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Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania, is one of the most attractive cities in Eastern Europe. It draws attention, not only because of its unique architectural character but also because of its cultural events and attractions. During the first ten years of Lithuanian independence, the city began to draw in visitors. The number of tourists has consistently increased over the years and so have the tourist infrastructure and services offered by the country.

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## THE CITY



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Vilnius is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and it is not hard to see why with all the wonderful historic sights found here. The city's extraordinary appearance of historic continuity is all the more amazing when you consider its turbulent history. Vilnius is now back where it rightly belongs, at the heart of Europe, and this most quintessentially European of cities has quickly gained a reputation as being a charming, delightful and, it has to be said, magical place.

It is no wonder that Vilnius has become such a popular tourist destination in recent years for the simple reason that few people can resist its magical charms. The city is large enough to explore, but small enough not to get permanently lost in, Vilnius is an architectural dream come true, a city soaked in atmosphere, and alive with history.

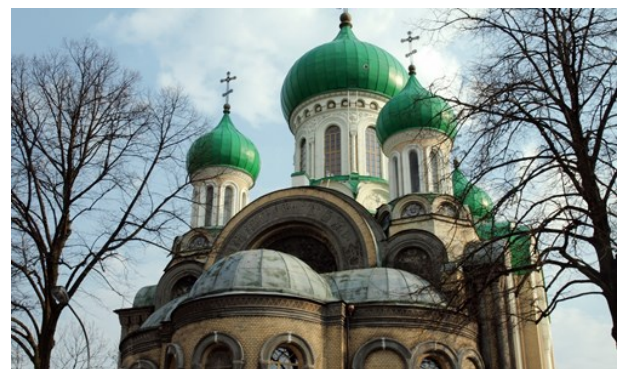
Despite its reputation as a Baroque city, Vilnius is rich in other architectural forms. There are some stunning examples of classicism, eclecticism, brick gothic, and art nouveau in the city centre, especially along the showcase Gedimino Avenue. The city abounds with quirky architectural flourishes, from mysterious masks to mischievous gargoyles. Quite simply, you just cannot take your eyes off the place.

Most of the buildings in Vilnius date from the periods immediately after the great fires of 1610, 1737, 1748, and 1749, when the city's wooden buildings were done away with. Amazingly, however, the Old Town's street structure is virtually unchanged since medieval times.

The best way to see Vilnius is on foot (just follow the cobblestone road). The city is also a dream for cyclists with clearly-marked cycle lanes covering virtually the entire city centre and bringing all the city's sights within easy reach.

There is, of course, much more to Vilnius than the Old Town. The city centre is filled with beautiful parks and majestic buildings standing proudly atop steep, hilly streets. It is also a delight to walk along the banks of the river Neris as it serenely snakes its way through the city centre. The riverside path offers spectacular views of the Old Town on one side, and the imposing skyscrapers of the New District on the other.

## DO & SEE



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No trip to Vilnius is complete without a visit to the self-declared Republic of Užupis, just across the sparkling river Vilnia, and behind the spectacular red Gothic façade of St Anne's Church. Just be sure not to miss the prominently displayed constitution (it is in Lithuanian,



French, and English) which states, among other things, that: 'Every dog has the right to be a dog'.

Other places of special interest include Vilnius University, the Hill of Three Crosses, the Gates of Dawn, the Presidential Palace, the Town Hall, Ponar Memorial, and Kalvarijų market, not to mention countless other museums, galleries, churches and statues. Just one thing is certain when it comes to Vilnius: one visit is never enough.

### Bernardine Garden



The city's much-loved Bernardine Garden dates back to as early as 1469. Take a walk through the greenery, marvel at the musical fountain that plays classical and modern tunes and see Vilnius' oldest oak tree, which is reportedly over 300 years old.

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Opening hours: Daily 6am–11pm

### Vilnius Cathedral



The Cathedral Basilica of St Stanislaus and St Ladislaus of Vilnius is Lithuania's most important sanctuary and a witness of the nation's baptism in 1387. This is also one of the greatest architectural examples of classicism in Vilnius. In the Cathedral's catacombs, you can find a museum of its history. Visitors can book an excursion (in the Cathedral's parsonage) and be professionally guided.

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Internet: [www.katedra.lt](http://www.katedra.lt)

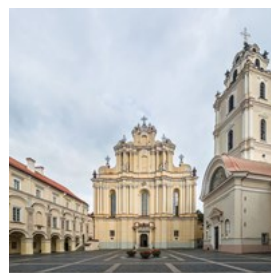
### Gediminas Castle Tower



The tower, a long-standing symbol of Vilnius, is located on the 48-metre-high hill. It is named after the city's founder, Gediminas, the Grand Duke of Lithuania. This is the only remaining part of the Upper Castle, which stood here from the 10th until the late 14th century. There is an observation deck on the top of the tower, a great place to appreciate a magnificent panorama. Gediminas' Tower can be reached by foot or a funicular.

Photo: Grisha Bruev/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Arsenalo gatvė 5, Vilnius  
Phone: +370 5 261 7453  
Internet: [www.lnm.lt/en/museums/gediminas-castle-tower](http://www.lnm.lt/en/museums/gediminas-castle-tower)

### Vilnius University Ensemble



The impressive Vilnius University ensemble was established in 1579 and represents different architectural styles: Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, and Classicism. The ensemble consists of thirteen enclosed courtyards, St. John's Church and the highest viewing point of the Old Town. The 68-metre high campanile offers a breathtaking view of the Old Town.

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### Amber Museum-Gallery

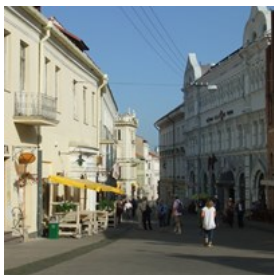


The Amber Museum-Gallery offers informative displays on the "Baltic Gold" as well as temporary exhibitions of amber jewellery. The

museum hosts a unique collection of inclusions and narrates the entire history of amber—from its formation to its possible applications. Exhibits are presented in an interesting and modern manner.

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### Pilies Street

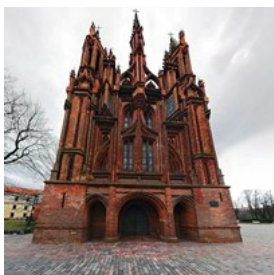


Pilies Street is the oldest and most vibrant street in the Old Town of Vilnius. It has preserved its old and unique look and you can see traces of old

architecture everywhere: small yards, arches, arcades, original steps, and basements. Nowadays, it is also a place where you can find numerous cafés, restaurants, and souvenir shops.

Photo: Peter Collins/Flickr(image cropped)  
Address: Pilies gatvė, Vilnius

### Church of St Anne and Bernardine Complex



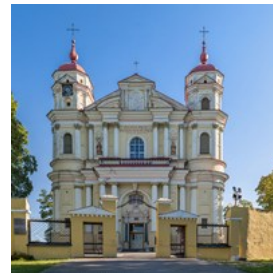
The churches of St Anne and Bernardine are a fine Lithuanian Gothic ensemble located right next to each other. St Anne's Church,

constructed with 33 different kinds of clay

bricks, is the most outstanding and enchanting Gothic building in Lithuania. It dates back to the late 15th century and remains largely unchanged.

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Address: Maironio gatvė 8, Vilnius

### Church of Sts Peter and Paul

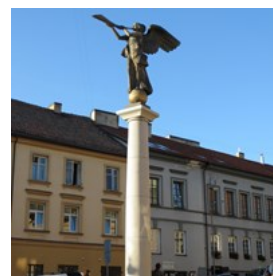


This church is a masterpiece from the 17th century and one of Lithuania's most significant Baroque monuments. It is famous

for its exceptional interior where one can see about 2,000 stucco figures.

Photo: Diliff/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)  
Address: Antakalnio gatvė 1, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Daily 7am–6:30pm  
Phone: +370 5 234 0229  
Internet: [www.vilniauspetrodavilo.lt/en](http://www.vilniauspetrodavilo.lt/en)

### Republic of Užupis



The Užupis district is sometimes compared to Montmartre in Paris or Christiania in Copenhagen. It is a self-declared republic of

artists. The district has its own president, constitution (displayed on the wall on Paupio Street), anthem, military, day of celebration (April Fool's Day) and a guardian (the bronze angel). Užupis stands for creativity and uniqueness.

Photo: Bernt Rostad/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)  
Address: Užupis, Vilnius

### Hill of Three Crosses



Once you reach the top of this hill, a terrific view of the city opens up before your eyes. Three white crosses standing on the top symbolise Lithuanians' mourning and hope. The first crosses were erected in the 17th century in memory of the martyrs, but were removed during Stalin's rule and then rebuilt in 1989. A journey to the top of this hill makes for a lovely hike through a peaceful and green area of the city.

Photo: Pudelek/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: Kalnų parkas, Vilnius

Opening hours: 24/7

Phone: +370 5 212 2662

### Literatų Street



This lovely street is like an open-air gallery. Its walls are decorated with small objects made of metal, wood, and glass as tributes to writers who have influenced Lithuanian literature.

Photo: Sami C/Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Literatų gatvė, Vilnius

### Gediminas Avenue



Gediminas Avenue is the main street of Vilnius, where most of the governmental and cultural institutions of Lithuania are concentrated. Nowadays, it is also a very popular shopping and dining street. It is partially a pedestrian street in the evenings when traffic is

prohibited.

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Address: Gedimino prospektas, Vilnius

### Museum of Occupations and Freedom Fights



This one-of-a-kind museum is set up in the former KGB headquarters where Soviet crimes were planned and committed over the course of fifty years. Here you can go see modern expositions acquainting their visitors with the loss of independence, repressions of Soviet authorities, and information about the genocide victims.

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Address: Aukų gatvė 2A, Vilnius

Opening hours: Wed-Sat 10am-6pm; Sun 10am-5pm

Phone: +370 5 249 8156

### National Art Gallery



The National Art Gallery is a modern multi-functional centre of art and culture. Visitors become acquainted with a permanent exposition, presenting Lithuanian modern and contemporary painting, sculpture, graphics, photography, objects, installations, and video art. Here you can also take part in cultural events, lectures, and educational programs.

Photo: Dannie Jing/Unsplash

Address: Konstitucijos prospektas 22, Vilnius

Opening hours: Tue, Wed, Fri & Sat 11am-7pm; Thu noon-8pm; Sun 11am-5pm

Phone: +370 5 219 5960

Email: info@ndg.lt



### Europos Parkas



One of the most impressive contemporary art museums where art and nature merge is situated 17 kilometres from the centre of Vilnius. Europos Parkas was founded in 1991 and seeks to give meaning to the geographical centre of Europe in the language of art. About 100 sculptures created by different world artists are displayed there.

Photo: Europos Parkas Museum

Address: Europos Parko, gatvė 302, Joneikiškės

Opening hours: Daily 10am–7pm

Phone: +370 5 237 7077

Internet: [www.europosparkas.org/en](http://www.europosparkas.org/en)

Email: [muziejus@europosparkas.lt](mailto:muziejus@europosparkas.lt)

### Frank Zappa Statue



This monument is dedicated to an eminent American composer, guitarist and singer Frank Zappa. His music and iconoclastic

character earned him a spot on the Soviet's list of banned artists, which impelled locals to build a statue for him right after the independence.

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Address: K. Kalinausko gatvė, Vilnius

Opening hours: 24/7

### DINING



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Over the centuries, Lithuanians have created a unique array of dishes, influenced by the culture of various nationalities. A distinctive trait of Lithuanian cuisine is the preponderance of potato dishes. The most impressive of these are the cepelinai ("zeppelins"), large boiled potato dumplings made from grated raw potato with fillings of minced meat or cottage cheese. Other traditional potato dishes are various types of kugelis (potato loaf) and potato salad, potato pancakes made from grated raw potato or boiled potato (sometimes with meat filling), and small potato dumplings with mushroom or berry filling. Perhaps the most exotic Lithuanian dish is vėdarai or potato sausages – pork intestines stuffed with grated raw potato, baked in a wood stove or electric oven.

Soup is very popular in Lithuania. One of the most interesting Lithuanian soups is šaltibarščiai (cold beetroot soup), which is made from beets/beetroot, kefir (a fermented milk product), greens, and boiled eggs. This dish is most popular when served on a hot summer day.

Vilnius has a staggering array of outstanding places to dine, offering the best in French, Italian, Chinese, Japanese, Polish, Mexican, Indian, Russian, German, and Kosher food, as well as many cutting-edge international

restaurants. And of course, no visit to Vilnius could be complete without experiencing one of the city's many welcoming Lithuanian restaurants.

### Šnekutis



With an extensive menu of Lithuanian food and drink at rock-bottom prices, Šnekutis is hard to beat. It's an essential stop for travellers on a tight

budget, with an abundant offering of local specialities, which turns increasingly into a buzzing bar as the night progresses.

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Address: Šv. Mikalojaus gatvė 15, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Daily 11am-11pm  
Phone: +370 656 99459

### Belmontas



The restaurant is established under the open sky and calls together up to 600 guests. Here, apart from eating and drinking, you get to enjoy the fresh air and nature and listen to something that no other restaurant is in possession of, the sound of brawling waterfalls.

Photo: Tim Bennett/Unsplash.com  
Address: Belmonto gatvė 17A, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Daily noon-11pm  
Phone: +370 686 14656  
Internet: [www.belmontas.lt/main](http://www.belmontas.lt/main)

### Etno Dvaras



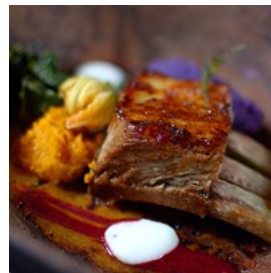
Etno Dvaras was the first restaurant in Lithuania to offer certified meals from the Gastronomic Heritage Foundation. These are meals made in the

traditional way, using products of local origin.

You can hear Lithuanian music playing in a cosy atmosphere of an old estate, decorated with elements of old graphics and pictures from authentic books.

Photo: Michele Ursi/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Pilies gatvė 16, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Daily 11am-midnight  
Phone: +370 656 13688  
Internet: [www.etnodvaras.lt/en](http://www.etnodvaras.lt/en)

### Lokys

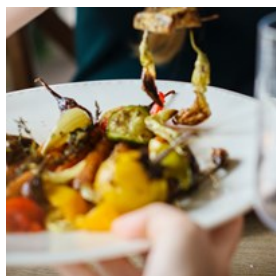


Lokys opened in 1972 and is one of the oldest restaurants in Vilnius, located in an old merchant's house where restaurant cellars,

decorated with hunting trophies, remind us of the 15th century. In addition to the attentive service, game roasts (boar meat, roe deer, venison meat roasts, quail and even beaver meat stew) made according to traditional recipes help create a unique atmosphere.

Photo: Andrés Medina/Unsplash  
Address: Stiklių gatvė 8, Vilnius  
Phone: +370 5 262 9046  
Internet: [www.lokys.lt/en](http://www.lokys.lt/en)  
Email: [info@lokys.lt](mailto:info@lokys.lt)

### La Provence



This could be the most mouth-watering choice in the Old Town. La Provence is leagues ahead of its competition. Savoury fish choices

include red mullet, monkfish and fresh, hot and smoked halibut. But if you really want to throw caution to the wind, take on the lamb knuckles or roebuck fillet with cherry sauce. La Provence also houses the most uncompromising wine list in town.

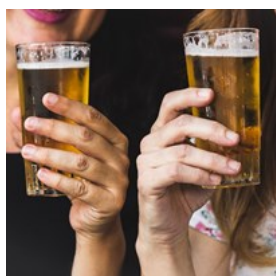
Photo: Rawpixel/Unsplash.com

Address: Vokiečių gatvė 22, Vilnius

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 3pm-midnight

Phone: +370 686 04708

### Bunte Gans



Bunte Gans churns out excellent German and world cuisine in Vilnius Old Town. The imaginative, good-value food on offer includes

schnitzels, bratwurst, bangers and mash, lamb, boar, beef steaks, fresh fish and the house special: a dish of goose with fried potatoes and vegetables. There's live music during the weekends and an extensive range of drinks including Riesling, Grauer Burgunder and the recommended German beer Zoller-Hof from Swabia.

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Address: Aušros Vartų gatvė 11, Vilnius

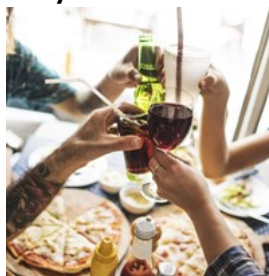
Opening hours: Mon-Thu noon-11pm; Fri & Sat

noon-midnight; Sun noon-8pm

Phone: +370 678 83211

Internet: [www.buntegans.lt](http://www.buntegans.lt)

### Cozy



Cozy is a café and restaurant located in the Old Town of Vilnius. The charming premises date back to 1536 and offer a warm interior with

delicious food and friendly staff. This is a great place to sit back and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere.

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Address: Dominikonų gatvė 10, Vilnius

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9:30am-1am; Sat & Sun 10am-1am

Phone: +370 5 261 1137

Internet: [www.cozy.lt/en](http://www.cozy.lt/en)

Email: [info@cozy.lt](mailto:info@cozy.lt)

### Čagino



Čagino's name is associated with the famous Russian academic, and talented architect Nikolay Chagin. Here, you will enjoy an

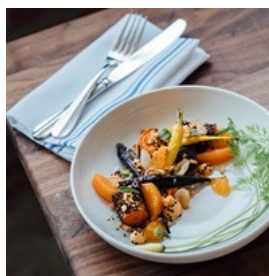
authentic atmosphere of 19th-century Russian nobility and dishes of Russian cuisine based on old national recipes.

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Address: Jono Basanavičiaus gatvė 11, Vilnius

Phone: +370 5 261 5555

### Imperial



From its sophisticated décor to its gourmet, mouth-watering food, Imperial Restaurant offers the ultimate fine dining experience in the

heart of Vilnius Old Town. The menu is impressive and includes fresh oysters from the coast of France, marbled beef steaks, as well as



modern Lithuanian dishes.

Photo: Adam Jaime/Unsplash.com  
Address: Subačiaus gatvė 2, Vilnius  
Phone: +370 5 255 3355  
Email: hotel@imperialvilnius.lt

### Old Green Grill House



The Old Green Grill House is situated only a few steps away from Cathedral Square in a 19th-century house, which is one of the few wooden houses remaining in Vilnius. Here you can have a refreshing glass of beer, with 14 types of Lithuanian and imported beer on tap to choose from, or taste The Old Green House light, special, strong or brand beer brewed according to a special recipe. When it comes to dining, the menu features barbecue, European cuisine, and Lithuanian dishes.

Photo: BlueSkyImage/Shutterstock.com  
Address: L. Stuokos-Gucevičiaus g. 5, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Mon–Thu 12–11pm; Fri & Sat 12pm–1am; Sun 12–10pm  
Phone: +370 616 99559  
Internet: oldgreenhouse.lt  
Email: info@oldgreenhouse.lt

## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Nightlife in Vilnius caters to every budget and taste. You can enjoy a beer at one of the many pubs here or hit one of the clubs. Make sure you dress well as face control is very much enforced.

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Opening hours: Daily 11am–11pm  
Phone: +370 656 99459

### In Vino



This is the place that started the wine boom in Vilnius and it is still avant-garde. The tapas menu is extensive, and even by Spanish

standards the real deal. This place is a long-time favourite for many, from artists and actors to hard-boiled businesspeople.

Photo: Jordi Prat Puig/Shutterstock.com

Address: Aušros Vartų gatvė 7, Vilnius

Opening hours: Sun–Thu 4pm–2am; Fri & Sat 4pm–4am

Phone: +370 5 212 1210

### Notre Vie



This little wine bar and bistro, situated right in the heart of the Old Town, is a real gem. All the wines served here are carefully selected and

brought directly from vineyards by the owners themselves. This is an exceptional wine bar standing for high quality, uniqueness, and exclusivity, not to mention its cosy interior and live jazz evenings.

Photo: Scott Warman/Unsplash.com

Address: Stiklių gatvė 10, Vilnius

Opening hours: Daily noon–midnight

Phone: +370 636 35581

### Menu Fabrikas Loftas



The cultural centre Menu Fabrikas Loftas is a place well-known to local bohemians. This venue is based inside a fabulous old factory in Vilnius

Newtown and offers creative opportunities, outlets, and events including parties, fashion shows, educational seminars, film screenings, and much more. Loftas is popular for big music shows with world-famous bands and DJs.

Photo: Michael Discenza/Unsplash.com

Address: Švitrigailos gatvė 29, Vilnius

Phone: +370 645 71145

Internet: [www.menufabrikas.lt](http://www.menufabrikas.lt)

Email: [info@menufabrikas.lt](mailto:info@menufabrikas.lt)

More Info: Live music bar

### Artistai



Artistai is a lively pub with a youthful vibe that has been on the Vilnius party scene for a long time. This place is especially loved by

students and draws in crowds with a mixture of popular hits and timeless pop classics. This place has a courtyard too where frequent live music concerts take place.

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Address: Šv. Kazimiero gatvė 3, Vilnius

Phone: +370 5 212 1268

Email: [info@artistai.lt](mailto:info@artistai.lt)

### The Portobello



The Portobello is not only a place with live music (which is played almost daily) but also tasty and affordable food. This place has a soulful

interior and is claimed to be one of the hottest spots in town.

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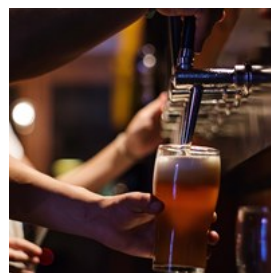
Address: Aušros Vartų gatvė 7, Vilnius

Opening hours: Sun–Thu 5pm–2am, Fri & Sat 5pm–4am

Phone: +370 5 212 1646

Email: [vilnius@theportobello.lt](mailto:vilnius@theportobello.lt)

### Gringo Pub



With its friendly staff and a carefully selected beer menu, this bar stands out among the Vilnius pub scene. Live soccer matches are broadcast on

the screen and draught beers including Guinness and Stella Artois are served to go with it.

Photo: Gonzalo Remy/Unsplash.com

Address: Vilniaus gatvė 31, Vilnius

Phone: +370 654 90541

Email: gringopub@gmail.com

### Piano Man Bar



A mixed and chirpy crowd, great drink selection, friendly bartenders and good music make this bar a really charming one. It is

hard not to have a good time at the Piano Man Bar.

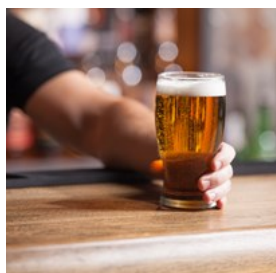
Photo: Serge Esteve/Unsplash.com

Address: Islandijos gatvė 1, Vilnius

Phone: +370 630 09949

Email: pianomanpub@gmail.com

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Address: Laurynas Stuokos-Gucevičiaus gatvė 5, Vilnius

Opening hours: Mon–Thu noon–11pm; Fri & Sat noon–1am;  
Sun noon–10pm

Phone: +370 616 99559

Internet: [www.oldgreenhouse.lt/en](http://www.oldgreenhouse.lt/en)

Email: [info@oldgreenhouse.lt](mailto:info@oldgreenhouse.lt)

## SHOPPING



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The main shopping areas in Vilnius can be divided neatly into the two areas of the Old Town (pedestrian streets where you can find antiques, amber, linen, books old and new, some nice pieces of art, handcrafts) and parts of the city's classiest retail street, Gedimino (designer clothes, fashion shops, more charming crafts). In the Old Town, the very heart of the city, you can find excellent shops, prestigious boutiques, and street markets specialising in local art, crafts, and souvenirs. The most well-known areas for shopping in the Old Town are Pilies and Didžioji streets.

The city's markets are also well worth a visit for an authentic, blast-from-the-past experience. Large shopping and leisure centres have been popping up increasingly around city fringes. There, you will find clothing, footwear, food, and other numerous shops. These are usually open from early morning until late at night.

Wares guaranteed to please anyone are local linen and amber. According to a local legend, amber originates from the tears of the sea goddess Jūratė and the stones from her castle, which was destroyed by Perkūnas, the pagan god of thunder, when he discovered her passionate love affair with the mortal fisherman Kastytis. Ask most people and they will tell you amber is a



dark honey colour. However, visit anywhere selling the stuff and you will soon see it come in such diverse colours as blue, black, white and yellow. White amber is called royal amber and is widely available in Lithuania. Meanwhile, the other good linen is woven from the fibres of the flax plant, a completely natural resource, perhaps the most ecologically sound fabric of all. This fabric that really breathes, is available for just about any part of the body or home.

### Boutique Lino Kopos



Lino Kopos means linen dunes, which sounds like a laundry nightmare, but is actually a fair reflection of the range and beauty of creations made

exclusively from this versatile natural fibre. The design studio is the shop of the Lithuanian fashion designer Giedrius Šarkauskas, who creates designer garments for everyone. Giedrius label is absolutely unique to Lithuania. His collections include cold-season outerwear.

Photo: Oleg Golovnev/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Krokuvos gatvė 6, Vilnius  
Phone: +370 5 275 1200

### Akropolis



Largest shopping mall in the Baltics States offering plenty of shopping, dining, and entertainment opportunities.

Photo: estherpoon/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Ozo gatvė 25, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Daily 8am–11pm  
Phone: +370 659 23632  
Internet: [www.akropolis.lt/en](http://www.akropolis.lt/en)

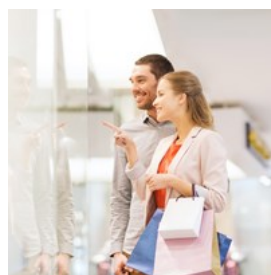
### Europa



Europa is a modern shopping mall in the heart of the business district just north of the river featuring high-end designer brands along with upscale cafés and restaurants.

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Address: Konstitucijos prospektas 7A, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Daily 8am–9pm

### Ozas

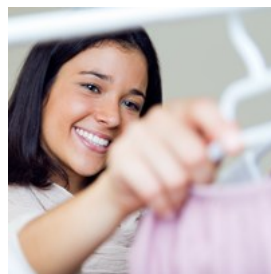


The large Ozas shopping centre offers gargantuan shopping and restaurant options. Here you can find a veritable cavalcade of shops selling

everything from designer clothes to more popular stores. A cinema and entertainment for children can also be found here.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Ozo gatvė 18, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Daily 10am–9pm  
Phone: +370 640 15055  
Internet: [www.ozas.lt/en](http://www.ozas.lt/en)

### Panorama



At Panorama, you can find loads of retail outlets, entertainment options, and a variety of cafés and restaurants in a modern multi-level

complex.

Photo: nenetus/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Saltoniškių gatvė 9, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Daily 10am–9pm  
Phone: +370 686 39060  
Internet: [www.panorama.lt](http://www.panorama.lt)

Email: [info@panorama.lt](mailto:info@panorama.lt)

### Halle Market



The beautifully restored brick building dating from the 1900s is more than worth a look inside. A trip through the doors rewards visitors with a

fragrant blast of several tonnes of smoked meat, which can be bought here along with a few other specialities including fresh fruit and vegetables plus a nice range of locally-produced honey.

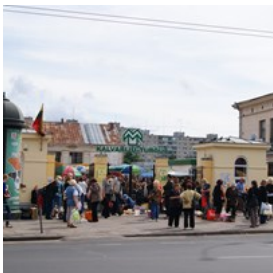
Photo: Mikel Santamaria/Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Pylimo gatvė 58, Vilnius

Opening hours: Tue-Sat 7am-6pm; Sun 7am-4pm

Phone: +370 5 262 5536

### Kalvarijų Market



Kalvarijų Market is a long-standing and lively market featuring everything from fresh fruits, veggies and flowers to cheese,

locally-produced honey, and dried and smoked meat. Plus, a huge assortment of secondhand goods and interesting findings like cameras manufactured in the USSR.

Photo: Guillaume Speurt/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: Kalvarijų gatvė 61, Vilnius

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 7am-5pm

Phone: +370 696 35718

### Ramunė Piekautaitė



Ramunė Piekautaitė has been appreciated for the distinct character of her clothing, described as romantic, sensual, and reserved, but luxurious,

aristocratically elegant and confident. For many years, Piekautaitė has faithfully maintained the style and philosophy of her fashion home, but each collection still surprises with its new design solutions, which never miss the global fashion trends.

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Address: Didžioji gatvė 20, Vilnius

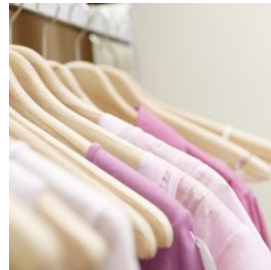
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 11am-7:30pm; Sat 11am-6pm; Sun 11am-4pm

Phone: +370 615 67093

Internet: [www.ramunepiekautaite.com](http://www.ramunepiekautaite.com)

Email: [vilnius@ramunepiekautaite.com](mailto:vilnius@ramunepiekautaite.com)

### Julia Janus



Lithuanian designer Julia Janus offers a range of off-the-peg clothing for women of all shapes and sizes available at reasonable prices.

Applying a soft touch with a stunning effect, Julia is the sort of designer who would like to get to know her customers before dressing them. Julia's works cherish the mature woman, respecting every curve of her body, blending simplicity and grace for an effective look.

Photo: MJTH/Shutterstock.com

Address: Stiklių gatvė 7, Vilnius

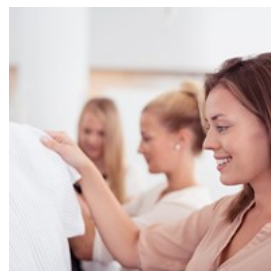
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 11am-7pm; Sat & Sun 11am-5pm

Phone: +370 5 261 4346

Internet: [www.juliajanus.com](http://www.juliajanus.com)

Email: [julia@juliajanus.com](mailto:julia@juliajanus.com)

### Fashion House Juozas Statkevičius



Juozas Statkevičius is the most prominent Lithuanian fashion designer, well-known far beyond the borders of the Baltic States. In fact, he

is the first designer from the Baltics to present his haute couture collections in Paris. His designs are like exquisite dreams, acted out in garments, with every elaborate and evocative detail telling its own story.

Photo: racorn/Shutterstock.com

Address: Pamėnkalnio gatvė 2-1, Vilnius

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 11am-6pm; Fri 11am-5pm

Internet: [www.statkevicius.com](http://www.statkevicius.com)

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Passport / Visa



Lithuania can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of most European countries, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travellers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

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### Best Time to Visit



Vilnius is a pleasant destination all year round, although it can get rather cold in the winter. The best times to plan your trip are the summer

months (June-August), along with the shoulder season (May & September).

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### Vilnius International Airport



Vilnius International Airport is located on a plateau to the south of Vilnius. It is located only 5 kilometres away and the journey takes

approximately 15 minutes. You can get to and from the airport easily by train, bus, minibus, or taxi. Car rental companies are represented at the airport.

A special scheduled train runs from the airport to Vilnius Railway Station. A covered pedestrian walkway (located just outside the airport terminal) connects the airport terminal with the railway stop. It runs roughly once an hour and the journey takes about 7 minutes.

City buses also provide a service to and from the airport.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Vilnius International Airport, Vilnius

Phone: +370 612 44442

Internet: [www.vilnius-airport.lt/en](http://www.vilnius-airport.lt/en)



## Public Transport



Vilnius trolleybuses and buses start running at about 5 am and finish at midnight. Single-ride tickets may be purchased directly from the driver.

If you're staying in the city longer, it might make more sense to buy a reusable transport card, which can be used both for single and monthly public transport tickets.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair  
Internet: [www.judu.lt/en](http://www.judu.lt/en)

## Taxi



If you have mobile internet, the easiest and cheapest way to get a ride is to use the local competitor of Uber: the eTaksi app. Payments can

be made by card via the app or to the driver directly.

By the way, Uber is also available in Vilnius as well as Bolt, another popular ride-sharing app.

Photo: ArrivalGuides

## Post



You can easily find a post office or post box in Vilnius. Look for the yellow signs.

Photo: Andy Fuchs  
Address: Totorių g. 8, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm; Sat 9am-4pm  
Phone: +370 700 55 400  
Internet: [www.post.lt](http://www.post.lt)

## Pharmacy



There are numerous pharmacies scattered throughout the city. Eurovaistinė, for example, can be found in several locations around

Vilnius.

Photo: Gemma Garner  
Address: Mindaugo g. 11, Vilnius  
Opening hours: Daily from 8am-10pm  
Phone: +370 682 79495  
Internet: [www.apie-eurovaistine.lt](http://www.apie-eurovaistine.lt)

## Telephone



Country code: +370 Area code: 5

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## Electricity



In Lithuania, there are two types of plugs that are commonly used: Type C and Type F. Type C plugs have two round pins, while Type F plugs have two round pins with two earth clips on the side. The electrical supply in Lithuania operates at a voltage of 230V and a frequency of 50Hz.

Photo: Stirling Tscha

**Population**  
588,412 (2021)

**Currency**  
Euro (EUR) €1 = 100 cents

**Opening hours**  
Business hours are from Mon-Fri between 8am-5pm. Shops

are normally open from 10am–6/7pm on weekdays and until 3/4pm on Saturdays.

**Internet**

[www.govilnius.lt/visit-vilnius](http://www.govilnius.lt/visit-vilnius)

**Newspapers**

Lietuvos rytas — [www.lrytas.lt](http://www.lrytas.lt)

Verslo žinios — [www.vz.lt](http://www.vz.lt)

Vilniaus diena — [www.diena.lt](http://www.diena.lt)

The Baltic News — [www.baltictimes.com](http://www.baltictimes.com)

Respublika — [www.respublika.lt](http://www.respublika.lt)

**Emergency numbers**

Emergency: 112

**Tourist information**

Vilnius Tourist Information Centre

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