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### Trans Mongolian **NAADAM FESTIVAL** Eastbound Summer 2020 St. Petersburg to Beijing **25 Days**

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**Group Tour** (scheduled departures)  
or

**Private Tour** (flexible dates)

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## **Russian, Mongolian and Chinese visas**

- **Get personal Visa Support Letters (VSL)**
- **Fill in Visa Application forms**
- **Send Application, passport, photo and VSL to the Embassies or Visa Centres**
- **Get visas delivered by mail**
- **Express services are available at the Embassies for last-minute bookings**
- **Check with Discovery Russia travel specialist if you are eligible for visa free entry**

# 27 days itinerary





# Itinerary

## DAY 1

- Arrival in St. Petersburg
- Transfer to your hotel in the downtown
- The rest of the day at leisure
- Group tour: welcome dinner
- Overnight stay in St. Petersburg

## DAY 2

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

## DAY 3

- Breakfast
- Private guided tour to the Royal Palaces of Peterhof
- Afternoon: visit Faberge Museum & Boat cruise
- Overnight stay in St. Petersburg

## DAY 4

- 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 the hotel
- Overnight stay in Moscow

## DAY 5

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

## DAY 6

- Breakfast
- The Tretyakov State Art Gallery
- Moscow Palace of the Romanov Boyars
- Kolomenskoe Estate
- Transfer to the train station
- Boarding the train to Kazan



# Itinerary

## DAY 7

- Arrival at Kazan
- Meet and greet at the train station
- Transfer to the hotel and early check-in
- Kazan city tour
- Overnight stay in Kazan

## DAY 8

- Breakfast
- Check-out from the hotel
- Kazan city tour
- Transfer to the train station
- Departure for Yekaterinburg

## DAY 9

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

## DAY 10

- Breakfast
- Yekaterinburg city tour
- Overnight stay in Yekaterinburg

## DAY 11

- Breakfast
- Nevyansk and Kunara
- Pottery master-class
- Transfer to the train station
- Departure for Krasnoyarsk

## DAY 12

On board



# Itinerary

## DAY 13

- Arrival at Krasnoyarsk
- Meet and greet at the train station
- Breakfast
- Transfer to the hotel and check-in
- Cruise down Yenisei river
- Overnight stay in Krasnoyarsk

## DAY 14

- Breakfast
- Krasnoyarsk city tour
- Transfer to the train station
- Departure for Irkutsk

## DAY 15

- Arrival at Irkutsk
- Meet and greet at the train station
- Transfer to Listvyanka village at Lake Baikal
- Siberian lunch at traditional hunter's house "Zaimka"
- Overnight stay in Listvyanka

## DAY 16

- Breakfast
- Transfer to Irkutsk
- Taltsy Museum
- Guided tour in Irkutsk: St. Epiphany Cathedral, Kirov Square
- Overnight stay in Irkutsk

## DAY 17

- Breakfast
- Check-out from the hotel
- Transfer to the train station
- Boarding train to Ulaanbaatar

## DAY 18

- Arrival at Ulaanbaatar
- Meet and greet at the train station
- Transfer to the hotel, luggage drop off
- NAADAM festival day 1
- Overnight stay in Ulaanbaatar



# Itinerary

## DAY 19

- Breakfast
- NAADAM festival day 2
- Overnight stay in Ulaanbaatar

## DAY 20

- Breakfast
- Transfer to Hugnu Khan Mt. National park
- Visiting a nomadic family
- Overnight stay in the park camp

## DAY 21

- Breakfast
- Elsen tasarkhai sand dunes
- Karakorum
- Ugii Lake
- Overnight stay in the park camp

## DAY 22

- Breakfast
- Hustai National Park
- Transfer to Ulaanbaatar
- Overnight stay in Ulaanbaatar

## DAY 23

- Breakfast
- Check-out from the hotel
- Transfer to the train station
- Boarding for Beijing

## DAY 24

- Arrival at Beijing
- Meet and greet at the train station
- Transfer to the hotel
- Group tour: farewell dinner
- Overnight stay in Beijing

## DAY 25

- Breakfast
- Check-out from the hotel
- Transfer to Beijing airport



# Day 1: Arrival in St. Petersburg



- Arrive in St. Petersburg
- Transfer to your hotel in the downtown
- Group tour: welcome dinner
- Overnight stay in St. Petersburg



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# Day 2: Discover St. Petersburg



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







***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.***

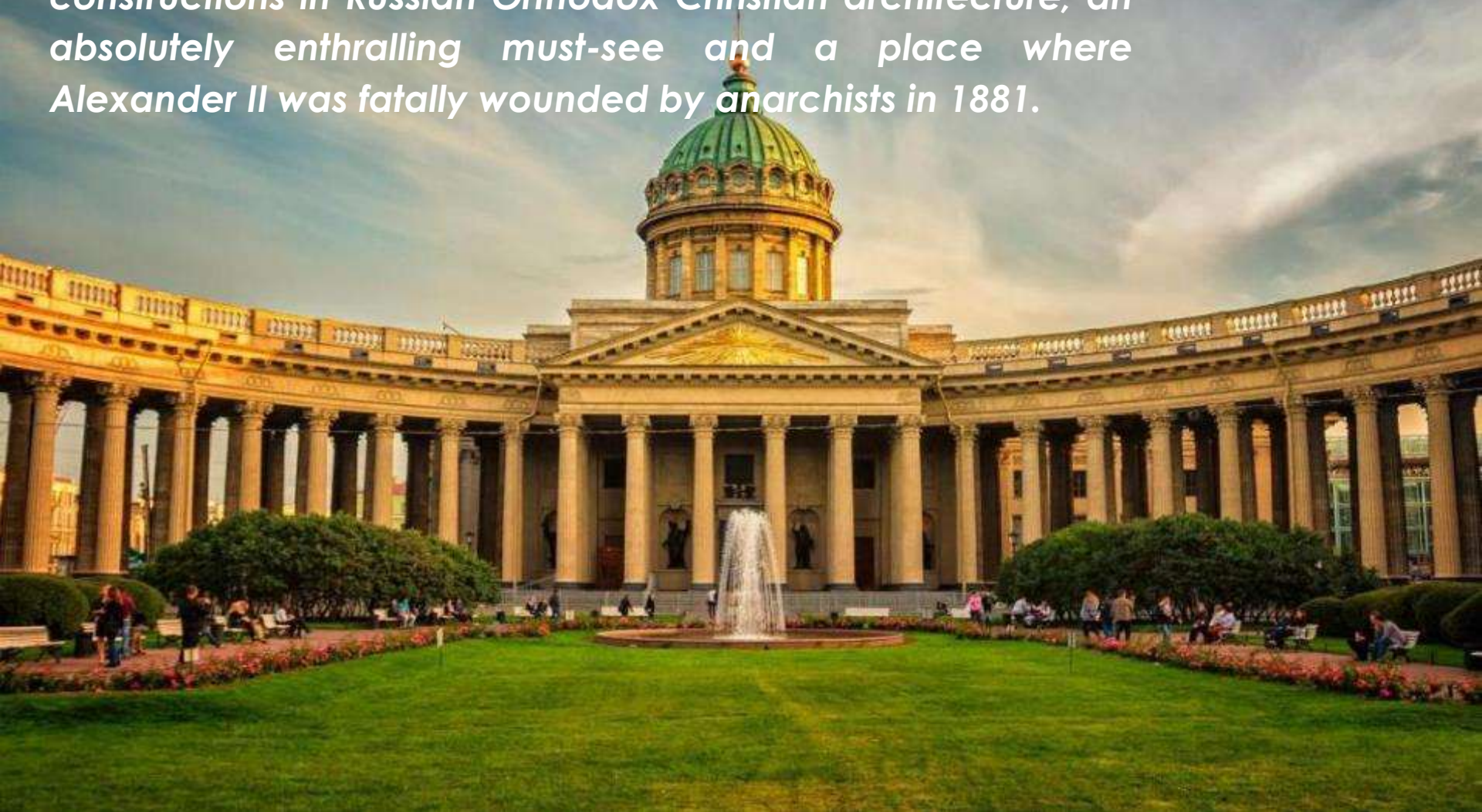
***The Hermitage today is one of the largest museums in the world, founded in 1764; its collection includes over 2.7 mln items. Our experienced guide will bring the museum to life to her knowledge.***

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

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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.



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# Day 3: Peterhof & Faberge Museum



- Breakfast
- Private guided tour to the Royal Palaces of Peterhof
- Afternoon: visit Faberge Museum & Boat cruise
- Overnight stay in St. Petersburg

Guided tour to the royal Peterhof Palace, located near the seashore of the Gulf of Finland, 60 kilometres away from the city. We take a boat to get there and will return by the intercity bus - great local experience itself!





*Enjoy a romantic 2-hour cruise down the canals of St. Petersburg, and see some of the city's monuments on the banks of the River Neva, all beautifully illuminated for the evening. Experience the thrilling spectacle of the drawbridges in full operation.*



*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 4: Transfer to Moscow



- *Breakfast*
- *Transfer to the train station, board high speed bullet train for 4 hours journey to Moscow*



- *Meet and greet at Moscow railway station*
- *Transfer to the hotel and check-in*
- *Evening at leisure*
- *Overnight stay in Moscow*

***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.***

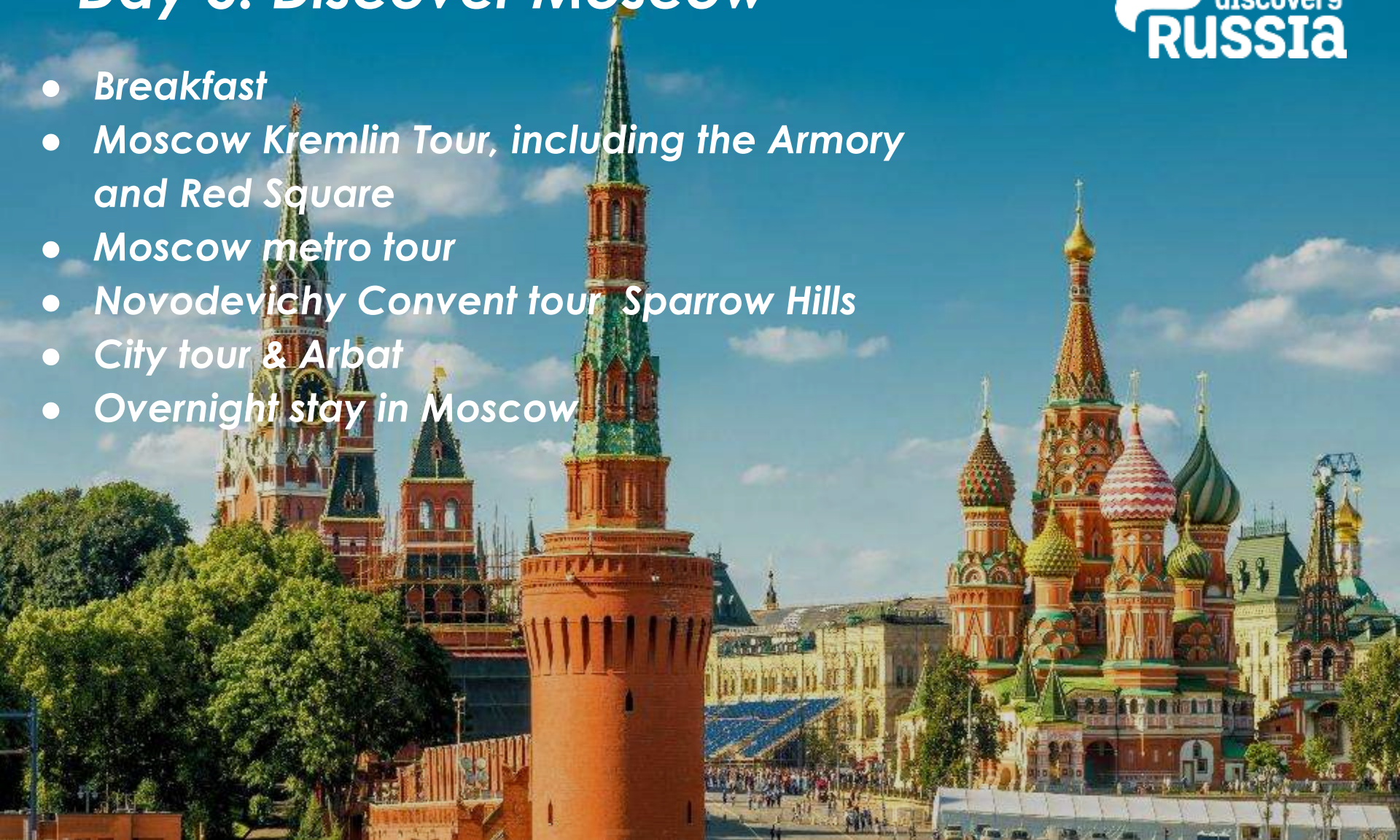
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# Day 5: Discover Moscow



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

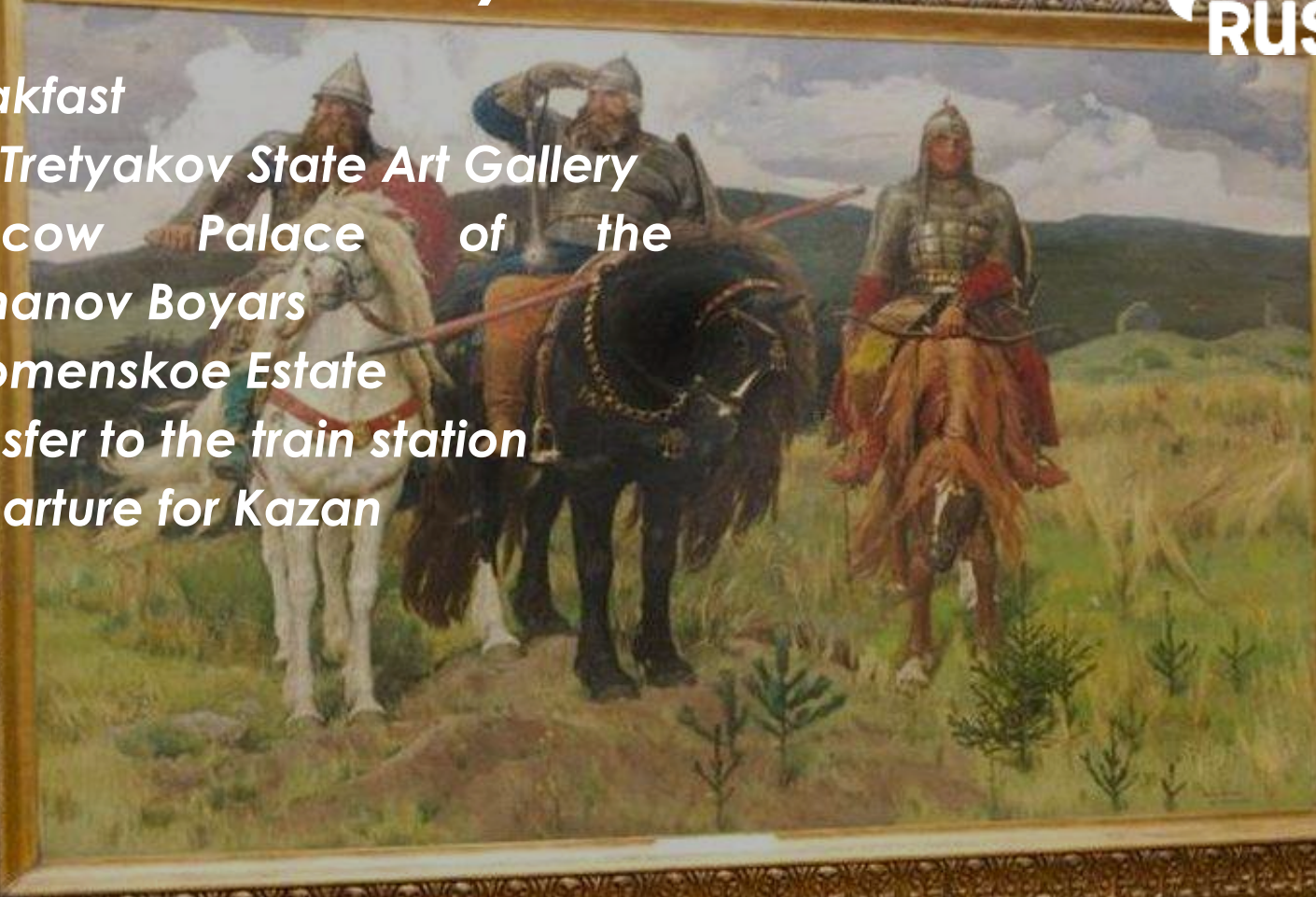




# Day 6: Art & History in Moscow



- Breakfast
- The Tretyakov State Art Gallery
- Moscow Palace of the Romanov Boyars
- Kolomenskoe Estate
- Transfer to the train station
- Departure for Kazan



Take a guided tour to the Tretyakov State Art Gallery, one of the two largest collections of the Russian art. The other one is the Russian Museum in St. Petersburg.



## Chambers of the Romanov Boyars



The family country estate of Romanov Boyars (15th-17th centuries) was restored in the 19th century by order of Alexander I, which happened to be the first scientific restoration undertaken in Moscow. The Museum exhibits authentic historical items, including 16th- and 17th-century weapons, books, engravings, writing implements, chests and other objects. This is Russia's only museum introducing visitors to Moscow boyars' patriarchal ways of life in the 16th and 17th centuries.







**Kolomenskoye is a former royal estate situated several kilometers to the southeast of the city center of Moscow. The 390 hectare scenic area overlooks the steep banks of the Moskva River. During the early Soviet period, under the initiative of architect and restorer Pyotr Baranovsky, old wooden buildings and various artifacts were transported to Kolomenskoye from different parts of the USSR for preservation, so currently Kolomenskoye Park hosts an impressive set of different constructions and historical objects.**



# Day 7: Discover Kazan



- Arrival in Kazan in the morning
- Meet and greet at the train station
- Transfer to the hotel and early check-in
- Kazan city tour
- Overnight stay in Kazan

**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.**

**During our 2 days tour in Kazan you will visit also: Kazan Arena, Millennium Bridge, Tatar Sloboda, Mardzhani Mosque, Kaban Lake, Bogoroditsky Monastery, National Museum, Peter and Paul Cathedral, Bauman Street, Freedom Square.**



# Day 8: Departure for Yekaterinburg



- Breakfast
- Check-out from the hotel
- Kazan half day city tour
- Transfer to the train station
- Departure for Yekaterinburg

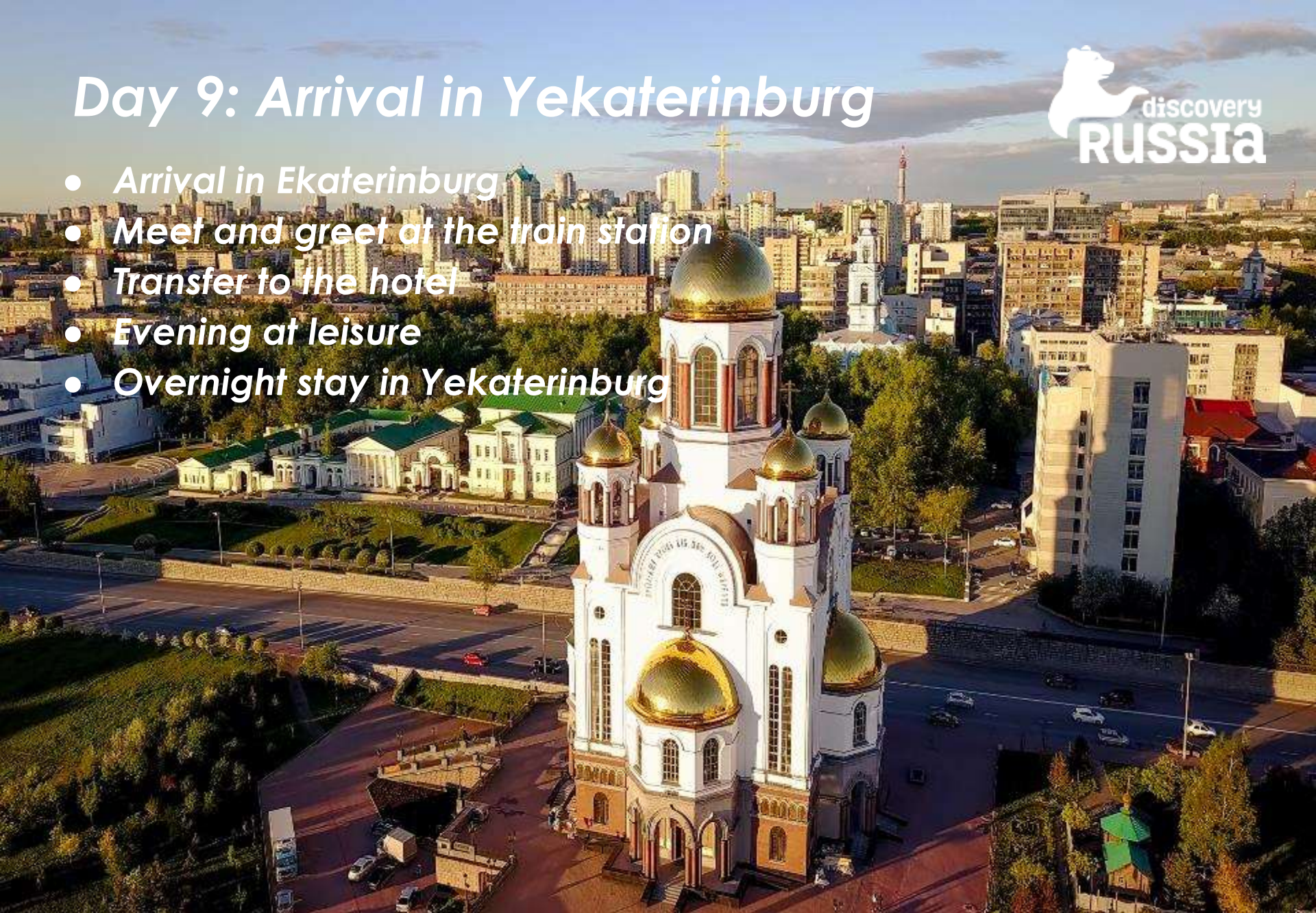




# Day 9: Arrival in Yekaterinburg



- Arrival in Ekaterinburg
- Meet and greet at the train station
- Transfer to the hotel
- Evening at leisure
- Overnight stay in Yekaterinburg





# Day 10: Discover Yekaterinburg



- Breakfast
- Yekaterinburg guided tour: Romanov's assassination place & Church; Museum of Semi precious stones and stone carving
- Europe-Asia border
- Pyzhma open-air military museum
- Overnight stay in Yekaterinburg



*Ekaterinburg 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!*



*Take a look at the city's main religious institution – Church of All Saints and visit the Ipatiev House – the late Tsar's last resort. Ekaterinburg is most known as a place where the last Romanov Tsar was assassinated after the Revolution.*

*Here you can also visit the residence of KGB, Gorodok Chekistov, the largest in Russia museum of semi-precious stone that contains a wonderful collection of stone mosaics and carvings and the largest in Russia open-air military museum.*

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# Day 11: Nevyansk and Kunara



- *Breakfast*
- *Nevyansk and Kunara*
- *Pottery master-class*
- *Transfer to the train station*
- *Departure for Krasnoyarsk*





*Day 12: On board*



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# Day 13: Discover Siberia



- Arrival in Krasnoyarsk in the morning
- Transfer to the hotel, early check in and time to refresh
- Yenisei river boat cruise: Krasnoyarsk hydropower station, Divnogorsk city, Stolby national reserve and other attractions
- Overnight stay in Krasnoyarsk

# Day 14: Discover Krasnoyarsk

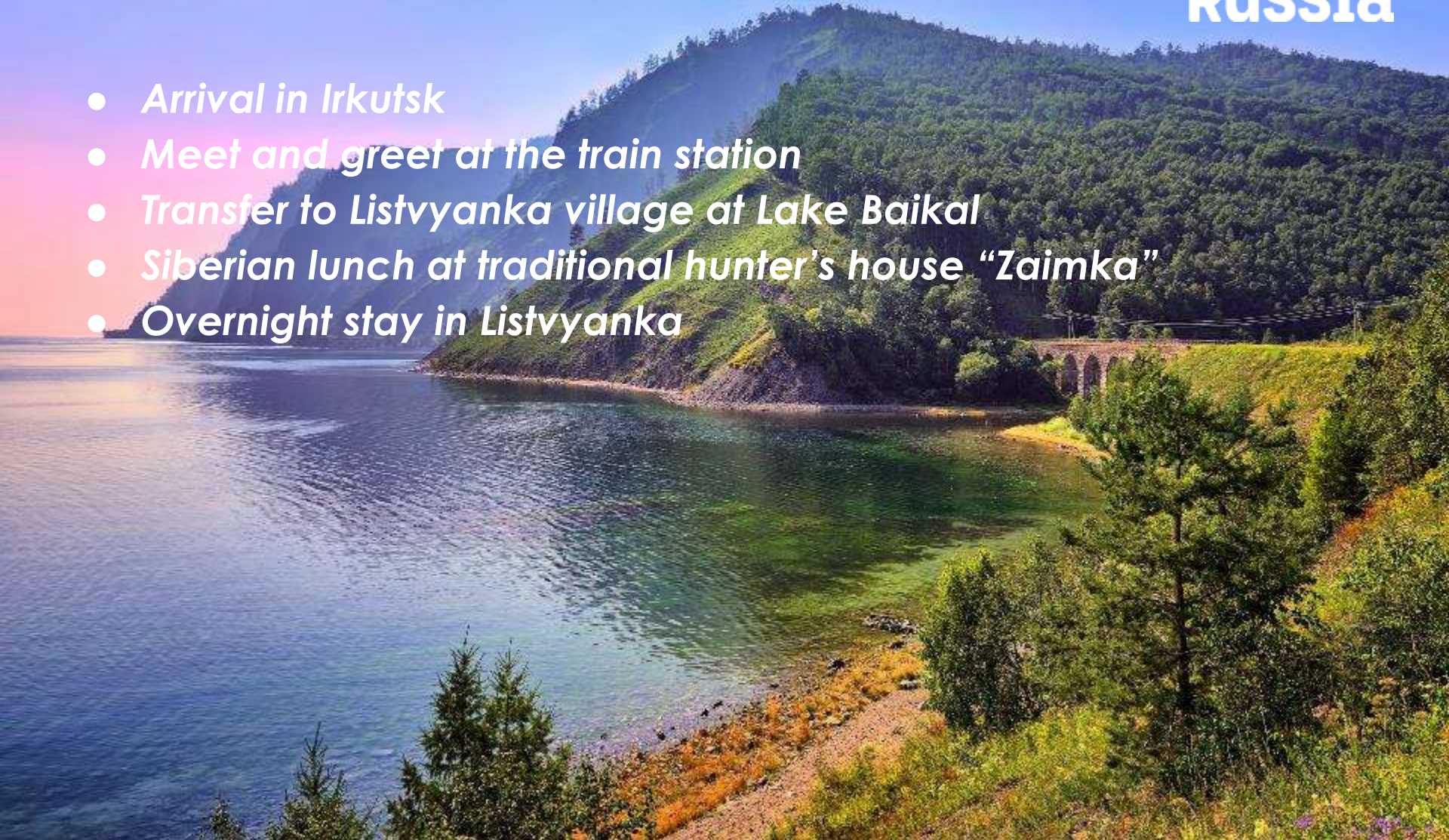
- Breakfast
- Krasnoyarsk city tour
- Transfer to train station and boarding the train to Irkutsk



# Day 15: Arrival in Irkutsk



- Arrival in Irkutsk
- Meet and greet at the train station
- Transfer to Listvyanka village at Lake Baikal
- Siberian lunch at traditional hunter's house "Zaimka"
- Overnight stay in Listvyanka





## Day 16: Taltsy & Irkutsk



- Breakfast
- Transfer to Irkutsk
- Taltsy Museum
- Guided tour in Irkutsk: St. Epiphany Cathedral, Kirov Square
- Overnight stay in Irkutsk

## Day 17: Train to Ulaanbaatar

- Breakfast
- Check-out from the hotel
- Transfer to the train station
- Boarding train to Ulaanbaatar

**Irkutsk has a rich history that dates back to 17th century. After the Decembrist Revolt of 1825, many Russian artists, officers, and nobles were sent into exile to Siberia for their part in the revolt against Tsar Nicholas. Irkutsk became the major centre of intellectual and social life for these exiles. You will see many of their wooden houses, adorned with ornate, hand-carved decorations.**

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# Day 18: NAADAM Festival



- Arrival at Ulaanbaatar
- Meet and greet at the train station
- NAADAM festival
- Overnight stay in Ulaanbaatar

Naadam is a traditional festival in Mongolia. The festival is also locally termed "eriin gurban naadam" — "the three games of men". The games are Mongolian wrestling, horse racing, and archery, and are held throughout the country during midsummer.

In 2010, Naadam was inscribed on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity of UNESCO.



# Day 19: NAADAM festival



*Naadam is the most widely watched festival among Mongols and is believed to have existed for centuries in one fashion or another. It has its origin in the activities, such as military parades and sporting competitions such as archery, horse riding and wrestling, that followed the celebration of various occasions, including weddings or spiritual gatherings. It later served as a way to train soldiers for battle and was also connected to Mongols' nomadic lifestyle.*



# Day 20: Hugnu Khan Mt. National Park



- Breakfast
- Pick up from your hotel at 9 am
- Drive to Hugnu Khan National Park
- Lunch
- After lunch, take a short drive to Uvgun Monastery in the national park through the semi-desert and the interesting Rocky Mountains in beautiful Mountain View
- In the late afternoon, we will visit a local nomadic family and meet nomads, explore their nomadic lifestyle which has not changed for centuries
- Overnight stay in the park camp



**Hugnu Khan National Park is a picturesque area of the Rocky Mountains, semi-desert, Gobi sand dunes and steppes all in one location represents three different natural zones. There is ideal for hiking, wildlife observation, and photography.**






# Day 21: Karakorum



- Breakfast
- After breakfast, short drive to Elsen tasarkhai magnificent sand dunes
- Continue driving to Karakorum and Erdenezuu Monastery
- Lunch
- After lunch, we will visit the museum of Karakorum and the symbolic ruins of the ancient city of Mongol Empire, which was the largest contiguous empire in World history
- Also visit the magnificent and the oldest Buddhist Monastery complex of Erdene Zuu, built in the 16th century, with 108 stupas. Here you can see interesting listen to monk chanting Buddhist sutras
- After exploring the monastery, we will drive to Ugii Lake
- Stay overnight at tourist Ger camp near the lake



A photograph of a vast desert landscape with large sand dunes. A person is standing on the peak of a dune in the distance, with their arms outstretched. The sun is low on the horizon to the left, creating a bright orange glow and long shadows across the dunes.

*Elsen tasarkhai magnificent sand dunes are surrounded by hills with willow trees, streams and bushes, appear as a small desert in the center of the country. This sand dune is 80 km long and the widest part of the sand dune is 9-10 km.*

*The sand dunes are the perfect place for camel riding. We will discover this magnificent place on camelback. Mongolia is home to 2/3 of the two-humped Bactrian camels in the world.*



# Day 22: Hustai National Park



- Breakfast
- At 8 am, we drive back to Ulaanbaatar
- On the way, we will visit Hustai National Park
- Lunch
- After lunch at Hustai camp, we will visit a small Information center about the wild horse Takhi
- Then we will take a short drive to see for wild horse Takhi
- A 2 hours drive to Ulaanbaatar and arrive in the hotel at 6 pm
- Overnight stay in Ulaanbaatar



*Hustai National Park is a home to the Mongolian wild horse known as Przewalski horse (takhi) with a unique landscape that features mountain and steppe.*



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# Day 23: Departure for Beijing



- *Breakfast*
- *Transfer to railway station*
- *Departure for Beijing*





# Day 24: Discover Beijing



- *Arrival at Beijing*
- *Transfer to your hotel*
- *Group tour: farewell dinner*
- *Overnight stay in Beijing*

*Badaling Great Wall is known for its beautiful surroundings - dense woods and rich pastures changing colors with the seasons of a year. If you want to reach the highest point, cable car is a good choice.*



# Day 25: Departure ex Beijing



- *Breakfast*
- *Transfer to airport for your outbound 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: 24 June**

## Group Tour, 2020, AUD

**Rate per person** (3\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **10,925 / 9,665**

**Rate per person** (4\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **11,730 / 10,465**

**Rate per person** (5\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **13,555 / 12,290**

## Group Tour, 2020, USD

**Rate per person** (3\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **7,755 / 6,860**

**Rate per person** (4\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **8,325 / 7,425**

**Rate per person** (5\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **9,620 / 8,725**

## Group Tour, 2020, GBP

**Rate per person** (3\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **6,010 / 5,315**

**Rate per person** (4\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **6,450 / 5,755**

**Rate per person** (5\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **7,455 / 6,761**

## Group Tour, 2020, CAD

**Rate per person** (3\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **10,455 / 9,245**

**Rate per person** (4\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **11,220 / 10,010**

**Rate per person** (5\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **12,965 / 11,755**

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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 class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **13,515 / 12,270**

Rate per person (4\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **15,140 / 13,890 AUD**

Rate per person (5\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **18,190 / 16,945**

### Private Tour, 2 people, 2020, USD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **9,595 / 8,710**

Rate per person (4\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **10,745 / 9,855**

Rate per person (5\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **12,910 / 12,025**

### Private Tour, 2 people, 2020, GBP

Rate per person (3\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **7,435 / 6,750**

Rate per person (4\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **8,325 / 7,640**

Rate per person (5\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **10,005 / 9,320**

### Private Tour, 2 people, 2020, CAD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **12,930 / 11,735**

Rate per person (4\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **14,480 / 13,285**

Rate per person (5\* hotels, 1st class/2nd class train, sharing 1 twin/double room): **17,399 / 16,210**

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## TOUR INCLUSIONS:

### ACCOMMODATION:

- Hand-picked centrally located hotels:
  - 3 nights St. Petersburg;
  - 2 nights Moscow;
  - 1 night Kazan;
  - 2 nights Yekaterinburg;
  - 1 night Krasnoyarsk;
  - 1 night Listvyanka village at Lake Baikal shores;
  - 1 night Irkutsk;
  - 3 nights Ulaanbaatar;
  - 1 night Beijing;
- 2 nights in Ger Camp (Mongolian National Parks);
- 7 nights on board.

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## TOUR INCLUSIONS:



### MEALS:

- Full breakfast in the hotels // Full board in Mongolia;
- 2 lunches: Lunch after master class on cooking the national Tatar food // Buryat lunch at Lake Baikal;
- Trains have a dining car for your comfort;
- Group tours: Welcome & Farewell dinners.

### TRANSPORTATION:

- Train tickets of the selected category:
  - Moscow—Kazan;
  - Kazan—Yekaterinburg;
  - Yekaterinburg—Krasnoyarsk;
  - Krasnoyarsk—Irkutsk;
  - Irkutsk—Ulaanbaatar;
  - Ulaanbaatar—Beijing;
- St. Petersburg — Moscow intercity high-speed train SAPSAN, one way;
- Full metro/public transport passes in Moscow & St. Petersburg;
- Meet at greet at the airports/train stations;
- Return airport/train station transfers;
- Transportation on tours as per program in a comfortable a/c car/minivan/bus.

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## TOUR INCLUSIONS:



### TRANSPORTATION:

**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.

### SIGHTSEEING TOURS:

- All guided tours as per program:
  - St. Petersburg full day (8 hours) guided tour: the Royal Palace of Peterhof, Faberge Museum;
  - 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.
  - 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, Moscow Palace of the Romanov Boyars, Kolomenskoe Estate;

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### SIGHTSEEING TOURS:

- All guided tours as per program:
  - Kazan full day (8 hours) guided tour: the Kul Sharif Mosque, the Kazan Kremlin, Chak-chak museum // Kazan half day (4 hours) guided city tour;
  - Yekaterinburg full day (8 hours) day guided tour: Ganina Yama Monastery, Museum of Minerals, Church of All Saints, Europe-Asia Border, the UMMC military equipment museum;
  - Nevyansk and Kunara tours // Pottery master-class;
  - Krasnoyarsk full day (8 hours) guided tour: Yenisei river boat cruise (Divnogorsk, Krasnoyarsk hydropower station, Stolby national reserve) // Krasnoyarsk half day (4 hours) city tour;
  - Irkutsk full day (8 hours) guided tour: St. Epiphany Cathedral, Kirov Square, Taltsy Museum;
  - Two days of Naadam festival;
  - Mongolia tour: Hugnu Khan Mt. National park // Elsen tasarkhai sand dunes // Karakorum // Ugii Lake // Hustai National Park.

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## TOUR INCLUSIONS:

### ENTRANCE TICKETS & VISAS:

- Entrance tickets to all listed attractions;
- Entrance tickets to Naadam festival;
- Russian visa, Mongolian & Chinese visa letters of invitation (required by the Embassies to grant you the visa) is provided free of charge

### YOUR COMFORT COUNTS:

- Russian local sim card with data;
- 24/7 English-speaking support line in Russia;

### GROUP TOUR ADD ONS:

- 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



## OUR HAND PICKED HOTELS IN THE DOWNTOWNS



### Moscow

**3\*** Stoleshnikov Boutique Hotel / Apart Hotel Naumov Sretenka / Forton or similar

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

**5\*** Metropol\* / National / Savoy or similar

### St. Petersburg

**3\*** Privilegiya / Aglaya / Hotel Mojka or similar

**4\*** Chaykovskiy / Aston / Zolotoy Vek or similar

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

### Kazan

**3\*** Nogay / Maxim Gorky or similar

**4\*** Art Hotel / Corona or similar

**5\*** Korston Royal / Mirazh or similar

### Yekaterinburg

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

**4\*** Onegin / Voznesenskiy / Renome or similar

**5\*** Vysotsky or similar

### Krasnoyarsk

**3\*** Sibirskiy Safari Club / Dom Hotel Neo / Hotel Krasnoyarsk or similar

**4\*** Hillton Garden Inn / Oktyabrskaya Hotel / Hotel SKY CENTR or similar

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### Lake Baikal

3\* Krestovaya pad' or similar

4\* Mayak / Legenda Baikala or similar

### Beijing

3\* Beijing 161 Lama Temple / Citytel Inn / Beijing 161 LeZaiNanluo Boutique or similar

4\* Shichahai Shadow Art Performance Hotel / Park Plaza Beijing Wangfujing / Sofu Hotel or similar

5\* The Peninsula Beijing / New World Beijing Hotel / Pan Pacific Beijing or similar

### Ulaanbaatar

3\* Hotel Nine/ Khuvsgul Lake / Puma Imperial Hotel or similar

4\* Ramada / Novotel / Bishrelt or similar

5\* The Blue Sky / Shangri-La / Best Western Premier Tuushin Hotel or similar

### Hugnu Khan Mt. National park / Elsen tasarkhai sand dunes

Tourist Ger Camp

### Irkutsk

3\* Mikhail Strogov / Europe / Imperia or similar

4\* Marriott / Armat / Sayen or similar

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