

from \$3969*

per person · double occupancy · from Toronto

A cruise is the best way to travel in Russia as it gives you more possibilities to discover places usually hidden to a regular tourist. Explore the mystery of this large country, feel the special beauty of its quiet provincial towns and the impetuous life of its imperial capitals – Moscow and St. Petersburg! While cruising down the river in Russia, you will enjoy unique Russian cuisine, folk music, decorative arts and immerse yourself deeper into Russian history.



Day 3 · Guided visit of the Kremlin, Moscow



Imperial Waterways

CRUISE TOUR ■ 14 DAYS

DAY 1 CANADA · GERMANY

Departure on a Lufthansa flight to Germany.

DAY 2 GERMANY · MOSCOW

Arrival in Germany and connecting flight to Moscow. Upon arrival, transfer to the boat. You will be welcomed with the "Bread and Salt" ceremony, an old Russian tradition. Installation in your cabin. Dinner on board. (D)

DAY 3 MOSCOW

Guided city tour: Leningradskaya street, Tverskaya street, KGB building, and the Red Square with the GUM (mall). Lunch at a downtown restaurant. Guided visit of the Kremlin including one of the cathedrals. In the evening, Moscow by night tour and visit of some of the most beautiful Metro stations. Dinner on board. (B/L/D)

DAY 4 MOSCOW

Guided visit of Stalin's bunker. The lunch will present Stalin's favorite dishes. Visit of the Tretyakov Gallery. Departure for Uglich. Dinner on board. (B/L/D)

DAY 5 UGLITCH

Guided walk through this small historical town. Guided visit of the Kremlin, the Saint-Dmitry on the Blood Church and Transfiguration Cathedral. Lunch on board. Departure to Yaroslavl. Dinner on board. (B/L/D)

DAY 6 YAROSLAVL

Guided visit of the old city of Yaroslavl. Free time at the local market, guided visit of St Nicholas the Wonderworker Church and see Elijah the Prophet Church from the outside. Bus transfer to Rostov-the-Great where you visit the Kremlin and the Assumption Cathedral. (B/L/D)

DAY 7 GORITZY

Afternoon arrival in Goritzky. Guided visit of the beautiful Monastery of St. Cyril on the White Lake. Meals on board. (B/L/D)

DAY 8 KIZHI

Arrival in Kizhi, the Karelian wonder. Guided visit of the island and its open-air Museum of wooden architecture. Meals on board. (B/L/D)

DAY 9 MANDROGI

Sailing on the Svir River between Onega and Ladoga lakes. Stop in Mandrogi, a small traditional village. Free time ashore. (B/L/D)

DAY 10 ST. PETERSBURG

Morning city tour with local guide to discover the main monuments including Peter and Paul Fortress. Lunch at a downtown restaurant. Guided visit of the famous Hermitage Museum. Dinner on board. (B/L/D)

DAY 11 ST. PETERSBURG

Guided excursion to Petrodvorets which is located on the southern shore of the Gulf of Finland. Lunch at a downtown restaurant. St. Petersburg by night tour. Dinner on board. (B/L/D)

DAY 12 ST. PETERSBURG

Guided excursion to Pushkin (Tsarskoye Selo), which was a summer residence of the imperial family. Visit of Catherine's Palace and its beautiful gardens. Lunch at a traditional restaurant. 5 km from Pushkin, you will visit the great palace of Pavlosk. Dinner on board. (B/L/D)

DAY 13 ST. PETERSBURG

In the morning, transfer from the boat to Dostoevsky hotel or similar. Day free to enjoy the city at your own rhythm. Farewell dinner with folkloric show including wine, vodka and champagne. (B/D)

► **Accommodation** Dostoevsky Hotel 3* or similar.

DAY 14 ST. PETERSBURG · GERMANY · CANADA

Breakfast. Transfer to St. Petersburg airport for your return flights to Canada via Germany. (B)

■ We can book tickets for the Bolshoi Theatre in Moscow or the Mariinsky Theatre in St. Petersburg. Contact your travel agent

The Package Includes

- **Transport** Flights with Air Canada/Lufthansa. Private transportation by bus for transfers and excursions.
- **Service** English-speaking guides for visits.
- **Visits** and excursions as per itinerary.
- **Accommodation and meals** 11 nights in an exterior cabin, 2 low beds. Accommodation for 1 night in a downtown hotel in St. Petersburg. **34 meals** 12 breakfasts, 5 lunches on board, 5 lunches downtown, 11 dinners on board and 1 farewell dinner downtown. Salt and Bread Ceremony. Welcome cocktail. Champagne, wine and vodka during farewell dinner. Tea or coffee at each meal.
- **Activities on board** Lectures, Russian language lessons, Russian dance, concerts.
- **Travel** documents.
- **Luggage** handling (1 piece per person).
- **Note** visits order is subject to change.

Not Included

Russian visa (\$75). Gratuities. Optional visits and excursions. Beverages during the meals. Airport, security taxes and service charges: \$540.



Cruise on the Volga River

A trip to Russia would not be complete without experiencing a cruise down her waterways. A river cruise is an incredible way that you can immerse yourself in Russian culture, cuisine and folklore while enjoying the world famous sights and beautiful landscapes of Russia.

Ships

Built in Germany in the 80's, the ships offer standard cabins (European standards). The exterior cabins are equipped with large windows spread out over four decks.

The dining atmosphere is relaxed and casual; the onboard meals are Russian cuisine and a limited wine selection is offered. If you order from the wine list at the beginning of the cruise, the same vintage may not be available a few days later. Our friendly staff will make your stay memorable.

For more information: www.bestussiancruises.com

MS Russ ▶ 288 passengers



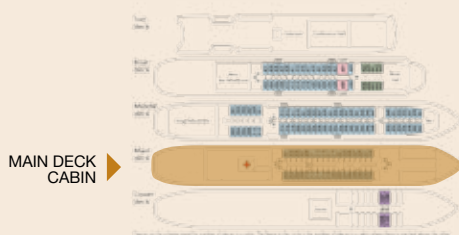
ACCOMMODATION

- 2 suites
- 10 single cabins
- 124 double cabins
- Private bathroom
- Air conditioning
- Radio
- Refrigerator
- Safety box



SERVICES ON BOARD

- Restaurant
- Bar
- Solarium
- Sauna
- Conference room
- Souvenirs store
- Medical room



MS Leonid Sobolev ▶ 280 passengers



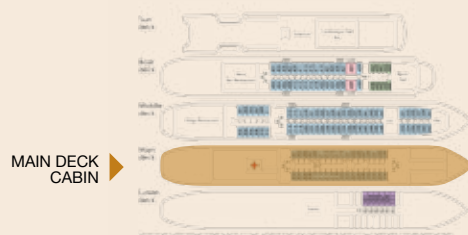
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DEPARTURE DATES 2012

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	TORONTO	VANCOUVER
G May 28, 2012 (MS Russ)	4 119	4 279
G September 12, 2012 (MS Sobolev)	4 119	4 279
Single supplement		1 599
Middle deck supplement		199
Boat deck supplement		299

Prices are starting from, per person, double occupancy, in canadian dollar (\$), main deck
Taxes: + \$500 · Other departure cities available upon request.

Guaranteed Departures

