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Vilnius: 9 fun things to know

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We have the world's fastest public **WiFi**.



Unlike most capitals, you can fly over the City Centre in a hot **air balloon**.



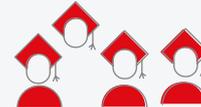
Award-winning French novelist **Romain Gary** was born here.



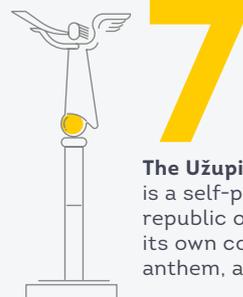
Russian writer **Fyodor Dostoyevski** lived in Vilnius for a time.



Nobel prize winner **Czesław Miłosz** is a graduate of Vilnius University.



We have a monument dedicated to rock musician **Frank Zappa** (well, why not?).



The Užupis district is a self-proclaimed republic of artists with its own constitution, anthem, and president.



Jascha Heifetz, whom many consider to be the greatest violinist of all time, grew up in Vilnius.

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We are **the happiest capital** in the European Union, according to a European Commission report.



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Getting online and getting mobile

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Mobile



Prepaid SIM cards with plans for data, calls, and SMS cost **€3-8**.

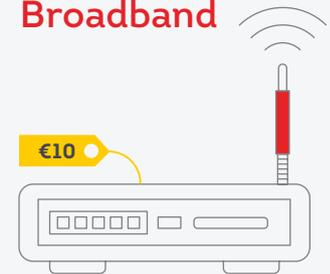
SIM cards are available from all **Narvesen** and **Lietuvos Spauda** news kiosks, plus supermarkets.

Signing a contract for monthly service is possible, but requires a residence permit and a **€100 deposit**.

Main mobile network providers

Bitė
Telia
Tele 2

Broadband



Prices for broadband start at around **€10/month**, with installation time taking up to 2 days. You will need to provide ID and proof of address upon purchase.



You can find the fastest broadband service provider in your district by using this link:

 www.myplan.lt

There's an app and a website for that in Vilnius!

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We're a tech-friendly crowd in Vilnius, so we have an app or a website for almost everything you need.

Food



Barbora



Lėkštė.lt



Meetup



Showaround



Paysera



Worapay



Wolt



LikeALocal*



Revolut

Social

E-payments

Accommodation

 www.en.aruodas.lt

 www.domo.plius.lt

 www.kurgyvenu.lt

Emergency services

 www.epolicija.lt

Transport



AllBikesNow



CityBee



Etaxi



Mparking



Mticket



Spark



Taxify



Uber



UniPark

 www.traukiniobilietas.lt

 www.autobusubilietai.lt

Help us take care of Vilnius



Tvarkau Vilnių**



112

The telephone number for emergency services (police/fire department/ambulance) is **112**.

- * Offline city guide & map.
- ** A crowdsourcing app used for alerting the municipality about issues in the city.

Getting around

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Public transport

Buses and CycloCity bikes are the most common forms of public transport in Vilnius.



For more convenient access to public transport, obtain a **Vilnian Card** ("Vilniečio kortelė") – a prepaid travel card that can be used on all public transport. These can be bought at supermarkets and newsstands.

A **CycloCity Vilnius** account can be added to your Vilnian Card and will allow you to use bikes all over the city for **€19.90**. This can be done online at:

 www.cyclocity.lt

You can check bus schedules on:

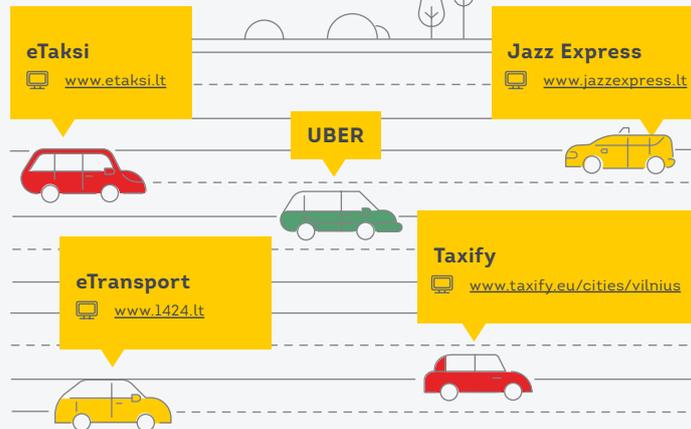
 www.stops.lt

 www.trafi.lt

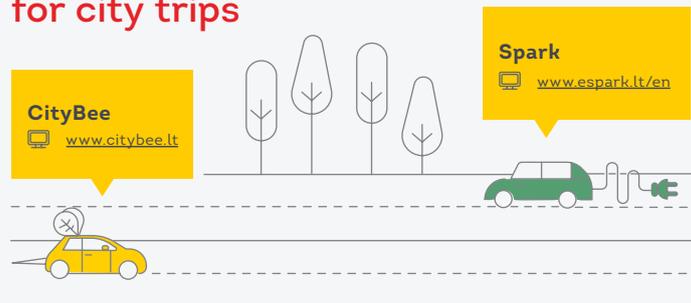


or by downloading the **Trafi app** (made in Vilnius!).

Taxis and ride-sharing



Short-term car rentals for city trips

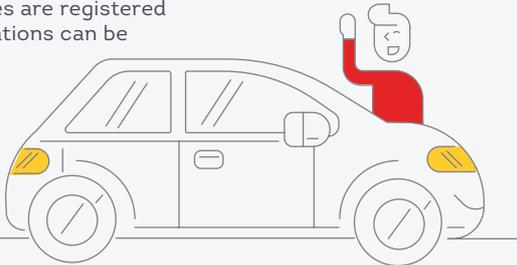


Registering a personal vehicle

Personal vehicle

Personal vehicles are registered by **Regitra**. Locations can be found here:

 www.regitra.lt



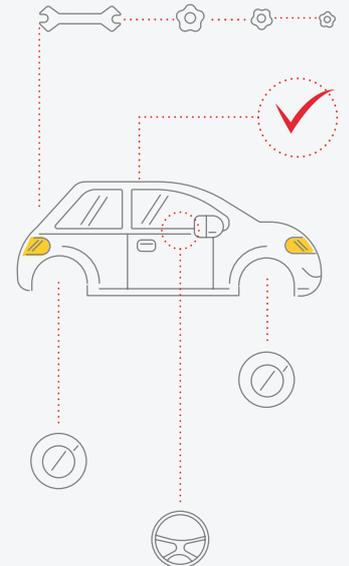
Regitra also administers **driving licence examinations**. More information on obtaining a licence and converting your licence to be valid in the EU can be found here:

 www.regitra.lt/en/services/driving-licences/driving-license-info



Vehicles must pass a **technical inspection** once every two years (or upon import into the EU). You will need to:

1. **Insure** your vehicle.
2. Have Regitra carry out a **technical inspection** of the vehicle.
3. Register your ownership of the vehicle.





Planes, trains, buses



Trains

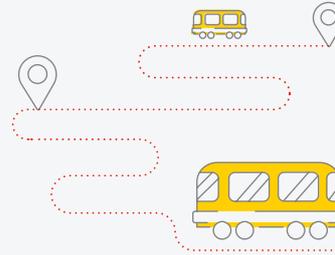
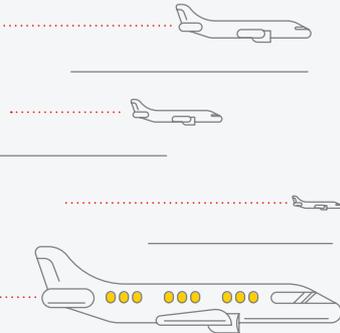
An intercity train service is offered by **Lithuanian State Railways** („Lietuvos geležinkeliai“). A trip to nearby **Kaunas** costs around **€6** one way and takes about one hour. A trip to the **Baltic Coast** takes about **four hours**.

Trains are comfortable, and some have coffee machines, WiFi, and convenient electrical outlets. Tickets and schedules are available at the station or at:

www.traukiniobilietas.lt*

Planes

Vilnius International Airport is about a **10-minute drive** south of the City Centre. You can also get there by train from the Central Railway Station or by bus. 57 European destinations from Vilnius International Airport - 48 various cities in 26 countries. Additional flights are available from **Kaunas Airport**, which is about **one hour away**.

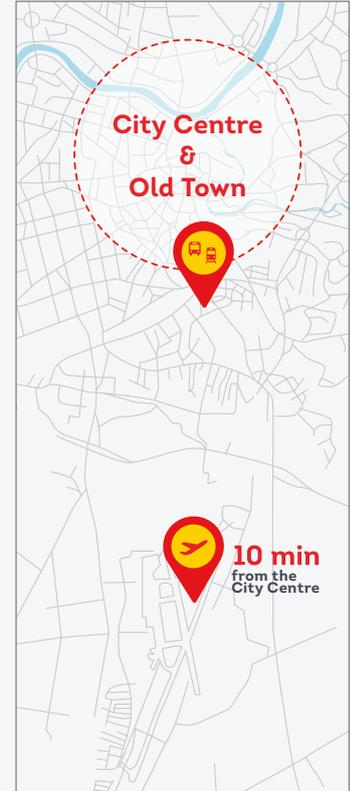


Buses

Vilnius Central Bus Station offers trips to other towns and cities in Lithuania, plus other destinations in Europe. Buses are comfortable, and those used for long-distance and trips abroad are fitted with bathroom and refreshment facilities. The price to neighbouring **Riga** costs around **€30** return and takes approximately four hours. Tickets and schedules are available at the station or at:

www.autobusubilietai.lt

The bus route 88 called 'Airpot-City Center-Europa sq.' operates 24/7. Whether you go on a standard 88 bus or the night bus 88N, all buses run in connection with departing and arriving flights.



* For online purchases, a payment card issued by a Lithuanian bank is needed

Finding a place to live

Property listings:

 www.aruodas.lt

 www.domo.plus.lt

Find out more about them and others here:

 www.kurgyvenu.lt

Old Town

Historic, well-located, easy to reach everything, popular among international residents.

Price: €€€

Žvėrynas

Very green, attractive architecture, close to the City Centre, popular among international residents.

Price: €€€

Naujamiestis

Close to the Old Town, good infrastructure, quite popular among students.

Price: €€

Šeškinė

Residential, a number of shopping centres, quiet, good infrastructure.

Price: €

Užupis

Very artsy, close to the Old Town, calm, popular among international residents.

Price: €€€

Žirmūnai

Good infrastructure, good facilities, popular among families.

Price: €€

Antakalnis

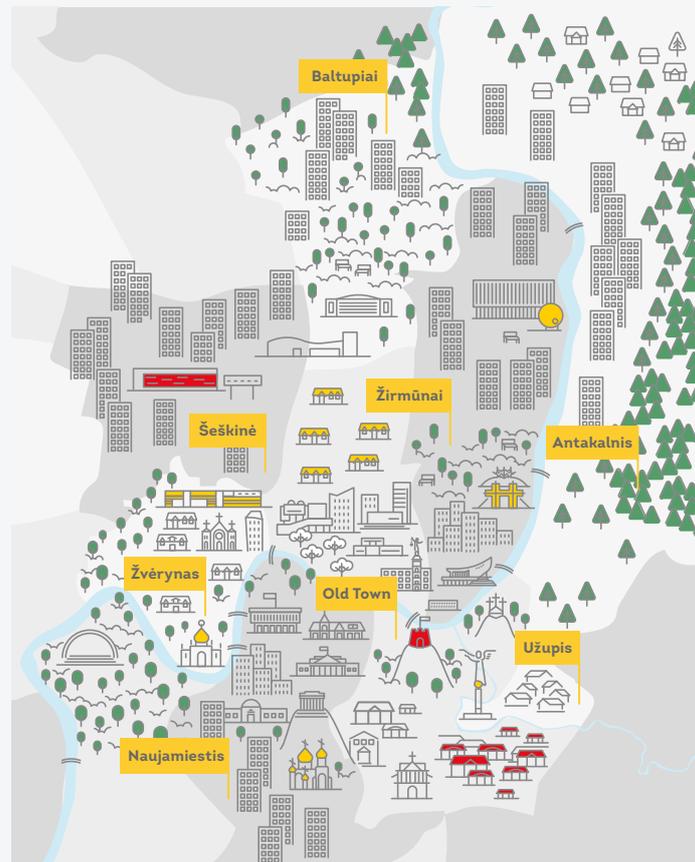
Good infrastructure, many green spaces, every part of the city easily reachable, popular among international residents.

Price: €€€

Baltupiai

Very quiet, very green.

Price: €



Get a job in Vilnius

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Lithuania's most **popular job sites:**

-  www.cvonline.lt
-  www.glassdoor.com

International companies
already with us:

-  www.investlithuania.com

Get to know our **startup**
community and see who's hiring:

-  www.startuplithuania.com



Recruitment agencies that
work mainly with international
companies:

-  www.afr.lt
-  www.manpower.lt
-  www.s3i.strategiestaff.com

If you're a **freelancer**, you
can find out more
about **shared
working spaces**

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Coffice

-  [www.fb.com/
cofficevilnius](http://www.fb.com/cofficevilnius)

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MKIC

-  www.mkic.mb.vu.lt

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Vilnius Tech Park

-  www.vilniustechpark.com

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NVO Avilys

-  www.nvoavilys.lt

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Pakrantė

-  www.pakrante.eu

.....
Rise Vilnius

-  www.thinkrise.com



Starting your business in Vilnius

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A **guide** on procedures, required documents, taxes, and everything else is provided by **Enterprise Lithuania**



www.enterpriselithuania.com



Here's what you need to do:



STEP 1.

Open a bank account, which costs **€30**, and takes one day. Your bank card will arrive within **5 working days**.

Banks operating in Lithuania are listed here:

 www.lb.lt/banks

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
X	X	X	X	X		

STEP 3.

Register your company at the **Center of Registers**. They will help you make your business legally recognised by the state, which takes three days.

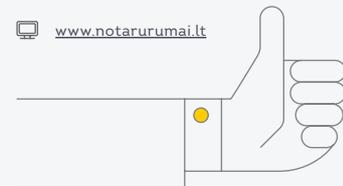
 www.registrucentras.lt



STEP 2.

Have your company documents **notarised**, which takes one day. Find a **notary** here:

 www.notarurumai.lt



Registering as a resident (EU citizen)

If you are an **EU citizen** and are planning to **stay here for more than 3 months**, you need to register and get a residence permit at the Migration Centre.



The **Migration Centre** is located at 100 Naugarduko g.

 www.goo.gl/maps/3WbQCbv9PT2

You will need to bring:

- Your passport
- Your work contract with a Lithuania-based company or see **migracija.lt** for other options
- Three copies of your residence permit application forms*
- Proof of your place of residence



*  www.migracija.lt

Remember:

- Bring **at least 3 copies** of everything.
- If you are renting, you will need to have your landlord write a **letter of confirmation** and have it notarised or bring her or him to the Migration Centre to sign it there.
- Your residence permit will be valid for 3 years, when approved.



Registering for the EU Blue Card (non-EU citizen)

If you are not an EU citizen, you need to register at the Migration Centre at 100 Naugarduko g.* to take up residence in Lithuania.

To apply for an “EU Blue Card”,** you will need to bring:

- Passport
- A passport-sized photo
- Your Schengen visa or other proof of permission to be in Lithuania
- Police clearance from your country of origin
- University degree certificate
- Work contract with a Lithuanian company
- 3 copies of your migration application forms
- Proof of your place of residence

* www.goo.gl/maps/3WbQCbvq9PT2

** More information here: www.eubluecard.lt

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Note:

Special visas for non-EU startup founders **have been available since 1st January 2017.**

www.startupvisalithuania.com



Note:

Step-by-step guides for other circumstances regarding residence permits can be found here:

www.migracija.lt



Meeting up in Vilnius

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Find friends and join communities



Code 4 Vilnius

 www.facebook.com/code4vilnius

International Women's Association of Vilnius

 www.iwavi Vilnius.com

Creative Mornings Vilnius

 www.facebook.com/creativemorningsvilnius

Vilnius JUG (Java community)

 www.vilnius-jug.lt

Internations

 www.internations.org

Vilnius Rotary Club

 www.virc.lt



Attend conferences and meetings

Login

 www.login.lt

TEDxVilnius

 www.tedxvilnius.com

#Switch

 www.switchit.lt



Host your conference with us in Vilnius

Vilnius offers around **100 different venues** suitable for conventions, events, and meetings of various sizes. The Go Vilnius Convention Bureau can help you choose the one that is right for you. The most popular locations include:



Lithuanian Exhibition and Congress Centre LITEXPO

 LITEXPO

Palace of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania

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Radisson Blu Lietuva

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Further venues can be found with the Go Vilnius Convention Bureau event finder:

 www.vilnius-convention.lt

For more information, please send your message to:

@ convention@vilnius.lt

Vilnius open to everyone

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The **LGBT community** in Vilnius continues to grow, and more LGBT-friendly events take place in the city each year.



Vilnius hosts the **Baltic Pride** celebration every three years, sharing the honour with the other two Baltic capitals. Each year the Vilnius LGBT festival "Kreivės" brings people together for film screenings and other cultural events. SOHO club hosts popular weekend parties and brings in international LGBT-friendly stars.

50 businesses

The "Friendly City" project now features **over 50 businesses** that have declared themselves LGBT-friendly. They also aspire to be friendly in other ways, including categories for wheelchair access, speaking multiple languages, accommodating various dietary needs and more. Find more information at:

 www.friendlycity.info/



Go Vilnius Events lists current and upcoming events in the city at:

 www.vilnius-events.lt

Event tickets can be booked on:

 www.bilietai.lt

 www.tiketa.lt

"Tasty Vilnius" has drawn two culinary maps of the city's best restaurants – you can download them here:

 www.vmgvilnius.lt

English-language media for Vilnius' international community:

 www.baltictimes.com

 www.en.delfi.lt

 www.vilnius.lt

Entertainment venues

Theatres

Domino
Jaunimo
Keistuolių
Mažasis teatas
Menų spaustuvė
Nacionalinis dramos teatras OKT
Lėlių teatras

Cinemas

Forum Cinemas Akropolis
Forum Cinemas Vingis
Multikino
Pasaka
Skalvija

Concerts

Compensa
Kongresų rūmai (Vilnius Symphony)
Lithuanian National Philharmonic
Loftas
Operos ir baletu teatras (Opera and Ballet)
Siemens Arena

Night clubs

Matérialiste
Mojito Nights
Mojo
Opium
Pabo Latino
SOHO

Sports activities

Canoes

 www.vilnius-tourism.lt

Beaches

Green Lakes (Žalieji ežerai)
Valakampiai Beach
Žirmūnai Beach

Running races

NIKE WE RUN
Vilnius Women Run
Vilnius Marathon
Vilnius Christmas Run

Cycling races

Baltic Chain Tour
Velomathon

Skiing and snowboarding

Liepkalnis

Gyms

Forum Fitness
 www.forumfitness.lt

Impuls
 www.impuls.lt

Lemon Gym
 www.lemongym.lt

Wake parks

Adrenalin wake park
Splash wake park
Wake Republic
WakeWay

Skate parks

Baltasis tiltas skatepark*
Pilaitės skatepark**
53 Stanevičiaus St.***
152 Architektų Street****



- * Across the White Bridge, opposite the CUP shopping centre
- ** Įsruties Street
- *** Fabijoniškės district
- **** Lazdynai district

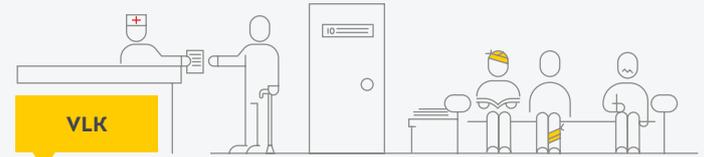
Social security



SoDra takes care of the **Lithuanian retirement pension system** and ensures that anyone who loses all or part of their ability to work is compensated. Everyone who works with a work contract in Lithuania is automatically insured by SoDra. Freelancers are required to make payments to SoDra themselves.



Health insurance



The VLK is the **Lithuanian state health insurance company**, and is there to help you when you need to see a doctor. Every person with a work contract in Lithuania is insured automatically by SoDra, which transfers all your personal information to the VLK and ensures you appear in its system. As a result, most health services are free of charge under this national health insurance.

If you are covered by SoDra, public healthcare treatment is free, but medicines need to be paid for. Under circumstances such as allergies and disability, they are covered by the state.





If your condition is urgent, call the **emergency number 112** or go to any of these hospitals:

Public healthcare institutions

www.vilniaustlk.lt*



VšĮ Vilniaus miesto klinikinė ligoninė

 Antakalnio g. 57

 (8 5) 234 45 19

 www.vmkl.lt

Respublikinė Vilniaus universitetinė ligoninė

 Šiltnamių g. 29

 (8 5) 216 9140

 www.rvu.lt

VšĮ Antakalnio poliklinika**

 Antakalnio g. 59

 (8 5) 234 2515

 www.antakpol.lt

Santariškės

 Santariškių g. 2

 (8 5) 236 5000

 www.santa.lt

Centro poliklinika**

 Pylimo g. 3

 (8 5) 244 2244

 www.pylimas.lt

- * **Not all** offer services in English.
- ** Most of the services are offered in either **Lithuanian, English, Russian, Polish, or German.**



Most institutions take appointments through the **online system**:

www.sergu.lt



Private healthcare institutions

www.medicina.lt

These private healthcare institutions provide services **in English**:

Baltijos Amerikos Klinika

 www.bak.lt

Kardiolita

 www.kardiolita.lt

Medicinos diagnostikos centras

 www.medcentras.lt

Northway

 www.nmc.lt

St. Christopher's dental clinic

 www.kristoforoklinika.lt

Private schools and kindergartens*

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Kindergartens

Prices of private kindergartens range between **€165-€420/month**.

Some examples of private kindergartens offering care in **languages other than Lithuanian**:

Mažųjų valdos:

 English

 Spanish

 French

Vėjo Vėjo:

 English

Vilnius Montessori pre-school:

 English

Kindermusik:

 Russian

Lycée international français de Vilnius:

 French

Saulės gojus:

 English

 German

 French



€100

The municipality provides a **€100/month subsidy** for each child to families that choose to send their child to a private kindergarten.



Schools

Some examples of **international** private schools:

American International School in Vilnius (AISV):

 English

International Meridian School (VIMS):

 Lithuanian

 English

Lycée international français de Vilnius:

 French

Marina Mižigurskaya private gymnasium:

 Lithuanian

 Russian

 Polish

Vilnius International School (VIS):

 English

* It takes **one month** to enrol your child in a private school or kindergarten.

Talk to us at Go Vilnius.



Drop us a line. We'd be happy to talk and help get you settled in Vilnius.



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go@vilnius.lt