

# LATVIA 2018

ERASMUS+ PROJECT AGRICULTURE 2.0



**TRAVEL BOOK**

# LATVIAN REPUBLIC

**CAPITAL CITY:** RIGA

**LANGUAGE:** LATVIAN

**FLAG:** LATVIJAS KAROGS



# DAY 1

## WE HAD SUCH A JOURNEY!!

We left from **Rome** at 16:30 after a trip of 3/4 hours from Roccapiemonte, and arrived in **Frankfurt** at 18:00. We've waited there for like 3 hours the flight for **Riga**, ugh...

Then, after 2 hours on the plane we landed in Riga, and after 3 more hours of bus, we finally got to the Hotel.



# DAY 2

We visited their school and presented ours. The food seems pretty good, but (as local say XD) it can be rated 2/10.

We then visited the Ventspils Castle and had a workshop about medieval lifestyles. It was a lot of fun!

As last, we went on a boat-trip on the river Venta, and here we got to know better our new Latvian friends!

**Ventspils valts 1.gimnazija....their amazing school!**

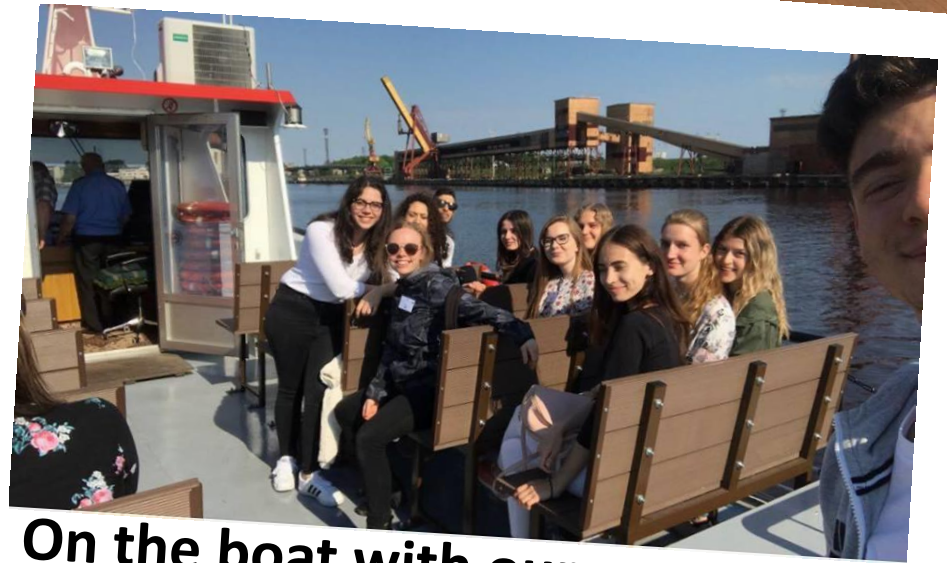




**Together  
is  
better**



**Priests, Knights,  
Clowns and Ladies!**



**On the boat with our  
new friends!**

## DAY 3

This morning, after some presentations about agriculture in Latvia and Italy, we played some super funny sports with our Latvian friends: a type of Dodgeball and some fantastic games outside!

While this afternoon we visited a Canola oil factory, the **BIO Venta**.



**BIO**VENTA

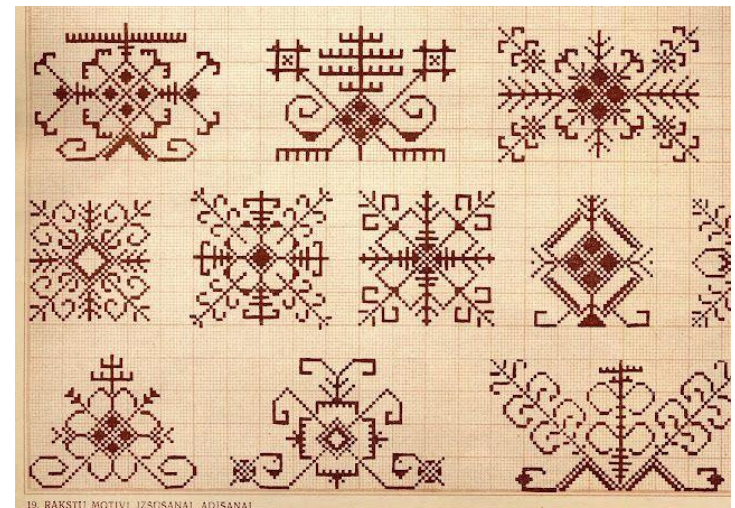


# DAY 4

This morning we had the opportunity to discover some of the latvian symbols used to decorate tissues. It was a very interesting workshop!  
There are some:



Those that impressed us the most were **The cross of crosses**, **The swab of Laima**, **The sign of Sun**, **The sign of Moon**, **The thunder cross** and **The serpent**.



We then had an art workshop in which we made our own symbols starting from the Latvian ones, and then we had a **degustation** of typical Latvian and Italian food products. Our friends liked our food a lot!

During the afternoon we visited the Seaside Open-Air museum, and then we went on an old train for a ride till the adventure park “Lemberga Hute” in which we had a workshop on plants in Latvia with an expert;

but the most exciting part was while we were coming back from our dinner. We saw that there was a local kind of song contest, and since the atmosphere was a bit dull and “dead” we intervened in our typical Italian way. We even asked the contest manager if we could sing too and he let us go on the stage and sing Modugno’s “**Nel blu dipinto di blu**”! We’ve revived an entire city!!







**This is us while singing and dancing at the festival**

# DAY 5

Today we did a lot of things: this morning we went to Kuldīga and visited a marmot farm and the “Ventas Rumba”, the wildest falls in Europe, and a milk museum where we made and taste our own butter!

We then moved to a local bakery shop, where we made our own three layers carrot pies called “**Sklandrausi**”, that’s a typical Latvian dish. We also tried some typical dances and games, and casted some figures with beeswax and clay molds. It has been such an interesting day!!



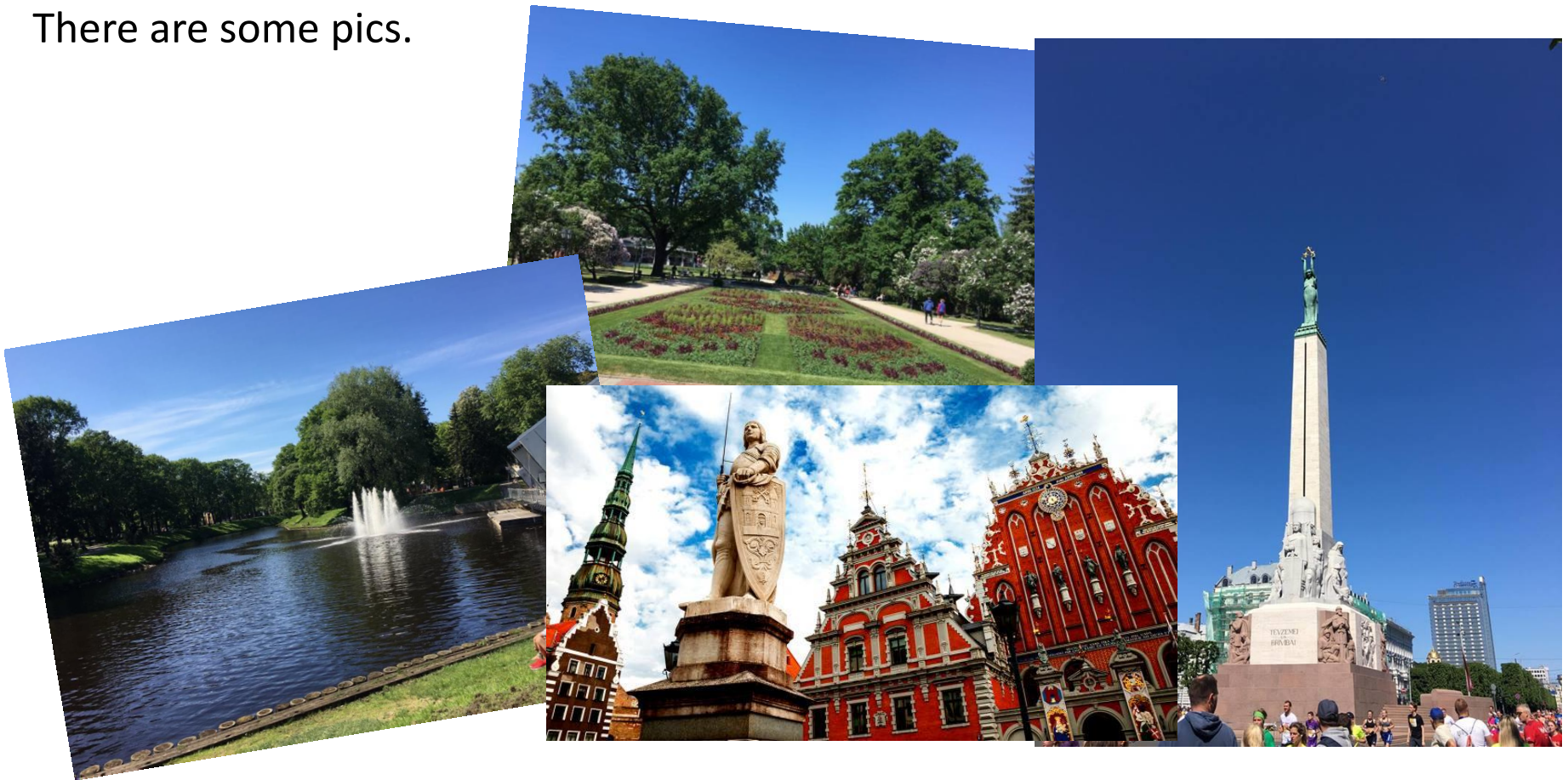


# DAY 6

## RIGA!

Today we visited the capital, **Riga**. It is beautiful!! It has been a long journey to get there and we were really tired on the way back.

There are some pics.

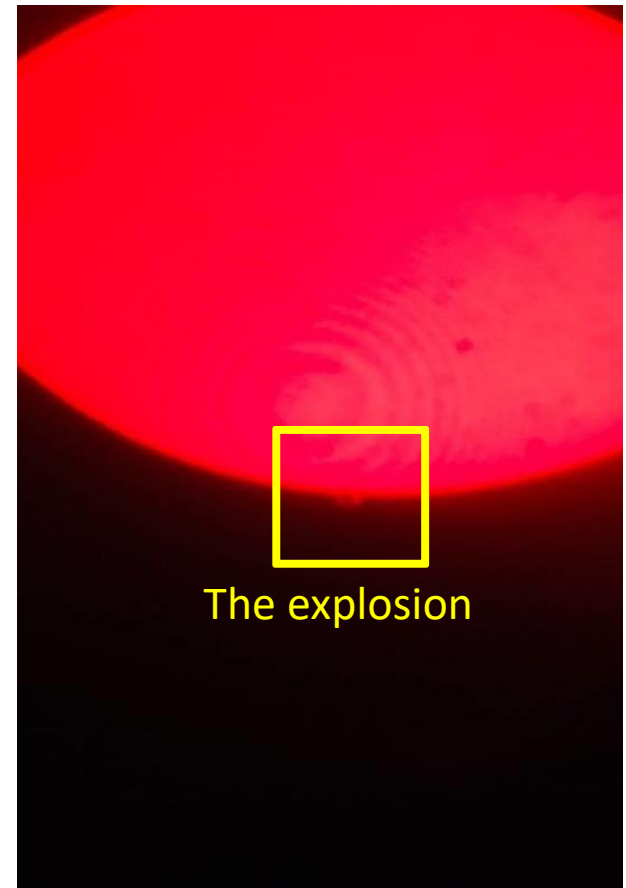




# DAY 7

This morning we attended a lesson of **chemistry** and one of **biology** at the Gimnazija. It was super interesting! We analyzed which oxides were in different kinds of clay and saw the effect of osmosis on potato sticks. Their labs are amazing!

After having lunch we went to the Creative House and we watched the Sun with a telescope. We even spotted an explosion on its surface!



After dinner we went to the beach with our Latvian friends and we watched the sunset together and played volleyball and danced. Only few days of the Erasmus project can build special **friendships...**

**Together on  
the beach**



**The sunset seen from the beach**

# DAY 8

## THE LAST ONE

This morning we have visited a strawberry farm and a worm farm, while this afternoon there was the closing event in Parventa Library with the **Brass Orchestra concert**. They were great! Then there was the awarding certificates. This is the end of our Erasmus project.





# DAY 9

## HOME

Another very long trip, but here we are. Home. We're all tired and it's late when we're again in Roccapiemonte but we know that we lived a fantastic experience.

