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## **Bring your partner to Tallinn!**

The delegates of EAZA Conservation Forum 2018 are very welcome to bring their partners to Tallinn - at the end of May, it is an ideal place for a quick getaway. The partners can enjoy the same offers that are extended to the delegates - free city transport and access to Tallinn Zoo, but we have also put together some useful hints and a special treat for them!

### **Sightseeing -**

Tallinn is home to one of the best preserved mediaeval city walls in Europe, surrounding the UNESCO-listed Old Town. We will organise walking tours of Tallinn for all the delegates and their partners, but here are some extra tips -

- In addition to the comfortably-reached viewing platforms on Toompea, the upper town, the best views of Tallinn centre unfold from the top of the tower of [St. Olav's Church](#), once the tallest building in the world. There are stairs, no elevator, but the climb is worth it.
- The museums of Estonian and foreign art are located at a few steps from each other in Kadriorg - the valley of Catherine, wife of Czar Peter the Great, one of the town's most beautiful parks. The foreign art is housed in the historic [Kadriorg Palace](#), while [KUMU](#), the Estonian art museum, is a modern architectural masterpiece of its own right. Kadriorg Park also features Estonia's only [Japanese Garden](#), which looks splendid at the end of May.
- The [Seaplane Harbour](#), built as a part of Peter the Great's naval fortress, today houses a super-modern maritime museum with a number of ships you can board including a 1926 submarine that remained in service for 75 years and the largest preserved pre-war steam-powered icebreaker in the world.
- Coming back to the views, 314-metre [Tallinn TV tower](#), the tallest building in Northern Europe open to the public, offers those of 360 degrees, as well as an interactive exhibition on its significance during the Soviet times, and the possibility to walk on the edge of the tower's 175-metre-high ledge for thrill-seekers.
- Right next to the TV tower, the grounds of [Tallinn Botanic Garden](#) sprawl, already spectacular in May. Managed by Tallinn City Council like Tallinn Zoo, it is even larger with its 123 h, and boasts large conservatories of palms, tropical and subtropical plants, and succulents.

There is also plenty to do in the vicinity of Tallinn - you can visit the majestic [waterfall](#) at Keila-Joa along with the newly renovated neo-Gothic pearl [Schloss Fall](#), spend a few lovely hours at an eye-catching [landscape and demonstration garden](#) between

[Treppoja cascade](#) and the long sandy stretch of Kloogaranna beach, or take a hiking trip on one of the small islands lining Estonia's northern coast. Find more ideas for day trips [here!](#)

### **Shopping -**

Find the best of Estonian design and the coolest accessories and gifts at stores like [Oma Asi](#), [Tali](#), and [Estonian Design House](#). Many of the shops, artists' studios, and accompanying cafés are located in and around the historic Old Town, check out the [Masters' Courtyard](#) and [Katariina Guild](#) among them. A comprehensive overview of Estonian design shops can be found [here](#).

### **Spas -**

Estonia's spa traditions date back hundreds of years. One of the reasons such resorts developed here was the local mud famed for its therapeutic qualities. All the major coastal towns have been fashionable resorts since the 1820s, with Haapsalu being the regular summer getaway for Pyotr Tchaikovsky. In 2018, however, we are happy to extend a special offer by Eforea Spa and Health Club located at [Hilton Tallinn Park hotel](#):

- The day pass includes unlimited access to the spa with a heated indoor swimming pool, jacuzzi, steam room and sauna. There is also a gym, a relaxation area with healthy beverage options, and an outdoor terrace, which is open on warmer days to enjoy the afternoon sun. The pass also includes the use of towels, bathrobes and slippers, and shampoo, conditioner, shower gel and body lotion are available for guests. The spa is open daily from 7:00-22:00 and the complimentary day pass price for EAZA guests is 15€.