA

Laser sailing class regattas in yacht harbour in Łeba.

September

ŁEBA PAINTER'S ENCLAVE

The meeting of painters from Poland and abroad.

September

COD FESTIVAL

A successful event, with a huge number of visitors - more than a culinary feast.

www.pomuchel.pl

December



INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF OLD CULTURE

A three-day long event full of the medieval mood, associated with vocal, dance and instrumental shows. The festival with the workshops provide a great opportunity to expand the knowledge of the medieval culture.

June



THE SIEGE OF MALBORK

The town transforms into a medieval town: the knight performances, battle tournaments, medieval craft fair, music concerts, plebian games. The culminating point of The Siege of Malbork is the evening battle – an open air performance – whose script is based on an authentic medieval history.

July

DRAGON BOAT

The struggle on the Nogat River between teams of dragon boats is now a permanent part of Malbork's calendar of events.

Summer



Malbork has a very good train (www.pkp.pl) and bus connection with numerous towns and cities in Poland. Passenger ferries, connection with Scandinavia (www.stenaline.pl). The nearest airport is in Gdańsk – Rębiechowo (www.airport.gdansk.pl).
Accommodation: cit@mwc.malbork.pl

CHRISTMAS IN ART

Musical concerts, presentations, art galleries. Adventure with theatre, music and literature.

December

MALBORK WELCOME CENTER
Centre of Tourism in Malbork
Phone: +48 556474747
Fax +48 556471431
www.visitmalbork.pl



EUROFESTIVAL

Music show, theater and artistic performances, concerts, family entertainment, etc.

CONTACT:

The International Culture Center in Międzyzdroje, Jadwiga Bober, Artur Duszyński, informacja@mdkmiedzyzdroje.com, promocja_um@miedzyzdroje.pl, www.mdkmiedzyzdroje.com

30 April – 3 May

MORE INFORMATION:

Michał Sutyla
Chairman of City Council
Phone: +48 913275647
michal_sutyla@miedzyzdroje.pl
www.miedzyzdroje.pl

Tourist information points:
Phone: +48 913282600
informacja@mdkmiedzyzdroje.com
Phone: +48 913280209
office@vikingtour.com.pl

IV POLISH OPEN AIR PAINTING AND EXHIBITIONS

The artists transfer onto their canvas scenery of Międzyzdroje or paint wild nature of Wolin Island.

CONTACT:

The International Culture Center
Agency Open Mind, Monika Krupowicz
monika@openmind.szczecin.pl

4 – 16 May

II INTERNATIONAL AMBER BALTIC MUSIC FESTIVAL

The diverse festival Programme includes works by F. Chopin, W. A. Mozart, R. Schumann, and other composers.

CONTACT:

The International Culture Center

21 – 24 May

44TH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF THE CHORAL SONG

The repertoire of the choirs includes works of Polish and foreign composers, ranging from the Renaissance to the presence.

CONTACT:

The International Culture Center
in Międzyzdroje

21 – 27 June

BREAKFAST RUN AND ATHLETICS MEETING

In memory of Polish athletes W. Komar and T. Ślusarski. Family run through the city and on the beach and athletics meeting in outdoor disciplines.

CONTACT:

Bogusław Mamiński, k.b.sporting@wp.pl
City Hall of Międzyzdroje, Anetta Czyżak
anetta_czyzak@miedzyzdroje.pl, www.miedzyzdroje.pl

17 August

SEA AND SKY

Polish Festival in Kitesurfing - Kite Cup Międzyzdroje 2009

CONTACT:

The International Culture Center

August

Travel TIPS

You can easily get to Słupsk by bus or by train. There is a good connection by train from Berlin to Słupsk. By car using road nr 6 (route from Szczecin to Gdańsk) and using road nr 21. The nearest airport is situated in Gdańsk. The information about hotels in Słupsk: http://www.slupsk.pl/katalog_firm_branze.php?id=27



SŁUPSK

AMBER CUP

The football tournament with celebrities' participation.

February

THE GRYFITS' MARKET

The performances in an old style; presentation of local initiatives in the field of culture and art.

July/August

NIEMEN NON STOP

The performance of young talented artists in memory of Czesław Niemen, legendary Polish singer and composer.

August

FESTIVAL OF ORGAN AND CHAMBER MUSIC

The performances of virtuosos of organ, choirs, vocalists and instrumentalists, from the whole world.

August

THE FESTIVAL OF THE FISH

The Days of the Town shows, performances, games, fish market.

August

POLISH PIANO FESTIVAL

The performances of the most outstanding pianists from Poland and the whole world.

September

KOMEDA JAZZ FESTIVAL

International jazz festival, in memory of Krzysztof Komeda, outstanding Polish composer, creator of modern jazz style in Europe.

November



Photo by Danuta Dąbrowska



Photo by Małgorzata Kowal

TOURIST INFORMATION:

ul. Sienkiewicza 19, 76-200 Słupsk
Phone: +48 598420791
it@um.slupsk.pl
www.slupsk.pl

Contact person:

Arkadiusz Mięczewski
City Promotion and European
Integration Office
E-mail: a.mieczewski@um.slupsk.pl
Phone: +48 598488325

SOPOT



MAY IN SOPOT

Art, poetry and theatre on the Monte Cassino Street.

MORE EVENTS

Anniversary of the Sopot Forest Opera and events:

www.bart.sopot.pl

Exhibitions in the Galleries:

National Gallery: www.pgs.pl

Triada Gallery:

www.galeriatriada.com

Museum of Sopot:

www.muzeumsopotu.pl

Friends of Sopot Society:

www.dworek.art.pl

Concerts in Polish Chamber

Orchestra Concert Hall

www.bart.sopot.pl

Performances of OFF DE BICZ

Theatre: www.offdebicz.sopot.pl

Theatrical Summer in Atelier

Theatre: www.teatratelier.sopot.pl

*Information on travel and
accommodation at
www.sopot.pl*



CONTACT:

Baltic Artistic Agency – BART

www.bart.sopot.pl

May

5TH INTERNATIONAL CHOIR FESTIVAL MUNDUS CANTAT

CONTACT:

Continuo Choir

www.munduscantat.sopot.pl

20 – 24 May

VIII POLISH TELEVISION THEATRE AND RADIO FESTIVAL “TWO THEATRES”

CONTACT:

Polish TV Gdańsk Branch

<http://ww6.tvp.pl/6481.dzialy>

June

FORMULA WINDSURFING WORLD TOUR GRAND PRIX

CONTACT:

Sopot Sailing Club

www.szk.sopot.pl

June

SOPOT OPERA AND BALLET FESTIVAL

CONTACT:

Baltic Artistic Agency – BART

June – July

LOTOS GRAND PRIX SOPOT 2008

International Mountain Car Polish Championships

CONTACT:

Automobilklub Orski

www.akorski.pl

July

KALEIDOSCOPE OF MUSIC

International Classical Music Festival

CONTACT:

Friends of OPEN THEATRE Society

www.teatrotwarty.pl

August

SOPOT JAZZ FESTIVAL

CONTACT:

Baltic Artistic Agency – BART

October

INSPIRATIONS

Photo Festival. Born in Szczecin, the Inspirations is one of the biggest International Festivals of Visual Art. It's an excellent forum of meetings of young European artists.

CONTACT:

13 Muses
www.klub13muz.pl

March

KONTRAPUNKT THEATRE FESTIVAL

Polish largest festival of small theatrical forms; organized in Szczecin for 43 years.

CONTACT:

Teatr Lalek Pleciuga
www.pleciuga.pl

April



SZCZECIN



TENNIS TOURNAMENT

ITF Women's Circuit Szczecin open tournament, with the prize of 25 000 USD; recognized by Polish Tennis Association.

CONTACT:

biuro@szczecinopen.pl

May



MUSICA GENERA FESTIVAL

Modern music festival highlighting experimental music and sound. Modern music is a major focus.

CONTACT:

Musica Genera
www.musicagenera.net

May

SEA DAYS FESTIVAL

Most important and most popular event in the summer. Tall ships, old timers, concerts, festival of fireworks.

CONTACT:

City of Szczecin
jraducha@um.szczecin.pl

June

Travel TIPS

A map of the City is available at www.turystyka.szczecin.pl.

The most convenient way of reaching the city by car is to take the A11 Motorway from Berlin, or the A20 Motorway from Lübeck. Tourists traveling by train can choose from a wide selection of railway connections (at <http://rozklad.pkp.pl/> and www.bahn.de). Additionally, the holders of DB Schönes-Wochenende-tickets, Berlin-Brandenburg-tickets or Mecklenburg-Vorpommern-tickets will also be entitled to travel free on Szczecin's public transport. Also, the enthusiasts of sailing will have no difficulty in reaching Szczecin. The shortest water route from Berlin to the Baltic Sea goes via Szczecin. Tourists from more distant parts of the globe can fly into the Goleniow airport, situated 45 km from Szczecin. The Polish Airlines LOT provides shuttle buses between the airport and the city centre (prior reservation required, valid with the flight ticket). The ride takes about 50 minutes. Alternatively, for PLN 9,90 per person, tourists can take a minibus running to the bus station in Szczecin (organized by: Interglobus Tour). The taxi fare with the Airport Taxi Group is PLN 120.

CITY BIRTHDAY

More information on events:

www.turystyka.szczecin.pl
www.zamek.szczecin.pl/tourism
cikit@zamek.szczecin.pl

The event marking the anniversary of taking over the city by the Polish administration. Official birthday of the city.

CONTACT:
MTS www.mts.pl

5 July

STREET ARTIST FESTIVAL

The festival is a genuine outdoor feast of art, rich in theatrical performances, shows, buskers, music, exhibitions and workshops.

CONTACT:
Theatre Kana
www.kana.art.pl

July

AUGUST'88 ANNIVERSARY

Anniversary of the strikes organised in August 1988 in Szczecin – a history lesson.

CONTACT:
Port of Szczecin – Świnoujście
www.port.szczecin.pl

August –
September

TENNIS TOURNAMENT PEKAO OPEN

XVI edition with the first prize of 125.000 USD. The oldest professional event in Poland. Sporting activities accompanied by high quality jazz performances.

CONTACT:
Foundation Promasters
www.promasters.pl

September

SZCZECIN'S CULTURE FAIR

Cultural Fairs, organised under the Preparatory Scheme of European Capital of Culture 2016, in which Szczecin competes with other cities. A meeting and integration forum of artists and creators.

CONTACT:
13 Muses Club
www.klub13muz.pl

September

AUTUMN MARITIME PRESENTATIONS

Naval fleet, Dar Młodzieży, parade show, maritime ceremonials, concerts highlight this maritime festivity.

CONTACT:
City of Szczecin
jraducha@um.szczecin.pl

September





THE POLISH FIREWORKS FESTIVAL

During all the Festival the scene is filled with music stars, and the whole town is alive with parties and festivities.

July



Photo: H.Bilor

5TH POLISH CHAMPIONSHIPS IN THE BEACH SOCCER

Sport contests.

July

SUMMER STAGE IN USTKA

Open-air performance – for the admirers of art.

July – August

POLISH CHAMPIONSHIPS IN THE BEACH VOLLEYBALL

Men's Competition.

July



Photo: H.Bilor

7TH MAYOR'S OF USTKA TOWN CUP IN THE BEACH SOCCER

Sport competition under the patronage the Mayor of Ustka.

August

USTKA'S FEAST - THE BALTIC PICNIC

Concerts, entertainments, contests.... If you want to say goodbye to summer - welcome to Ustka!

August

MORE INFORMATION:

Promotion Department
Town Hall of Ustka
3 Wyszyńskiego Street
76-270 Ustka
Phones: +48 598154350
 +48 598154378
promocja@um.ustka.pl
www.ustka.pl

Local Tourist Organisation
87 Marynarki Polskiej Street
76-270 Ustka
Phones: +48 598147170
 +48 598149926
www.lot.ustka.pl

KRONSTADT



THE CITY DAY



The performance of singers and dancers, theater performances, an entertaining program for youth, pulling boat races, festival for children, fireworks – that's just a part of what you may see.

CONTACT:

Administration of Kronstad, Department on Culture and Youth Policy
Tatiana Zakipnaya
Phone: +7 8125769020
ztg@tukrns.gov.spb.ru
ivan@tukrns.gov.spb.ru

23 – 24 May



KRONFEST – 2009 II KRONSTADT'S INTERNATIONAL ECOLOGICAL ART FESTIVAL

Interdisciplinary project, which aims at forming ecological culture of youth through art and creativity. The program comprises e.g. motion-pictures, exhibitions, garbage-installations, master-classes. The theme of 2009 festival is the Baltic Sea.

CONTACT:

State Historical Art Museum of Kronstad
Phone/fax: + 7 8124350873
kronfest@list.ru
www.kronfest.spb.ru

15 June – 14 July



THE AUTHOR SONG FESTIVAL "THE STRINGS OF THE FORTS"

The romantic atmosphere is created by the surrounding landscape – waters of the Gulf of Finland, old fortifications, night bonfires and songs.

CONTACT:

Administration of Kronstad
Tatiana Zakipnaya

17 – 19 July



THE DAY OF RUSSIAN NAVY

Festive performance, naval parade, imitation of troops landing, explosion of water mine.

CONTACT:

Administration of Kronstad
Tatiana Zakipnaya

26 July

Travel
TIPS

Information on organization of trip to
Kronstadt and on hotel reservation:
Tourist Information Centre of Kronstadt
Phone: +7 8123119134, +7 8123119147
krontic@yandex.ru

Gävle is located 160 km north of the Swedish capital - by the Baltic sea, offering a great variety of cultural events and recreational possibilities! In the region you will find an inviting archipelago and peaceful leisure areas as well as a broad range of shops in the city centre. With facilities like the Gasometer, the Läkerol Arena and the Concert Hall, as well as a strategic location near Stockholm Gävle has the ability to handle large events. During the last 12 years Gävle has been the host of seven world championship events. Gävle is a Candidate City of European Capital of Culture 2014.

For information about Gävle and the region:
www.gavle.se
www.gastrikland.com



GÄVLE



ISAPA 2009

The 17th International Symposium of Adapted Physical Activity organized by the Swedish Development Centre for Disability Sport.

CONTACT:
www.isapa2009.com

23 – 27 June

BALTIC SAIL GÄVLE

Meeting of traditional ships in the beautiful surroundings of Gävle.

CONTACT:
www.gavle.se/balticsailgavle

14 – 16 August



KALMAR

KALMAR FESTIVAL

The annual festival – Kalmar Stadsfest – offers music, entertainment and other activities.

6 – 8 August



KALMAR TRIATHLON

The Swedish Championship in Triathlon. There are contestants from all over the world.

August

FESTIVAL OF LIGHT

The annual event – Lysande Kalmar. The city centre is decorated by light.

October/
November

More information:

DESTINATION KALMAR
 Phone: +46 480450054
lisa.gefvert@kalmar.se
www.kalmar.se/turism
www.visitse.se

CHRISTMAS FAIR AT KALMAR CASTLE

One of Sweden's largest Christmas Fairs takes place in beautiful Kalmar Castle.

November/
December



Travel TIPS

BY FERRIES

Stena Line Ferry from Gdynia to Karlskrona: www.stenaline.com;
DFDS Lisco Ferry from Klaipėda to Karlshamn (60 km from Karlskrona): www.lisco.se, www.lisco.lt;
Between Karlshamn and Karlskrona there are train and bus connections: blekingetrafiken.se;

BY TRAIN

Direct trains from Copenhagen (Köpenhamn) and Copenhagen Airport (Kastrup): www.blekingetrafiken.se;
Trains from Gothenburg (Göteborg) and Stockholm: www.sj.se;

BY PLANE

From Stockholm-Arlanda to Ronneby Airport (30 km from Karlskrona City Centre): www.sas.se
From Stockholm-Bromma to Ronneby Airport: www.blekingeflyg.se
From Vilnius and Berlin to Smaland Airport (Växjö) (100 km from Karlskrona): www.flysmaland.com

More information: www.karlskrona.se/tourism, turistbyran@karlskrona.se

ROCK CONCERT

Concert with Ulf Lundell in Telenor Arena Karlskrona

28 February

KARLSKRONAVAKAN IN TENNIS FOR ALL AGES

In Telenor Arena Karlskrona

CONTACT:

Tennis Club Karlskrona
kansli@karlskronatnk.com

13 – 15 March

ICEHOCKEY SWEDEN VS. SCHWEIZ NATIONAL TEAMS

In Telenor Arena Karlskrona. Preparing for the World Championships.

1 April

LÖVMARKNADEN KARLSKRONA

Karlskrona's traditional market.

27 June

SAIL KARLSKRONA

In cooperation with the Baltic Sail. Ships, happenings for three days.

29 July – 2 August

CHRISTMAS WITH...

Swedens most famous artists celebrating Christmas in Karlskrona.

12 December

LYCKÅ CUP

Indoors tournament for boys and girls in football.

CONTACT:

Club Lyckeby Golf
kansliet@lyckebygolf.com

26 – 30 December

KONSTRUNDAN

Visit local artists in their homes/studios in the area surrounding Kristianstad.

CONTACT:

info@oskg.nu, www.oskg.nu

10 – 19 April



KRISTIANSTAD

KRISTIANSTADSDAGARNA

Big festival in the city centre with a lot of activities for adults and children - live concerts, delicious food, amusement park, etc.

CONTACT:

eva@supportbolaget.nu

www.kristianstadsdagarna.nu

3 – 11 July



ÅHUS BEACH HANDBALL FESTIVAL

Approximately 1 200 teams from Sweden and the rest of Europe gather at the beautiful beaches of Åhus.

CONTACT:

info@beachhandboll.com

www.beachhandboll.com

10 – 19 July

ÅHUS EELFESTIVAL

Visit the local eelfishers in eelhuts and eat the local speciality.

CONTACT:

Hotell ÅhusStrand

www.alafestivalen.se

1 August



KRISTIANSTAD BOOKFESTIVAL

Lectures about famous authors, book fair, etc.

CONTACT:

anders.nylander@kristianstad.se

29 – 30 August



SMAKMÅNAD

The whole September centres on food: Åhus Wine and gourmet festival (5.09), Vånga harvest festival (12.09), Kristianstad food fair (19-20.09), Kristianstad harvest festival (26.09).

The dates are preliminary.

CONTACT:

claes.sanden@kristianstad.se

www.spiritoffood.se

September

BoDagar

Environmental friendly, energy efficient housing is on display in Kristianstad and neighbouring counties.

CONTACT:

patrik.lindblom@kristianstad.se

4 – 13 September

Accommodation

can be booked online:

[www.kristianstad.se/en/](http://www.kristianstad.se/en/Tourism/Accommodation/)

[Tourism/Accommodation/](http://www.kristianstad.se/en/Tourism/Accommodation/)

[Book-accommodation/](http://www.kristianstad.se/en/Tourism/Accommodation/)

MALMÖ



DISNEY ON ICE

Malmö Arena

CONTACT:

www.malmoarena.com

For tickets: www.ticnet.se

22 – 25 January

More information on events:

www.malmo.se/events

For tourist information visit:

www.malmo.se/tourism

www.malmo.se/hotel

MALMÖ INDOOR GALA 2009

Indoor athletics with the worlds best athletes. Malmö Arena.

CONTACT:

www.malmoarena.com

For tickets: www.ticnet.se

3 February

GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR CEMR

(Council of European Municipalities and Regions)

CONTACT:

www.cemr2009.se

www.ccre2009.se

22 – 24 April

SOMMARSCEN MALMÖ

Free outdoor theatre, entertainment and music
at 30 different venues in Malmö.

CONTACT:

www.malmo.se/sommarscen

12 June – 13 August

U21- EM 2009

Football Championships.

CONTACT:

Phone: +46 87350900

svff@svenskfotboll.se

www.svenskfotboll.se/u21em2009

14 – 27 June

MALMÖFESTIVALEN

Music, food, culture in Malmö!

CONTACT:

www.malmofestivalen.se

14 – 24 August

CHRISTMAS IN MALMÖ

Market, merry-go-round, music and much more! Lucia
procession through the city - 13 December.

29 November -
23 December



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Nacka is located at the Baltic Sea - next to Stockholm, therefore, it is easy to get here. The Municipality of Nacka has 85 500 inhabitants and is one of the most attractive growth districts in the Stockholm region. The local business climate is rich and varying. The housing market is growing and new areas are under construction. There are large areas of wild nature and traditional cultural landscape. The combination of new and old, and the beautiful lakes and creeks give Nacka its special character.



NACKA



Photo: Bertil Nordahl

Travel TIPS

It is easy to get here - you can come by boat, car, bus, train, bike or even just on foot. For more information, please contact:

SL, Trafikupplysningen (Stockholm local traffic information)

Phone: +46 86001000

Strömma kanalbolaget (boat information):

Phone: +46 858714000, Waxholmsbolaget (boat information):

Phone: +46 86795830

INFORMATION NACKA

Phone +46 87188060
information.nacka@nacka.se
www.nacka.se

STOCKHOLM FASHION WEEK

CONTACT:

Phone: +46 86810100

www.modecenter.se

9 – 15 February

FÖRETAGARTRÄFFEN

A chance for different business and companies to meet and exchange experiences.

CONTACT:

Phone: +46 86012503

Info@foretagartraffen.se

www.foretagartraffen.se

February

ATELIS CONFERENCE

A Strategic Intelligence Workshop project addressed to companies – more specifically SMEs – local governments and all interested institutions, helping them define and implement their strategic approaches and development projects. Conference will take place in Stockholm.

CONTACT:

www.atelis.org

11 – 12 June



ÖREBRO



ÖREBRO CASTLE

Guided tours of Örebro castle:
www.orebroslott.se

FAIRS:

www.conventum.se

We have all sorts of guided tours at the castle and the city that may be pre-booked for groups.

CONTACT:

info@orebrokompaniet.se
For more information and booking:
www.orebrokompaniet.se
info@orebrokompaniet.se
Phone: +47 (0)19212121



HINDERSMÄSSAN

Market-trading in all of the city. The market dates back to the 14th century.

CONTACT:

www.hindersmassan.com

28 – 31 January

FEST & BRÖLLOP

Wedding-fair. Everything for your wedding or ball from dresses and flowers to honeymoon-destinations and gifts.

CONTACT:

www.upplevfestobrollop.se

28 February
– 1 March

MARKNADSAFTON

Market-trading and sell-out from all the shops in Örebro, open from 10 a.m. -10 p.m.

CONTACT:

www.cityorebro.com

4 June

MIDSUMMER-CELEBRATIONS

Traditional midsummer-celebrations at different locations in and around Örebro.

CONTACT:

Wadköping: www.orebro.se/wadkopning
Brunnsparken: www.brunnsparken.com
Karlslund Garden and Manor:
www.orebro.se/karlslund
Brevens Bruk: www.brevens.se

19 June

CHRISTMAS EVENTS

"O Holy Night" - 7.12. Swedens biggest Christmas-concert at "Stortorget" Örebro with about 25 000 spectators.

CONTACT:

www.ohelganatt.se

"The City Hall Christmas Calendar" - 1-31.12. The City Hall is transformed into a gigantic Christmas calendar. Each day - one of the covered windows - reveals a work of art of a local artist.

CONTACT:

www.souldesign.se/julkalendern

December

It doesn't take long to find your very own little gem in Söderslätt with its myriad of small shops, galleries, cafés, beautiful churches and charming Skåne longhouses. Along the coast there are small fishing villages side-by-side. Or make your way to Sweden's southernmost point - Smygehuk. In the centre of Trelleborg the whole family can experience the Viking age at a genuine castle with museum. The history is extremely enticing as is the surrounding countryside, which offers cycling tours through small villages as well as relaxing rounds of golf.

TRELLEBORG'S TOURIST AGENCY

Hamngatan 9, 231 42 Trelleborg, Sweden
Phone: +46 (0)410733320
turist@trelleborg.se,
www.trelleborg.se/tourism



TRELLEBORG

MUSICIANS' JAM

The jam is open to amateurs and professionals alike and never fails to produce an unconstrained social event for musicians, dancers, music-lovers and the general public.

26 – 27 June

SCANIAN CUISINE

Discover the secret of baking Scania's traditional pyramid cake, treat yourself to a hot-dog, home-made cakes or nutritious honey. You also have the chance to taste the authentic 'äggakaga' - a local delicacy that must be tried.

4 – 5 July

JAZZ FESTIVAL

A much appreciated popular festivity offering jazz music to suit all styles and ages. Swedish and international musicians have been rubbing shoulders with the local talent, spreading their blend of musical bliss.

24 – 25 July

A MYRIAD OF MARKETS

The aroma of fried herring goes hand-in-hand with the unforgettable sounds of an authentic market and music from the dizzy carousels.

Summer

THE PALM FESTIVAL

Market stands, music and aromatic barbeques. At the main square of 'Stortorget' you will find the spinning funfair with exciting carousels, stalls and raffles, while the City Park hosts an enthralling array of music from morning until late hours.

28 – 29 August



Photo: Roland Baran

UMEÅ



HOUSE OF METAL

The biggest hard rock festival in the north part of Sweden.

CONTACT:
www.houseofmetal.se

27 – 28 February

SAMI WEEK

Performances, lectures, demonstrations, reindeer races, food, song, exhibitions, and handicraft from all over the Samiland; Sápmi, which involves the northern part of Sweden, Norway, Finland and Russia.

CONTACT:
www.samiskaveckan.se

1 – 8 March

UMEÅ OPEN

Annual indoor festival which focuses on good quality pop and rock music of all genres.

CONTACT:
www.umeaopen.se

26 – 28 March

MADE

An unpredictable festival which offers arts events, dance works, concerts and other performances.

CONTACT:
www.m-a-d-e.se

6 – 9 May

KULTURNATTA

A mega event where more than 100 different organizations present a great mix of cultural activities.

CONTACT:
<http://kulturnatta.com>

23 May

UMEÅ JAZZ FESTIVAL

Swedish and international contemporary musicians. All the great legends such as Duke Ellington, Ella Fitzgerald, Count Basie, Miles Davis and BB King have played at this festival.

CONTACT:
www.umeajazzfestival.se

October

Information on accommodation and travel arrangements:

UMEÅ TOURIST INFORMATION
Phone: +46 90161616
www.visitumea.se

Union of the Baltic Cities is a voluntary, proactive network mobilizing the shared potential of over 100 member cities for democratic, economic, social, cultural and environmentally sustainable development of the Baltic Sea Region.

Most of the practical co-operation between the members is carried out by 13 UBC Commissions on: Business Cooperation, Culture, Education, Energy, Environment, Gender Equality, Health and Social Affairs, Information Society, Sport, Tourism, Transportation, Urban Planning, Youth Issues and EU Coordinators Network. The Commissions initiate and implement numerous projects, seminars, events and other activities. Each city is capable to have its own creative input to the Commissions' work.

The Union has an observer status with the Parliamentary Conference on Cooperation in the Baltic Sea Area, the Helsinki Commission (HELCOM), the Council of Europe's Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of Europe (CLRAE), the Committee of the Regions. The Union is also a Special Participant in the Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS). UBC cooperates with numerous Baltic and European organisations.

The Union is open for new members. Any coastal city of the Baltic Sea or any other city interested in the development of the Baltic Sea Region may become a member of the Union by making a written declaration of its will to enter UBC.

Please contact the UBC Secretariat for more information.

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