

# RIGA CITY TOUR AND OPEN-AIR MUSEUM



Full day tour

**9:30 Meeting in Hotel Lobby. Drive to Riga Central Market.** Riga Central Market, by the time of its opening in 1930, was the largest and most advanced marketplace in Europe. It is situated in the heart of Riga, a few hundred meters from Old Town, ensuring diverse shopping experience, a personal touch, lively conversation, jokes and even some bargaining with the vendors. Nowadays it is still one of the largest marketplaces in Europe, and definitely one of the most visited, as 80.000 to 100.000 people shop there per day on the average. The unique architecture of the market halls is its special feature. Originally used as **zeppelin hangars**, they were moved to Riga and transformed into market halls. In 1998, the vast territory of Riga Central Market was added to the **UNESCO World Heritage list**.



**10:30 Old Town walking tour.** Explore more than 800 years of history and see the most important sights: Town Hall square with the reconstructed Town Hall building and the House of Blackheads, Dome square and Dome cathedral, Riga Bourse Art museum, Three brothers, Powder Tower, the guild houses and the symbol of Latvian identity, the Freedom Monument.



**12:30 Drive to Ethnographic Open-Air Museum.**

**13:00 Lunch at a traditional tavern in Open-Air Museum.**

**14:30 Walking tour in the Open-Air museum.** Travel back in time and to the traditional countryside of Latvia! Since its establishment in 1924, the museum has collected 118 historical buildings from all over the country. The buildings have been set up to give visitors a sense of Latvia's rural landscape. At the Open-Air Museum you can find farmsteads of farmers, craftsmen, and fishermen. They all contain permanent exhibitions of household items, working tools and interior furnishings, which characterize the time period, the district, and the owner's vocation.



**16:30 Drive back to the hotel**

**Price: 60 EUR**  
(including entrance to Open-Air museum and lunch)

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