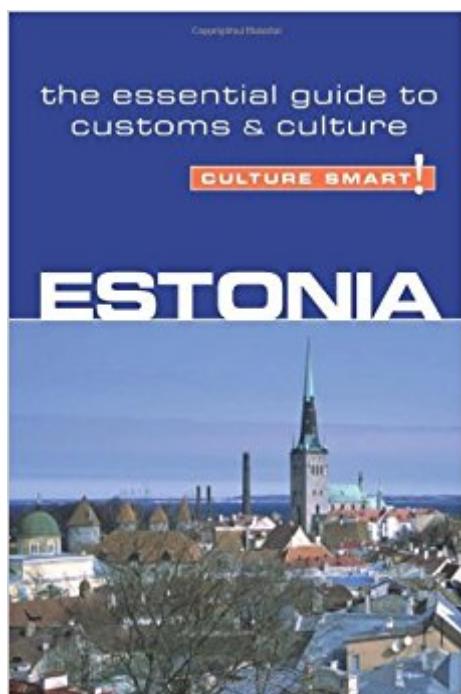


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# Estonia - Culture Smart!: The Essential Guide To Customs & Culture



## **Synopsis**

Culture Smart! provides essential information on attitudes, beliefs and behavior in different countries, ensuring that you arrive at your destination aware of basic manners, common courtesies, and sensitive issues. These concise guides tell you what to expect, how to behave, and how to establish a rapport with your hosts. This inside knowledge will enable you to steer clear of embarrassing gaffes and mistakes, feel confident in unfamiliar situations, and develop trust, friendships, and successful business relationships. Culture Smart! offers illuminating insights into the culture and society of a particular country. It will help you to turn your visit-whether on business or for pleasure-into a memorable and enriching experience. Contents include: \* customs, values, and traditions \* historical, religious, and political background \* life at home \* leisure, social, and cultural life \* eating and drinking \* do's, don'ts, and taboos \* business practices \* communication, spoken and unspoken

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## **Customer Reviews**

"Culture SmartÃ  has come to the rescue of hapless travellers." Ã¢â€”Sunday Times Travel

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collaborated on several guidebooks about Belgium and the Baltics, and contributed articles to British newspapers, including the Times, the Independent, and the Sunday Times. She and her family are regular visitors to Tallinn.

Great books for travel. I used this in Estonia and it was a perfect prep for the trip, and made you understand what is behind some of the cultural experiences. It was interesting that it stated there isn't exactly any true estonians around anymore - it's been invaded or governed by so many different parties over the decades and I think you see that when you go there. Someone had said that to me about Sicilians, but don't ever say that to a Sicilian!! :) I'm sure Estonia the same - and loved it there.

Wife loves it. now we need to go there

Pleasant to read. I was on my third visit to Estonia and by and large the book seems a fairly accurate reflection of quite a few important features..

It is essential to know something about the culture and manners of a country.this little book has pepared me for my first visit to Estonia in a way the usual guide book could not.

Book arrived in excellent condition! Wish I had had it before going there!

Great read.

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The book gives a good understanding of how the Estonian culture is, and also gives background information about why. When discussion religion, it examines the Lutheran history, the Soviet restrictions on religion, and the effects those restrictions have to these days. The book discusses a wide variety of cultural stereotypes, disproves some, and expands on others. It is an in-depth look, it doesn't simply just take talking points and go with them. Research is done, and first hand experiences are provided. It provides a good overview of the issues that the country finds itself dealing with (good and bad), and is good for travelers to understand cultural norms.

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