

**THE CHORAL ART SOCIETY
CONCERT TOUR OF ESTONIA, FINLAND AND RUSSIA, AUGUST 2017**

**Suggested Itinerary
Prepared March 2, 2016**

Day 1	IN FLIGHT
	Check in at Boston airport Depart on flight(s) to Tallinn
Day 2	TALLINN
	Arrive at Tallinn airport Clear Immigration and Customs and meet your courier Transfer by coach to the hotel and check in <i>Capital of the smallest Baltic republic, Estonia, Tallinn is today the best preserved of the old North Hanseatic towns. A rich heritage of medieval buildings is preserved, including the 13th-century Toompea Castle, which dominates the city. Tallinn is well known for its national song festival, which takes place every four years. The huge open air stage can hold up to 25,000 singers, and the event is attended by up to 150,000 people</i>
evening	Dinner in a restaurant, including live folk music
Day 3	TALLINN
morning	Breakfast in the hotel Guided sightseeing tour, during which you will see the Song Festival site, Toompea Castle, the 14th-century Town Hall, the Niguliste Church and the 15th-century bastion "Kiek-in-de-kok", so called because from its vantage point you are meant to be able to see into all the town's kitchens Lunch independent
afternoon	At leisure
evening	Dinner independent
Day 4	TALLINN
morning	Breakfast in the hotel Entrance to the Estonian Theatre and Music Museum Lunch independent
afternoon	Rehearsal
evening	Concert (in the Jaani Church?) Dinner in a restaurant

Tallinn, Estonia



Day 5 **HELSINKI**

morning Breakfast in the hotel
Depart by ferry for Helsinki (c. 2.5 hrs)
Lunch independent on board

afternoon Arrive in Helsinki and check in to the hotel
Helsinki is a modern city, with handsome streets and boulevards. The white facades of its buildings have earned it the name "the white city of the north". The port, dotted with small islands, harbors ships from around the world

evening Dinner independent

Day 6 **HELSINKI**

morning Breakfast in the hotel
Guided sightseeing tour, during which you will see the Cathedral, the bustling Market Square and the controversial Sibelius Memorial
Lunch independent

afternoon Rehearsal

evening **Concert** (in the Rock Church?)
Dinner in a restaurant

Day 7 **ST PETERSBURG**

morning Breakfast in the hotel
Depart by train for St Petersburg (c. 4 hrs)
Lunch independent on board

afternoon Arrive in St Petersburg and check in to the hotel
St Petersburg, Tsar Peter the Great's "window on the world", is Russia's most cosmopolitan city. Standing on 101 islands linked by rivers, canals and charming bridges, its sheer elegance has attracted visitors for generations

evening Dinner independent

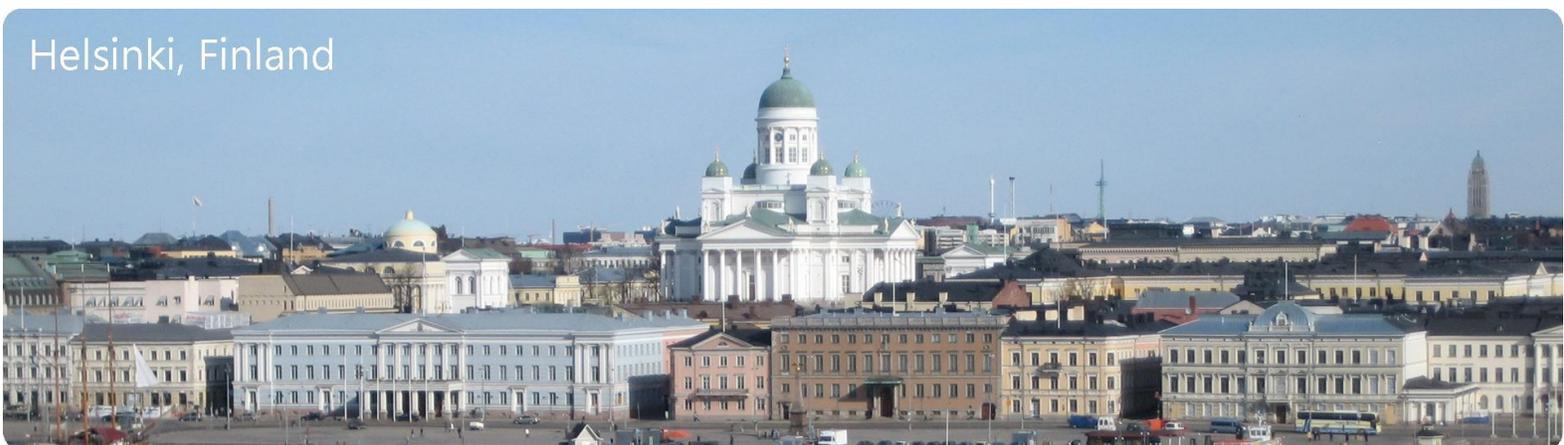
Day 8 **ST PETERSBURG**

morning Breakfast in the hotel
Guided sightseeing tour, during which you will see the Peter and Paul Fortress, St Isaac's Cathedral, Palace Square and Nevsky Prospekt
Lunch independent

afternoon Transfer by coach to Gatchina?
Rehearsal

evening **Concert** (in St Nicholas's Lutheran Church?)
Dinner in a restaurant
Return by coach to St Petersburg

Helsinki, Finland



Day 9**ST PETERSBURG**

morning	Breakfast in the hotel Guided tour of the Hermitage Museum (entrance included), the Tsars' former winter palace, which houses the most fabulous collection of painting and applied arts in the world Lunch independent
afternoon	At leisure
evening	Dinner independent

Day 10**ST PETERSBURG**

morning	Breakfast in the hotel Excursion by coach to Peterhof Park (entrance included) <i>Peter the Great began to live here when he was building the great naval base of Kronstadt, and he was inspired by visiting Versailles. The most notable feature of the palace is the Great Cascade, one of the world's most spectacular series of fountains</i> Lunch independent
afternoon	Return by coach to St Petersburg Rehearsal
evening	Concert (in St Mary's Lutheran Church?) Farewell dinner in a restaurant, including live folk music

Day 11**HOME**

morning	Breakfast in the hotel Transfer by coach to the airport and check in Depart on flight(s) to Boston Arrive at Boston airport
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NB: driving times are estimates, based on normal road conditions, and do not include allowances for meal or rest stops

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St Petersburg, Russia



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**Quotation
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Based on current exchange rates (\$1 = €0.9201) and prices, and assuming the following numbers of paying participants plus complimentary places (land and air), the price per person for this itinerary is:

Number paying plus number free:	50+2
LAND PRICE ¹ in EURO.....	€ 2,084
Land equivalent in US Dollars at the current exchange rate.....	\$ 2,265
Current Published Airfare ²	\$ 1,209
Current Taxes and Fuel Surcharges.....	\$ 510
TOTAL.....	\$ 3,984

Single supplement: €588

1. The land price quoted is contingent on ACFEA making all air arrangements.
2. Please note that the airfare quoted is a published rate for 2016, but is subject to change for 2017. The airfare cannot be confirmed until a deposit is paid to the airline. Taxes and surcharges are subject to change until the time of ticketing.

This price includes the following:

- Coordination of 4 concerts, to be promoted by means of the production of posters and fliers, announcements in the free press, releases to the media, and the notification of local groups and music organizations
- 5 nights of accommodation in superior tourist class hotels, sharing twin rooms with private facilities.
- 4 nights of accommodation in a first-class hotel (St Petersburg), sharing twin rooms with private facilities.
- Continental breakfast daily plus 5 group dinners
- Guided sightseeing tours of Tallinn, Helsinki and St Petersburg
- Paid entrances to the Estonian Theatre and Music Museum, Hermitage and Peterhof Park
- Ferry ticket from Tallinn to Helsinki
- Train ticket from Helsinki to St Petersburg
- Transportation by luxury air-conditioned motorcoaches throughout the land portion of the tour
- The services of one ACFEA courier per motorcoach throughout the land portion of the tour
- Air transportation by scheduled carrier from Boston to Tallinn, returning from St Petersburg, based on a high-season, midweek departure and return
- Pre-departure briefing and assistance at airport check-in for the group by ACFEA staff
- Password admittance to *Tour Central*, ACFEA's tour management website
- All taxes, tips and service charges normally payable for services included above, except discretionary tips to drivers, guides and couriers

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Not Included:

- Passport and visa fees, if applicable (**Current Russian Tourist Visa Fee: \$140**)
- Beverages other than coffee and tea with breakfast, and water with dinner
- Trip cancellation and interruption insurance, which is highly recommended; brochures will be made available
- Checked baggage fees, if applicable
- Performing rights fees, if applicable
- Instrument rental, excess baggage or air cargo fees

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