



Pirita

With its 2km stretch of sandy beach and a yachting harbor, Pirita is best known as a centre for summer flocking. A quieter way to enjoy the area is to head across the road to the Pirita River delta, where row boats, canoes and water bicycles can be rented.

62 Tallinn TV Tower
Kloostrimetsa tee 58A
www.tletorn.ee

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63 Tallinn Botanic Garden
Kloostrimetsa tee 52
www.botanika.ee

The extensive gardens and modern greenhouses are the best places in Tallinn to stop and smell the flowers. In summer a stroll through the rose garden is a must, but the lush greenhouses make this a popular destination all year round.

Metsakalmistu

Kloostrimetsa tee 36
www.kalmistud.ee

The "Forest Cemetery" is by far Estonia's most famous. It was established in 1933 and quickly became the favoured resting place of the nation's luminaries.

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65 Pirita Adventure Park
Merivälja tee 5A
www.piritaadventurepark.ee

Combination of high pine trees and sandy beach make this adventure park, with 6 different tracks, perfect for fun-loving visitors.

66 St. Bridget's Convent Ruins
Kloostri tee 9
www.piritaadventurepark.ee

The mysterious, triangular shape towering above the trees next to Pirita River belongs to the ruins of St. Bridget's Convent, which operated here from 1407 until it was destroyed during the Livonian War in the late 16th century. The 35-metre facade, which operated here from 1407 until it was destroyed during the Livonian War in the late 16th century, the remains of the convent are still visible. The ruins are a must-see for anyone visiting Tallinn.

Rocca al Mare

Sitting at the western edge of the city, Rocca al Mare is best known as the site of the sprawling Estonian Open Air Museum and Tallinn Zoo. The area got its name after a summer manor of A. Girard de Soucanton built in 1863.

67 Estonian History Museum – Maarjamae Palace
Pirita tee 56
www.galoomuseum.ee

The palace is home to a large-scale exhibition devoted to the Republic of Estonia. It tells the story of the birth, development, occupation and regained independence of the republic. The museum's courtyard is full of Soviet era demounted monuments. Estonian Film Museum also operates here.

68 Tallinn Song Festival Grounds
Narva mnt 95
www.lauluvallak.ee

It was here in 1988 that the Singing Revolution set Estonia on its road towards independence. Most famously the site is home to the Song and Dance Celebration, taking place every five years, with up to 34 000 performers and 200 000 spectators. Next to the arena is the 42m Light Tower. On top of the natural lime stone slope sits the bronze monument of Gustav Ernesaks, Estonian composer and "father" of singing. His creations are regarded as part of Estonian identity and can be heard on nearby standing "singing bench". The Song Festival Grounds is also home to the concrete building Cromatico, a visual representation of the chromatic – scale, (i.e. all the white and black notes on a piano).

69 Tallinn Zoo
Paldiski mnt 145
www.tallinnzoo.ee

If it hops, flies or slithers, you can find it at the Tallinn Zoo. Spread across an 87-hectare swathe of forested land, it boasts of the best collection of mountain goats and sheep in the world, but its real stars are the incredibly rare Amur leopards. Kids will love the petting zoo (June to August, Wednesday to Sunday).

70 Estonian Open Air Museum
Vabadusmuuseumi tee 12
www.evm.ee

This museum lets you travel back in time to the rural Estonia of old. The vast, forested park is filled with thatched, 18–20th century farm buildings, windmills, a wooden chapel and a village school, with staff demonstrating how people lived and worked in times past. Visitors can buy handicrafts and try out the traditional food served in the village tavern Kolu Kõrts.

Nõmme

A quiet, forested, district filled with 1920s- and 30s-era houses, has the feel of a small country town. It boasts its own historic centre complete with a farmers' market, cafés and pubs, and it even has its own castle of sorts, not to mention a number of other attractions.

71 Clehn's Castle and Park
Vana-Mustamäe tee 48
www.ttu.ee

Built by Count Nikolai von Clehn in 1886 and surrounded by a sizeable park, the romantic, castle provides a perfect escape from the hustle and bustle of the city centre. The park is a popular walking area among the locals and serves as a place to observe the stars or ski during the winter. Also in the park are: a statue of Kalevipoeg (known as the dragon slayer of a bit of dragon (known as the crocodile), and a lookout platform.

72 Nõmme Market
Turu plats 8
www.tallinnaturd.ee

A lively, colourful market on the outskirts of the city focusing on local, organic produce. This market has a long history and is much loved among the Nõmme green area residents. The market offers local produce from Estonian farmers alongside quality goods from abroad.

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Jaama 18
www.tallinn.ee/nomme-museum-2

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75 Pääsküla Bog
Hiiu

A more down-to-earth way to enjoy Nõmme's nature is to visit the bog-trails, south of Pärnu mnt. There are 4km and 2km trails, dotted with educational signs about the area's nature. Wooden paths direct you to the best viewpoints, making exploration easy.

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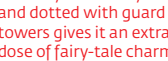
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Old Town

Twisting cobblestone lanes and iron street lamps. Gothic spires and Medieval markets, cappuccino and Wi-Fi. This is the city's famous Old Town.

Built up from the 13th to 16th centuries, when Tallinn – or Reval as it was known then – was a wiving member of the Hanseatic trade league, this enclosed neighbourhood of colourful, gabled houses, half-hidden courtyards and grandiose churches is, quite rightly, the city's biggest tourist draw. And the fact that it's all neatly packaged within a mostly-intact city wall and dotted with guard towers gives it an extra dose of fairy-tale charm.

Tallinn Old Town is listed in the UNESCO World Heritage List since 1997.



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Müürivahe 33
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1 Town Hall Square & Town Hall

Raekoja plats 1
www.tallinn.ee/raekoja

The historic square at the heart of Old Town and the best-preserved Gothic Town Hall in Northern Europe. Dominating the square's east side is the Town Hall, built in 1402–1404 as the headquarters for the ruling burghmeisters. **MUST SEE!**

7 Dominican Monastery Museum

Vene 16
www.kloostri.ee

The inner courtyard and passageways of St. Catherine's Monastery. Established in 1246, this is Tallinn's oldest intact building.

2 Town Hall Prison – Museum of Photography

Raekoja 4/6
www.linnamuseum.ee

The history of photography in Estonia, housed in the Town Council's former prison. Displays include an early 20th-century darkroom, fascinating old photos of Tallinn, and hundreds of antique cameras, including a 1930s-era Minox, designed in Estonia. **MUST SEE!**

8 St. Nicholas' Orthodox Church

Vene 24

Drop inside this neo-classical church built in 1820s to get a glimpse of the treasured iconostasis.

3 Town Hall Pharmacy

Raekoja plats 11
www.raekojaapteek.ee

Open since as far back as 1422, this curious little shop on the corner of Town Hall Square is in fact the oldest continuously running pharmacy in Europe. Medieval remedies like burnt bees and powdered unicorn horn have been replaced by their 21st-century counterparts, but one room in the back displays a collection of medicinal bric-a-brac from bygone days.

9 Tallinn City Museum

Vene 17
www.linnamuseum.ee

A well-presented chronicle of Tallinn's history. Housed in a 14th-century merchant house, this modern museum provides an excellent introduction to Tallinn's history from the first settlements right up to the Singing Revolution and 1991 independence. **MUST SEE!**

4 Masters' Courtyard

Vene 6
www.hoov.ee

Hidden in a quiet, courtyard is this site dedicated to the master craftsmen of old. Visitors can shop for handcrafted handicrafts and jewellery, and sample the heavenly confections at the chocolate café. There is even a guest house here. **MUST SEE!**

10 Holy Spirit Church

Pühavaimu 2
www.eelk.ee/tallinna_puhavaimu

This is the 14th century spectacular structure both inside and out. The elaborate painted clock on its façade is Tallinn's oldest public timepiece, but don't miss the carved wood interior and 15th century altar painted by Bernt Notke. **MUST SEE!**

5 St. Catherine's Passage

Vene 12
www.katariinagid.ee

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Perfectly picturesque square offering view to Town Hall with its towers. Since 2009 Tallinn Flower Festival takes place here every summer.

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Extensive displays on Estonia's sea-faring history, housed in the historic Fat Margaret's cannon tower. This fat, sturdy defence tower was built from 1511 to 1530 to protect Tallinn from attacks by the sea. Take the stairs to the roof-top for a picture-postcard view of the Tallinn harbour and the Old Town. **MUST SEE!**

23 Town Wall