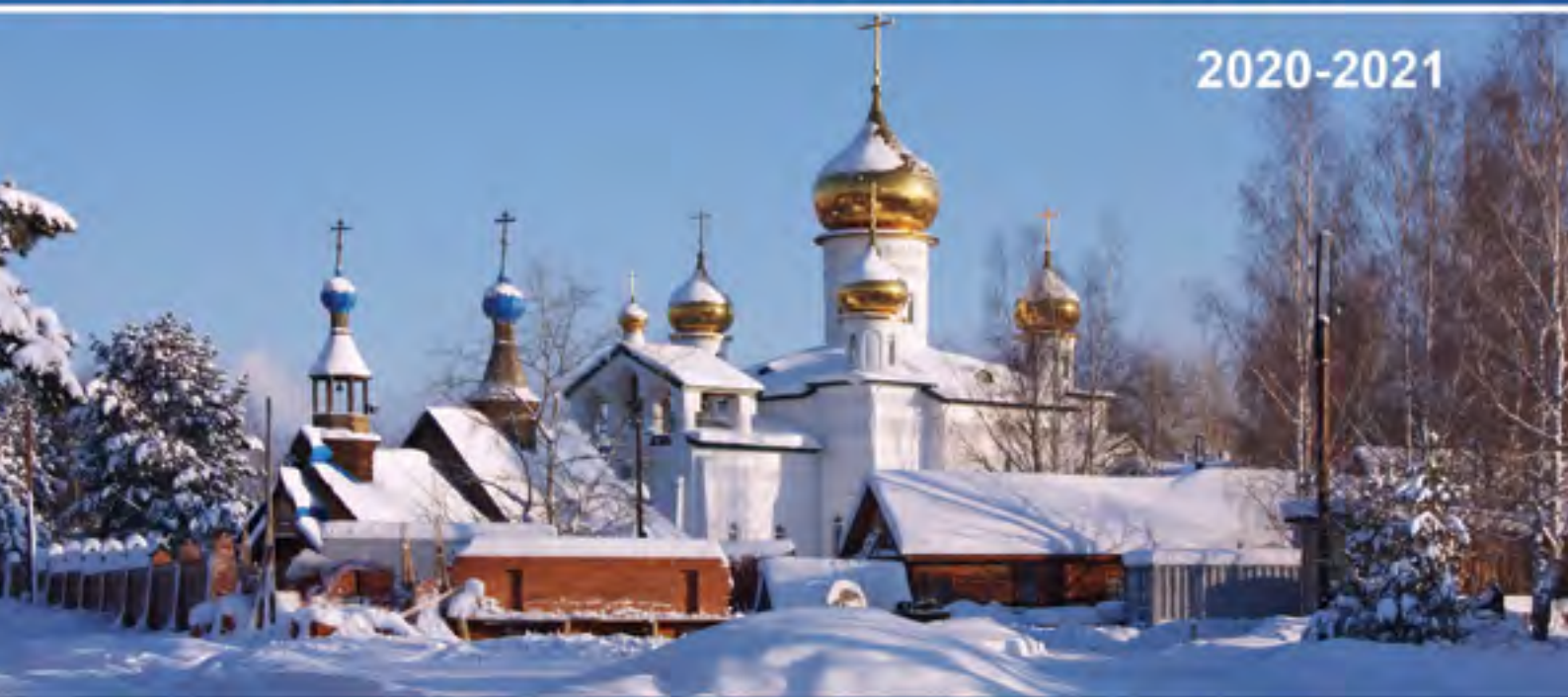


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VOLGA-BALT TOUR is an experienced Moscow-based travel company created by the professionals passionate about travel and eager to connect you with the grandeur of Russian culture and nature. Our team is ready to share their expertise and experience with those who want to see Russia as it is. We select our local partners with great responsibility to ensure that all ingredients of your tour are perfect. Our vision is to give our clients a whole new perspective on travel in Russia and maximize their chance to deeply connect with the country of their destination.

**All programs are available in 2 options: as a tailor-made tour and as a package tour with fixed departures in English, French, Italian, German, Spanish languages.*

GASTRONOMIC TOURS

In the vicinity of Moscow

Year-round program / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4-5* / Full board



Day 1. Moscow

Transfer from the airport/railway station to the hotel.

Day 2. Tula

Transfer to Tula / Tour of the Tula Kremlin / Visit to the gingerbread-producing factory, master class / Return to Moscow / Russian dinner in a local restaurant / OPTIONAL: Bus tour «Moscow by night with a visit to the Moscow underground stations».

Day 3. Moscow region

Transfer to the eco-farm in the suburban area of Moscow / Tour of the eco-farm, tasting of the farm produce / Return to

Moscow / Ukrainian dinner at a local restaurant / OPTIONAL: Night walking tour of Moscow «Mystery of the capital».

Day 4. Kolomna

Transfer to Kolomna / Tour of the Kolomna Kremlin / Visit to the fruit pastille producing factory, a theatrical performance / Return to Moscow / Caucasian dinner in a local restaurant / OPTIONAL: visit to the viewing platform in the Moscow-City complex.

Day 5. Yaroslavl

Transfer to Yaroslavl / Transfer to Nekrasovskoye / Visit to the Landscape and Ethnographic Museum «Salt the

Great» / Return to Yaroslavl / OPTIONAL: Night tour of Yaroslavl.

Day 6. Pereslavl-Zalessky

Transfer to Pereslavl-Zalessky / Interactive program in the museum «The kingdom of vendace» with tasting / Lunch (traditional Russian menu) / Tour of the museum of tea / City tour of Pereslavl-Zalessky / Transfer to Moscow / OPTIONAL: dinner with wine tasting.

Day 7. Moscow

Transfer from the hotel to the airport/railway station.

Our gastronomic tours will allow you not only to enjoy the beauties of Russian cities, but also to taste Russia in the direct sense of the word from the point of view of the various gastronomic features of its regions.

The Caucasus region

Summer program: from April to November / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3-4* / Full board



Day 1. Mineralnye Vody – Pyatigorsk

Pick-up from the airport in Mineralnye Vody / Transfer to Pyatigorsk / Ethnic lunch with Cossacks / Tour of Pyatigorsk with a visit to Park Tsvetnik.

Day 2. Upper Balkaria

Transfer to Chateau Erken. Visit to the castle and tasting of local wines / Transfer to Upper Balkaria / Master-class in lamb roasting / Dinner al fresco with ukha as a main course.

Day 3. Vladikavkaz

Excursion to the Blue Lakes / Transfer

to Vladikavkaz / Lunch and master-class in making traditional Ossetian pies / Tour of Vladikavkaz / Visit to the brewery.

Day 4. Mountainous Ingushetia - Grozny

Transfer to the mountainous Republic of Ingushetia / Excursion to the tower complex / Tour of the apiary / Lunch with a local Ingush family / Tsei-Loam Pass / Transfer to Grozny / City tour of Grozny by night.

Day 5. Grozny

Sightseeing and walking tours in Grozny / Visit to Dondi Yurt / Dinner and master

class in making 'shashlyk' / Transfer back to Grozny.

Day 6. Makhachkala

Excursion to the Sulak canyon / Transfer to Makhachkala.

Day 7. Derbent

Transfer to Derbent / Excursion to the Naryn-Kala citadel / Lunch with tasting of Derbent wine and cognac / Transfer to the airport.

All programs are preliminary. The excursion blocks can be replaced with similar ones without changing their key points.

ETHNOGRAPHIC TOURS

The Great Sayan Ring

Summer program: from May to September / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board



Day 1. Krasnoyarsk

Transfer to the hotel, Krasnoyarsk city tour with a visit to the Chapel of Paraskeva Pyatnitsa and to the Ethnographic Museum, visit to the national park «Stolby».

Day 2. Abakan, Shushenskoye village

Outside visit of the hydroelectric power station «Sayano-Shushenskaya». OPTIONAL: Russian «banya».

Day 3. Shushenskoye village, Tuva, Biy-Khem river

Excursion to the ethnographic museum «Shushenskoye», the Western Sayan, Ergaki National Park, performance with the traditional throat singing «khoomei».

Day 4. Kyzil

Kyzil city tour with a visit to the Buddhist temple and the Shaman community, visit to the National Museum of Tuva, Tuvan tea ceremony. OPTIONAL: a fascinating shamanic show «kamlayiye».

Day 5. Khakassia, the mountain of Khairkan, taiga

Excursion to the Buddhist temple Ustuu-Khuree.

Day 6. Free day in taiga

Hiking.

Day 7. Khakassia

The Kyug Valley, a Khakassian aal, a performance of the Khakassian national folklore group.

Day 8. Khakassia

Excursion to the National Museum of Khakassia «Kazanovka», a short tour of Abakan.

Day 9. Khakassia, Krasnoyarsk

Visit to the Valley of Kings, transfer back to Krasnoyarsk.

Day 10. Krasnoyarsk

Transfer to the airport/railway station.



Our unique ethnographic tours will give you the opportunity to get acquainted with the life of different nationalities of Russia, with their folk customs and crafts, their way of life and traditions. The knowledge of other cultures and ethnic features will allow you to create a complete picture of the multi-faceted world of peoples and nationalities that are unique in their individuality.

Yamal region «Life in a chum»

Winter program: from December to April / Summer program: from July to September / Tailor-made tour / accommodation 3*/Full board / Up to 6 pax maximum



Day 1. Salekhard

Transfer from the airport to the hotel. City tour.

Day 2. Reindeer herders' camp

Depart for the reindeer herders' camp. Meet the family of reindeer herders

Day 3. Reindeer herders' camp

A day in the life of Yamal nomads. OPTIONAL: Fishing in summer or ice fishing in winter.

OPTIONAL: An evening dedicated to the traditions of the aboriginal people, a short review of their spiritual culture.

Day 4. Reindeer herders' camp

A day in the life of Yamal nomads. Getting familiarized with everyday life of a chum-keeper.

Day 5. Reindeer herders' camp

A day in the life of Yamal nomads. Return to Salekhard
OPTIONAL: the slaughtering of reindeer, a tradition among the Nenets people

Day 6. Salekhard

Return flight to Moscow.



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ECOLOGICAL TOURS

Golden Ring of Russia

Summer program: from May to October / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow

Transfer airport – hotel, check-in at 3* hotel, dinner in the hotel

Day 2. Moscow-Ryazan

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out, transfer hotel – railway station, morning train Moscow- Ryazan, visit of the Historical and Archeological Museum-Reserve "Old Ryazan", lunch in a local restaurant, city tour of Spassk, visit to the Oksky State Nature Biosphere Reserve, check-in, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Ryazan – Spas-Keepiki

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out, transfer to the settlement of Solotcha, walk along the path of Paustovsky, lunch in a local café, transfer to Spas-Klepiki. The Meschyorsky National Park, check-in, dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. Gus-Khrustalny – Vladimir

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out. Bus city tour of Gus-Khrustalny. Transfer to Vladimir, check-in, lunch in a local café, bus city tour of Vladimir with a visit to the Assumption Cathedral and Nativity Monastery, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Vladimir

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out, cycling tour of Vladimir with stops for swimming, picnic lunch, Russian banya, night at the Guest House.



Day 6. Vladimir - Moscow

Breakfast. Kayak tour in Vladimir, swimming, picnic lunch on a river bank, transfer to the Vladimir railway station, night train Vladimir – Moscow, transfer railway station – hotel, check-in, dinner in the hotel.

Day 7. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer hotel – airport.

Choose an eco tour if your dream vacation has to take place somewhere outside the hustle and bustle of the big city life. Explore the historical sights of the rural towns set in the frame of surrounding forests and fields, enjoy the scenic beauty of landscapes, take a glimpse into the diverse wildlife when visiting nature reserves. Green travel is a family-oriented activity that teaches the younger generation about the conservation of nature and protection of wild animals.

In the heart of the Central Black Earth region of Russia

Summer program: from May to October / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow

Transfer to the hotel, accommodation.

Day 2. Moscow - Voronezh

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out, transfer to the airport, domestic flight Moscow – Voronezh (economy class with a snack

pack), transfer to the hotel, check-in. Bus city tour, dinner in a local restaurant.

Day 3. Village of Divnogorie

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the dairy farm, visit to the dairy farm of the EkoNiva Agricultural Holding in the Liskinsky

district, lunch in a local restaurant, visit to the Divnogorye Museum-Reserve, dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. Natural reserve Khrenovoye

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the Buturlinovskiy region (2.45 h) with a visit on the way to the Kamennaya Steppe Nature Reserve and the Shipov Oak Forest. Lunch in a local restaurant. Visit to the stud farm in the village of Khrenovoye, where the famous Oryol horses are bred, transfer to Voronezh (1.30 h), dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Galichya Gora Nature Reserve

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out. Visit to the Voronezh State Biosphere Reserve with the world's only two-tier beaver aquarium. Lunch in a local café, visit to one of the smallest nature reserves in the world - Galichya Gora, transfer to the airport, domestic flight Voronezh – Moscow (economy class with a snack pack), transfer to the hotel, check-in, dinner in the hotel.

Day 6. Moscow

Breakfast at hotel, transfer to the airport.



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AGRICULTURAL TOURS

Agriculture in the Central Black Earth region

Summer program: from May to October / Accommodation 4* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow

Transfer airport – hotel, check-in, dinner in the hotel.

Day 2. Moscow - Voronezh

Breakfast in the hotel. Excursion to VDNKh (a general purpose trade show and amusement park), transfer to the airport, domestic flight Moscow – Voronezh (economy class with a snack pack), transfer airport- hotel, check-in, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Voronezh – Ostrogozhsk- village of Kostenki

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the «Voronezhselmash» agricultural equipment

factory. Transfer to Ostrogozhsk, lunch in a local café, sightseeing tour of Ostrogozhsk with a visit to the History and Art Museum. Visit to the «Ostrogozhsksad-pitomnik» (testing ground for the latest agricultural technologies), transfer to the village of Kostenki, visit to the Kostenki Archeological Museum-Reserve, transfer to Voronezh, dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. Voronezh (village of Divnogorye)

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the dairy farm. Visit to the dairy farm of the Eko-Niva agricultural holding in the Liskinsky district, tasting of dairy products, lunch in a local restaurant, visit to the Divnogorye Historical and Archeological Museum-Reserve,

transfer to Voronezh, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Voronezh

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out. Visit to the Zarechnoye cattle breeding company, visit to the Palace of the Princes of Oldenburg in the village of Ramon, lunch in a local restaurant. Sightseeing tour of Voronezh, transfer to the railway station, domestic flight Voronezh – Moscow (economy class with a snack pack), transfer airport – hotel, check-in, late dinner in the hotel.

Day 6. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer hotel -airport.



Agritourism, also called agricultural, green and ecological tourism, is a relative newcomer in the domain of Russian travel industry, but its growth dynamic is exceptional. Russia's widely acclaimed agricultural boom of the last few years massively contributed to the rise of interest in the life of the Russian village. You will discover modern and tourist-friendly agricultural complexes using advance technologies and green thinking principles in their work, you will taste the healthiest produce of the local farmers and enjoy an unforgettable vacation in the much-needed fresh air of the Russian countryside.

Modern trends in the agriculture of the Moscow region

Summer program: from May to October / Accommodation 4* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow

Guide-assisted transfer from the airport. Check-in. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 2. Moscow – Vladimir region - Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the Bogdarnya Agricultural Tourist Complex, tasting of the farm produce, master class in cooking steaks. Lunch in a local restaurant. Return to Moscow, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Moscow- Tver region - Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the Italian cheese farm La Fattoria, tasting of the farm produce, master class in making

various kinds of cheese. Lunch at a local restaurant, return to Moscow and dinner at the hotel.

Day 4. Moscow-Kolomna region-Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the Ecoderevushka farm, tasting of the farm produce, master class in cooking grape snails. Lunch in a local restaurant. Return to Moscow, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the Konovalovo eco farm, tasting of the farm produce, master class in baking true Russian bread. Lunch in a local restaurant. Return

to Moscow, dinner in the hotel.

Day 6. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out, visit to the EcoFarm on the New Riga, tasting of the farm produce, master class in making Russian beer. Lunch in a local restaurant, check-in at a mini-hotel, dinner in the hotel.

Day 7. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the airport.



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Silver necklace of Russia (Karelia)

Summer program: from May to October / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. St.Petersburg

Transfer from the airport / railway station to the hotel, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 2. St.Petersburg – Veliky Novgorod – Pskov

Transfer from St.Petersburg to Veliky Novgorod, visit to the Novgorod Kremlin, visit to St. George's (Yuriev) Monastery and to the Vitoslavitsy Museum, visit to St. Varlaam's Monastery of Our Savior's Transfiguration in Khutyn, transfer to Pskov, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 3. Pskov - Izborsk - Pechory - Pskov

City tour with a visit to the city center and the Kremlin grounds, visit to the Izborsk Fortress and the Pskovo-Pechersky Assumption Monastery.



Day 4. Pskov - Pushkinskiye Gory - Pskov

Visit to the Museum of Russian wooden architecture, visit to the Mikhailovskoye estate, Trigorskoye estate and Petrovskoye estate, visit to Sviatogorsky Monastery.

Day 5. Pskov - Ivanorod - Kingisepp - St.Petersburg

Transfer to Ivangorod, city tour with a visit to the Ivangorod Fortress, visit to St. Catherine's Church, visit to the Koporye Fortress, transfer to St.Petersburg, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 6. St.Petersburg - Vyborg - Priozersk - Sortavala

Transfer to Vyborg, tour of the Old town



and visit to the Vyborg Castle, visit to Korla Fortress in Priozersk, transfer to Sortavala, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 7. Sortavala - Ruskeala - Sortavala

Sortavala city tour, visit to the Ruskeala waterfalls in Ahvenkoski, to marble quarries and Ruskeala Park.

Day 8. Sortavala - Valaam - St.Petersburg

Transfer to Valaam by hydrofoil, sightseeing tour of Valaam, visit to Valaam Monastery and to the Church of Dormition. Visit to the sketes of Valaam, transfer to Priozersk by hydrofoil, transfer to St.Petersburg by bus, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 9. St.Petersburg

Transfer to the airport / railway station.



«Silver Necklace of Russia» is an interregional historical and cultural tourist project. The «Silver Necklace of Russia» includes 11 regions of the Russian Federation: St. Petersburg, Leningrad, Arkhangelsk, Pskov, Novgorod, Kaliningrad, Vologda, Murmansk regions, the Republic of Karelia and Komi, the Nenets Autonomous District. We offer various combinations of tours to explore the cities of the country's north-western part

Silver necklace of Russia

(St. Petersburg - Veliky Novgorod – Pskov – Pechora – Vybord)

Year-round program / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. St. Petersburg

Guide-assisted transfer from the airport. Accommodation in the hotel.

Day 2. St. Petersburg

City tour, visit to St. Isaac's Cathedral, ascent to the colonnade, lunch, the Grand Maket Museum, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. St. Petersburg / Vyborg/ St. Petersburg

Day trip to Vyborg. Dinner. Return to St. Petersburg. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. St. Petersburg / Veliky Novgorod

Depart for Veliky Novgorod (200 km,

approximately 3 hours). Arrival in Veliky Novgorod, lunch, panoramic tour of Novgorod with a visit to the Kremlin, St. George's Monastery, the Church of Transfiguration of Our Savior, Museum of wooden architecture, accommodation in the hotel, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Veliky Novgorod/ Pskov

Depart for Pskov (210 km, approximately 3 hours). Arrival in Pskov, lunch, city tour including visits to the Mirozhsky Monastery of Transfiguration and the Historical Museum, accommodation in the hotel, dinner in the hotel.

Day 6. Pskov / Pechory / Pskov

Day trip to the city of Pechora. Dinner. Return to Pskov. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 7. Pskov/ St. Petersburg

Depart for St.Petersburg (300 km, approximately 4 hours). Return to St. Petersburg. Arrival, lunch, accommodation. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 8. St. Petersburg

Excursion to the Gatchina Museum-Reserve, lunch, free time, dinner in the hotel.

Day 9. St. Petersburg

Guide-assisted transfer to the airport.



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SOCHI TOURS

Tour in the area of Sochi

Summer program: from May to September / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4* / Full board

Day 1. Sochi

Transfer from the airport/railway station to the hotel.

Day 2. Sochi, Krasnaya Polyana

Breakfast in the hotel, depart for Krasnaya Polyana: visit to the «RusSki Gorki» Ski Jumping Centre, tubing, visit to the viewing platform at Rose Peak, visit to the Ethnographic Complex «My Russia», depart for Sky Park, walk across the longest suspension bridge on the height of 270 m, ride around Sochi Olympic Park in golf cars, lunch and dinner in local restaurants.

Day 3. Sochi, Lazarevskiy City District

Breakfast in the hotel, lunch in a

local restaurant, afternoon depart for Lazarevskiy City District: tea tasting at the tea plantation in Akhintam, depart for the 33 Waterfalls sight by an off-road truck GAZ-66, walk around Dzegosh Valley, visit to the Circassian Ethnographic Museum (Circassian Yard), tasting of wine and local drinks, tasting of local cheese and honey, Caucasian folk dance show with a traditional Circassian dinner.

Day 4. Sochi, Ekzarkho Ecofarm

Breakfast in the hotel, depart for the Ekzarkho Ecofarm: visit to the stables with horses of various breeds.

Optional: horse riding; visit to the goat farm, bottle feeding of goat kids, tasting of local dairy products, master class in cooking local meals in a Caucasian eatery, wine tasting, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Sochi, village of Medoveevka

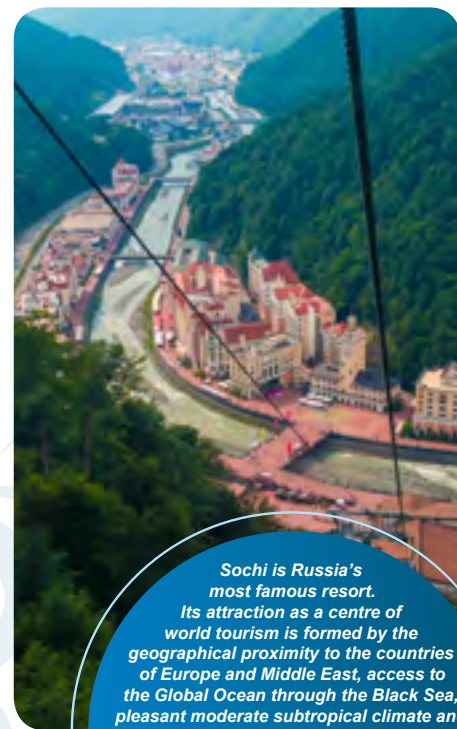
Breakfast in the hotel, depart for Moldovka, ride by quad bikes to Medoveevka: visit to the old apple garden, to the viewing platform and the soap factory, visit to the Endemic Brewery with local craft beer tasting, lunch at The Old Boy's Pub, dinner in the hotel.

Day 6. Sochi, rafting on the Mzymta River

Breakfast in the hotel, depart for Akhshtyr Canyon, rafting on the Mzymta River, sauna, lunch, dinner in the hotel.

Day 7. Sochi

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the airport/railway station.



Sochi is Russia's most famous resort. Its attraction as a centre of world tourism is formed by the geographical proximity to the countries of Europe and Middle East, access to the Global Ocean through the Black Sea, pleasant moderate subtropical climate and Olympic infrastructure. Sochi is the only city in Russia immersed in lush greenery of the trees you are unlikely to spot elsewhere in the country, such as palm trees and magnolias, tangerines and lemons, cypress trees and boxwood. It is also the world's northernmost spot boasting tea cultivation.

Tour of Sochi (after the Olympics)

Year-round program / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4* / Full board

Day 1. Sochi

Guide-assisted transfer from the airport. Hotel accommodation. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 2. Sochi

City tour, visit to the ethnographic complex «My Russia», lunch at a local restaurant, walk along the embankment of the Rosa Khutor Resort, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Sochi

Walking tour to the waterfall, lunch, visit to a specially protected area in the North

Caucasus and ascent to the altitude of 2200 meters above the sea level, dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. Sochi

Jeep tour and fishing, lunch, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Sochi

City tour including the Central Embankment which starts in the Sea Port of Sochi, lunch, continuation of the city tour, dinner in the hotel.

Day 6. Sochi

Visit to the most modern motorsport venue in Europe - Sochi Auto Sport Museum - that houses a unique collection of cars, lunch, tour of the Olympic Park by electrocars. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 7. Sochi

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the airport.



All programs are preliminary. The excursion blocks can be replaced with similar ones without changing their key points.

GOLDEN RING TOURS

Grand Golden Ring tour

Summer program: from May to October / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow - Vladimir

Transfer from Moscow to Vladimir, bus city tour.

Day 1. Bogolyubovo

Transfer to Bogolyubovo, visit to the castle of Grand Prince Andrey Bogolyubsky and the Church of Intercession on the Nerl.

Day 1. Suzdal

Transfer to Suzdal, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 2. Suzdal

City tour.

Day 2. Ivanovo.

Transfer to Ivanovo, short bus city tour.

Day 2. Kostroma

Transfer to Kostroma, free time.

Day 3. Kostroma

City tour, visit to the Ipatiev Monastery and to the Museum of cheese with cheese tasting.

Day 3. Yaroslavl

Transfer to Yaroslavl, bus city tour.

Day 4. Rostov Veliky

Transfer to Rostov Veliky, excursion to the Rostov Kremlin with a visit to the ceramic workshop.

Day 4. Pereslavl-Zalessky

Transfer to Pereslavl-Zalessky, visit to the home city of Alexander Nevsky and the cradle of the Russian fleet.

Day 4. Sergiev Possad

Transfer to Sergiev Possad, excursion to the Trinity Lavra of St. Sergius.

Day 5. Alexandrov

Transfer to Alexandrov, city tour, return to Sergiev Possad, free time.

Day 6. Uglich

Transfer to Uglich, walking city tour with a visit to the Kremlin and the local museum.



Day 7. Myshkin- Moscow

Transfer to Myshkin, walking city tour, transfer to Martynovo for a visit to the Katskari Ethnographical Museum, transfer to Moscow.



Touring historic cities and rural towns of the Russian Golden Ring you can trace the country's history as many a time each of them had become the scene of events which played a pivotal role in the future of the Russian state. Thankfully, the Soviet era largely spared their architectural monuments: through the perfection of their forms and purity of their colours the voice of the ancient Russia speaks to our hearts.

Express Golden Ring tour

Summer program: from May to October / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board



Day 1. Vladimir

Transfer from Moscow to Vladimir, bus city tour.

Day 1. Bogolyubovo

Transfer to Bogolyubovo, visit to the castle of Grand Prince Andrey Bogolyubsky and the Church of Intercession on the Nerl.

Day 1. Suzdal

Transfer to Suzdal, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 2. Suzdal

Bus city tour.

Day 2. Plyos

Transfer to Plyos, free time.

Day 3. Plyos

Walking city tour.

Day 3. Kostroma

Transfer to Kostroma, bus city tour, visit to the Ipatiev Monastery and to the Museum of cheese with cheese tasting.

Day 3. Yaroslavl

Transfer to Yaroslavl, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 4. Yaroslavl

Bus city tour, optional tours.

Day 5. Rostov Veliky

Transfer to Rostov Veliky, excursion to the Rostov Kremlin with a visit to the ceramic workshop.

Day 5. Pereslavl-Zalessky

Transfer to Pereslavl-Zalessky, visit to the home city of Alexander Nevsky and the cradle of the Russian fleet.

Day 5. Sergiev Possad

Transfer to Sergiev Possad, excursion to the Trinity Lavra of St. Sergius, transfer to Moscow.



Supplementary: accommodation in hotel in Moscow and excursion program in Moscow before / after the tour

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HISTORICAL TOURS

Emperor's route

Year-round program / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow

Transfer from the airport to the hotel.
OPTIONAL: «Moscow by night» bus city tour.

Day 2. Moscow

Bus city tour «Moscow at the time of the Romanovs». Visit to the Izmaylovsky park. OPTIONAL: Evening performance or Moscow Circus.

Day 3. Moscow- Tyumen

Tour of the multimedia exhibition «The Romanovs», flight to Tyumen.

Day 4. Tyumen

Tour of Tyumen by bus, excursion to «The Kolokolnikovs' Estate Museum» and the museum «The Tsar's pier».

Day 5. Tobolsk

Transfer to the village of Pokrovskoye, visit to the house-museum of Grigoriy Rasputin. Transfer to Tobolsk, city tour by bus with a visit to the local Kremlin and to the museum «The family of Emperor Nikolay II».

Day 6. Yekaterinburg - St Petersburg

City tour by bus, visit to the Museum of the History and Archeology of the Urals. Departure for the site Ganina Yama.

Day 7. Saint-Petersburg

Tour of St Petersburg by bus. Visit to the Trinity Cathedral in the Lavra of Alexander Nevsky. Excursion to the Beloselsky-Belozersky (or Sergievsky) Palace. OPTIONAL: Folklore show or ballet.

Day 8. Saint-Petersburg

Tour of St Petersburg by bus. Tour of Zayachy Island. Excursion to Peter and Paul Fortress and the burial place of Great Princes. OPTIONAL: Rivers and canals by night.

Day 9. Saint-Petersburg

Bus tour to Tsarskoye Selo (Tsar's village) with a visit to the Catherine's Palace (Pushkin). Visit to the Feodorovsky Imperial Cathedral and the Church of Sergius of Radonezh. Excursion to the Military Chamber. OPTIONAL: Folklore show or ballet.

Day 10. Saint-Petersburg

Transfer to the airport.



The history of Russia is as enigmatic and thought-provoking as vast and boundless are the country's steppes. The abundance in natural resources did not lead to the prosperity of its people but often attracted numerous invaders from other lands. Despite the plights of serfdom, tsarism, dictatorship and wars Russia has become the maker of astonishing achievements in culture and science and has navigated the course of history to become the Russia of today, the Russia that we know and invite you to discover during our historical tours.

Ivan the Terrible

Year-round program / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow

Transfer from the airport, accommodation in the hotel, dinner at the hotel.

Day 2. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, sightseeing tour «Moscow from the time of Ivan the Terrible» featuring Saint Basil's Cathedral, Averky Kirillov's Palace, Vagankovsky Hill, Red Square). Visit to the Kremlin and one of its cathedrals. Lunch in a city restaurant, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Moscow - Serguiev Possad - Alexandrov

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to Serguiev Possad and to the town of Alexandrov. Lunch in a city restaurant, dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. Moscow - Kazan

Visit to Kolomenskoye Park and Ascension Church, lunch in a city restaurant. Transfer to the airport. OPTIONAL: domestic flight from Moscow to Kazan. Transfer to the hotel, accommodation in the hotel, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Kazan

Breakfast in the hotel, Kazan city tour including visits to the Monument to fallen

soldiers defending Kazan in 1552 and to Zilantov Assumption Convent. Visit to the Kazan Kremlin, Annunciation Cathedral, Kul Sharif Mosque. Lunch in a city restaurant, dinner in the hotel.

Day 6. Kazan - Cheboksary

Breakfast in the hotel, sightseeing tour to Cheboksary. Lunch in a city restaurant, dinner in the hotel.

Day 7. Kazan - Sviyazhsk

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the island town of Sviyazhsk, visit to the Museum of the History of Sviyazhsk Island. OPTIONAL: Interactive program «Amusements of fusiliers» (minimum 10 persons). Lunch in a city restaurant, dinner in the hotel.

Day 8. Kazan - Moscow - Astrakhan

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the airport. OPTIONAL: domestic flights Kazan-Moscow - Astrakhan. Transfer to the hotel, accommodation in the hotel, dinner in the hotel. OPTIONAL: dinner with a folk show.

Day 9. Astrakhan

Breakfast at hotel, visit to the Museum and cultural center house of merchant

Tetyushinov. Visit to Astrakhan Kremlin and to the local history museum. OPTIONAL: Interactive program. Lunch in the city restaurant, dinner at the hotel

Day 10. Astrakhan

Breakfast at hotel, Visit to Sarai Batu – ancient capital of the Golden Horde. OPTIONAL: boat trip on the Volga river with lunch (minimum 10 persons). Lunch in the city restaurant, dinner at the hotel.

Day 11. Astrakhan - Moscow

Breakfast at hotel, transfer to the airport, OPTIONAL: domestic flight Astrakhan – Moscow.



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TOURS TO THE FAR EAST

Kamchatka - Land of bears and volcanos

Summer program: from May to September / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky

Transfer from Yelizovo airport to Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky (about 30 km), Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky city tour, accommodation in hotel.

Day 2. Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky

Free time, optional visits.

Day 3. Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky – Russkaya Bay

Trip to Russkaya (Russian) Bay with lunch on board a sea-going motorboat.



Day 4. Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky – Gorely Volcano

Ascension of Gorely Volcano.

Day 5. Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky – Malka village

Rafting and fishing in the Bystraya River, bathing in Malkin hot springs.

Day 6. Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky

Excursion to the foot of Avachinsky Volcano and the ocean shore.



Day 7. Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky

Transfer from the hotel to Yelizovo airport.



The easternmost part of Russia, the Far East, is named "far" for a good reason – more than eight thousand kilometers separate it from Moscow, while local time is seven hours ahead of Moscow! And, according to reviews, the most friendly and outgoing people live in the Far East!

Pearls of Kuril Chain

Summer program: from May to September / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk

Transfer to the hotel, city tour of Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk.

Day 2. Kunashir Island

Transfer to the airport, flight to Yuzhno-Kurilsk, transfer to the hotel.

Day 3. Kunashir Island

Walking tour of the caldera of Golovin Volcano.

Day 4. Cape Stolbchaty

Walking tour of Cape Stolbchaty.

Day 5. Mendelev Volcano

Walking tour to Mendelev Volcano, transfer to the sea port, cruising to Iturup Island.

Day 6. Iturup Island

Transfer to the hotel, transfer to Yankito lava plateau.

Day 7. Iturup Island

Excursion to the White rocks, bathing in hot springs.

Day 8. Baransky Volcano

Transfer to Baransky Volcano.

Day 9. Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk

Transfer to the airport, flight to Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, transfer to the hotel.

Day 10. Cape Velikan

Excursion to Cape Velikan.

Day 11. Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk

Transfer to the airport.



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WINTER TOURS

Winter Golden Ring

Winter program: from November to March / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow - Vladimir

Transfer from Moscow to Vladimir, bus city tour.

Day 1. Bogolyubovo

Transfer to Bogolyubovo, visit to the castle of Grand Prince Andrey Bogolyubsky and the Church of Intercession on the Nerl.

Day 1. Suzdal

Transfer to Suzdal, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 2. Suzdal

Bus city tour.

Day 2. Plyos

Transfer to Plyos, free time.

Day 3. Plyos

Walking city tour.

Day 3. Kostroma

Transfer to Kostroma, bus city tour, visit to the Ipatiev Monastery and to the Cheese Museum with cheese tasting.

Day 3. Yaroslavl

Transfer to Yaroslavl, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 4. Yaroslavl

Bus city tour, optional tours.

Day 5. Rostov Veliky

Transfer to Rostov Veliky, excursion to the

Rostov Kremlin with a visit to the ceramics workshop.

Day 5. Pereslavl-Zalessky

Transfer to Pereslavl-Zalessky, visit of the home town of Alexander Nevsky and the cradle of the Russian fleet.

Day 5. Sergiev Possad - Moscow

Transfer to Sergiev Possad, excursion to the Trinity Lavra of St. Sergius, transfer to Moscow.



Winter tours to the famous Golden Ring towns present you with an excellent opportunity to take in the architectural perfection of their historical monuments from a totally different perspective. Forest trees, dressed in fascinating outfits, boundless fields of sparkling snow, the shimmering ice of the Karelian lakes and the northern lights provide a fairytale-like background for the tour "Northern Lights" which opens new facets of the country's beauty to the delight of the traveler's eye.

Northern Lights

Winter program: from August to April / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4* / Full board

Day 1. Petrozavodsk

Arrival, city tour of Petrozavodsk. Transfer to the nature reserve "Kivatch" (waterfall sighting, visit to the Museum of Nature and the alley of Karelian birch trees), transfer to the hotel.

Day 2. Petrozavodsk

Excursion to Ruskeala Mountain Park.

Day 3. Petrozavodsk

Visit to the Karelian village of Kinerma, transfer to the railway station, an overnight train to Murmansk.

Day 4. Murmansk

City tour of Murmansk. Night tour «Northern Lights».

Day 5. Murmansk

Visit to the village of Teriberka. Night tour «Northern lights».

Day 6. Murmansk

Transfer to the airport.



Supplementary: domestic flights to / from Murmansk before / after the tour

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CLASSICAL FIXED TOURS «TWO CAPITALS»

From Moscow to Saint-Petersburg

Summer program: from May to September / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow

Transfer from the airport to the hotel.

Day 2. Moscow

City tour, free time in the city center for an independent lunch, visit to the Kremlin and one of its cathedrals.

Day 3. Moscow

Visit to the State Tretyakov Gallery, free time in the city center for an independent lunch.

Day 4. Moscow/St. Petersburg

Transfer from the hotel to the railway station in Moscow, Sapsan speed train from Moscow to St. Petersburg, transfer from the railway station to the hotel in St. Petersburg



Day 5. St. Petersburg

City tour with a visit to St. Peter and Paul Fortress, free time in the city center for an independent lunch, visit to St. Isaac's cathedral and to the Church on the Spilled Blood.

Day 6. St. Petersburg

Visit to the Hermitage, free time in the city center for an independent lunch, boat trip along the rivers and canals, folk show

with a buffet «Feel Yourself Russian» in Nikolaevsky Palace.

Day 7. St. Petersburg

Visit to Pushkin (Catherine's Palace and park), free time in the city center for an independent lunch, visit to Peterhof (Grand Palace and Lower Park).

Day 8. St. Petersburg

Transfer from the hotel to the airport.



Incredibly fascinating, rich tours and a unique opportunity to get acquainted with the historical, architectural and cultural masterpieces of Russia's two capital cities during one trip! Your tour will be packed full with the most famous sights, magnificent palaces, cathedrals of outstanding beauty and significance, stately monuments and Instagram-worthy panoramic views of Moscow and St. Petersburg.

From Saint-Petersburg to Moscow

Summer program: from March to November / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4* / Breakfast only

Day 1. St. Petersburg

Guide-assisted pick-up from the railway station, transfer to the hotel.

Day 2. St. Petersburg

Bus city tour. OPTION: Folklore show

Day 3. St. Petersburg

OPTION: Rivers and Canals

Day 4. Moscow/St. Petersburg

Transfer from the hotel to the railway station in St. Petersburg, Sapsan speed train from St. Petersburg to Moscow, transfer from the railway station to the hotel in Moscow

Day 5. Monday.

Bus city tour. OPTION: Moscow by night and the Moscow Metro.

Day 6. Moscow

OPTION: the State Tretyakov Gallery and Arbat Street.

Day 7. Moscow

Transfer from the hotel to the airport.



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Silk Road

Summer program: from May to September / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3/4* / Full board



Day 1. Astrakhan
Transfer airport-hotel.

Day 2. Astrakhan
Tour of Astrakhan by bus, visit to the Kremlin and the exhibition "The Sarmatians' gold" in the local history museum.

Day 3. Astrakhan – Elista - Astrakhan
Transfer to Elista. Visit to the new Buddhist khurul (temple), walking tour of the city center, transfer to Astrakhan.

Day 4. Astrakhan - Sarai-Batu- Astrakhan
Transfer to Elista, excursion to Sarai-Batu, transfer to Astrakhan.

Day 5. Astrakhan
Excursion trip to the delta of the Volga River, visit to the Astrakhan Nature Reserve, night train to Makhachkala.

Day 6. Makhachlaka
Excursion trip to the sand dune Sarykum and visit to the Sulak canyon.

Day 7. Makhachkala - Akhulgo – Gunib
Visit to the culture and history complex Akhulgo. Tour of the Gunib Plato, visits to the Tsar's meadow and Imam Shamil's fortress.

Day 8. Gunib - Gamsutl - Derbent
Visit the aul (small village) Gamsutl. Transfer to Derbent.



Day 9. Derbent
Excursion to the old Naryn-Kala citadel, the ancient Juma mosque, tour of the historical centre of the city. Visit to the museum of four religions, the House Museum of Alexander Bestuzhev-Marilinsky and the House Museum of Peter the Great.

Day 10. Derbent
Excursion trip to the village Kubachi, visit to the jewelry production shop. Transfer to the airport, departure.

Russia is a multinational state. Our tours «Mix of cultures» is a collage of religions, cultures, traditions and life of different peoples and nationalities, the largest of which are the Russians, Tatars, Ukrainians, Bashkirs, Chuvash people, Chechens, Armenians.

Tatarstan - Mari-El - Chuvashia tour

Year-round program / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4* / Full board



Day 1. Moscow
Arrival in Moscow, transfer to the hotel, accommodation and dinner in the hotel.

Day 2. Moscow
Breakfast in the hotel, city tour including visits to the Zaryadye park, attractions «The time machine» and «Flying over Russia»*, lunch in a city restaurant, visit to the Tretyakov Gallery, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Moscow - Kazan
Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the Kolomenskoe park (the old part), lunch in a city restaurant, transfer to the airport,



domestic flight Moscow - Kazan, transfer to the hotel, accommodation and dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. Kazan
Breakfast in the hotel, city tour, visit to the Old Tatar Quarter, the Kazan Kremlin, the Kul Sharif Mosque and to the National Museum of Tatarstan, lunch in a city restaurant, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Kazan - Yoshkar-Ola - Kazan
Breakfast in the hotel, visit to Yoshkar-Ola, the capital of the Republic of Mari El, lunch in a city restaurant, dinner in the hotel.

Day 6. Kazan - Cheboksary - Kazan
Breakfast in the hotel, visit to Cheboksary, the capital of Chuvashia, lunch of local Chuvash food in a city restaurant, dinner in the hotel.

Day 7. Kazan
Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the island town of Sviyazhsk, visit to the Church of the Holy Trinity, the Assumption Monastery, to the stable yard and craft shops, lunch in a city restaurant, walking tour along Bauman Street and Kremlyovskaya Street, dinner in the hotel.

Day 8. Kazan - Moscow
Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the airport, domestic flight Kazan - Moscow, transfer to the hotel, accommodation and dinner in the hotel.

Day 9. Moscow
Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the Kremlin, visit to Izmailovo with the Izmaylovo Kremlin complex and crafts market, lunch in the restaurant of the Vega Hotel, master class in Matryoshka painting, dinner in the hotel.

Day 10. Moscow
Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the airport.

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TOURS TO LAKE BAIKAL

Lake Baikal tour

Summer program: from May to September / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. Irkutsk

Transfer to the hotel, city tour of Irkutsk.

Day 2. Irkutsk

Transfer to the railway station, the Circum-Baikal Railway tour, transfer to the hotel.

Day 3. Olkhon Island, Khuzhir

Transfer: Irkutsk – Olkhon. Folk show, demonstration of a shaman ritual, visit to the Ethnographic Museum in Ust-Orda on

the way, arrival at Khuzhir.

Day 4. Olkhon, Khuzhir

Tour to the most northern part of Olkhon Island – Cape Khoboy.

Day 5. Olkhon, Khuzhir

Free day at Olkhon Island. Excursion to Seagull Island.

Day 6. Irkutsk

Transfer: Olkhon – Irkutsk. Shopping in Irkutsk.

Day 7. Irkutsk.

Museum of wooden architecture «Taltsy».

Transfer to the village of Listvyanka. Visit to the Baikal Museum. Chersky Peak. Dinner with a Russian family.

Day 8. Irkutsk

Transfer to the airport.



Tours to Lake Baikal are for those who want to escape the stress which comes with modern civilization, for those who want to relax in the wild, appreciate the beauty of nature with its wealth of wildlife and natural wonders. Baikal can surprise with its colors at any time of the year while the legendary Siberian hospitality of the people living in the region will create a warm and cordial atmosphere throughout the tour.

Gourmet tour to the Baikal region

Summer program: from May to September / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board



Day 1. Moscow

Transfer airport - hotel. OPTIONAL: Dinner with wine tasting (instead of the dinner included in the tour).

Day 2. Moscow

Moscow city tour. Evening flight Moscow - Irkutsk.

Day 3. Irkutsk

Transfer airport – hotel, lunch in an Uzbek



restaurant. City tour of Irkutsk. Russian dinner with a Baikal flavour.

Day 4. Ust-Ordynsky

Transfer to the settlement of Ust-Orda, lunch: tasting of Buryat and Chinese food. Dinner in a Chinese restaurant.

Day 5. Listvyanka

Depart for Listvyanka. Tasting of Siberian and Baikal food.



Day 6. Taltsy

Visit to the Museum of wooden architecture «Taltsy». Tasting of traditional Russian food.

Day 7. Irkutsk

Tasting of Mongol and Russian food with a hunting flavour.

Day 8. Irkutsk-Moscow

Morning flight Irkutsk - Moscow.

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ACTIVE TOURS

Tour to Mount Elbrus

Summer program: from May to October / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board



Day 1. Mineralnye Vody

Transfer from the airport of Mineralnye Vody to the hotel, dinner in the hotel.

Day 2. Mount Elbrus

Breakfast in the hotel, trekking in the valley of the Irik River, packed lunch, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Mount Elbrus

Breakfast in the hotel, ascension to Lake Donguz-Orun, packed lunch, dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. Mount Elbrus

Breakfast in the hotel, trekking in the valley of Adyr-Suu, packed lunch, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Mineralnye Vody

Breakfast in the hotel, transfer to the airport of Mineralnye Vody.

Tour to Arkhyz

Summer program: from June to October / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board

Day 1. Mineralnye Vody-Arkhyz

Transfer from the airport of Mineralnye Vody to the hotel in Arkhyz, dinner in the hotel.

Day 2. Arkhyz

Breakfast in the hotel, trekking to the Sofia waterfalls, packed lunch, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Arkhyz

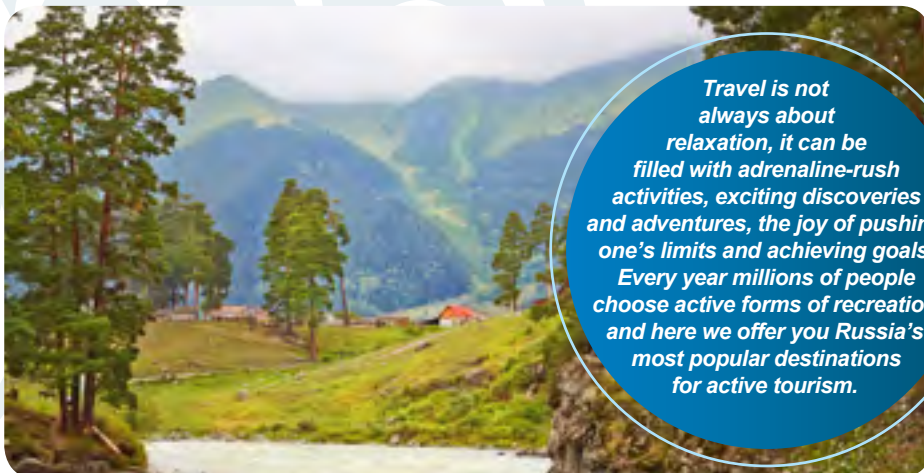
Breakfast in the hotel, trekking to Lake Semitsvetnoye, packed lunch, dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. Arkhyz

Breakfast in the hotel, excursion to the ancient town of Lower Arkhyz OR trekking to the Dukkin Lakes.

Day 5. Arkhyz - Mineralnye Vody

Transfer to the airport of Mineralnye Vody.



Travel is not always about relaxation, it can be filled with adrenaline-rush activities, exciting discoveries and adventures, the joy of pushing one's limits and achieving goals. Every year millions of people choose active forms of recreation and here we offer you Russia's most popular destinations for active tourism.

Mtsensk bike tour

Summer program: from May to October / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board



Day 1. Moscow - Mtsensk

High-speed train Moscow – Mtsensk (3 hours) (Oryol region), transfer from the railway station to the hotel, dinner in the hotel.

Day 2. Mtsensk

Breakfast in the hotel, bike tour of the city of Mtsensk and excursion to the Museum Estate Spasskoye-Lutovinovo (the length of the route is 30 km), lunch on a river bank (packed lunch), dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Mtsensk - Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, bike tour through the Sheremetev Estate and the village of Glazunovo (the length of the route is about 16 km). Lunch in the hotel. Transfer from the hotel to the railway station. High-speed train "Lastochka".

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WELLNESS TOUR

The Caucasus – «Beloved places of the poet Mikhail Lermontov»

Year-round program/ Tailor-made tour / Accommodation eco-spa resort «Mashuk Aqua-Term» 4* / Full board

Day 1. Mineralnye Vody- Zheleznovodsk

Arrival in Mineralnye Vody. Transfer to the spa resort "Mashuk Aqua-Term" in Zheleznovodsk, check-in, dinner.

Day 2. Zheleznovodsk

Breakfast, medical consultations, lunch, diagnostics, dinner

Day 3. Pyatigorsk

Breakfast, medical treatment, lunch. Excursion to Pyatigorsk with a visit to Lake Proval and Mount Goryachaya. Dinner.

Day 4. Zheleznovodsk

Breakfast, medical treatment, lunch, dinner.

Day 5. Mount Elbrus

Breakfast. Full-day tour to Mount Elbrus with a stop at the Narzan Glade, a large clearing with a multitude of mineral springs. Lunch in a local cafe, dinner.

Day 6. Zheleznovodsk

Breakfast, medical treatment, lunch, dinner.

Day 7. Zheleznovodsk

Breakfast, medical treatment, lunch, dinner.

Day 8. Kislovodsk

Breakfast, excursion to a resort in Kislovodsk, packed lunch, dinner.

Day 9. Zheleznovodsk

Breakfast, medical treatment, lunch, dinner.

Day 10. Zheleznovodsk – Mineralnye Vody

Breakfast, transfer to the airport in Mineralnye Vody.



Glorified by Lermontov, the Caucasus has long become the promised land for millions of readers of the great poet. In addition to sacred ties with the life of one of the country's biggest poets the Russian Caucasus features breathtaking scenery from dramatic mountain peaks to peaceful emerald reservoirs which makes it an unforgettable travel destination. The region is also famous for numerous mineral springs which have been used for treatment for more than a century.

Medical treatment is prescribed on the basis of a thorough examination and personal contraindications.

Active leisure:

- Swimming pool with water park elements 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., open daily, no breaks.
- Fitness Facility 2:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
- Gym (indoor soccer, basketball, volleyball, tennis), 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. (by appointment, subject to extra charge).
- Oriental wellness practices – methods Tai Chi and Qigong Island in the lake.
- Outdoor tennis court (by appointment, subject to extra charge).
- Outdoor badminton and volleyball courts (by appointment, subject to extra charge).
- Water aerobics (by appointment, subject to extra charge).
- Table tennis (by appointment, subject to extra charge).
- Spring-fed lake suitable for bathing (deck chairs and towels are available for free).
- Bathing in the outdoor swimming pools (deck chairs and towels are available for free).

Entertainment and leisure:

- Modern cinema, evening screenings.
- Summer playground for children (sports equipment, slides, seesaw), open 24/7
- Entertainment activities for children, time and place indicated in daily leaflets.
- Music hall (live music).
- Library 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Monday-Friday).
- Dancing and entertainment in the dance hall starting from 09:00 p.m.
- Thermal complex.
- SPA: exotic massage, SPA procedures, cosmetics, manicure and pedicure, hairdressing, etc. (subject to extra charge).
- Russian banya, open 24/7 by appointment (subject to extra charge).
- Sauna, open 24/7 by appointment (subject to extra charge).
- Pool-room (Russian and American) (subject to extra charge).

Supplementary: domestic flights to/from Mineralnye Vody, before/after the tour.

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HOLY PLACES OF RUSSIA

Orthodox shrines of the Moscow region

Year-round program / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3-4* / Full board

Day 1. Moscow

Guide-assisted pick-up from the airport. Transfer to the hotel.

Day 2. Sergiyev Possad

Breakfast in the hotel, trip to Sergiyev Possad to visit the Trinity Lavra of St. Sergius. Visit to the Intercession Convent. Visit to the Trinity Cathedral, the Assumption Cathedral, the Church of Reverend Sergius of Radonezh. Evening prayer (confession in the Refectory Church).

Day 3. Sergiyev Possad

Breakfast in the hotel, confession is held in

the Church of St. John the Forerunner. Divine Liturgy in the Trinity Cathedral. Visit to the Chernigovsky skete (monastic community). Visit to the Church of the Icon of Our Lady.

Day 4. Optina Pustyn

Breakfast in the hotel, trip to the village of Shamordino to visit the Convent of St. Ambrose and Our Lady of Kazan. Visit to the village of Klykovo and the Monastery of the Vernicle.

Day 5. Optina Pustyn

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the Vvedensky Monastery Optina Pustyn in Kozelsk. Take

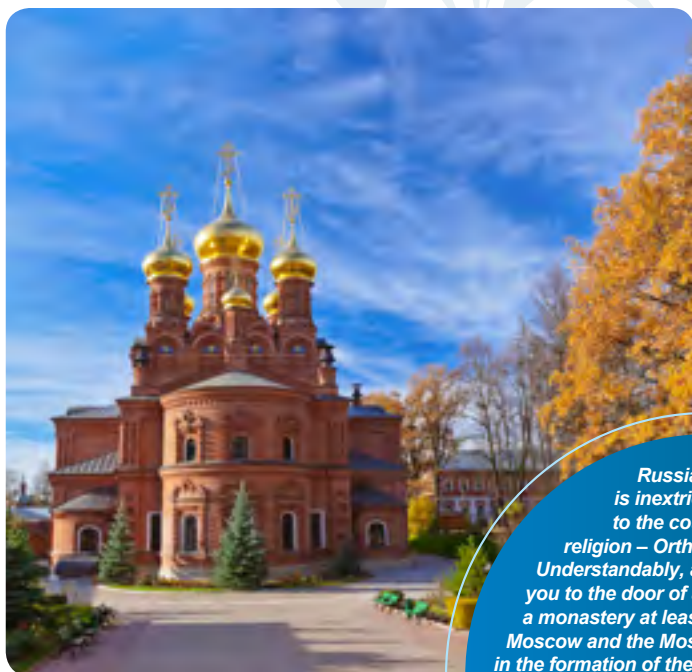
part in the Divine Liturgy in the Church of Kazan. Transfer to the Monastery of Assumption of Our Lady of Kaluga – St. Tikhon's Pustyn.

Day 6. Istra

Breakfast in the hotel, trip to the town of Istra. Visit to the New Jerusalem Monastery of Resurrection, the Borisoglebsk Anosin Convent and the Church of Our Saviour's Transfiguration.

Day 7. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to the Cathedral of Our Saviour. Transfer to the airport.



Russian culture is inextricably linked to the country's main religion – Orthodox Christianity. Understandably, any itinerary will lead you to the door of an Orthodox church or a monastery at least once. The shrines of Moscow and the Moscow region participated in the formation of the history and development of the state and the Russian Orthodox Church. These holy places revered by pilgrims are replete with divine frescoes, cherished icons, sources of healing water, sacred relics and tombs; they attract thousands of pilgrims and tourists from all over the world who come for different reasons but all invariably sense here the power of pure faith.



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TRANS-SIBERIAN TOUR

Trans-Siberian tour on regular trains

Summer program: from May to October / Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 3* / Full board



Day 1. Moscow

Transfer to the railway station, depart from Moscow to Yekaterinburg by train.

Day 2. Yekaterinburg

Evening arrival in Yekaterinburg, transfer to the hotel.

Day 3. Yekaterinburg

Yekaterinburg city tour with a visit to the Church-on-the-Blood and to the monument marking the border between Europe and Asia.

OPTIONAL: Visit to the Ural Mineralogy Museum OR to the Yeltsin Centre. Transfer to the railway station, depart from Yekaterinburg to Novosibirsk by train.



Day 5. Novosibirsk - Krasnoyarsk

Transfer to the railway station, depart from Novosibirsk to Krasnoyarsk by train, night arrival in Krasnoyarsk, transfer to the hotel.

Day 6. Krasnoyarsk

Krasnoyarsk city tour with a visit to the Stolby Nature Reserve, visit to the Krasnoyarsk hydroelectric power station (outside view) and to the observation deck «Tsar Fish» on the bank of the Yenisei River, return to the hotel.

Day 7. Krasnoyarsk

Transfer to the railway station, depart from Krasnoyarsk to Irkutsk by train.



Day 11. Chita

Morning arrival in Chita, a short city tour, climbing a hill for a picnic lunch, transfer to the railway station, depart from Chita to Blagoveshchensk by train.

Day 12. Day on the train

Day on the train, passing by taiga and several little settlements such as Shilka, Erofey Pavlovich, Skovorodino.

Day 13. Blagoveshchensk

Morning arrival in Blagoveshchensk,



Day 4. Novosibirsk

Afternoon arrival in Novosibirsk, transfer to the hotel. Novosibirsk city tour, return to the hotel.

OPTIONAL: visit to Akademgorodok (Academic Town) OR to the Museum of the West-Siberian Railway.



Day 8. Irkutsk

Morning arrival in Irkutsk, a short city tour with a walk along the Angara River and a visit to the district of old wooden houses, transfer to Listvyanka on the bank of Lake Baikal, optional visits, accommodation in the hotel.

Day 9. Irkutsk

Free day at Lake Baikal, transfer to the Irkutsk railway station, depart from Irkutsk to Ulan-Ude by train.

Day 10. Ulan-Ude

Morning arrival in Ulan-Ude, visit to Ivolginsky Dastan (a Buddhist monastery), city tour of Ulan-Ude, depart from Ulan-Ude to Chita by train.



transfer to the hotel. Blagoveshchensk city tour with a visit to an observation deck, return to the hotel.

Day 14. Blagoveshchensk

Transfer to the railway station Belogorsk, depart from Belogorsk to Vladivostok by train.

Day 15. Vladivostok

Morning arrival in Vladivostok, transfer to the hotel. Vladivostok city tour with a visit to one of the city's forts and Russky Island, return to the hotel.

Day 16. Vladivostok

Transfer to the airport.



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DEDICATION TOUR

75 years of Victory in WWII and the Great Patriotic War

03 May – 19 May 2020 and 03 May – 19 May 2021/ Tailor-made tour / Accommodation 4* / Full board



Day 1. Saint Petersburg

Guide-assisted transfer from the airport. Check in. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 2. Saint Petersburg

Breakfast in the hotel, city tour including Victory Square with the Monument to the Defenders of Leningrad, Piskarevskoye Cemetery, lunch in a local restaurant, «The Road of Life» memorial, dinner in the hotel.

Day 3. Saint Petersburg

Breakfast in the hotel, excursion to the State Memorial Museum of Leningrad Defense and Blockade, lunch in a local restaurant, «Flower of Life» monument dedicated to the children who died during the blockade, dinner in the hotel.

Day 4. Saint Petersburg

Breakfast in the hotel, out-of-town trip to Kronshtadt, lunch in a local restaurant, return to Saint Petersburg, dinner in the hotel.

Day 5. Saint Petersburg / Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out, transfer to the

railway station, high-speed train SAPSAN from Saint Petersburg to Moscow, packed lunch in the train, transfer railway station – hotel, check-in, dinner in the hotel.

Day 6. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, city tour featuring visits to the sights dedicated to the Great Patriotic War, such as Alexander Garden with an eternal flame, monument to Marshal Zhukov. Lunch in a local restaurant, excursion to the Moscow metro (stations Oktyabrskaya, Komsomolskaya, Taganskaya), dinner in the hotel.

Day 7. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, free day to participate in the celebration of the Victory Day. Lunch and dinner are not included.

Day 8. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to Stalin's bunker, lunch in a local restaurant, excursion to the Museum of World War II, dinner in the hotel.

Day 9. Moscow/ Volgograd

Breakfast in the hotel, tour of the Moscow Kremlin with a visit to one of its cathedrals, lunch in a local restaurant, transfer to the airport. Domestic flight Moscow – Volgograd. Transfer airport - hotel, check-in, dinner in the hotel.

Day 10. Volgograd

City tour including visits to sights connected with the history of World War II, lunch, excursion to the Panorama Museum of the Battle of Stalingrad, dinner in the hotel.

Day 11. Volgograd

Breakfast in the hotel, visit to "The Motherland Calls" monument, lunch in a local restaurant, visit to Rossoshka Memorial Cemetery (34 km), dinner in the hotel.

Day 12. Volgograd / Moscow/ Kursk

Breakfast in the hotel, free time in the morning, lunch in the hotel, check-out, transfer hotel – airport. Domestic flight Volgograd - Moscow. Transfer airport – railway station. Night train Moscow - Kursk. Packed meal in the train.

Day 13. Kursk

Arrival in Kursk, guide-assisted transfer to the hotel, check-in, free time. City tour including sights dedicated to the events of World War II, lunch in a local restaurant, dinner in the hotel.

Day 14. Kursk

Breakfast in the hotel, excursion to the village Prokhorovka, lunch box, return to Kursk, dinner at hotel.

Day 15. Kursk/ Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, excursion to the Kurskaya Duga Memorial, the Battle of Kursk Museum, lunch in a local restaurant, transfer to the railway station, train Kursk - Moscow. Arrival in Moscow, transfer to the hotel, check-in, late dinner in the hotel (packed meal).

Day 16. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel, excursion to Patriot Park with a visit to the exhibition dedicated to the technical development of the countries-participants of World War II. Lunch in a local restaurant. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 17. Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel. Check-out, transfer to the airport.



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CRUISES ON THE VOLGA RIVER (3/4/5 star vessels)

Moscow - St. Petersburg (11 days/10 nights, from May to October)

Number of nights in the cruise may vary from 5 to 11 nights



Days 1-3. Moscow

Group transfer from the airport to the ship, bus city tour, visit to the Kremlin and one of its cathedrals, one lunch in the city.

Day 4. Uglich

Walking city tour with a visit to the Kremlin territory, the Church of Dmitry on the Blood and Transfiguration Cathedral.

Day 5. Yaroslavl

Bus city tour, the Church of Elijah the Prophet (outside view), the Church of St. Nickolas the Wonderworker (inside visit), interactive tour of the former Governor's House (Art Gallery).

Day 6. Goritsy

The Monastery of St. Cyril on the White Lake, museum of icons.

Day 7. Kizhi

Open-air museum of wooden architecture.

Day 8. Mandrogui

Free time, shahlyk (barbecue) ashore.

Days 9-11. St. Petersburg

Bus city tour with a visit to Peter and Paul Fortress, the Hermitage Museum, group transfer from the ship to the airport.

Included services: group transfer to/from the ship (for groups of 25 people minimum), onboard service in the English / French / Italian / Spanish / German language, daily entertainment (a course in the Russian language and Russian songs classes, live music concerts, dancing music in bars nightly, visit to the Captain's bridge, etc.), basic excursion program, Captain's Farewell Dinner (special menu), luggage handling on board the ship.

Included catering: full board (three meals per day), buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner with a fixed menu and a choice of courses, tea/coffee for all meals, welcome cocktail, Captain's Farewell Dinner with a special menu, shashlik (barbecue) in the open air in Mandrogui (subject to weather conditions), Russian tea ceremony.

Not included services: travel insurance, drink packages, optional tours, gratuities, transfer to/from the ship on embarkation/disembarkation day (for 1-24 pax), port taxes, visa support letter, use of earphones, personal expenses.

Cruises along the Volga River is a universal type of active and informative recreation, which is also suitable for those who are not in favour of tiring excursions, but would like to see the maximum of the available attractions. Here you can relax with families, friends, spend your honeymoon or even enjoy travelling solo – this type of vacation is perfect for every occasion.

St. Petersburg – Moscow (11 days/10 nights, from May to October)

Days 1-3. St. Petersburg

Group transfer from the airport to the ship, bus city tour with a visit to Peter and Paul Fortress, the Hermitage Museum.

Day 4. Mandrogui

Free time, shahlyk (barbecue) ashore.

Day 5. Kizhi

Open-air museum of wooden architecture.

Day 6. Goritsy

The Monastery of St. Cyril on the White Lake, museum of icons.

Day 7. Yaroslavl

Bus city tour, the Church of Elijah the Prophet (outside view), the Church of St. Nickolas the Wonderworker (inside visit), Interactive tour of the former Governor's House (Art Gallery).

Day 8. Uglich

Walking city tour with a visit to the Kremlin territory, the Church of Dmitry on the Blood, Transfiguration Cathedral.

Days 9-11. Moscow

Bus city tour, visit to the Kremlin and one of its cathedrals, group transfer from the ship to the airport.



Supplementary: accommodation in hotels and excursion program in Moscow and in St. Petersburg before / after the cruise.

SOUTH CRUISES to ASTRAKHAN

Moscow - Astrakhan

(14 days/13 nights, from August to October)

Days 1-3. Moscow

Group transfer airport-ship, bus city tour, visit to the Kremlin and one of its cathedrals.

Day 4. Uglich

Walking city tour with a visit to the Kremlin territory, the Church of Dmitry-on-the-Blood, Transfiguration Cathedral.

Day 5. Yaroslavl

Bus city tour, local market (free time), the Monastery of Our Saviour's Transfiguration, the Church of St. Elijah

the Prophet (inside and outside).

Day 5. Kostroma

Bus city tour, Ipatiev Monastery, Trinity Cathedral.

Day 6. Nizhny Novgorod

Bus city tour, the Kremlin grounds.

Day 7. Cheboksary

Bus city tour.

Day 8. Kazan

Bus city tour, the Kremlin grounds.

Day 9. Samara

Bus city tour, Art Gallery.

Day 10. Saratov

Bus city tour.

Day 11. Volgograd

Bus city tour, Mamayev Mound.

Day 12. Day on board

Entertainment on board.

Days 13-14. Astrakhan

Bus city tour, the Kremlin grounds, group transfer ship-airport.



Included services: group transfer to/from the ship (for groups 25 people minimum), onboard service in the English / French / Italian / Spanish / German language, daily entertainment (a course of the Russian language and Russian songs classes, live music concerts, dancing music in bars nightly, tour of the Captain's bridge, etc.), basic excursion program, Captain's Farewell Dinner (special menu), luggage handling on board the ship.

Included catering: full board (three meals per day), buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner with a fixed menu and a choice of courses, tea/coffee for all meals, welcome cocktail, Captain's Farewell Dinner with a special menu, shashlik (barbecue) in the open air in Mandrogui (subject to weather conditions), Russian tea ceremony.

Not included services: travel insurance, drink packages, optional tours, gratuities, transfer to/from the ship on embarkation/disembarkation day (for 1-24 pax), port taxes, visa support letter, use of earphones, personal expenses.

Cruises to Astrakhan are a great chance to visit the Lower Volga, famous for its abundance of fish, see the endless hot steppes, and admire the lotus fields in the Delta in a comfortable atmosphere of the onboard life. This region has several unofficial names - the southern outpost, the southern Venice of Russia, the Caspian capital.

Astrakhan – Moscow (14 days/13 nights, from August to October)

Days 1-2 Astrakhan

Group transfer airport-ship, bus city tour, the Kremlin grounds.

Day 3 Day on board

Entertainment on board.

Day 4 Volgograd

Bus city tour, Mamayev Mound.

Day 5 Saratov

Bus city tour.

Day 6 Samara

Bus city tour, Art Gallery.

Day 7 Kazan

Bus city tour, the Kremlin grounds.

Day 8 Cheboksary

Bus city tour.

Day 9 Nizhny Novgorod

Bus city tour, the Kremlin grounds.

Day 10 Kostroma

Bus city tour, Ipatiev Monastery, Trinity Cathedral.

Day 10 Yaroslavl

Bus city tour, local market (free time), the Church of St. Elijah the Prophet (inside visit), the Monastery of Our Saviour's Transfiguration.

Day 11 Uglich

Walking city tour with a visit to the Kremlin

territory, the Church of Dmitry-on-the-Blood, Transfiguration Cathedral.

Days 12 – 14 Moscow

Bus city tour, visit to the Kremlin and one of its cathedrals, group transfer ship-airport.



Supplementary: accommodation in hotels and excursion program in Moscow and in Astrakhan before / after the cruise.

CRUISES ON THE YENISEI RIVER

Krasnoyarsk - Norilsk: towards permafrost (8 days / 7 nights, from June to September), 3* vessel

Day 1. Krasnoyarsk

Arrival in the airport of Krasnoyarsk, group transfer from the airport to the 3* hotel «Krasnoyarsk», check-in, breakfast in the hotel. City tour with a visit to the Chapel of Paraskeva Pyatnitsa, the historical part of the city, the place of origin of the city of Krasnoyarsk, Theatre Square and more. Lunch in the city. Excursion to the observation deck in the village of Sliznevo, which is located on the edge of a steep cliff above the Yenisei. Excursion to the Krasnoyarsk hydroelectric power station. Boat ride on the Krasnoyarsk Sea (1 hour). Dinner in the hotel.

Day 2. Yeniseysk

Breakfast in the hotel. Check-out. Early departure to the city of Yeniseysk. Lunch in a city cafe. Yeniseysk is a city-museum featuring more than 90 architectural monuments. Sightseeing tour of the city of Yeniseysk visiting temples and merchants' mansions. Visit to the private museum-estate «Photoizba», inspection of the collection of antiques. A trip to the Monastery Lake. It is believed that swimming in the lake can be healing. Check-in at a 3* hotel in Yeniseysk. Dinner in the hotel in Yeniseysk. Embarkation on the m/s «Alexander Matrosov» or similar ship at 11.30 pm.

Day 3. On board

Breakfast on board. Stop in the village of Yartsevo at 10: 00-10: 30 am. Local residents greet tourists with souvenirs and gifts of the Yenisei land. Lunch and dinner on board.

Day 4. On board

Breakfast, lunch, dinner on board.

Day 5. Dudinka

Crossing the Arctic Circle (the Kureyka River) in the early morning. Breakfast on board. Stop at Igarka at 09:00-10:00 am. Igarka is located in the tundra and forest-tundra zones beyond the Arctic Circle. The city is built on permafrost. Lunch on board. Stop in the village of Potapovo at 04:00-05:00 am. Dinner on board. Arrival in Dudinka at 09:00 pm, transfer to the 3* hotel «Victoria», check-in.

Day 6. Dudinka

Breakfast in the hotel. Walking tour of Dudinka. Excursion to the Museum of Local History, where you can take a photo wearing a traditional costume of the native people. Lunch in the city. Visit to the «Taimyr Mou» Ethnic Complex («Taimyr Land»), dedicated to the culture and traditions of the aboriginal people of the North: you will take part in ceremonies and master classes. Dinner in the hotel.

Day 7. Norilsk

Breakfast in the hotel. Check-out. Departure to Norilsk. Lunch in the city. Sightseeing tour of Norilsk, visit to the Norilsk Memorial, excursion to the First house of Norilsk. Check-in at the 3* hotel «Talnakh» (the hotel is located in the most ecologically clean area of Norilsk). Dinner in the hotel.

Day 8. Norilsk

Breakfast in the hotel, check-out (till 12:00 am), group transfer to the airport of Norilsk.

«Krasnoyarsk - Norilsk: towards permafrost» is a combined cruise and land tour which will take you across the Krasnoyarsk Krai lying in the heart of Siberia. The breathtaking Siberian landscapes will provide a picture-perfect setting for your journeys and rides. Discover the virgin treasures of Siberian nature, take an in-depth look at the life of the cities and settlements on the banks of the Yenisei, aptly named by the natives «Great River» or «Big Water», and enjoy sightseeing tours full of interesting information on the ancient history and ethnically-diverse culture of this land.



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CRUISES ON THE LENA RIVER

Yakutsk – Tiksi – Yakutsk (14 days / 13 nights), 3* vessel

Summer program: from July to September / Full board

Day 1. Yakutsk

Transfer from the airport starting from 8 am. Accommodation on board available after 7 am. Free time before the departure. Depart at 7pm.

Day 2. Lena Pillars

Welcome ceremony and ascent to the viewing platform for a photo stop. Free time.

Day 3. Buotama

Walk to the wood bison nursery guided by the nursery's carer.

Day 4. Day on board

Free time on board.

Day 5. Zhigansk

Ferry transfer ashore. Welcome ceremony from the local evenk people and a walk

downtown to visit a folklore concert, souvenir shops, a small local museum and a Russian orthodox church.

Day 6. Kyusyur

Walk to the local culture centre for a folklore concert. Time for shopping.

Day 7. Neelovo (Tiksi)

Bus transfer to the town of Tiksi. Visit to the museum of the Lena Delta Nature Reserve, trip to the tundra area, stop at the bank of the Laptev Sea.

Day 8. Day on board

Free time on board.

Day 9. Stop ashore

Visit to a local fisherman's home, interaction with the host and tasting of the local 'uha' soup of freshly caught fish.

Day 10. Polar Circle

Photo stop by the Polar Circle sign. Free time ashore, fishing.

Day 11. Day on board

Free time on board.

Day 12. Stop ashore

Free time ashore. Shashlyk (barbecue) and the farewell ceremony «Fire of friendship».

Day 13. Sottintsy

Transfer by buses and minivans to the open-air museum «Druzhba» (Friendship). Guided walking tour of the museum, shopping, free time ashore.

Day 14. Yakutsk

Transfer to the airport



Cruises on the Lena River offer a unique opportunity to get acquainted with the Russian polar region, to see all the beauty of the untouched harsh northern nature from the side of a comfortable motor ship moving along the powerful and beautiful river. The Lena is the third largest river in Russia, its length surpasses 4000 kilometers, and its average width is about fifteen kilometers!

Yakutsk – Lenskiye Schoki – Mirny

Available in September only / Full board, 3* vessel



Day 1. Yakutsk. Sottintsy

Transfer from the airport starting from 8 am. Accommodation on board available after 7 am. Free time. Depart at 12.30 pm. Transfer by bus or minivan to the open air museum «Druzhba», guided walking tour of the museum.

Day 2. Lena Pillars

Welcome ceremony and ascent to the viewing platform for a photo stop. Free time.

Day 3. Day on board

Onboard activities and free time.



Day 4. Olekminsk

Bus city tour including visits to the church, chapel, eunuchs' house and a local museum.

Day 5. The estuary of the Ura River

Free time ashore, fishing.

Day 6. Vitim

Sailing along the Vitim River (later the ship returns to the Lena River). A walk to the town school and a visit to its museum.

Day 7. Lenskiye Schoki (a narrow gorge on the Lena River)

Free time ashore



Day 8. Lensk

City tour with a walk along the embankment, a visit to a local museum and St. Innocent's Orthodox Church. Night on board.

Day 9. Mirny

Bus tour to the Mirny settlement. Early breakfast. Transfer to the airport. **OPTIONAL:** stay in «Zarnitsa» hotel, lunch, city tour with a stop at the viewing platform of the «Mir» mine, visit to the Kimberlite Museum. Night at hotel. Breakfast, transfer to the airport.

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LAKE BAIKAL CRUISES

Irkutsk - Irkutsk (8 days / 7 nights), 3* vessel

Summer program: from June to September / Full board

Day 1. Irkutsk

Transfer from Irkutsk to Listvianka, the Baikal Museum, embarkation at Listvyanka.

Day 2. Ogoi Island

Visit to the Stupa of Enlightenment.

Day 2. Olkhon Island

Visit to the sacred Shamanka Rock.

OPTION: Visit to the Local History Museum.

Day 3. The Small Ushkany Islands

Bathing in hot springs at Zmeinaya Bay/ Chivyrkuisky Bay.

OPTION: Visit to the Baikal seal rookery.

Day 4. Lake Frolikha

Ecological trail to Lake Frolikha.

Day 5. Davsha village

Visit to the Davsha Nature Museum (Barguzinsky Nature Reserve).

Ecological tour from Davsha to the mouth of the South Birakan River.

Day 6. Uzury, Olkhon Island

Automobile tour «The Places of power» to Khoboy Cape.

Day 7. Pribaikalsky National Park

Excursion to Peschanaya Bay and Babushka Bay, free time at the sandy beach.

OPTION: Excursion to Panorama Rock.

Day 8. Irkutsk

Disembarkation at Listvyanka, transfer to Irkutsk with a visit to a local souvenir and fish market.



Supplementary: domestic flights to / from Irkutsk, accommodation in hotel and excursion program in Moscow before / after the cruise.

Ogoi Island is one of Baikal's places of power. In 2005 the Stupa of Enlightenment was erected. If you walk around the Stupa barefoot three times, it can help you clear your mind of negative emotions, worries and stress. Make a wish, but for it to come true come here with pure thoughts only.

Olkhon Island is the largest island on Lake Baikal. It is the geographical, historical and sacral center of the lake. In addition it is the birthplace of the Buryat nation and according to the legends the place where the divine gift was bestowed on the first Buryat shaman. Shamanka Rock is one of the nine sacred shrines in Asia. The cave in the Rock is considered the home of the spirit-protector of Olkhon Island.

Davsha village is located on the territory of Barguzinsky Nature Reserve, the oldest reserve in Russia. It was founded in 1916 as Barguzinsky Sable Reserve to protect and increase sable's population, widely killed for their valuable fur. In 1946, Davsha was founded as a scientific settlement in the reserve. Since 1953, the Nature Museum has been open. Here you can learn the story of the reserve, take a glimpse into the diversity of its wildlife. The museum displays a unique herbarium and a collection of local birds and insects.

Chivyrkuisky Bay is one of the most interesting, attractive and popular sights in Zabaikalsky National Park. The bay is shallow, the water temperature rises to 22-24°C. The bay cuts deep into the land, more than any other bay of Lake Baikal, and is the most picturesque of them all. Tourists are enchanted with its sandy beaches, islands, scenic capes, thermal springs, its thicket of bushes and colonies of birds. The banks of the bay are uneven and form many creeks, safely shielded from the wind. One of the creeks, Zmeinaya, is famous for its springs which have outputs both under the water and on the shore.

The gargantuan proportions of Lake Baikal make it altogether impossible to fit all its unmissable sights in one land tour. What is more, the rocky relief of the shoreline largely uninhabited by people creates unsurpassable obstacles even for experienced hikers. Cruises on Lake Baikal is a sought-after opportunity to visit its wildest spots of pristine natural beauty in closest proximity to its crystal-clear water and feel the power of the Siberian land.

All programs are preliminary. The excursion blocks can be replaced with similar ones without changing their key points.

East Greenland (11 days / 10 nights)

Summer program: from August to September / 5* luxury vessel / Full board

Day 1. Reykjavík, Iceland

Arrival in Reykjavik, transfer from the airport to the hotel, free evening in the hotel.

Day 2. Reykjavík, Iceland

Afternoon embarkation on the ship M/V Sea Spirit, depart for the cruise.

Day 3. Across Denmark Strait

Crossing the Denmark Strait toward the Scoresby Sund in East Greenland, crossing the Arctic Circle on the way.

Days 4-8. Exploration of the Scoresby Sund, Greenland

Passing through the Scoresby Sund – the largest and longest fjord system in the

world. The Inuit village of Iltoqqortoormiit – the only permanent settlement in the region with a museum, gift shop, post office, and, of course, the opportunity to meet Inuit people. The days are filled with memorable excursions, sumptuous meals, presentations by onboard experts and possibilities for incredible displays of aurora borealis – the Northern Lights.

Day 9. Back across Denmark Strait

Crossing back Denmark Strait toward Iceland. Presentations and workshops by onboard experts, as well as the range of onboard recreation facilities, ensure that this day at sea is not idly spent.

Day 10. Westfjords, Iceland

The expedition day in the Westfjords area – possibility to see the beauty of Iceland. Taking advantage of every weather favourable condition, the onboard expert chooses the best places to discover breathtaking coastal fjords, jagged bird cliffs, and tiny fishing villages embracing traditional ways of life.

Day 11. Reykjavík, Iceland

Breakfast onboard, transfer to the airport or to the city center for additional program (upon request).



Expedition cruises will give you the opportunity to visit remote and inaccessible places, without giving up a high level of comfort, to learn and see in person what most can only see in travel TV shows. A small number of passengers contributes to closer contact with nature, friendly communication between passengers, flexibility in the daily schedule, as well as maintaining the stability of fragile ecosystems.

Antarctic Peninsula (12 days / 11 nights)

Winter program: from October to March / 5* luxury vessel / Full board

Day 1. Ushuaia, Argentina

Transfer from the airport to the hotel, free evening in the hotel.

Day 2. Ushuaia, Argentina

Transfer from the hotel to pier, embarkation on MS Sea Spirit.

Days 3-4. Across the Drake Passage

Transiting the Beagle Channel and passing the Islands of Tierra del Fuego, crossing the Drake Passage and the Antarctic Convergence.

Days 5-9. The South Shetland Islands and the Antarctic Peninsula

The route and exploration opportunities in Antarctica are heavily dependent on weather and ice conditions. The experienced captain and expedition leader decide the itinerary and continually adjust plans as conditions and opportunities warrant. They take advantage of long daylight hours to exploit every opportunity to experience excellent wildlife viewing, amazing scenery, and excursions via Zodiac. The South Shetland Islands,

Deception Island, the vast Gerlache Strait, the famous Lemaire Channel also known as «Kodak Gap».

Days 10-11. Back across the Drake Passage

Presentations and workshops by onboard expert staff, the time for the End of Voyage ceremonies including slideshow and farewell dinner.

Day 12. Ushuaia, Argentina

After breakfast onboard, a group transfer to the airport or to the town center.




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An aerial photograph of a wide river winding through a lush green valley. A large, forested island sits in the middle of the river, with a small clearing and a few buildings on its right side. The surrounding hills are covered in dense green trees under a blue sky with scattered clouds.

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An aerial photograph of a river bend in autumn. On the left bank, a large, historic stone castle with multiple towers and battlements sits on a hill. The river curves around the castle, and a small boat is visible on the water. The surrounding forest is filled with trees in shades of yellow, orange, and green. A road follows the curve of the river on the right bank.



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