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SPECIAL OFFER

Battlefields of glory: Stalingrad

6 Days

13 July — 18 July 2020
12 September — 17 September
2020

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Group Tour (scheduled departures)
or
Private Tour (flexible dates)

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Safe.

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- *Australian-owned company*



- *Over 10 years experience in Russia*



- *24/7 support*





Russian visa: easy to obtain

*How to obtain a Russian Visa in an easy way:
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.

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- **Facebook** <https://www.facebook.com/DiscoveryRussiaTravel/reviews/>



STALINGRAD 1942

ILLUSTRATION by AKHIL KADIDAL

Itinerary



DAY 1

- Arrival in Moscow (or, if it fits your travel plans better, we can catch up with you at the airport of St. Petersburg)
- A short flight to Volgograd (ex-Stalingrad)
- Meet & Greet at the airport
- Transfer to your hotel in the downtown
- The evening is free at leisure

DAY 2

- Breakfast
- A guided city tour visiting all the highlights: the Mamayev Hill memorial complex (the main height #102.0), Motherland calls monument, Square of Fallen Fighters, etc.
- In the evening, take a sunset cruise at Volga river

DAY 3

- Breakfast
- A tour to the northern part of Volgograd with a visit of "the Factory"
- A famous Lyudnikov's Island
- Soldiers' Field on the outskirts of the city
- On the way back visit of the Gorodishche settlement and its church

DAY 4

- Breakfast
- Tour to Kalach-on-Don – the city of Military Glory, which is 80 km from Volgograd
- Visit to the Golubinskiy Stanitsa

DAY 5

- Breakfast
- Tour to Kotelnikovo via Tinguta-Abganerovo-Akzai-Verkhnekumskiy
- We expect to be back to Volgograd between 19.00 and 22.00

DAY 6

- Breakfast
- Transfer to the airport
- A flight back to Moscow/St. Petersburg

DAY 1: Welcome to Russia

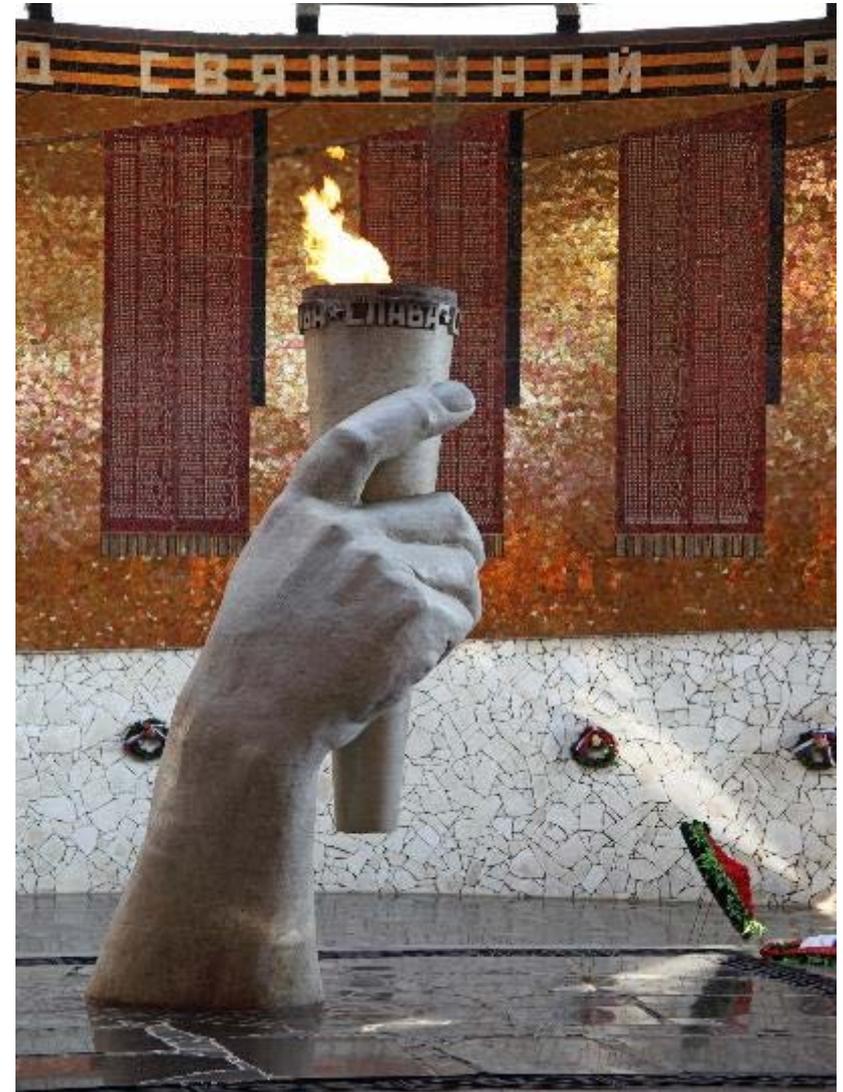


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DAY 2: Stalingrad now and then

- *Breakfast*
- *Take a guided city tour visiting all the highlights: the Mamayev Hill memorial complex (the main height #102.0), Motherland calls monument, Square of Fallen Fighters, Alley of Heroes of Stalingrad and WW2, Eternal Flame, Chuikov street, Central Embankment of 62nd Army, Central River port, Square and memorial of Vladimir Lenin and many others.*





We proceed to the Pavlov's House famous for being defended for 58 days and being specially marked at Friedrich Paulus' personal map. You will see the Hall of Glory, Not a Step Backwards Memorial, ruins of the buildings and other traces of the battle.



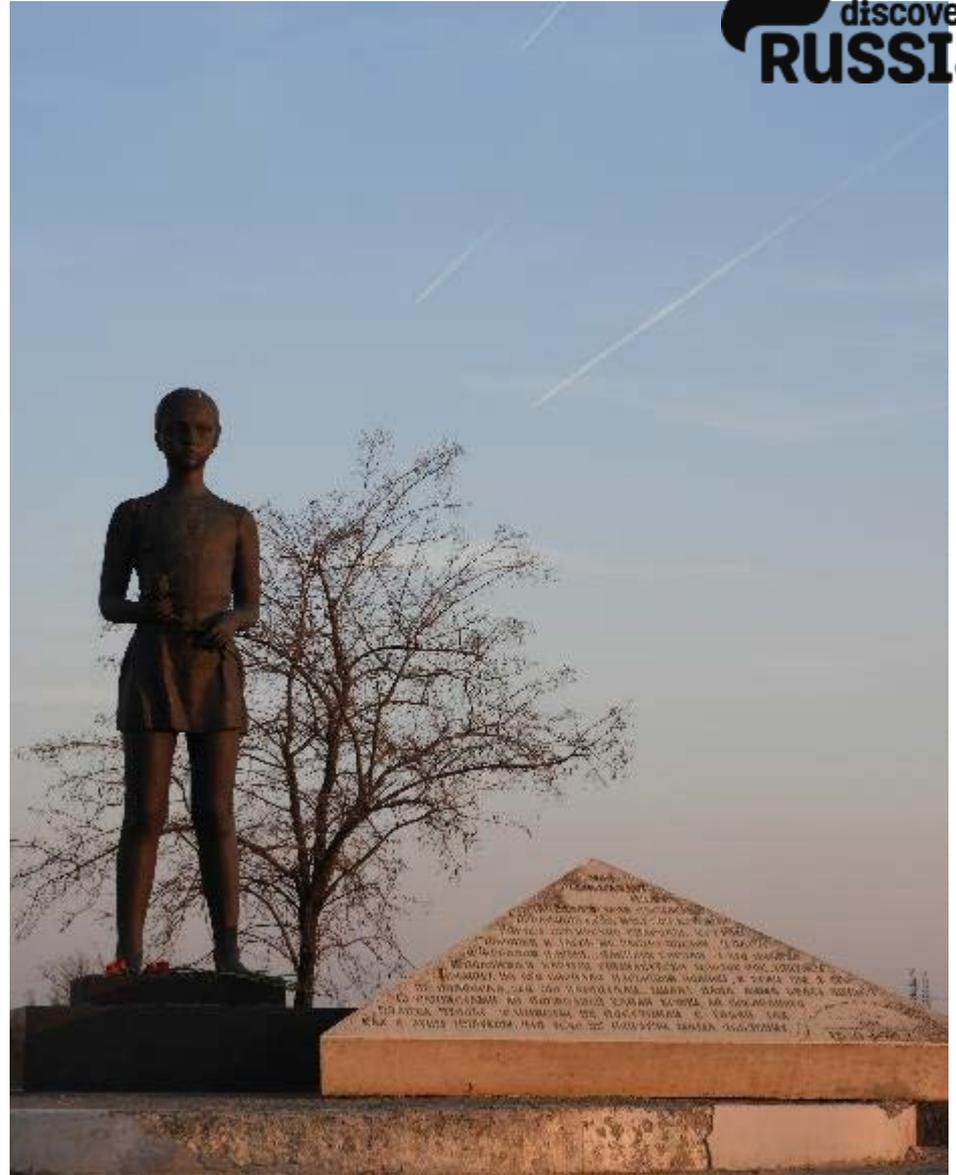
We travel around the entire city trying to reconnect with the past and hear the echo of those dark days. Every street, every house has a story to tell. We visit and observe all important points of resistance such as Grain Elevator and others. Our tour continues with a visit to the headquarter of the 6th German Army, paying special attention to the sport where Friedrich Paulus surrendered in the basement of the central department store.



At the end of the day, we visit open air Weapon of Victory exhibition and "The Battle of Stalingrad" museum. This is one of the biggest WWII museums in the world with hundreds of unique exhibits. For a serious military history traveler, the place worths a day visit. In the evening, take a sunset cruise at Volga river.

DAY 3: Memory lane

- *Breakfast*
- *A tour to the northern part of Volgograd with a visit of "The Factory"*
- *A famous Lyudnikov's Island*
- *Soldiers' Field on the outskirts of the city*
- *On the way back visit of the Gorodishche settlement and its church*





"The Factory" is the area made up of three factories: the Red October factory, the Barrikady gun factory and the Tractor Plant. The final German attack here was followed by the Russian counter-attack in November 1942. On the main square of the Tractor factory you will see the monument to Felix Dzerzhinsky, the founder of NKVD, and also the last legendary T-34 tank which was manufactured here. Near the Red October Factory you will see the defense line , and will realizes how close were the Germans to the Volga river.

Lyudnikov's Island was in fact a small piece of land held by Lyudnikov's 138th Rifle Division in November 1942. The division within 40 days was surrounded by the enemy - from three sides! And from the fourth side there was the Volga river. So this little scrap of land,



700 meters wide and 400 meters in depth, is known in the history of the Battle of Stalingrad as Lyudnikov's Island. The whole story is incredible but true. The ruins of the divisional command post still remain behind the Barrikady Gun factory. Passing by Gumrak, an important district, we continue towards Rossoschka reconciliation ensemble, is 35 km outside the city. It includes an impressive memorial of the two former enemies now seeking for reconciliation: Soviet and German military cemeteries. Here you will see the remains of German blindages and trenches regularly visited by researchers. More than 60 000 Germans and 25 000 Soviet men are buried here.



Continue to Pitomnik, the German airfield in prairie ("steppe") and take a tour to Soldiers' Field on the outskirts of the city. The sight is also a perfect view of the city defense line. The main composition of the memorial is a bronze sculpture of a girl, rushes to the common grave of Soviet soldiers. There is a funnel in the form of a five-pointed star in the center of the memorial. It rises from the bottom of "explosion" of cemented shells and shrapnel bombs, shells and mines. It is a symbol of the last explosion of the Second World War. On the back way visit of the Gorodishche settlement and its church where Germans had one of the hospitals.

DAY 4: Kalach-on-Don tour

- *Breakfast*
- *Tour to Kalach-on-Don – the city of Military Glory, which is 80 km from Volgograd. Our guided tour includes a visit to the battlefields outside the city and will be completed on the Don Heights near "memorial tank" of Josef Stalin.*
- *Visit to the Golubinskiy Stanitsa*





Visit to the Golubinsky Stanitsa. Here the 6th Army/Friedrich Paulus HQed until the German Sixth Army encirclement. The guide will recommend a place for lunch on the way. Depending on traffic, we expect to return to Volgograd by 17.00 to take the River Volga cruise. Enjoy the view of the city and the Volga, the longest and widest river of Europe.

DAY 5: Roads of Fame

- *Breakfast*
- *Tour to Kotelnikovo via Tinguta-Abganerovo-Akzai-Verkhnekumskiy. We will follow the way which was taken by the group of Panzer army of Hoth/ Erich von Manstein (Dec 1942) to relieve German 4th Panzer and 6th Armies trapped in Stalingrad - the "Winter Storm" operation and the famous battle on the river Myshkova.*





During the tour you can also visit local museum in Kotelnikovo to see the panorama of Liberation of Kotelnikovo. Roads are truly bad here, to add to your experience some reality of that times... We expect to be back to Volgograd between 19.00 and 22.00. Today we will have driven at least 800 km and see/visit uncountable memorials all around. Your Discovery Russia guide will determine more precise schedule for you based on your preferences.

DAY 6: Back to XXI



- *Breakfast*
- *Transfer to the airport*
- *A flight back to Moscow/St. Petersburg*



Group Tour, 2020

Set departures 2020: 13 July

Group Tour, 2020

Rate per person **2,015** AUD

Rate per person **1,430** USD

Rate per person **1,110** GBP

Rate per person **1,925** CAD

Private Tour, 2 people, 2020

Starting dates for 2020: Flexible

Private Tour, 2 people, 2020

Rate per person **2,835** AUD

Rate per person **2,010** USD

Rate per person **1,560** GBP

Rate per person **2,710** CAD

TOUR



Accommodation:

- 5 nights in Volgograd (Park Inn 4* hotel)

Meals:

- Full breakfast daily
- Lunch boxes (for 3 days of driving tours)

Transportation:

- Flight Moscow-Volgograd-Moscow (economy fare)
- Meet & greet at every location
- Return airport/train station transfers
- Transportation on tours as per program in a comfortable a/c car/minivan/bus

Sightseeing:

- All guided tours as per program with professional English-speaking guides:
 - Volgograd full day (8 hours) guided tour: the Mamayev Hill memorial complex (the main height #102.0), Motherland calls monument, Square of Fallen Fighters, open air Weapon of Victory exhibition and "The Battle of Stalingrad" museum, the Pavlov's House
 - Volgograd full day (8 hours) guided tour: "the Factory", the monument to Felix Dzerzhinsky, the last legendary T-34 tank, Lyudnikov's Island, Soldiers' Field on the outskirts of the city

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TOUR INCLUSIONS

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- Full day (8 hours) guided tour to Kotelnikovo via Tinguta-Abganerovo-Aksai-Verkhnekamsky including visiting local museum in Kotelnikovo to see the panorama of Liberation of Kotelnikovo
- Volga River cruise

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: small group up to 25 people.

NOT INCLUDED:

- International flights
- Visa fee
- Extras of Personal nature
- Lunches and dinners
- Travel insurance

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