

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE TALLINN AREA, ESTONIA

LOCATION: Tallinn is both the capital and the largest city of Estonia. It is located on the northwest coast of that small nation, on the south shore of the Gulf of Finland. Helsinki, Finland, lies fifty-odd miles to the north of Tallinn, across the Gulf. Elevations in Tallinn are close to sea level, but the hill of Toompea dominates the picturesque old city.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	6:57	9:10	11:46	14:28	17:00	18:31	17:51	15:35	12:57	10:16	7:46	6:14
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	0:46	1:55	4:25	6:18	8:42	9:51	9:02	7:27	4:56	2:42	0:58	0:33
AREA OF BLUE SKY	19%	27%	37%	39%	44%	45%	43%	40%	34%	27%	18%	18%
LOW FOR MONTH	-1 °	-3 °	5 °	22 °	31 °	39 °	46 °	43 °	35 °	25 °	15 °	5 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	19 °	16 °	23 °	32 °	42 °	49 °	55 °	53 °	46 °	39 °	30 °	23 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	27 °	26 °	33 °	44 °	57 °	64 °	69 °	66 °	57 °	47 °	37 °	31 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	39 °	38 °	45 °	62 °	74 °	77 °	81 °	78 °	70 °	59 °	48 °	41 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	90%	92%	83%	56%	7%	0%	0%	0%	3%	19%	57%	82%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	86%	82%	75%	68%	62%	63%	66%	70%	73%	78%	86%	87%
NEARBY WATERS	34 °	33 °	32 °	35 °	42 °	51 °	60 °	60 °	55 °	49 °	43 °	37 °
DRY DAYS	48%	48%	62%	62%	63%	64%	59%	52%	53%	48%	46%	49%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	81%	85%	86%	83%	82%	80%	77%	74%	72%	72%	71%	78%
DRY HOURS	67%	73%	79%	84%	91%	89%	89%	87%	82%	81%	71%	67%
LIKELY SNOWFALL	15.0"	10.1"	8.4"	3.4"	0.4"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	1.3"	8.8"	16.6"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	47%	39%	30%	14%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	26%	45%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	0%	0%	1%	6%	11%	18%	10%	5%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	9%	12%	12%	14%	11%	6%	8%	11%	8%	9%	9%	9%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 39% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 9% in gloomy December, to a high of 53% on the long June days. The year's lowest temperature should be close to -8°, and the highest should be near 83°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be about the same actual ones during the winter months, and a few degrees cooler than actual ones during the summer ones. During mid-summer, the long days combine with about three hours of twilight (half before sunrise and half after sunset, of course) to create the same sort of brief "white nights" that are celebrated in Leningrad, not too far to the east. The down-side of this is the short, gloomy mid-winter days, when the sun only gets about 7° above the horizon at *noon*!