

Illegal Souvenirs to Purchase in Lithuania

In Lithuania, it is illegal to buy, sell, or transport Soviet or Nazi political symbols. It is also illegal to purchase souvenirs made from endangered or protected plant and animal species, which is a global issue with specific regulations in the European Union.

As a member of the European Union, Lithuania adheres to the CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora) regulations, which ban the trade of certain protected species. Travelers should avoid purchasing items such as:

- Products made from **ivory, tortoiseshell** (especially critically endangered hawksbill sea turtles), or big cats.
- Items made from **coral, abalone, or certain exotic feathers**.
- Certain **plants, seeds, fresh fruit or vegetables, and cut flowers** from IUCN Red List. Specific list can be found [here](#)

Purchasing these items can result in fines or jail time in many countries, including at EU customs checkpoints.