

The torch, which made it to our exposition by the end of the Olympic year, was carried by Evelin Ilves during the Olympic Torch Relay.

The torch of the London 2012 Olympics is triangular and made of aluminium covered in gold. Its 8000 holes symbolise the number of runners who carried the Olympic flame. The triangular shape of the torch also symbolises the three Olympic values, the three elements of the Olympic motto, and the third Olympic Games held in London. The flame was fuelled by a mix of butane and propane gas.

The Olympic Relay started in Plymouth on 18 May 2012 and covered the United Kingdom in 70 days. Approximately 8000 people carried the torch, each of them for about 300 metres. Evelin Ilves, who was one of the representatives of Estonia in the Olympic Torch Relay, had to run 900 metres in the dense rain – three times more than initially planned – as one of the local torch carriers did not turn up.