

Photo Captions:

Vilnius

- 1 “Bring Them Home” signs were everywhere as well as signs showing support for Ukraine. People are very aware of just how close they are to Putin’s Russia right now.
- 2 The plaque commemorating Sugihara
- 3 The statue honoring Sugihara
- 4 Exterior of the Vilnius Chorale Synagogue, fenced in as are all synagogues in the EU for security.
- 5 View of the bimah from the balcony
- 5a The sanctuary
- 6 The last surviving matzoh machine
- 7 My boys with Leonard Cohen
- 8 Gant hands outside the Modern Museum
- 9 Many of the stores and restaurant in the Old City have decorated their entrances with flowers this year.

Ziezmariai

- 1a Ben and Regina’s Hebrew lesson.
- 1 Welcome to Ziezmariai!
- 2 Basketball is a Lithuanian obsession and the boys and our driver couldn’t resist stopping.
- 3a Walking to the synagogue
- 3 Driving through town
- 4 Synagogues of Lithuania has loads of information about past and resent schuls
- 5 Ziezmariai entry in the book
- 6 “Before” photos of the synagogue
- 7 Exterior of the synagogue before restoration
- 8 The exterior under renovation
- 9 The restored exterior today
- 10 Side view of the building
- 11 Interior prior to restoration
- 12 The restored interior with a replica of the original ark
- 13 Interior – showing some of the local art on display
- 14 This map is mounted outside the synagogue and shows the location of Jewish homes.
- 15 Driving out of town
- 16 The tree of us standing in front of one of the addresses for “Fleiseris” we found on the map.
- 17 The cemetery in Ziezmariai
- 18 A few stones still upright
- 19 The long grass covers many, many graves
- 20 If one did not know what this place is.....
- 21 One of the stones
- 22 Another stone, covered in moss and barely readable.

Babtai

- 1 "The Old Jewish Cemetery"
- 2 There is a sampling of some old stones, clearly moved here as a sort of memorial.
- 3 Deciphering the Hebrew...

Kaunas

- 1 The restored interior is rich and elegant
- 2 Music for the soul
- 3 Constant repair and restoration
- 5 The pale blue color is restful and serene
- 6 Interior
- 7 View from the balcony

Riga

- 1 Exterior of synagogue. Because it was so close to other buildings, it was not bombed during the war.
- 2 The entry courtyard
- 3 Interior
- 4 View from the balcony
- 5 Interior
- 6 Interior
- 7 The Bimah
- 8 Balcony