

Moscow & Saint Petersburg

08 Days / 07 Nights



Day 01: Arrive Moscow

Upon arrival, you will be met by your car with chauffeur for the short transfer to your hotel.

Meeting with an English-speaking guide at the airport

City tour with the visit of Sparrow Hills this majestic city is steeped in history and beauty. A trip here combines the old and the new - learn the story of communism while enjoying the cosmopolitan life of modern-day Moscow. You will see Moscow's renowned Red Square, near the 16th Century St. Basil's Cathedral, one of the most famous pieces of architecture in the world, plus the constructivist pyramid of Lenin's Mausoleum.

Lunch in the local restaurant

Walking tour for the Arbat street. Then explore the Old Arbat, one of the oldest streets in Moscow, where craftsmen have practiced their crafts since the 15th century.

Dinner in the local restaurant

Overnight in the hotel

Day 02: Visit Moscow

After Breakfast, meet an English-speaking guide in the hotel lobby and visit Moscow.

Guided tour around the Kremlin and one of the cathedrals and the excursion to the Armory Chamber - the Moscow Kremlin is the oldest part of the city and contains within its walls a unique series of masterpieces of architecture and the plastic arts. The Moscow Kremlin and Red Square are on the World Heritage List.

A stroll through the Alexander Garden. It was one of the first urban public parks in Moscow. The park comprises three separate gardens, which stretch along all the length of the western Kremlin wall for 865 meters (2,838 ft) between the building of the Moscow Manage and the Kremlin.

Lunch at local restaurant.

Tour around the Red Square – you will see Moscow's renowned Red Square, near the 16th Century St. Basil's Cathedral, one of the most famous pieces of architecture in the world, plus the constructivist pyramid of Lenin's Mausoleum.

Excursion to the St. Basil's Cathedral & the GUM Department Store – time for shopping

Dinner in the local restaurant

Overnight in the hotel

Day 03: Visit Moscow

Breakfast in the hotel

Meeting with an English-speaking guide in the hotel lobby and visit Moscow.

Heading to Zagorsk Nowadays Sergiev Posad is one of the most fascinating sights of Russian Golden Ring. It represents the masterpieces of traditional Russian architecture of the 14th – 15th centuries as well as valuable painting objects. In the Trinity Cathedral – the town’s main landmark – you may glimpse icons painted by Andrei Rublev and Daniel Chorny. Sergiev Posad is an extremely popular destination also due to its close location to Moscow, so you may easily visit it during your trip to the Russian capital.

Lunch in the local restaurant

Visit of the Izmailovo market Located only five metro stations away from the center of Moscow, Izmailovo market is the perfect place for tourist looking for souvenirs and authentic Russian objects like stamps, chapkas, traditional clothes, army surplus etc. The entrance of this flea market is free and the prices of matryoshkas and other souvenirs are lower than downtown.

Dinner & Overnight in the hotel

Day 04: Train to Saint Petersburg

Breakfast in the hotel and check out.

Meeting with an English-speaking guide in the hotel lobby and proceed for a quick shopping at the Alfi mall city shopping if desire.

Lunch at local restaurant.

After lunch in time transfer to the train station for fast speed train “Sapsan” from Moscow to St. Petersburg

Arrival to St. Petersburg. Meeting with an English-speaking guide on the train station and transfer for Dinner at local restaurant

Overnight in the hotel

Saint Petersburg is a city on the shore of the Gulf of Finland. Established in 1703 by Peter the Great, **Saint Petersburg** was the capital of Russia for two centuries, and has witnessed some of the most important historical events. The city is often called "Venice of the North" because of its unique architecture

Day 05: Visit Saint Petersburg

Breakfast at the hotel

Meeting with your guide in the hotel lobby and proceed for sightseeing.

Tour around St. Petersburg Today the Peter and Paul fortress is home to several museums, which exhibit to everyone the splendid history of Saint-Petersburg's foundation and growth. Here you may visit main museums like the Peter and Paul cathedral – the tallest building in the city center and the burial place of the Russian Emperors – the Grand Ducan Mausoleum, and the Museum of history of Saint-Petersburg. Here you may also encounter more modest museums and temporary exhibitions like the Museum of miniature, Museum of Torture, etc. The fortress also used to be a political prison as you may see during a visit to its casemates. You may stroll on the fortress walls and witness the famous traditional midday cannon shot

Visit of the Museum of Russian vodka - The exhibition reveals the details of origin and history of vodka from the 14th century to the present day. This history begins with traditional Russian natural fermentation products such as mead, kvass, and birch sap. Visitors will learn about the production process, jokes, traditions, and culture of Russian vodka drinking

Lunch in the local restaurant

Countryside tour to Pushkin with the visit of Catherine's palace and Amber Room and park - The Summer Palace is the heart of Tsarskoe Selo (Tsar's Village) – one of the most picturesque parks among the former residences of the Russian Emperors. Here you may feel the atmosphere of the Royal way of life in its entire magnificence. It is hard to believe that almost everything inside the palace is a result of a careful restoration, which has been finished just 8 years ago. Nowadays the legendary Amber Room, where this precious resin covered the walls in a magnificent and shining style, as well as the radiant interiors have finally regained their former splendor after they suffered from severe damages during World War II. Today tourists from all over the world come to the Pushkin to see the marvelous park and the Catherine's Palace, definitely one of the most impressive highlights of every visit to Saint Petersburg.

Dinner and night stay.

Day 06: Visit Saint Petersburg

Breakfast in the hotel

Meeting with your guide in the hotel lobby and proceed for sightseeing.

Countryside tour to Peterhof - as a former residence of the Russian monarchs, Peterhof brings together the finest achievements in national and international culture of the 18-19th centuries. This unique complex was created by outstanding architects, decorators and sculptors, whose spectacular works of art slot perfectly into the natural beauty of the coastal landscape. Even a few hours here are enough to feel the spirit of history, which still lives on and breathes in this magnificent place.

Lunch at local restaurant.

Excursion to the Saint-Isaac's Cathedral St. Isaac cathedral is one of the largest churches in Saint-Petersburg. Its construction took 40 years, and today it remains one of the most impressive buildings in the city center. Inside the cathedral, which also holds services, you may visit an exhibition telling the incredible story of its construction, represented with the authentic historical documents, plans and models. Finally, you should climb atop the cathedral's colonnade in order to discover one of the best panoramic views of the city! No doubt you will be impressed.

Walk along the Nevsky prospect with shopping

Dinner at local restaurant.

Transfer to the hotel for night stay.

Day 07: Visit Saint Petersburg

Breakfast in the hotel

Meeting with your guide in the hotel lobby and proceed for sightseeing.

Excursion to the Hermitage Museum

Lunch at local restaurant.

Excursion to the Peter and Paul Fortress

Excursion to the Cathedral of Christ the Saviour This church commemorates the assassination of the Emperor Alexander II. It is situated on the very place where he was deadly wounded by terrorists. To visit this memorable place you need to walk to the city center by the Griboedov canal, - after one minute of walk from Nevsky street you'll be stunned by the beauty of its colorful domes and unusual to foreign eye Russian style of architecture.

Today the church attracts numerous visitors as a museum thanks to its finest decorations and colorful mosaics. When you walk inside the building – you almost travel to another dimension, where every part of the ceiling and walls is painted with beautiful patterns and pictures from Christian history.

Dinner at local restaurant.

Transfer to the hotel for night stay.

Day 08: Final Departure

Breakfast in the hotel. Transfer to the airport for onward journey ...

***Please note that the order of excursions can be changed**

End of the program