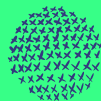


**Tartu  
Culture  
Cup**



# Tartu Culture Cup 2024

01st - 04th of August

Welcome to Tartu -  
the European Capital  
of Culture 2024



## EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF CULTURE 2024!

Tartu Culture Cup is an exciting new football festival held in Estonia's second-largest city during the peak of summer. The festival's goal is to unite international participants in celebrating football, summer, and friendship. Our goal is to convey that football is so much more than just a game - it's a form of culture!

Tartu Culture Cup will place additional emphasis on offering young footballers, coaches, parents, and supporters an exceptional off-the-pitch program of activities. We aspire to create a stress-free yet competitive festival environment for all Culture Cup visitors, allowing them to recharge and take away a wealth of positive emotions as they kick off the football season.

The timing of the event has been thoughtfully selected to enhance the festival experience for everyone. The beginning of August is the most vibrant and buzzing period of Tartu's summer, as the city hosts an outdoor film festival and a local food festival. There is a lot to do and see in one of the oldest cities in the Baltic region, and the festival's compact format allows visitors to fully enjoy their time in Tartu.

The Tartu Culture Cup has been held for two consecutive years, and our aim is to establish it as an annual tradition. As organizers, our goal is to invite numerous teams from various countries to compete here in Tartu. In 2023, the Tartu Culture Cup welcomed participants from Spain, Ukraine, Lithuania, Latvia, and Finland. Our objective is to double the number of participating countries and promote the global football culture!

Finish your summer with positive emotions and new friends - lots of everlasting memories!



# We invite boys U8-U17 & girls U12-U16 to score their 'hat-trick' of fun and excitement at the third annual Tartu Culture Cup!



## BOYS U8-U17

Boys' tournaments will be held for all age groups starting from U8 all the way to U17.

### U8 Boys

- For the youngest age group U8, the tournament will be played on **Sunday 4th of August**.
- There will not be a knock-out phase, nor a counted tournament table.

### U9-U17 Boys

- Game days for all the other age groups are **1st-4th of August (Thursday-Sunday)**.
- Each team is guaranteed to have at least 6 games throughout the tournament.
- The group stage games will be followed by play-offs. All places will be determined on **Sunday, August 4th**, and the finals will take place at the main stadium in Tartu city.

### Awards and prizes

- All U8 and U9 players will receive medals for their participation in the spirit of great sportsmanship!
- Starting from U10, the top three teams of each age group tournament will be awarded with medals.
- Tournament winners of each age group starting from U9 will receive a travelling trophy and **free admission for next years' tournament!**
- U12 tournament is played for **Tartu Mayor's Trophy!**
- Individual awards will be presented to best goalkeeper, scorer and best player of each age group starting from U12.

Age group	Date of birth	Format	Game time	Ball	Offside
U8	01.01.2017	5v5	2x12 min	3	No
U9	01.01.2016	5v5	2x14 min	3	No
U10	01.01.2015	7v7	2x15 min	3	No
U11	01.01.2014	7v7	2x15 min	3	No
U12	01.01.2013	9v9	2x18 min	4	Yes
U13	01.01.2012	9v9	2x18 min	4	Yes
U14	01.01.2011	11v11	2x20 min	4	Yes
U15	01.01.2010	11v11	2x20 min	5	Yes
U16	01.01.2009	11v11	2x20 min	5	Yes
U17	01.01.2008	11v11	2x20 min	5	Yes



## GIRLS U12-U16

Culture Cup now includes girls' teams in Tartu, with the competition being held for three age groups.

- Tournament dates for all girls' age groups are **1st - 4th of August (Thursday to Sunday)**.
- Group stage games are followed by play-offs. All final placements will be determined on **Sunday, August 4th**.

### Awards and prizes

- The top three teams in all age group tournaments will be awarded with medals.
- Tournament winners of all age groups will receive a travelling trophy and **free admission for next years' tournament!**
- Individual awards will be presented to best goalkeeper, scorer and best player of all age groups.

Age group	Date of birth	Format	Game time	Ball	Offside
U12	01.01.2013	7v7	2x15 min	4	Yes
U14	01.01.2011	11v11	2x20 min	4	Yes
U16	01.01.2009	11v11	2x20 min	5	Yes



## REGISTRATION

Registration is open from **1st of November 2023** until **1st of July 2024**

Please visit [www.culturecup.ee](http://www.culturecup.ee) to sign up your team(s).

## PARTICIPATION FEES

For **boys' tournaments**, following prices for participation apply:

**U8: 150 euros per team**

**U9, U10, and U11: 225 euros per team**

**U12 and U13: 275 euros per team**

**U14 to U17: 350 euros per team**

For **girls' tournaments**, following prices for participation apply:

**U12: 200 euros per team**

**U14: 250 euros per team**

**U16: 300 euros per team**

## USAGE OF OLDER PLAYERS IN THE TOURNAMENT

In the 11v11 categories it is allowed to use in one team up to three older players, who have been born later than 1st of August the prior year.

- **For example:** In the boys' age group U17, it is allowed to have in one team three older players, who have been born between 01.08.2007 and 31.12.2007.

In the 9v9, 7v7 and 5v5 categories it is allowed to use in one team up to two older players, who have been born later than 1st of August the prior year.

- **For example:** In the girls' age group U14, it is allowed to have in one team two older players, who have been born between 01.08.2010 and 31.12.2010.

## INSURANCE

Tartu Culture Cup does not provide insurance for our players, coaches, and other visitors. We advise all international participants to make sure that your travel insurance covers any health-related emergency that may occur during the festival.

## FESTIVAL VENUES

All games will be played on top-quality natural and artificial grass pitches in Tartu. The finals will take place at the main municipal grass stadium. What makes the Culture Cup unique is the close proximity of each venue – the stadiums are located a maximum of 3 km from the city centre. The majority of stadiums are just a 15-20 minute walk from downtown Tartu.





river Emajõgi

Põllu stadium

Estonian National Museum

Holm Park

Emajõe Town Beach

Upside down house

Town square

Reiniku stadium

AHHAA science centre

Annelinna stadium

Tamme stadium

Forseliuse stadium

**Everything is within 3km radius from city centre.**

## ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES

We offer all participants three different level of housing according to your preferences and needs. We are giving our best to accommodate you – taking into account your preferred housing level – as close as possible to your respective playing fields!

All the accommodation packages are available for parents, club representatives and everyone else travelling with the team with same prices as for the footballers. Everybody is welcome to the festival!

**Coaches stay and eat for free with team!** A team is entitled for one free accommodation and meal package per team.

### Hotel accommodation

Hotel accommodation is provided by our long-term partners at the very centre of Tartu. As the venues are located near the downtown, it is convenient accommodation option for everybody who seek comfort.

- **Hotel Basic** package include housing in 2-star hotels.
- **Hotel Premium** is upgraded option at 3 or 4-star hotels.
- Package comes with 3 meals per day: it includes breakfast at your hotel; lunch and dinner at designated festival canteens.

### Hostel accommodation

- **Hostel Basic** is a package which includes dormitory-style accommodation with rooms for 2-4 guests.
- Package comes with 3 meals per day: breakfast is provided by hostel; lunch and dinner at designated festival canteens.



### School accommodation

- Most of the teams will be placed in classrooms with the maximum capacity of 18 people per room.
- For school accommodation, **School Basic** and **School Premium** packages are available. **Premium** package includes mattresses provided by the organizers.
- Package includes three meals per day: breakfast at your housing location, lunch and dinner at designated festival canteens.

## TRANSPORT

- Playing fields are in a 3km proximity of the city centre and majority of them are a short walking distance from the centre as well as from each other.
- All the venues as well as housing options are easily accessible by local public transportation.
- Free public transport is available throughout the festival for all the participants of the Culture Cup.
- There is also an option to use public city bicycle network with a 5-day ticket of only 10€.
- Tartu can be reached from Tallinn city airport and harbour using public transport – either by train or by bus. Departures are frequent and tickets can be brought in advance.
- **Culture Cup organizing team can also arrange transfer bus service either from Tallinn city harbour/airport or from Riga airport.** Please contact directly for further information.



## TOURNAMENT CENTRE

The heart of Tartu Culture Cup is our tournament centre where you can take your time to play games and learn more about Tartu and our festival. The atmosphere is free and relaxed – perfect for mingling with other participants and their supporters.

There will be entertainment for young footballers as well as for their parents. You can find refreshments and tournament memorabilia and just enjoy the friendly atmosphere of the Culture Cup.

## FESTIVAL OPENING CEREMONY

The first day of the Culture Cup - **1st of August** - concludes with the festival's opening ceremony. A joint parade from the city center and live performances at the ceremony will create enjoyable and lasting memories.

While the Culture Cup 2024 is underway, the **Big Summer Celebration Party** is set to light up the open-air stage on Saturday evening, **August 3rd**, at Car-Free Avenue in the city center. Prepare to be enchanted by an array of captivating concerts featuring both local talents and renowned artists. From soulful melodies to electrifying beats, the music will set the stage on fire, creating an atmosphere of pure euphoria!

Friday evening and night are reserved for our coaches, parents, and supporters. Tartu is full of vibrant summer vibes and exciting events! We will introduce our adult participants to all the hidden treasures of Tartu during the summertime!





## TARTU – WHERE FOOTBALL MEETS CULTURE!

There are several off-the-pitch activities available for Culture Cup participants. Simultaneously with the football festival, Tartu hosts several art exhibitions and installations, the Big Summer Celebration Party, and many more diverse events! The Culture Cup organizers are collaborating closely with these events to provide our visitors with an enriched experience and offer a tailor-made, sport-related cultural program for all participants. Immerse yourself in the vibrant cultural scene of Tartu as you explore the dynamic art exhibitions and installations spread throughout the city. Engage your senses in the eclectic mix of visual art, music, and performance that awaits you around every corner. With so much to see, taste, and experience, the Culture Cup promises not only thrilling football matches but also a cultural journey that will leave lasting memories for all who participate."



Tartu's interesting and popular tourist attractions include:

- Estonian National Museum ([www.erm.ee](http://www.erm.ee)).
- Ahhaa science centre ([www.ahhaa.ee](http://www.ahhaa.ee)).
- Upside-down House ([www.tagurpidimaja.ee](http://www.tagurpidimaja.ee)).
- Estonian Aviation Museum ([www.lennundusmuuseum.ee](http://www.lennundusmuuseum.ee)).
- Water and Sauna Centre V Spa ([www.vspa.ee](http://www.vspa.ee)).
- Historic boat ride on river Emajõgi ([www.lodi.ee](http://www.lodi.ee)).

There are discounts and special packages available for visitors of the Culture Cup from our partners. Contact organizing team for further information.



# Capital of Culture awaits you

Come and celebrate everything great that football has to offer!

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