

Historical WWII Tour: Moscow, Battle of Stalingrad & Battle of Kursk (Prokhorovka)

11 Days/10 nights

This package is available as either Set Departures or Private Tour. Set Departures: 10 July - 20 July 2020

TrustPilot Score 4,7 out of 5

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Tour at a Glance

DAY 1

- ➤ Arrival in Moscow
- ➢ Meet & Greet at the airport
- Transfer to your hotel in the downtown
- ➤ The evening is free at leisure
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Moscow

DAY 4

- ➤ Guided tour to the Moscow Kremlin
- ➤ Transfer to the airport
- 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
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Volgograd

DAY 2

- Guided tour to Kubinka
- ➤ Walking city tour
- Moscow metro tour
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Moscow

DAY 3

- Guided tour to the Monino Air Force museum
- Guided tour to Poklonnaya
 Hill including Victory Park
 and visit to WWII Museum
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Moscow

DAY 5

- 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
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Volgograd

DAY 6

- Tour to Kalach-on-Don the city of Military Glory, which is 80 km from Volgograd
- Visit to the Golubinskiy Stanitsa
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Volgograd





Tour at a Glance

DAY 7

- Tour to Kotelnikovo via Tinguta-Abganerovo-Akzai-Verkhnekumskiy
- We expect to be back to Volgograd between 19.00 and 22.00
- Overnight stay at the hotel Volgograd

DAY 10

- > Drive to Jakovlevo
- Explore the battlefield around Prokhorovka
- Guided tour to the museum and monuments at Prokhorovka
- Transfer to the train station in Belgorod
- Boarding an overnight train to Moscow

DAY 8

- Check-out of the hotel
- ➤ Transfer to the airport
- A short flight to Moscow
- Transfer to the train station
- Boarding the train to Kursk
- Arrival in Kursk
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Kursk

DAY 11

- ➤ Arrival in Moscow
- Transfer to the airport for the departure flight

DAY 9

- Guided tour to Poniry Station including Teplov Heights and Rokossovsky HQ
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Kursk





Day 1: Moscow Arrival

- ≻ Arrival in Moscow
- ➢ Meet & greet at the airport
- > Transfer to the hotel in the downtown
- ➤ The evening is free at leisure



Group tour: welcome dinner



Moscow hotel









Day 2: Moscow & Kubinka

Guided tour to Kubinka. The Kubinka Tank Museum is a large military museum in Kubinka, where tanks, armoured fighting vehicles (AFVs) and their relevant information are displayed and showcased. The museum consists of open-air and indoor permanent exhibitions of many



famous tanks and armored vehicles from throughout the 20th and 21st centuries (between 1917 and the present day). It is also known to house and display many unique and one-of-a-kind military vehicles, such as the Nazi German Panzer VIII Maus super-heavy tank, and a Karl-Gerät heavy self-propelled artillery, amongst other single or limited-production prototypes from the Soviet Union and Nazi Germany.

- > Walking city tour
- ≻ Moscow metro tour





Moscow hotel





Day 3: Military Museums

- Guided tour to the Monino Monino Air Force museum
- Guided tour to Poklonnaya Gora including Victory Park. Victory Park is a memorial complex dedicated to Russia's victory over Nazi Germany. It is located in the historic area of Moscow known as Poklonnaya



Hill, which means "Bow Hill". It's one of the highest spots in Moscow - in old times travellers approaching the capital from the west used to climb onto the hill to get a beautiful panoramic view of the city, and would bow to Moscow. The hill did not attract only peaceful travellers. In 1812, it was the spot where Napoleon foolishly expected the keys to the Kremlin to be brought to him by Russians. This part of Moscow is connected to the country's military history. This is why after the end of the Second World War, Victory Park was laid out here.





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Moscow hotel



Day 4: Moscow-Volgograd

- ➤ Guided tour to the Moscow Kremlin
- Transfer to the airport and 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



Breakfast



Park Inn Volgograd









Day 5: Stalingrad Now & Then

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, and many others.

- Guided tour 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.
- Guided tour 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. Guided tour to the open air Weapon of Victory exhibition and "The Battle of Stalingrad" museum. In the evening, take a sunset cruise at Volga river.





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Day 6: Kalach-on-Don Tour

- 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. 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.



Breakfast, Lunch box



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Day 7: Roads of Fame

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 those 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 a more precise schedule for you based on your preferences.



Breakfast, Lunch box



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Day 8: Volgograd-Kursk

- Check-out of the hotel
- ➤ Transfer to the airport
- ➤ A short flight to Moscow
- Transfer to the train station
- ➢ Boarding the train to Kursk
- ➤ Arrival in Kursk











Day 9: Poniry Village

Full day guiderd tour to Poniry village including Teplov Heights and Rokossovsky HQ. Poniry Village (northern section): over 1000 tanks wheeled and fought on the heights west of the village, while entire Infantry Divisions fought a hand to hand



struggle for control of the village. On the 7th of July, the village changed hands no less than 5 times. Over 15,000 infantry casualties mounted through the course of the day. Poniry village tour includes visits to local museum, defensive lines, Teplovskie heights, train station, monument to sappers, memorial to communication specialists, and a memorial to artillery division.



Breakfast



Kursk, Aquamarine hotel & Spa





Day 10: Prokhorovka Tour

- ➢ Drive to Jakovlevo
- Explore the battlefield around Prokhorovka
- The guided tour to the museum and monuments at Prokhorovka (including the preserved trenches and gun emplacements). Prokhorovka village (southern



section): the Battle of Prokhorovka (12 July 1943) is the largest tank battle in military history. The Germans had first thought they were almost through the defences and were expecting nothing more than a few anti-tank guns; instead, they met over 800 tanks. Tour to Prokhorovka includes visits to several sites with a major memorial complex called The Great Tank Battle of the Kursk Bulge with a large bell tower, museum and field displaying Russian tanks, etc. In 2010, huge Museum of Military Glory was opened here at astonishing 5000 m2.

- Transfer to Belgorod train station
- Boarding the overnight train to Moscow





Onboard





Day 11: Back to XXI

- ≻ Arrival in Moscow
- Transfer to the airport for your departure flight









Dates & Rates

GROUP TOUR Departure dates: 10 July 2020 Rate per person: 4,720 AUD 3,350 USD 2,595 GBP 4,515 CAD

PRIVATE TOUR

Departure dates: Flexible Rate per person: 6,570 AUD 4,665 USD 3,615 GBP 6,285 CAD





Tour Inclusions

ACCOMMODATION:

- ➤ Hand-picked centrally located hotels:
 - $\circ \quad \textbf{3 nights Moscow}$
 - 4 nights Volgograd (Park Inn 4* hotel)
 - 2 night Kursk (Aquamarine hotel & Spa)
- > 1 night on board, 1st class train (compartment for 2 people, 1 seat per person. Please inquiry if you want to travel privately in the compartment)

MEALS:

- > Full breakfast daily (Except Day 1 and Day 11)
- > Lunch boxes (for 2 days of driving tours Volgograd)

GROUP TOUR:

- > Group tours are fully escorted by bilingual tour director
- > Group size: small group up to 20 people
- ≻ Welcome dinner

TRANSPORTATION:

- Flight Moscow-Volgograd-Moscow (economy fare)
- Train tickets 1st class, Moscow-Kursk and Belgorod-Moscow
- ➤ Meet & greet at every location
- > Return airport/train station transfers
- Transportation on tours as per program in a comfortable a/c car/minivan/bus

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

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Tour Inclusions

SIGHTSEEING:

- Moscow full-day (8 hours) guided tour: the Kubinka Tank Museum, walking city tour, Moscow metro tour
- Moscow full-day (8 hours) guided tour: guided tour to the Monino Air Force museum, guided tour to Poklonnaya Gora including Victory Park
- 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
- Kalach-on-don full-day (8 hours) guided tour- the city of Military Glory, which is 80 km from Volgograd. The tour includes a visit to the battlefields outside the city and will be completed on the Don Heights near "memorial tank" of Josef Stalin

NOT INCLUDED:

- ➤ International flights
- ≻ Visa fee

SIGHTSEEING:

- 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
- > Poniry village full-day guided tour
- Jakovlevo and Prokhorovka half-day guided tour: the guided tour to the museum and monuments at Prokhorovka (including the preserved trenches and gun emplacements)
- ➤ The Moscow Kremlin tour
- ≻ Volga River cruise



- ➤ Extras of Personal nature
- ➤ Travel insurance

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