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**SPECIAL OFFER**  
**WHITE CHRISTMAS IN**  
**RUSSIA**  
**8 Days**

***St Petersburg to Moscow***

27 December 2019 – 03 January 2020

3 January – 10 January 2020

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***Moscow to St Petersburg***

24 December – 31 December 2019

31 December 2019 – 7 January 2020

23 February – 1 March 2020

*This package is available either*

**Group Tour** (scheduled departures)  
or

**Private Tour** (flexible dates)

ST. PETERSBURG and MOSCOW  
with/ without New Year celebration in Moscow

**1**  
**Safe.**

**2**  
**Secure.**

**3**  
**Reliable.**



- *Australian-owned company*



- *Over 10 years experience in Russia*



- *24/7 support in Australia and Russia*





## **Russian Visa**

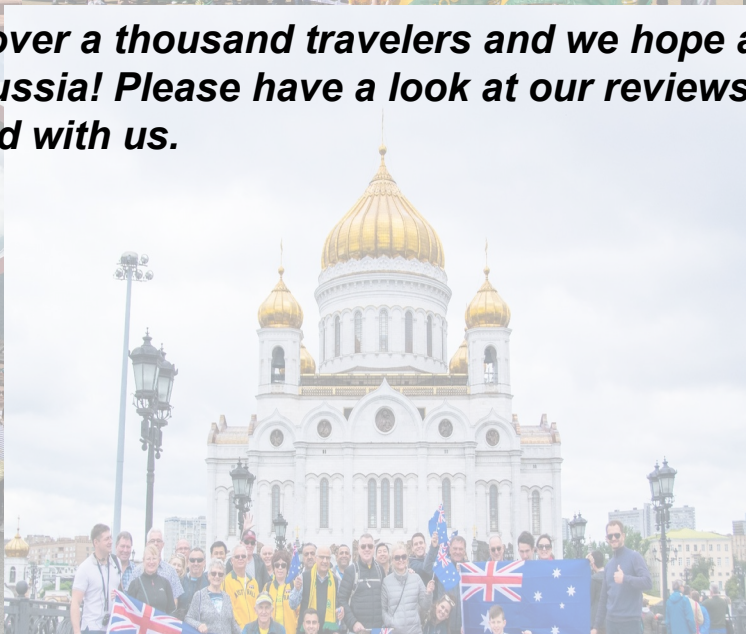
- ***Get you personal Visa Support Letter (VSL)***
- ***Fill in Visa Application form online***
- ***Send all the required documents either to the Embassy or Visa Centre***
- ***Get your Russian visa delivered to you by mail/courier***





# 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

- *Hello St. Petersburg*
- *Meet and greet at St Petersburg airport*
- *Transfer to your hotel*
- *GROUP DEPARTURES: welcome dinner & vodka tasting*

## Day 3

- *Breakfast*
- *6 hours Guided tour*
- *Pushkin/Tsarskoye Selo*
- *Catherine's palace, Free time in the park*
- *GROUP DEPARTURES:*
- *Troyka ride*
- *Optional: Mariinsky ballet*

## Day 2

- *Breakfast*
- *Full day, 8 hours Guided Tour*
- *Visiting the Winter Palace and the Hermitage*
- *Visiting Isaac Cathedral, Kazan Cathedral, visiting the Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood*
- *Visiting Peter & Paul Fortress and royal tombs, passing by Aurora warship cruiser*

## Day 4

- *Breakfast*
- *Day at Leisure/optional tours*
- *GROUP DEPARTURES:*
- *Nikolaevsky Palace national performance with dinner*

# Itinerary



## Day 5

- **Breakfast**
- **Transfer to railway station, board high speed bullet train for 4 hours journey to Moscow**
- **Meet and greet at Moscow railway station, transfer to your hotel in the downtown**
- **GROUP DEPARTURES 27<sup>th</sup> Dec, 31<sup>st</sup> Dec: NEW YEAR Gala Dinner**

## Day 7

- **Breakfast**
- **Full day, 8 hours Guided tour**
- **Tretyakov State Art Gallery**
- **Kolomenskoye Estate & Wooden Palace**
- **Metro tour**
- **VDNKh & skating experience & free time**

## Day 6

- **Breakfast**
- **Full day, 8 hours Guided tour**
- **Sightseeing bus city tour**  
**Visiting Kremlin (all the highlights including the Armory)**
- **Downtown city tour & Christmas markets**

## Day 8

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



# ***DAY 1: Arrival to St. Petersburg***



- ***Hello St. Petersburg***
- ***Meet and greet at  
St. Petersburg airport***
- ***Transfer to your hotel,  
check in and free time***

## ***GROUP DEPARTURES:***

- ***Welcome dinner & vodka  
tasting! Feel yourself  
Russian***





# ***DAY 2: Discover St. Petersburg***



- ***Breakfast, Followed by 8 hours full day guided tour***
- ***Visiting the Winter Palace and the Hermitage***
- ***Visiting Isaac Cathedral, Kazan Cathedral, visiting the Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood***
- ***Visiting Peter & Paul Fortress & Cathedral with royal tombs***



## **DAY 2:** Continued,...



***Morning: The Winter Palace and the Hermitage guided tour.***

***We politely insist you to do it on foot so you can truly 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.***



## **DAY 2:** Continued...

***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 architecture; an absolutely enthralling must-see and a place where Tsar Alexander II was fatally wounded by anarchists in 1881.***



***We continue the day with a visit to Peter and Paul Fortress, a place where the city was founded; the cathedral keeps Romanov tombs***

***Passing by Aurora Boat, the Revolution Firestarter***





# ***DAY 3: Discover St. Petersburg***



- ***Breakfast, followed by 6 hours guided tour***
- ***Pushkin/Tsarskoye Selo***
- ***Catherine's palace & Amber room***
- ***Troyka ride experience***



***Catherine's palace is 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.***



**DAY 3:** Continued,...



*Top attractions include huge Catherine's palace, Alexander's palace and other buildings and parks. And we shall also have a look at—strange as it may seem—its own Chinatown. The world-famous “Amber Room”, known as the ‘Eighth Wonder of the World’, is here in Catherine's palace.*



## **DAY 3:** *Continued,...*

***Russian winter... Incredible, unbelievable time! Winter offers us a change to get a truly Russian experience and take a traditional troika ride. And as we're out of town, we will not miss this opportunity to get stunned by enchanted by winter landscape and dash through the snow on a colorful sleigh pulled by three horses!***





## ***DAY 4: At leisure***

- ***Breakfast***
- ***Free time in St Petersburg or OPTIONAL tours:  
Peterhof palace/ Palace square skating / Russian  
museum/ Faberge museum/ 1 day tour to Veliky  
Novgorod***

***In the evening, attend famous na  
folk show in Nikolaevsky Palace.  
this unique opportunity of g  
acquainted with the history and c  
traditions of Russia! Classical qua  
playing lovely melodies of the X  
century, two stunning ladies in crim  
and a handsome gentleman in  
(ballet trio “Reverence”) are welc  
guests at the Gala stairs of the P  
How nice to be a guest of  
the Grand Duke***







## ***DAY 4: Evening at Nikolaevsky Palace***





# ***DAY 4. Optional day tour to Veliky Novgorod***

- ***Breakfast***
- ***Transfer to Veliky Novgorod by private car/Van/Bus, 2 hours ride***
- ***Guided tour including Kremlin, St. Sophia's Cathedral, "1000 years of Russia" monument, beautiful white stone ancient architecture and Vitoslavlitsy museum of wooden architecture***



# *DAY 5: Transfer to Moscow*



- *Breakfast*
- *Transfer to railway station, board high speed bullet train for 4 hours journey to Moscow*
- *Meet and greet at Moscow railway station*
- *Transfer to your hotel in the downtown*

***A journey from the centre of St. Petersburg to the centre of Moscow now takes only 4 hours by a modern high speed train. Top two Russian cities are now connected more conveniently to enrich your Russian travel experience.***





# ***DAY 5: Gala Dinner, New Years Celebration***



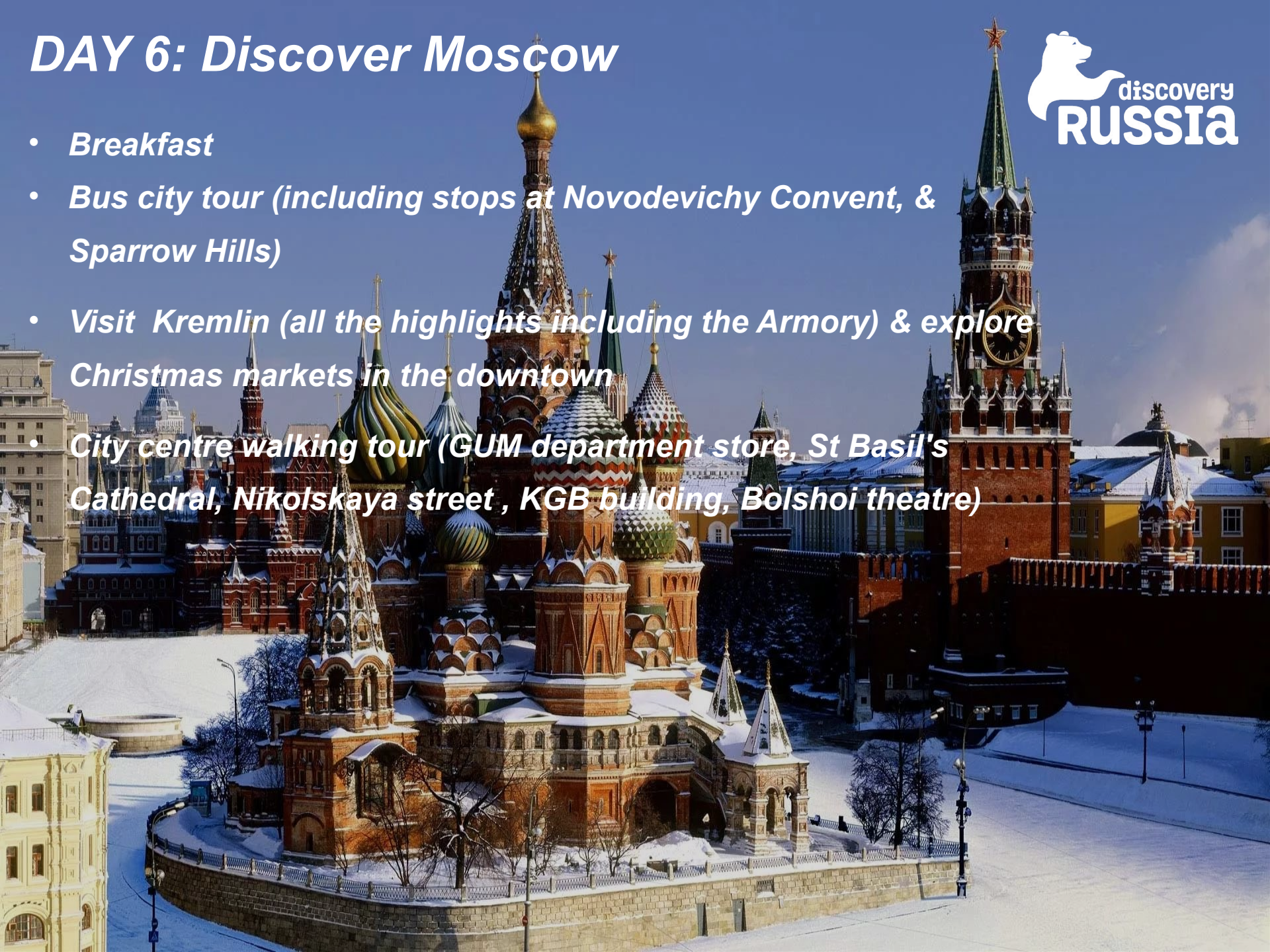
- ***FOR GROUP DEPARTURES 27<sup>th</sup> Dec, 31<sup>th</sup> Dec: New Year in Moscow  
! Gala dinner & Party!***



# ***DAY 6: Discover Moscow***



- ***Breakfast***
- ***Bus city tour (including stops at Novodevichy Convent, & Sparrow Hills)***
- ***Visit Kremlin (all the highlights including the Armory) & explore Christmas markets in the downtown***
- ***City centre walking tour (GUM department store, St Basil's Cathedral, Nikolskaya street , KGB building, Bolshoi theatre)***





# DAY 7: Discover Moscow



- ***Breakfast***
- ***Kolomenskoye Estate, UNESCO World Heritage Site & Wooden Palace***
- ***Visiting Tretyakov State Art Gallery & Metro tour***
- ***Today we will also use Moscow metro, the fastest and most reliable means of transport in this city. Old central stations are so beautiful that Josef Stalin called them “palaces for people”***
- ***Visiting VDNKh Soviet exhibition complex and skating (optional)***





# DAY 8: Farewell



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







### Private Tour, 2 people

*Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room)* **2,335** AUD

*Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room)* **2,800** AUD

*Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room)* **3,500** AUD

**Dates are flexible**

### Group Tours (including Xmas or New Year in Moscow )

*Rate per person 3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room:* **2,075** AUD

*Rate per person 3\*, single room -* **2,655** AUD

*Rate per person 4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room:* **2,540** AUD

*Rate per person 4\*, single room -* **3,590** AUD

*Rate per person 5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room:* **3,240** AUD

*Rate per person 5\*, single room -* **4,990** AUD

**Set departures: 27<sup>th</sup> December, 31<sup>st</sup> December**

### Group Tours (other groups)

*Rate per person 3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room:* **1,712** AUD

*Rate per person 3\*, single room -* **2,295** AUD

*Rate per person 4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room:* **2,180** AUD

*Rate per person 4\*, single room -* **3,240** AUD

*Rate per person 5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room:* **2,880** AUD

*Rate per person 5\*, single room -* **4,630** AUD

**Set departures: 24<sup>th</sup> Decenber, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2020, 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2020**

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### **GENERAL INCLUSIONS:**

- Accommodation 4 nights St Petersburg, 3 nights Moscow, central locations (see last page), with breakfast included
- Dedicated private local English-speaking guide in St. Petersburg & Moscow
- Entrance Tickets to all listed attractions (St Petersburg: Hermitage, St Isaac's Cathedral, Church on Spilled Blood, Catherine's Palace & Amber Room; Moscow: Kremlin & Armoury, city tour, metro tour, Kolomenskoe Estate & The Palace, Tretyakov State Art Gallery) & VDNKh tour
- Troyka ride tour
- Transfers as per program: airport-hotel St. Petersburg, hotel-train station, train station Moscow-hotel, hotel-airport; full metro/public transport pass in Moscow
- Transportation on tours on modern a/c van/minivan/bus
- St. Petersburg – Moscow one way intercity high-speed train SAPSAN, second class
- 24/7 English-speaking support line in Russia
- Russian visa supporting documents
- Complimentary welcome package including local sim card with data

### **ADD ONS FOR SET GROUP DEPARTURES:**

- Group tour is fully escorted by **bilingual tour director**; Group size 20 people maximum
- **Gala Dinner, New Year Celebration for groups** staying in Moscow on 31<sup>st</sup> December (set departures 27<sup>th</sup> Dec from St Petersburg and 31<sup>st</sup> December from Moscow)
- **Welcome dinner with vodka tasting**
- **Farewell dinner with wine**
- **Nikolaevsky Palace performance with dinner**

### **NOT INCLUDED:**

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



## OPTIONAL TOUR IN ST PETERSBURG

### DAY TRIP TO VELIKY NOVGOROD

- Transfer to Veliky Novgorod by train
  - Guided tour including Kremlin
  - St Sofia'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: AUD 250 based on minimum 2 people to go

### MARIINSKY BALLET:

- From AUD 80 per person (ticket only/no guidance/transportation)

### NATIONAL FOLK SHOW IN NIKOLAEV PALACE: from AUD

### 200 FABERGE MUSEUM

- AUD 70 per person based on minimum 2 people to go

### RUSSIAN MUSEUM GUIDED TOUR

- AUD 115 per person based on minimum 2 people to go

## OPTIONAL TOURS MOSCOW

### MUSEUM OF COSMONAUTICS GUIDED TOUR:

- AUD 115 per person based on minimum 2 people to go

### COLD WAR TRACES: SECRET ANTI- NUCLEAR BUNKER -42

- AUD 160 per person based on minimum 2 people to go



## OUR HAND PICKED HOTELS IN THE DOWNTOWNS

*What differs our tour from many similar options? Great sightseeing program, fantastic local guides, all the entrance tickets included, small group - up to 20 people maximum. Last but not least - THE LOCATIONS!*

*In Russia, location is everything. Every morning, traffic jams blocks the traffic to the city centers in Moscow and St Petersburg. Cities are huge and you may find yourself out in the middle of nowhere to go out in the evening, staying too far from the downtown. Or you may spend an hour or more to get to the place of interest! **Discovery Russia does NOT WASTE your valuable time. We do NOT compromise on QUALITY** either. Our hand-picked properties totally comply with international standards, have raving reviews from the previous travelers, and are located within walking distance to Red Square, Kremlin, Arbat, Bolshoi Theatre in Moscow) and Palace Square/Hermitage/Isaac's Cathedral and other attractions of the downtown in St Petersburg.*

### SAINT PETERSBURG

*3\* Aglaya/Privilege hotel or similar*

*4\* Chaykovsky/Golden Age Hotel or similar*

*5\* Astoria/So Sofitel/Angleterre or similar\**

*\*more options available, please inquire*

### MOSCOW

*3\* Galereya Hotel/Stolesnikov Boutique/ or similar*

*4\* Azimut Smolenskaya/Pushkin/Hitrovka or similar*

*5\* Metropole/Savoy/Marriott Grand or similar\**