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**SPECIAL OFFER** 

ONE WEEK - TWO CAPITALS

> 8 Days Moscow & St Petersburg

This package is available as either **Group Tour** (scheduled departures) or **Private Tour** (flexible dates)

## ONE WEEK - TWO CAPITALS 8 Days ST. PETERSBURG to MOSCOW



# 2019

# 5—12 September

## 2020

3—10 May 31 May—7 June 24 June—1 July 2—9 August 2—9 October

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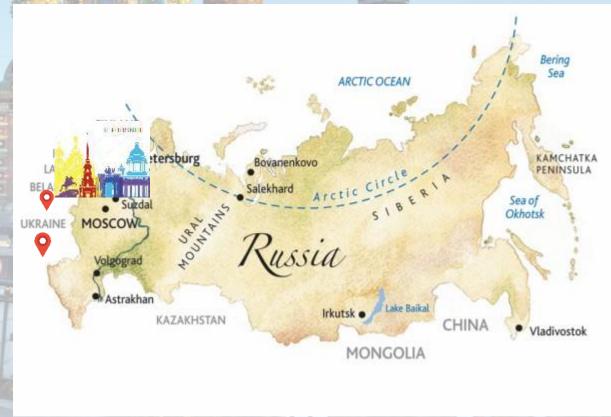
- Australian-owned company
- Over 10 years experience in Russia

• 24/7 support





Day 1 – Arrival in Moscow Day 2 – Moscow full day guided tour (8 hours) Day 3 – Moscow full day guided tour (6 hours) Day 4 – Departure to St. Petersburg (4 hours by high speed bullet train) Day 5 – St. Petersburg full day guided tour (8 hours) Day 6 – St. Petersburg full day guided tour (8 hours) Day 7 – Pushkin/Tsarskoe Selo guided tour (6 hours) Day 8 – Departure



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# **Itinerary**

## **DAY 1**

- Arrival in Moscow
- Transfer to your hotel in the downtown
- Check-in
- The evening is free at leisure

## <u>DAY 5</u>

- Breakfast
- Guided tour to the Royal Palace of Peterhof
- **Optional Faberge tour**
- **Optional boat cruise**
- The evening is free at leisure

## <u>DAY 2</u>

**Breakfast** 

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

## <u>DAY 6</u>

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

Cathedral

Peter & Paul Fortress and

## DAY 3

- **Breakfast**
- The Tretyakov State Art Gallery
- Stalin's skyscrapers tour
- The VDNKh & Museum of Cosmonautics

DAY 7

**Breakfast** 

Amber room

dinner

Pushkin/Tsarskoe Selo

Catherine's palace &

Group tour: Farewell



- **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 8

**Breakfast** 

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



# <u>Russian visa: easy to obtain</u>



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.

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

Trustpilot <u>https://www.trustpilot.com/review/www.discoveryrussia.com.au</u>

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

# DAY 1: Hello Moscow

Meet & Greet at Moscow airport

Transfer to your hotel in the downtown
Check-in

The evening is free at leisure



# DAY 2: 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

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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 of course the one in Moscow at Red Square.

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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.

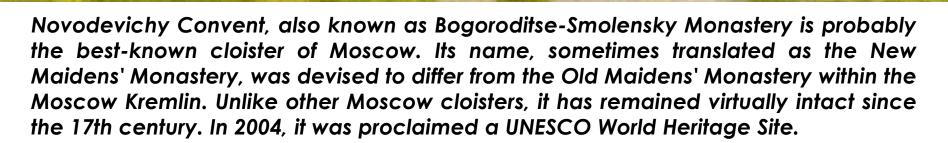
If you want to see the Bolshoi, it's a good idea to book your tickets in advance!

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## **Excursion in Novodevichy Convent**







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.

# DAY 3: Discover Moscow

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



TheVDNKH("VystavkaDostizheniyNarodnogoKhozyaystva"—the"All-RussiaExhibitionCentre")complexwasbuilttobeanexhibitioncentrecentreofthecentreofthe

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

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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 4: 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 5: Discover St. Petersburg



- Breakfast
- Peterhof tour with a visit to Grand Palace
  - Optional Faberge tour
    - Optional boat cruise
- The evening is free at leisure

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

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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 6: 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

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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 worldfamous palace of the Hermitage, the former residence of the Royal Family.

<u>The Hermitage today</u> 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.

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Catherine's palace - the most famous palaces of the countryside. You will see renowned palaces of the Romanov imperial family <u>Pushkin/Tsarskoye Selo</u>, 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.

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# DAY 8: Farewell

• Breakfast

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



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## Group Tour, 2019

Set departures 2019: St. Petersburg – Moscow: 5 September Moscow – St. Petersburg: 17 September & 15 October

#### Group Tour, 2019, AUD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,730 AUD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,095 AUD Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,845 AUD

#### Group Tour, 2019, USD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,230 USD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,490 USD Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,020 USD

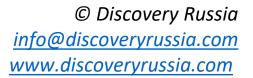
#### Group Tour, 2019, GBP

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 955 GBP Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,155 GBP Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,565 GBP

#### Group Tour, 2019, CAD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,655 CAD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,005 CAD Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,720 CAD

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## Group Tour, 2020

### Book your tour more than a year in advance at 2019 rate.

Set departures 2020: St. Petersburg – Moscow: 3 May, 24 June, 2 August, 2 October Moscow – St. Petersburg: 18 April, 21 May, 18 July, 17 September

#### Group Tour, 2020, AUD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,835 AUD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,190 AUD Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 3,505 AUD

#### Group Tour, 2020, USD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,300 USD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,555 USD Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,485 USD

#### Group Tour, 2020, GBP

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,010 GBP Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,205 GBP Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,930 GBP

#### Group Tour, 2020, CAD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,755 CAD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,095 CAD Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 3,350 CAD Plan it wisely. Travel with Discovery Russia



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Tour, (St. Petersburg International Economic Forum 2020 dates) Departure: 31 May, 2020

<u>St. Petersburg – Moscow</u>

#### Group Tour, 2020, AUD

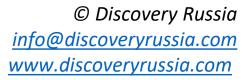
Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,250 AUD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,930 AUD 5\* accommodation is not available

Group Tour, 2020, USD Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,595 USD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,080 USD 5\* accommodation is not available

Group Tour, 2020, GBP Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,235 GBP Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,615 GBP 5\* accommodation is not available

Group Tour, 2020, CAD Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,150 CAD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,805 CAD 5\* accommodation is not available

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## Private Tour, 2 people, 2019-2020

Starting dates for 2019-2020: Flexible

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#### Private Tour, 2 people, 2019-2020, AUD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,635 AUD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 3,055 AUD Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 4,370 AUD

#### Private Tour, 2 people, 2019-2020, USD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,870 USD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,170 USD Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 3,099 USD

#### Private Tour, 2 people, 2019-2020, GBP

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,450 GBP Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 1,680 GBP Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,399 GBP

#### Private Tour, 2 people, 2019-2020, CAD

Rate per person (3\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,520 CAD Rate per person (4\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 2,925 CAD Rate per person (5\* hotels, sharing 1 twin/double room) 4,180 CAD

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#### **INCLUSIONS:**

#### Accommodation:

- Centrally located hand-picked hotels;
  - 3 nights Moscow;
  - 4 nights St. Petersburg.

#### Meals:

- Full breakfast daily;
- Group tour: Farewell dinner.

#### Transportation:

- Moscow-St. Petersburg intercity high-speed train SAPSAN, one way;
- Meet at greet at the airports/train stations;
- Full metro/public transport passes in Moscow and St. Petersburg;
- Transfers as per program: airport-hotel Moscow, hotel-train station, train station St Petersburg hotel, hotel-airport;
- 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:
  - 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;

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- St. Petersburg full day (8 hours) guided tour: the Royal Palace of Peterhof;
- 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.

#### 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.

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#### NOT INCLUDED:

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

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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

#### **COSSACK SHOW**

**Rate per person:** AUD 105 // USD 75 // GBP 60 // CAD 100

#### **CHANNEL BOAT TOUR**

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

### FABERGE TOUR (MINIMUM 2 PEOPLE TO GO)

Rate per person: AUD 75



## MOSCOW

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

Rate per person (based on minimum 2 people to go): AUD 120 // USD 85// GBP 66 // CAD 115

#### **CHANNEL BOAT TOUR**

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

# EXTRA NIGHT STAY (THE SAME FOR MOSCOW & ST. PETERSBURG)

Rate per person (3\*): AUD 63 // USD 45 // GBP 30 // CAD 60

Rate per person (4\*): AUD 113 // USD 80 // GBP 62 // CAD 108

Rate per person (5\*): AUD 188 // USD 134 // GBP 104 // CAD 180

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## **OUR HAND PICKED HOTELS IN THE DOWNTOWNS**

#### 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

### St Petersburg

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

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

5\* Sofitel/Astoria/Hermitage or similar

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