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This package is available either
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Step by Step Guide**

- 1. Book your tour with Discovery Russia**
- 2. Get you personal Visa Support Letter (VSL) & Discovery Russia's detailed Visa Manuals**
- 3. Fill in Visa Application form**
- 4. Apply to the Embassy or Russian Visa Centre personally or send Application, passport, photo to the Embassy or Russian visa Center by mail**
- 5. Obtain your Russian visa in the Embassy, Russian Visa Centre or by mail**

Happy Travelers

In 2018 we have hosted over a thousand travelers and we hope all of them not only enjoyed it but truly discovered Russia! Please have a look at our reviews and feedbacks below from people that have travelled with us.

If you're hesitating about going to Russia, you may find these reviews useful:

- **Trustpilot** <https://www.trustpilot.com/review/www.discoveryrussia.com.au>
- **Facebook** <https://www.facebook.com/DiscoveryRussiaTravel/reviews/>

Itinerary



- Day 1 — Welcome to the Russian Far East!**
- Day 2 — Discover Vladivostok**
- Day 3-4 — On board to Ulan-Ude**
- Day 5 — Discover Ulan-Ude**
- Day 6 — Discover Buryatia & train to Irkutsk**
- Day 7 — Arrival in Irkutsk & Lake Baikal**
- Day 8-9 — Discover Siberia**
- Day 10-11 — On board to Yekaterinburg**
- Day 12 — Discover Yekaterinburg**
- Day 13 — On board to Kazan**
- Day 14 — Kazan & train to Nizhny Novgorod**
- Day 15 — Discover Nizhny Novgorod**
- Day 16 — Nizhny Novgorod & train to Vladimir**

- Day 17 — The Golden Ring, Vladimir**
- Day 18 — The Golden Ring, Yaroslavl-Rostov the Great**
- Day 19 — The Golden Ring, Suzdal**
- Day 20-21 — Discover Moscow**
- Day 22 — Train to St. Petersburg**
- Day 23-25 — Discover St. Petersburg**
- Day 26 — Departure**

DAY 1

- Arrival in Vladivostok
- Meet and greet at Vladivostok airport
- Transfer to the hotel and check-in
- Evening at leisure
- Group tour: welcome dinner
- Overnight stay in Vladivostok

DAY 2

- Breakfast
- Guided tour in Vladivostok: Harbor, Golden Bridge, Fortress, Submarine 56, Russian Island, fish market
- Boarding the train to Ulan-Ude

DAY 3-4

On board

DAY 5

- Early arrival in Ulan-Ude
- Transfer to the hotel
- Early check-in
- Atsagatski Datsan
- City tour: Lenin's head, Old town
- Overnight stay in Ulan-Ude

DAY 6

- Breakfast
 - Ivolginsky Datsan
 - Old believers village
 - Boarding the train to Irkutsk
- Note: Day schedule in Ulan-Ude can be changed due to the train schedule with overnight in Irkutsk.

DAY 7

- Arrival in Irkutsk
- Transfer to Listvyanka village on the shores of Lake Baikal
- Optional evening: Russian banya
- Overnight stay in Listvyanka/or Irkutsk (subject to the train schedule)

DAY 8

- Breakfast
- Baikal Museum of Limnology
- Baikal Seal Aquarium
- Chersky Stone observation point (Cable car)
- St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church
- Visit local souvenir market
- Overnight stay in Listvyanka

DAY 11

- Arrival in Yekaterinburg
- Meet and greet at the railway station
- Transfer to the hotel
- Check-in
- Evening free at leisure
- Overnight stay in Yekaterinburg

DAY 9

- Breakfast
- Transfer to Irkutsk
- Visit Taltsy Museum
- Guided tour in Irkutsk
- St. Epiphany Cathedral
- Kirov Square
- Board the train to Yekaterinburg

DAY 12

- Breakfast
- Yekaterinburg city tour: Ganina Yama Monastery, Museum of Minerals, Cathedral on the Blood, Europe-Asia Border
- Pyzhma military museum
- Overnight stay in Yekaterinburg

DAY 10

- On board. Train ride continues 2 days and 5 hours on the train.

DAY 13

- Breakfast
- Transfer to the railway station
- Board the train to Kazan
- Arrival in Kazan
- Meet and greet at the railway station
- Transfer to the hotel
- Check-in
- Overnight stay in Kazan

DAY 14

- Breakfast
- Check-out
- Guided tour in Kazan
- Master class on cooking the national Tatar food
- Transfer to the railway station
- Board the train to Nizhny Novgorod

DAY 15

- Early arrival in Nizhny Novgorod
- Meet and greet at the train station
- Transfer to the hotel
- Guaranteed Early check-in
- Guided tour to Gorodets, exploring Central Russia
- Overnight stay in Nizhny Novgorod

DAY 16

- Breakfast
- Guided tour in Nizhny Novgorod
- Board high-speed train to Vladimir
- Transfer to hotel and check-in
- Overnight stay in Vladimir

DAY 17

- Breakfast
- Vladimir city tour: Dormition Cathedral, Cathedral of St. Dimitriy, etc.
- Lunch
- Bogolyubovo city tour: the Church of the Intercession on the Nerl
- Transfer to Yaroslavl
- Overnight stay in Yaroslavl

DAY 18

- Breakfast
- Yaroslavl city tour
- Visiting the Residence of Maslenitsa
- Transfer to Rostov the Great
- Rostov the Great city tour: the Rostov Kremlin
- Master Class on national crafts
- Transfer to Suzdal
- Overnight stay in Suzdal

DAY 19

- Breakfast
- Suzdal city tour: Kremlin and the ensemble of the Monastery of St. Euthymius, Museum of wooden architecture)
- Lunch
- Degustation of Medovukha
- Transfer to Moscow
- Transfer to the hotel
- Free time
- Overnight stay in Moscow

DAY 20

- Breakfast
- The Moscow Kremlin Tour, including the Armory and the Red Square
- Moscow metro tour
- Excursion in Novodevichy Convent
- Sparrow Hills
- Arbat
- Overnight stay in Moscow

DAY 21

- Breakfast
- The Tretyakov State Art Gallery
- Stalin's skyscrapers tour
- The Izmailovo Kremlin
- The VDNKh & Museum of Cosmonautics
- Overnight stay in Moscow

DAY 22

- Breakfast
- Transfer to railway station, board high speed bullet train for 4 hours journey to St. Petersburg
- Meet and greet at St Petersburg railway station
- Transfer to your hotel in the downtown
- Overnight stay in St. Petersburg

DAY 23

- Breakfast
- Speed boat ride to Peterhof Palace (seasonal)
- Guided tour to the Royal Palace of Peterhof
- Afternoon: visit Faberge Museum
- Overnight stay in St. Petersburg

DAY 24

- Breakfast
- Visiting the Winter Palace and the Hermitage
- Visiting Isaac Cathedral, Kazan Cathedral, the Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood
- Peter & Paul Fortress and Cathedral
- Overnight stay in St. Petersburg

DAY 25

- Breakfast
- Pushkin/Tsarskoe Selo
- Catherine's palace & Amber room
- Afternoon at leisure
- Overnight stay in St. Petersburg

DAY 26

- Breakfast
- Check out from the hotel
- Transfer to the airport for the departure flight

Day 1: Arrival in Vladivostok



- Arrival in Vladivostok
- Meet and greet at Vladivostok airport
- Transfer to the hotel and check-in
- Evening at leisure
- Group tour: welcome dinner
- Overnight stay in Vladivostok

Welcome to Russia! Vladivostok is one of the most picturesque and interesting cities at the Far East. During the Soviet time the city was the home base of the Pacific Russian military fleet and thus entrance for international travelers was not allowed. Free access was given to tourists and visitors only in 1992.

Day 2: Discover Vladivostok



- *Breakfast*
- *Guided tour in Vladivostok: Harbor, Golden Bridge, Fortress, Submarine 56, Russian Island, fish market*
- *Boarding the train to Ulan-Ude*



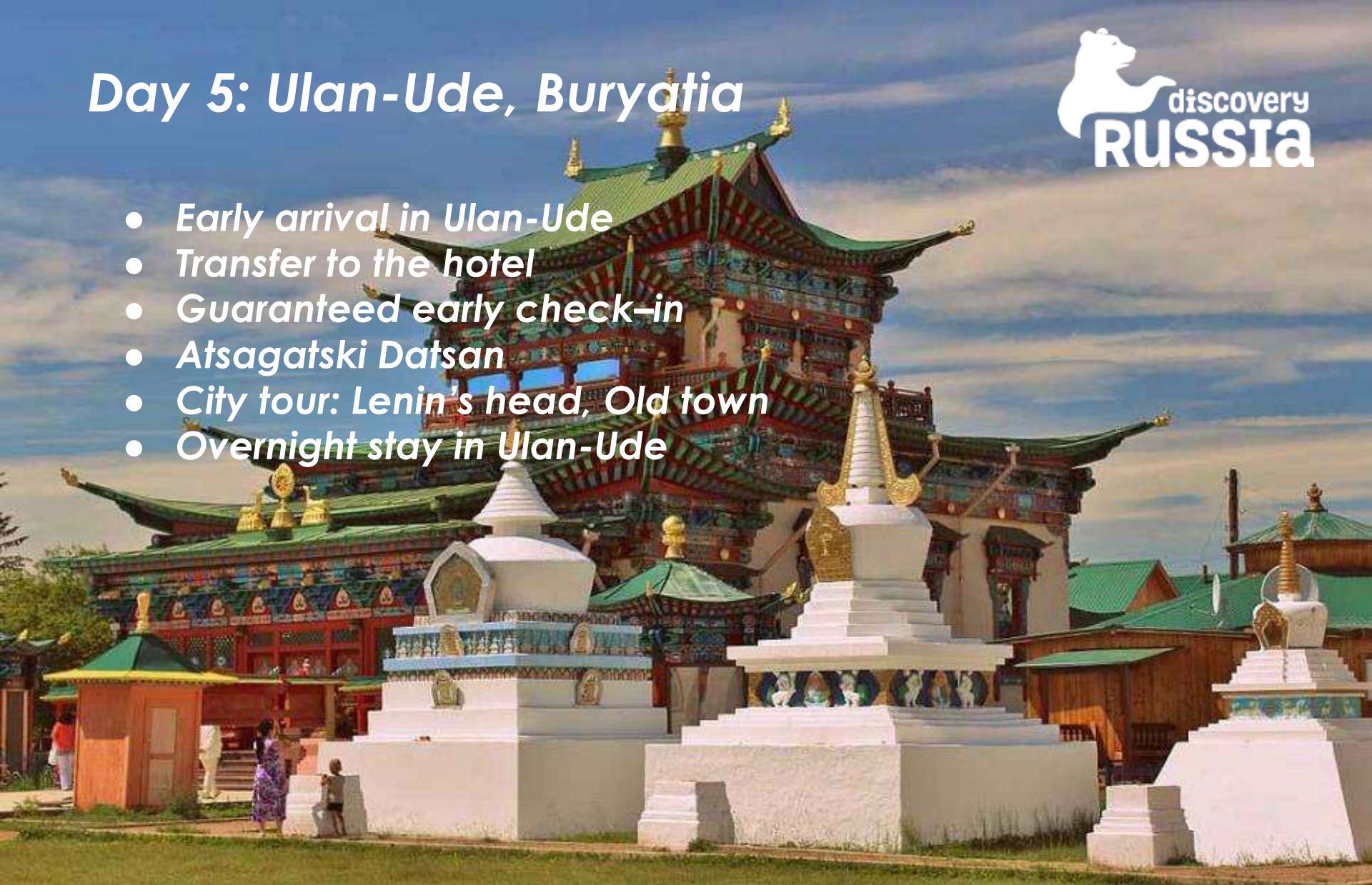
Day 3-4: On board

You'll spend the next 3 days in the train watching the landscapes change as you're getting closer to Russia's Far East. It is truly one of the most magnificent parts of the itinerary. The train has a dining carriage for your comfort.

Day 5: Ulan-Ude, Buryatia



- Early arrival in Ulan-Ude
- Transfer to the hotel
- Guaranteed early check-in
- Atsagatski Datsan
- City tour: Lenin's head, Old town
- Overnight stay in Ulan-Ude



Buryatia has a traditional importance as a trading settlement between Russia, Mongolia and China.

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Day 6: Discover Ulan-Ude



- *Breakfast*
- *Ivolginsky Datsan*
- *Old believers village*
- *Check-out, transfer to the train station*
- *Boarding the train to Irkutsk*

Note: Day schedule in Ulan-Ude can be changed due to the train schedule with overnight in Irkutsk.



Day 7: Arrival in Irkutsk & Lake Baikal



- *Arrival in Irkutsk in the morning*
- *Breakfast*
- *Transfer to Listvyanka village on the shores of Lake Baikal*
- *Stop en route to visit a real Siberian Zaimka (hunter's house)*
- *Optional evening: Russian banya*
- *Overnight stay in Listvyanka*

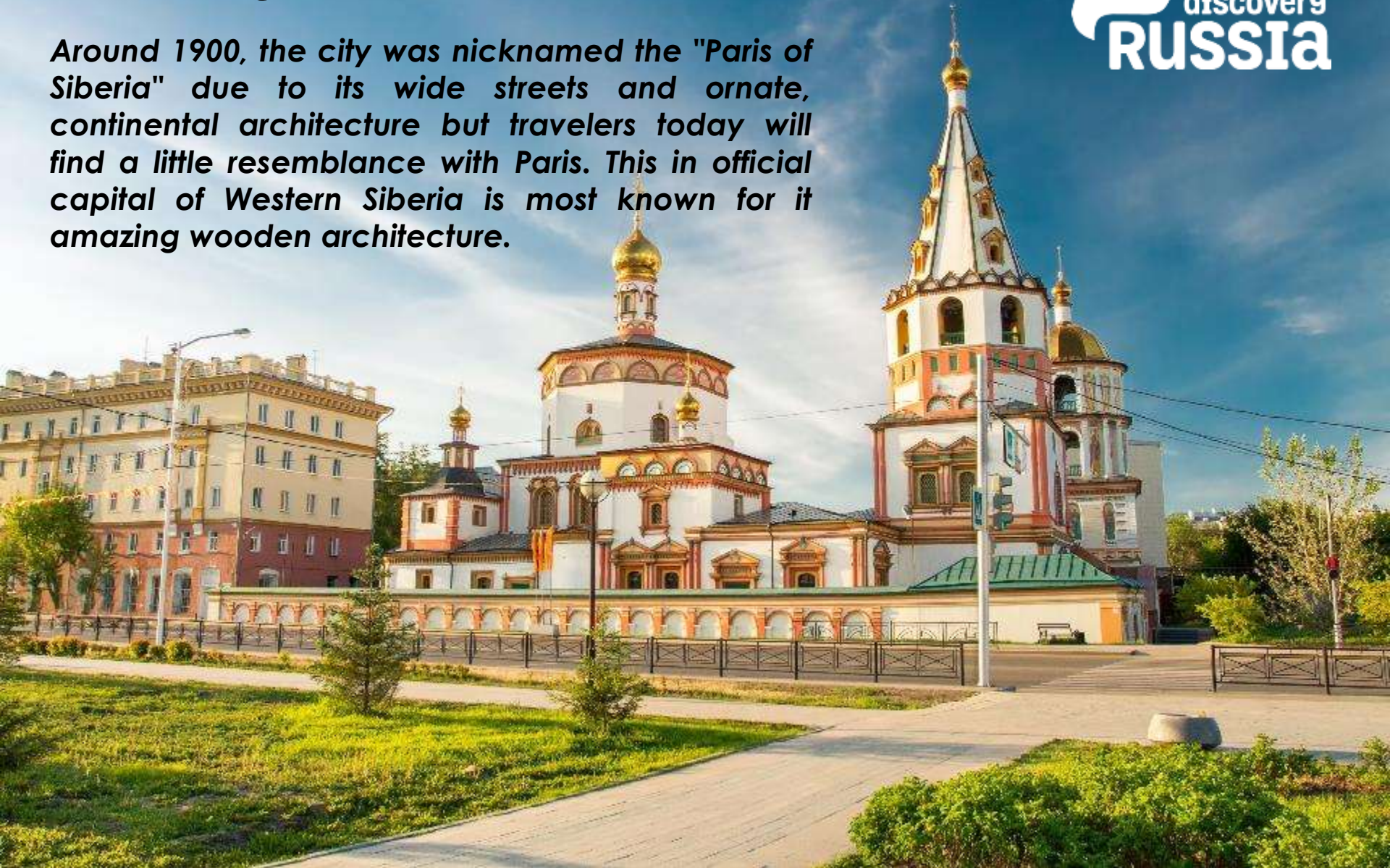
Day 8: Discover Baikal

- *Breakfast*
- *Baikal Museum of Limnology*
- *Baikal Seal Aquarium*
- *Chersky Stone observation point (Cable car)*
- *St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church*
- *Visit local souvenir market*
- *Overnight stay in Listvyanka*

Irkutsk: gate to Lake Baikal



Around 1900, the city was nicknamed the "Paris of Siberia" due to its wide streets and ornate, continental architecture but travelers today will find a little resemblance with Paris. This in official capital of Western Siberia is most known for its amazing wooden architecture.



Visit Baikal Museum and the aquarium, where you will see Baikal fish and freshwater seals—nerpas, Shaman Rock, St. Nicholas church and a Fish Market.



Shaman Rock is a natural boundary between the deepest lake in the world and the only river that flows out of the lake—the Angara river. Locals have thousands of legends about this place, which is believed to be the house of one of the Buryat gods.

You will be surrounded by amazing landscapes of the world's largest, oldest and deepest freshwater lake, Baikal

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Day 9: Taltsy & Irkutsk



- *Breakfast*
- *Transfer to Irkutsk*
- *Visit Taltsy Museum*
- *Guided tour in Irkutsk*
- *St. Epiphany Cathedral*
- *Kirov Square*
- *Board the train to Yekaterinburg*

Day 10: On board

*Train ride continues 2 days and 5 hours
on the train.*

Day 11: Arrival in Yekaterinburg



- Arrival in Yekaterinburg
- Meet and greet at the railway station
- Transfer to the hotel
- Check-in
- Evening free at leisure
- Overnight stay in Yekaterinburg

Day 12: Discover Yekaterinburg

- Breakfast
- Yekaterinburg city tour: Ganina Yama Monastery, Museum of Minerals, Cathedral on the Blood, Europe-Asia Border
- Pyzhma military museum
- Overnight stay in Yekaterinburg

Yekaterinburg is the official border between Europe and Asia. You can even travel several times from Europe to Asia and back and of course take a photo standing in two parts of the world simultaneously!



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Day 13: Transfer to Kazan



- *Breakfast*
- *Transfer to the railway station*
- *Board the train to Kazan*
- *Arrival in Kazan*
- *Meet and greet at the railway station*
- *Transfer to the hotel*
- *Check-in*
- *Overnight stay in Kazan*

Day 14: Discover Kazan



- *Breakfast*
- *Check-out*
- *Guided tour in Kazan*
- *Master class on cooking the national Tatar food*
- *Transfer to the railway station*
- *Board the train to Nizhny Novgorod*

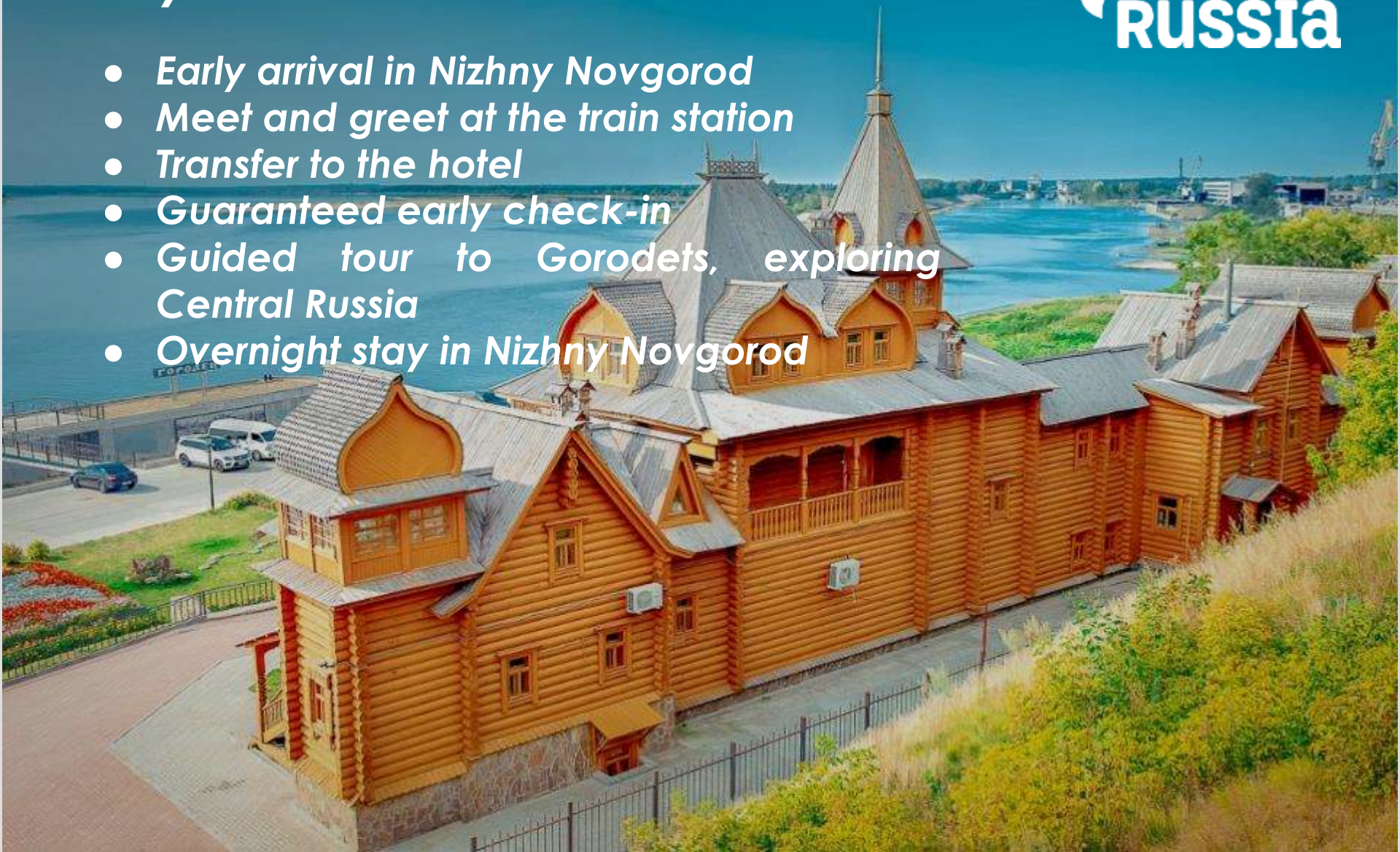
Guided tour to UNESCO World Heritage Site, Kremlin of Kazan. Built by Ivan the Terrible on the ruins of the palace of the Kazan Khanate that he destroyed, the Kremlin of Kazan reflects the ethnic mix of Tatars and Russians, Muslims and Christians, that merged into one nation centuries ago.

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Day 15: Discover Central Russia



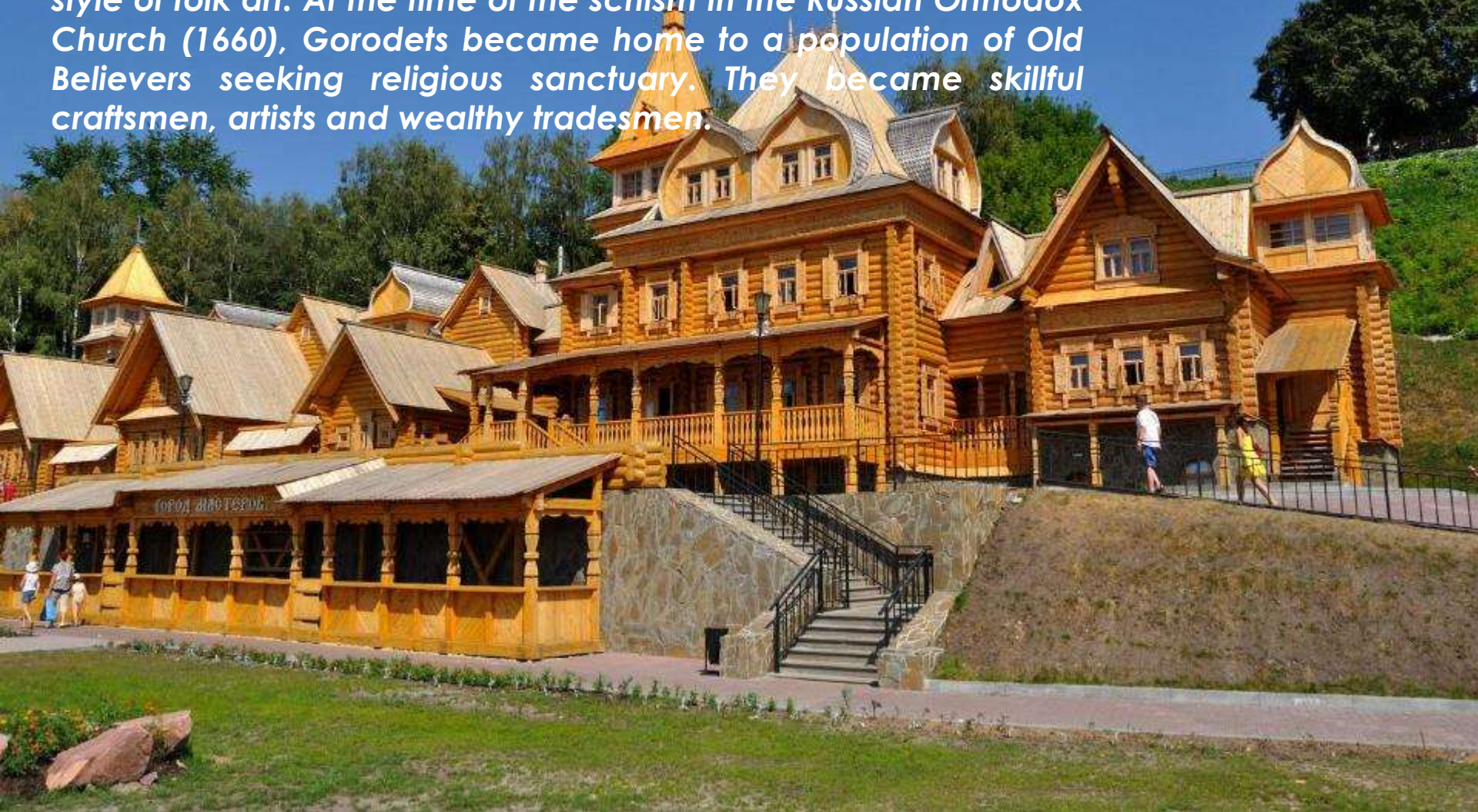
- *Early arrival in Nizhny Novgorod*
- *Meet and greet at the train station*
- *Transfer to the hotel*
- *Guaranteed early check-in*
- *Guided tour to Gorodets, exploring Central Russia*
- *Overnight stay in Nizhny Novgorod*



Gorodets tour



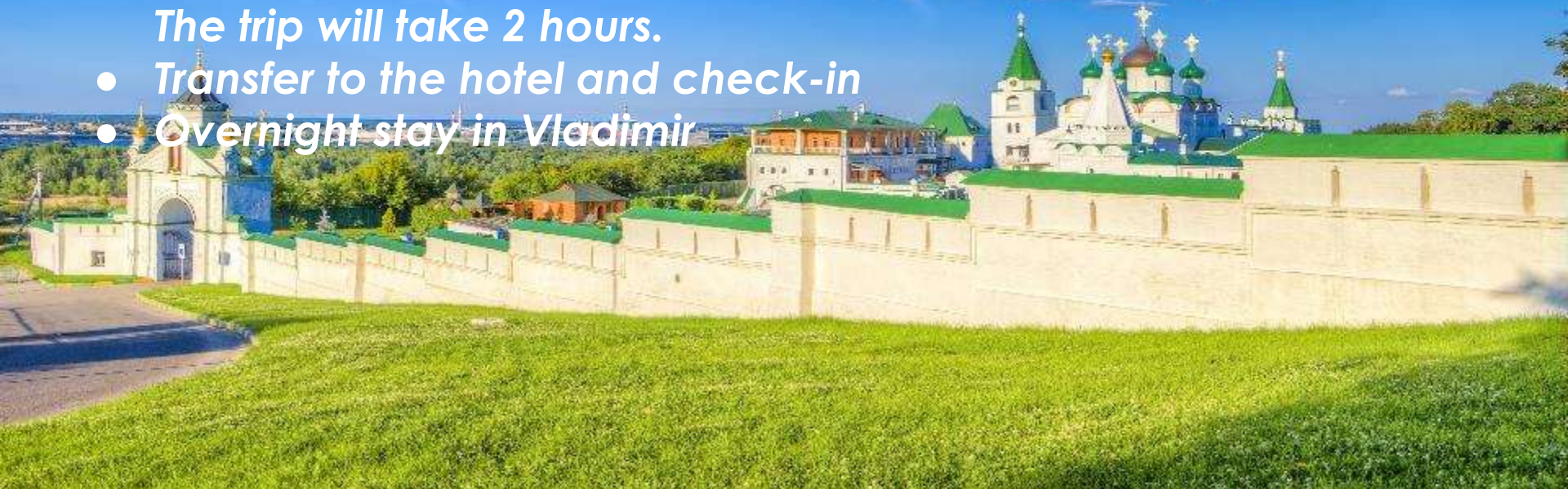
Full day tour to Gorodets - neat little town, famous for its distinct style of folk art. At the time of the schism in the Russian Orthodox Church (1660), Gorodets became home to a population of Old Believers seeking religious sanctuary. They became skillful craftsmen, artists and wealthy tradesmen.



Day 16: Discover Nizhny Novgorod



- *Breakfast*
- *Guided tour in Nizhny Novgorod*
- *Board high-speed train to Vladimir.
The trip will take 2 hours.*
- *Transfer to the hotel and check-in*
- *Overnight stay in Vladimir*



You will get the complete set of Russia's attractions in Nizhny Novgorod: the Kremlin, the State Art Museum with a collection of icons and national crafts dated back to XIV century, wooden architecture on streets and an open-air museum of traditional wooden architecture and cultures, beautiful churches, ancient monasteries, great traditional Russian food and heartily people.

Day 17: Vladimir & Bogolyubovo



- Breakfast
 - Vladimir city tour: Dormition Cathedral, Cathedral of St. Dimitriy, Museum of Crystal, Lacquered Miniatures and Embroidery
 - Lunch
- 
- Bogolyubovo city tour: the Church of the Intercession on the Nerl
 - Transfer to Yaroslavl
 - Overnight stay in Yaroslavl

The Assumption Cathedral (famous for Andrey Rublev frescoes), St Demetrius cathedral (outside only), Golden gates and learn the old history of Vladimir, once the capital of Russia.

Day 18: Yaroslavl & Rostov the Great



- *Breakfast*
- *Yaroslavl city tour*
- *Visiting the Residence of Maslenitsa*
- *Transfer to Rostov the Great*
- *Rostov the Great city tour: the Rostov Kremlin*
- *Master Class on national crafts*
- *Transfer to Suzdal*
- *Overnight stay in Suzdal*

Day 19: Suzdal

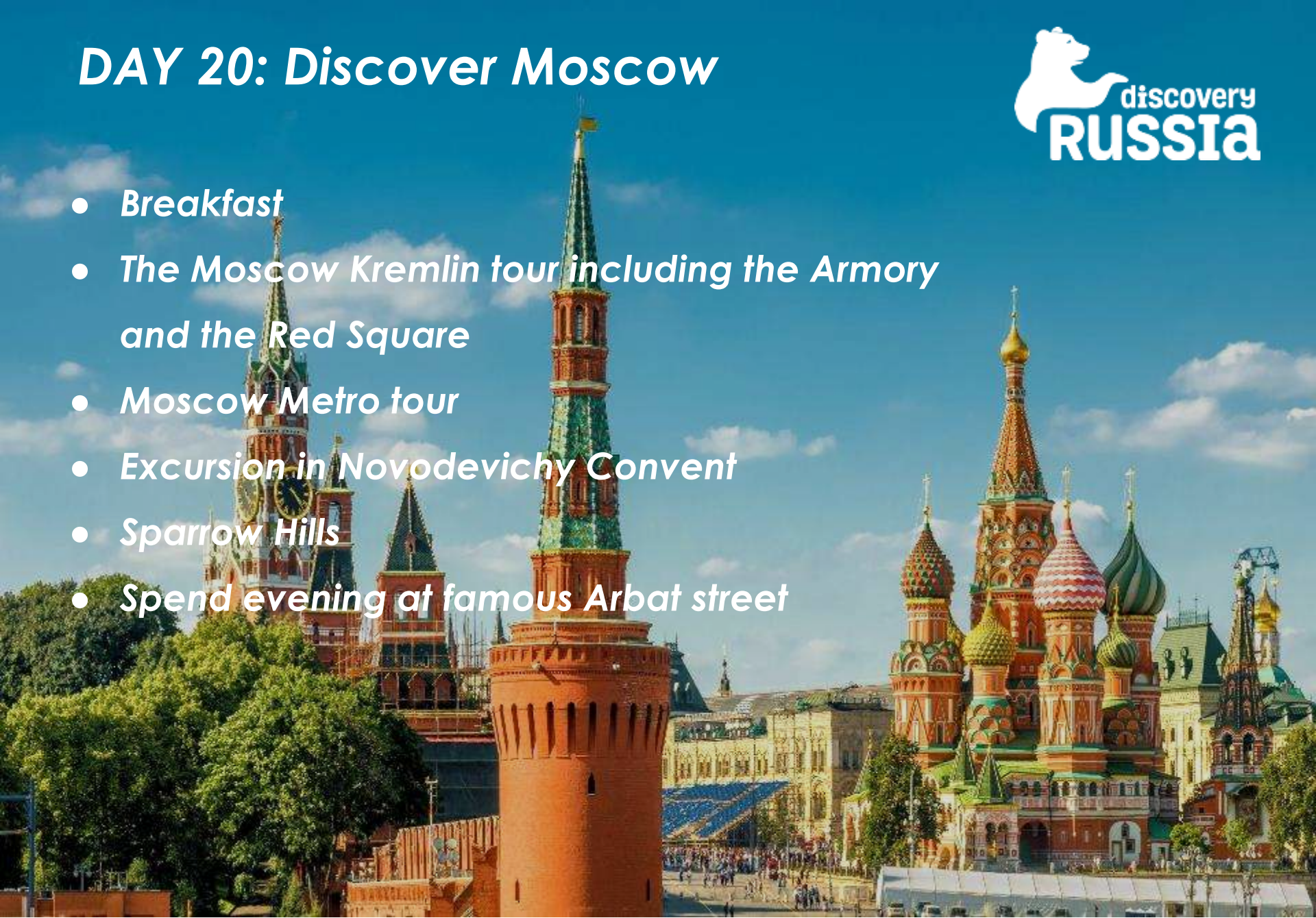


- **Breakfast**
- **Excursion in Suzdal , UNESCO World Heritage Site**
- **Kremlin, beautiful monasteries and cathedrals**
- **Lunch with medovukha degustation**
- **Late evening arrival at Moscow and hotel check-in**

DAY 20: Discover Moscow



- *Breakfast*
- *The Moscow Kremlin tour including the Armory and the Red Square*
- *Moscow Metro tour*
- *Excursion in Novodevichy Convent*
- *Sparrow Hills*
- *Spend evening at famous Arbat street*



Enjoy a guided visit to the Moscow Kremlin, and see all the treasures of the famous museums. "Kremlin" is not actually a specific place name, but means "fortress". The most well-known kremlin is of course the one in Moscow at Red Square.

And Red Square is not actually Red because of the red bricks, but because "red" in the old Russian language meant "beautiful". And "Kremlin" meant a castle. So, there are many kremlins in Russia and in Moscow alone we will show you a few!

Get to know the city by taking a metro ride to the place of your first visit. The Metro is one of the fastest ways to get anywhere in this city, and to avoid traffic jams. Metro is the fastest ways to get anywhere in this city, and to avoid traffic jams.

If you want to see the Bolshoi, it's a good idea to book your tickets in advance!



Excursion in Novodevichy Convent



Novodevichy Convent, also known as Bogoroditse-Smolensky Monastery is probably the best-known cloister of Moscow. Its name, sometimes translated as the New Maidens' Monastery, was devised to differ from the Old Maidens' Monastery within the Moscow Kremlin. Unlike other Moscow cloisters, it has remained virtually intact since the 17th century. In 2004, it was proclaimed a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

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Moscow Metro tour



The Moscow Metro was opened in 1935 with one 11-kilometre (6.8 mi) line and 13 stations, it was the first underground railway system in the Soviet Union. As of 2018, the Moscow Metro excluding the Moscow Central Circle and Moscow Monorail has 224 stations (255 with Moscow Central Circle) and its route length is 381 km (237 mi), making it the fifth longest in the world. The system is mostly underground, with the deepest section 84 metres (276 ft) underground at the Park Pobedy station, one of the world's deepest. It's the busiest metro system in Europe, and a tourist attraction in itself.

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DAY 21: Discover Moscow



- *Breakfast*
- *The Tretyakov State Art Gallery - the must see collection of Russian art*
- *Stalin's skyscrapers tour*
- *The Izmailovo Kremlin*
- *The VDNKh & Museum of Cosmonautics*

The VDNKH (“Vystavka Dostizheniy Narodnogo Khozyaystva”—the “All-Russia Exhibition Centre”) complex was built to be an exhibition centre of the entire USSR.

Today it is a remarkable place to visit with lots of museums, amazing buildings, the modern art exhibition centre and the Museum of Cosmonautics.



A remarkable feature of Stalin's era are the so-called "Stalin's skyscrapers", each built in different areas of the city, following common principles of design, but all very different from each other. One of them is the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, another is a hotel, a third the Moscow State University, etc! Every building has its own story—and its own famous residents.



DAY 22: Transfer to St.Petersburg



- *Breakfast*
- *Transfer to railway station, board high speed bullet train for 4 hours journey to St. Petersburg*



- *Meet and greet at St. Petersburg railway station*
- *Transfer to your hotel in the downtown*

DAY 23: Discover St. Petersburg



- *Breakfast*
- *Speed boat ride to Peterhof Palace*
- *Peterhof tour with a visit to Grand Palace*
- *Faberge Museum*

Guided tour to the royal Peterhof Palace, located near the seashore of the Gulf of Finland, 60 kilometres away from the city.

The fastest and most comfortable way to see the State Museum «Peterhof» in its glory is a hydrofoil. The trip begins in the city centre and gives a chance to enjoy beautiful views of St. Petersburg.

Gardens and Parks are spread over more than four hundred hectares, and include thirty-one amazing museums and beautiful Versailles-style gardens. In summer, the Peterhof is especially good thanks to its famous fountains which run naturally.



DAY 24: Discover St. Petersburg



- *Breakfast*
- *Visiting the Winter Palace and the Hermitage*
- *Visiting Isaac Cathedral, Kazan Cathedral, Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood*
- *Visiting Peter & Paul Fortress and Cathedral*





Morning: Walking trip to the Winter Palace and the Hermitage guided tour.

We force you to make it on foot. Why? Because there is no other way to understand and feel the city's soul than to explore its secret walking trails. Let us surprise you with unusual homes, architecture, perspectives and stunning views.

Today, you visit one of the most important sites in Russian history and heritage, the world-famous palace of the Hermitage, the former residence of the Royal Family.

The Hermitage today is one of the largest museums in the world, founded in 1764; its collection includes over 2.7 mln items. Our experienced guide will bring the museum to life to her knowledge.

Your guide will take you for a lunch in a local bistro, “stolovaya” where you can try traditional Russian food.

Then, take a tour to see the city's iconic landmark: Isaac Cathedral, Kazan Cathedral, and visit the Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood — one of the most powerful constructions in Russian Orthodox Christian architecture; an absolutely enthralling must-see and a place where Alexander II was fatally wounded by anarchists in 1881.



DAY 25: Discover St. Petersburg



- Breakfast
- Pushkin/Tsarskoye Selo
- Catherine's palace and Amber Room/Afternoon at leisure

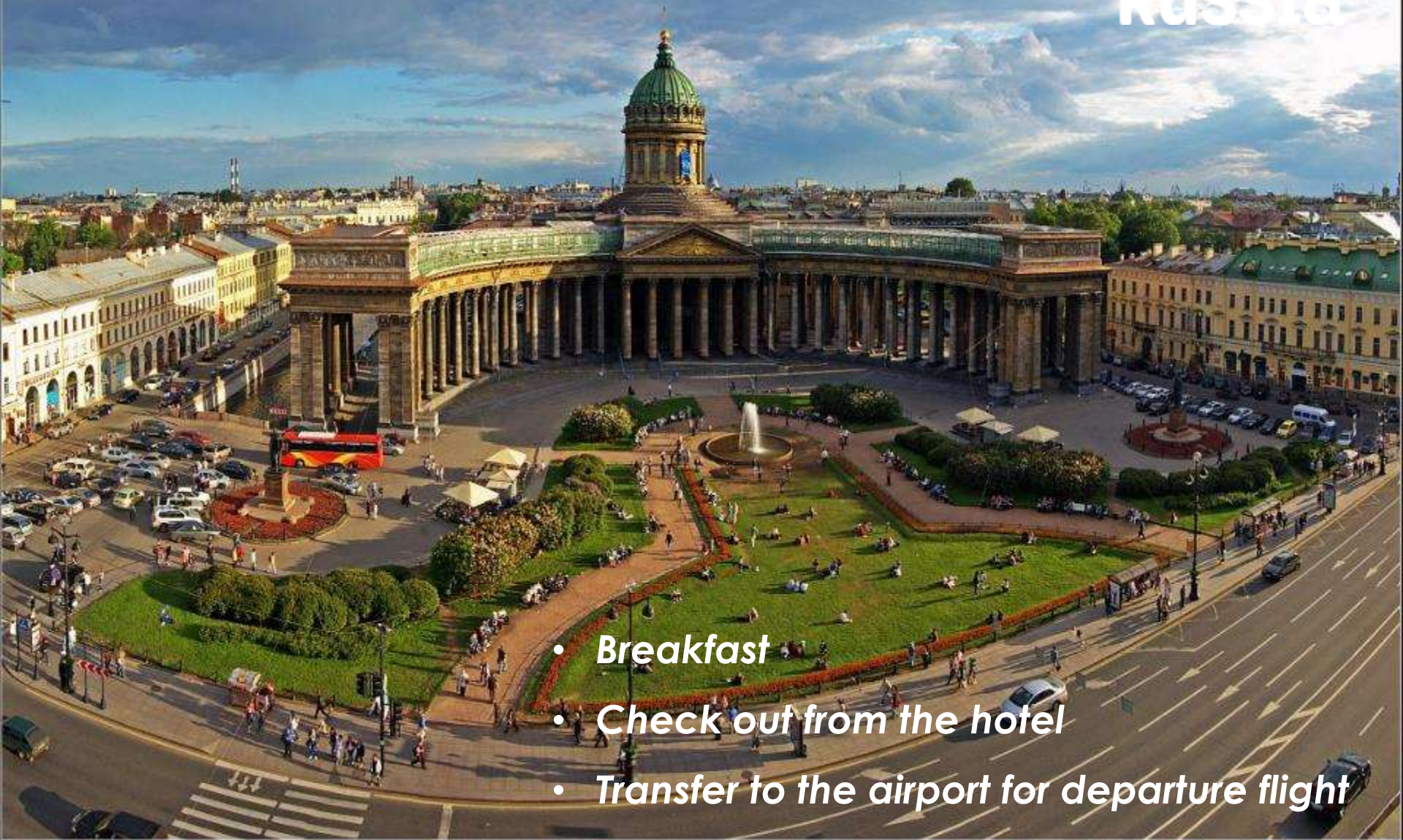
- Group tour: Farewell dinner

Catherine's palace - the most famous palaces of the countryside. You will see renowned palaces of the Romanov imperial family Pushkin/Tsarskoye Selo, now a UNESCO World Heritage site.



The world-famous "Amber Room", known as the 'Eighth Wonder of the World', is here in Catherine's palace.

DAY 26: Farewell



- *Breakfast*
- *Check out from the hotel*
- *Transfer to the airport for departure flight*

Group Tour, 2020



Early bird prices: Book a tour for more than a year in advance for the price of 2019.

Starting dates for 2020: 3 May, 30 August

Group Tour, 2020, AUD

Rate per person (3* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **8,785 / 7,475 AUD**

Rate per person (4* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **9,765 / 8,450 AUD**

Group Tour, 2020, USD

Rate per person (3* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **6,235 / 5,305 USD**

Rate per person (4* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **6,930 / 5,995 USD**

Group Tour, 2020, GBP

Rate per person (3* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **4,835 / 4,110 GBP**

Rate per person (4* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **5,370 / 4,650 GBP**

Group Tour, 2020, CAD

Rate per person (3* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **8,405 / 7,150 CAD**

Rate per person (4* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **9,340 / 8,090 CAD**

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Private Tour, 2 people, 2020

Starting dates for 2020: Flexible



Private Tour, 2 people, 2020, AUD

Rate per person (3* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **11,735 / 10,365 AUD**

Rate per person (4* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **12,545 / 11,175 AUD**

Private Tour, 2 people, 2020, USD

Rate per person (3* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **8,330 / 7,355 USD**

Rate per person (4* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **8,905 / 7,930 USD**

Private Tour, 2 people, 2020, GBP

Rate per person (3* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **6,455 / 5,700 GBP**

Rate per person (4* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **6,900 / 6,150 GBP**

Private Tour, 2 people, 2020, CAD

Rate per person (3* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **11,225 / 9,915 CAD**

Rate per person (4* hotels, 1st / 2nd Class train, sharing 1 twin/double room) - **12,000 / 10,690 CAD**

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TOUR INCLUSIONS:



ACCOMMODATION:

- Hand-picked centrally located hotels:
 - 1 night Vladivostok;
 - 1 night in Ulan-Ude with early check-in and late check-out;
 - 2 nights Lake Baikal/Irkutsk;
 - 2 nights Yekaterinburg;
 - 1 night Kazan;
 - 1 night Nizhny Novgorod with early check-in;
 - 3 nights the Golden Ring;
 - 3 nights Moscow;
 - 4 nights St. Petersburg;
 - 7 nights on board the trains.

Note: Day schedule in Ulan-Ude can be changed due to the train schedule with overnight in Irkutsk.

MEALS:

- Full breakfast in the hotels;
- 5 lunches: Tatar lunch in Kazan // Buryat lunch at Lake Baikal // 3 lunches on the Golden Ring;
- Russian tea ceremony in Nizhny Novgorod;
- Tasting of the real Russian medovukha in Suzdal;
- Interactive program Tea in Russia & Great Tea Way with tea degustation in Taltsy.
- Group tours: welcome & farewell dinners.

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TOUR INCLUSIONS:



TRANSPORTATION:

- Train tickets of the selected category:
 - Vladivostok—Ulan-Ude;
 - Ulan-Ude—Irkutsk;
 - Irkutsk—Yekaterinburg;
 - Yekaterinburg—Kazan;
 - Kazan—Nizhny Novgorod;
 - Nizhny Novgorod—Vladimir.

Note 1: All 1st Class Train Tickets are Subject to availability.

Note 2: Train schedule may change, tickets are subject of availability; in case of the train schedule changes, Discovery Russia will use other trains and rearrange the tour without deterioration of the program.

- Moscow-St. Petersburg intercity high-speed train SAPSAN, one way;
- Superior trains on the route;
- Full metro/public transport passes in Moscow & St. Petersburg;
- Meet at greet at the airports/train stations;
- Return airport/train station transfers;
- Transportation on the Golden Ring in a comfortable a/c car/minivan/bus;
- Transportation on tours as per program in a comfortable a/c car/minivan/bus.

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SIGHTSEEING TOURS:

- All guided tours as per program:
 - Vladivostok full day (8 hours) guided tour: harbour, Submarine S-56, Golden Bridge, viewpoint Eagle's Nest, Vokzalnaya Square, the monument of the Trans-Siberian Railway, Vladivostok fortress museum;
 - Ulan-Ude full day (8 hours) guided tour: Atsagatski Datsan, Lenin's head monument, Old town // Ulan-Ude full day (8 hours) guided tour: Ivolginsky Datsan, Old believers village;
 - Listvyanka full day (8 hours) guided tour: Baikal Museum of Limnology, Chersky Stone observation point, local souvenir market;
 - Irkutsk full day (8 hours) guided tour: Taltsy Open Air Siberian Museum, historic downtown;
 - Yekaterinburg full day (8 hours) guided tour: Church of All Saints, Museum of minerals, the Ipatiev House, Europe-Asia border, Pyzhma military museum;
 - Kazan full day (8 hours) guided tour: Kazan Kremlin, Kazan Arena, Millennium Bridge, Tatar Sloboda, Mardzhani Mosque, Kaban Lake, Bogoroditsky Monastery, Peter and Paul Cathedral, Bauman Street, Freedom Square;
 - Gorodets full day (8 hours) guided tour with Russian craft master-class and Russian tea ceremony;
 - Nizhny Novgorod day (6 hours) guided tour: the Kremlin, historic downtown;

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TOUR INCLUSIONS:



SIGHTSEEING TOURS:

- All guided tours as per program:
 - Vladimir and Bogolyubovo full day (8 hours) guided tour: Dormition Cathedral, frescoes of Andrei Rublev, the Cathedral of St. Dimitriy, the Museum of Crystal, Lacquer Miniatures and Embroidery, Bogolyubovo Intercession Church on the Nerl
 - Yaroslavl half day (4 hours) guided tour: the Residence of Maslenitsa, the main cathedrals
 - Rostov the Great half day (4 hours) guided tour: the Rostov Kremlin, master Class on national crafts
 - Suzdal day (6 hours) guided tour: Kremlin and the ensemble of the Monastery of Saint Euthymius, Museum of Wooden Architecture;
 - Moscow full day (8 hours) guided tour: the Moscow Kremlin, the Armory, the Red Square, St. Basil's Cathedral, Moscow metro tour, Novodevichy convent & Sparrow Hills;
 - Moscow full day (8 hours) guided tour: The Tretyakov State Art Gallery, Stalin's skyscrapers tour, the Izmailovo Kremlin, the VDNKh & Museum of Cosmonautics;
 - St. Petersburg full day (8 hours) guided tour: the Royal Palace of Peterhof, Faberge Museum;

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SIGHTSEEING TOURS:

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 - St. Petersburg full day (8 hours) guided tour: the Winter Palace and the Hermitage, Isaac Cathedral, Kazan Cathedral, the Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood, Peter & Paul Fortress and Cathedral;
 - Pushkin/Tsarskoe Selo day (6 hours) guided tour: Catherine's palace & Amber room.
- All entrance tickets as per program;
- Dedicated local English-speaking guide in all places as per program.

ENTRANCE TICKETS, VISAS & MISC.:

- Entrance Tickets to all listed attractions;
- Russian visa supporting documents;
- Russian local sim card with data;
- 24/7 English-speaking support line in Russia.

GROUP TOUR:

- Group tours are fully escorted by **bilingual tour director**;
- Group size 20 people maximum.

NOT INCLUDED:

- International flights
- Visa fee
- Extras of Personal nature
- Lunches and dinners not mentioned

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TRAINS AND CARS DESCRIPTION



General information

- ✓ In fact, there is no train called the 'Trans-Siberian Express', rather there are many trains going daily eastbound and westbound across Russia, connecting to Mongolia and then to China. You will be surprised by the scale of the system connecting together the world's largest country, thus being a bridge between Asia and Europe. You can even continue to Hong Kong, Vietnam or even Japan by a ferry. The entire system works like a Swiss watch!
- ✓ Russian branded trains offer a high standard of service, design, comfort and additional services. Most trains are air-conditioned and have electric heating and TVs. Some also have Internet connections and cable television. Discovery Russia uses the best available trains for each leg of your train journey.
- ✓ Staff is always available to offer passengers hot tea or coffee, make the beds, provide all necessary information en route and hand out periodicals and safety belts to passengers.
- ✓ Each branded train also offers a range of additional paid services.

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Meals on board

- ✓ Branded trains always have a restaurant car with a menu including national dishes and set meals.
- ✓ As you're travelling by train, the menu is limited and sometimes selected positions might not be available daily. Usually, salads and soups are served, main course (steak, schnitzel or fish with rice or potatoes). Typical breakfast includes ham and fried eggs. The restaurant car also have beer, Russian champagne and vodka, chocolate and some snacks. Apart of this, we strongly recommend to try the special Russian on-board tea served in very special Soviet cups. This is a part of your Trans Siberian experience!
- ✓ Passengers with children and people with disabilities may ask the conductor for a waiter and order breakfast, lunch, dinner and other meals from the restaurant with delivery to their compartment. The restaurant car also has special tables for passengers with children and disabled people.

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Planning your Trans-Siberian railway holiday, we use the best Russian trains available. There is **1st class, 2-berth compartments, carriage has shower** (2 showers per carriage, shared) and **2nd class, 4-berth compartment, no shower**. All passengers get a proper flat berth to sleep in, provided with all necessary bedding, convertible to a seat for day use. There are washrooms and toilets along the corridor.

1st class car scheme:



- You can select the type of food
- An extra meal can be provided
- TV
- Press
- Air conditioning
- Travel set
- Bio toilet

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2nd class car scheme:



- **An extra meal can be provided**
- **Air conditioning**
- **Seats/berths for people with disabilities**
- **Bio toilet**

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OPTIONAL TOURS: ASK YOUR TRAVEL MANAGER FOR MORE DETAILS



SAINT PETERSBURG

DAY TRIP TO VELIKY NOVGOROD

- Transfer to Veliky Novgorod by train
- Guided tour including Kremlin, St. Sophia's Cathedral, "1000 years of Russia" monument
- Beautiful white stone ancient architecture
- Vitoslavlitsy museum of wooden architecture
- Return to St. Petersburg by train

Rate per person (based on minimum 2 people to go):
AUD 250 // USD 185 // GBP 140 // CAD 240

MARIINSKY BALLET

- Ticket only (no guidance/transportation)

Rate per person: from AUD 80 // USD 60 // GBP 45 //
CAD 80

NATIONAL FOLK SHOW IN NIKOLAEV PALACE

Rate per person: from AUD 200 // USD 145 // GBP 115 //
CAD 195

CHANNEL BOAT TOUR

Rate per person: AUD 80 // USD 60 // GBP 45 // CAD 75

EXTRA NIGHT STAY

Rate per person: AUD 155 // USD 115 // GBP 90 // CAD
150

MOSCOW

COLD WAR TRACES: SECRET ANTI- NUCLEAR BUNKER -42

Rate per person (based on minimum 2 people to go):
AUD 120 // USD 175 // GBP 90 // CAD 155

COSSACK SHOW

Rate per person: AUD 100 // USD 75 // GBP 60 //
CAD 95

CHANNEL BOAT TOUR

Rate per person: AUD 100 // USD 75 // GBP 60 //
CAD 95

EXTRA NIGHT STAY

Rate per person: AUD 155 // USD 115 // GBP 90 //
CAD 150

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OUR HAND PICKED HOTELS IN THE DOWNTOWNS



Vladivostok

3* *Sibirskoe Podvorie/Teplo or similar*

4* *Astoria/Azimut*

5* *Lotte*

Ulan-Ude

3* *Ulan-Ude park hotel / Residence of Comfort / Saagan or similar*

4* *Mergen or similar*

Irkutsk

3* *Mikhail Strogov/Europe/Imperia or similar*

4* *Marriott Courtyard/Armat/Sayen or similar*

Lake Baikal

3* *Krestovaya pad' or similar*

4* *Mayak/Legenda Baikala or similar*

St. Petersburg

3* *Privilegiya/Aglaya/Hotel Mojka nab.Mojki 5/Atlantika or similar*

4* *Tchaikovsky/Aston/Zolotoy Vek/Ambassador or similar*

5* *Sofitel/Astoria or similar*

Yekaterinburg

3* *Marins Park Hotel/Chekhov/Tenet or similar*

4* *Onegin/Voznesenskiy/Renome or similar*

5* *Vysotsky or similar*

OUR HAND PICKED HOTELS IN THE DOWNTOWNS

Kazan

- 3* Nogay/Maxim Gorky or similar
- 4* Art Hotel/ Corona or similar
- 5* Korston Royal/Mirazh or similar

Nizhny Novgorod

- 3* Hampton by Hilton/Marins Park/Ibis or similar
- 4* Azimut/Marriott Courtyard City Center/Gorki similar
- 5* Sheraton/Kulibin Park Hotel or similar

Moscow

- 3* Stoleshnikov Boutique Hotel/Apart Hotel Naumov Sretenka/ Forton or similar
- 4* Peking/Pushkin/Azimut Smolenskaya or similar
- 5* Metropol*/National/Savoy or similar

Suzdal

- 3* Veliy Hotel/Eco Hotel Suzdal Inn/Medniy Dvor or similar
- 4* SK Royal Hotel Yaroslavl/Ring Premier Hotel/Baccara or similar

Yaroslavl

- 3* Parade Hotel/Hotel on the water Volzhskaya Zemchuzhina/Alesha Popovitch Dvor or similar
- 4* SK Royal Hotel Yaroslavl/Ring Premier Hotel/Baccara or similar

Check out other Trans-Siberian tours:



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LE GRAND TRANS MONGOLIAN: BEIJING TO ST PETERSBURG

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THE ULTIMATE TRANS SIBERIAN 2019 (EASTBOUND)

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WESTBOUND EXPRESS 2019

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THE ORIGINAL TRANS SIBERIAN

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CHRISTMAS SPECIALS: TRANS MONGOLIAN EXPRESS

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