

Travel

1. Arriving by airplane

Minsk National Airport (MSQ)

There are several Airlines that operate at Minsk National Airport, such as Belavia, Aeroflot, Airbaltic and Lufthansa. The airport is about 50 km from Minsk.

An alternative low-budget connection to Minsk is to fly to **Vilnius International Airport (VNO)** and take the train from Vilnius to Minsk. Several low-cost airlines operate at Vilnius International Airport. The Vilnius International airport is about 200 km from Minsk and train are frequently operating between Minsk and Vilnius (see information below). **Important! If you will choose this option you need to have a valid visa or a valid passport allowing to stay visa-free in Belarus. Information about visa process is in General information.**

Transport from the airport (MSQ) to the Minsk Central station (Minsk Tsentralnyi)

Minsk Tsentralnyi is a bus stop near Minsk Central Train station (Babrujskaja 6).

By bus:

BUS № 300Э

You can buy a ticket via the ticket machine at the airport, at the bus station by credit card, from a ticket agent at the bus stop or from bus driver by cash (BYN only). You can exchange money at the airport. The bus stop is located in front of Gate 5-6 (arrival hall).

Journey time: 1 hour.

Bus timetable:

From National Airport Minsk (MSQ) to Minsk Central (Minsk Tsentralnyi)
4:50, 6:25, 7:20, 8:00, 9:00, 9:40, 10:20, 11:20, 12:00, 12:40, 13:20, 14:20, 15:00, 15:40, 16:20, 17:00, 17:40, 18:20, 19:00, 20:00, 20:40, 21:20, 22:05, 23:00, 00:05, 1:45, 3:15

By taxi:

You can pay by credit card and order taxi online. See webpage: <https://minkstransfer.by>

Transfer from Vilnius International Airnort (VNO) to Minsk Train Central Station:

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By train:

From Vilnius International Airport (VNO) you can take a taxi or train to Vilnius Railway Station (Geležinkelio g. 22). You can buy a ticket and check the timetable for trains Vilnius-Minsk here:

<https://poezd.rw.by/wps/portal/home/rp/schedule>

Journey time: 3 hours.

Timetable of directly every day trains:

From Vilnius Railway Station to Minsk Train Central Station (Minsk Pasažyrski)
06:15, 15:05, 18:30

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Minsk is directly connected to Russia (Moscow, Saint Petersburg, Kazan, Adler, Anapa), Poland (Warszawa), Lithuania (Vilnius), Ukraine (Kyiev) and Latvia (Riga).

3. Arriving by bus

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Minsk is connected with lots of cities by Ecolines buses, all information you can check here: <https://ecolines.net/international/en>

4. Minsk public transport

You can buy a travel card for all types of public transport (metro, bus, tram, trolleybus) for a few days. If you need more information, please, contact the organization committee via **biospec-workshop@nmbu.no**

5. Taxi in Minsk

There are several Taxi companies in Minsk. You may download an app from appStore or from Google Play (Uber BY, Yandex) pay by credit card through the app.