



Dear reader!

My name is Tanya but if I had to choose I would have a different name every two months or so. I like that Lithuanian names have their origins in different natural phenomenons. So I would love to be named after something watery or foresty. You know these stories when a foreigner comes to a tribe, he has to go through initiation process to become accepted as a tribe member and to be given a local name? I am open to suggestions.

I lived my entire life in my hometown -- Moscow, Russia. Here I was studying (and finished) clinical psychology. Then I worked as a freelance translator for an analytical psychology book. Last months I was focused on creating my own non-conventional psychodrama group: the type of psychotherapy which uses theatre elements for playing out everything that would help a person to feel free from traumas and limiting societal conditions.

My favourite things in life are woods, calm and peaceful towns, chocolate, dance macabre, interactive performances, freedom, philosophy and memes.

I chose to be a volunteer in Lithuania's protected areas because I wanted to become a part of a small rural society that is still close to its traditions, customs and land. To make a difference by my actions. To pay a tribute to the wonderful beauty of Lithuanian culture and Nature.

While I'm here I want to capture everything interesting about Plateliai, you -- people, your legends, songs and jokes. So, give me a knock if you want to share smth and we will come up with the coolest way to depict your story. You can always find in the directorate of Zemaitija National Parc :)