

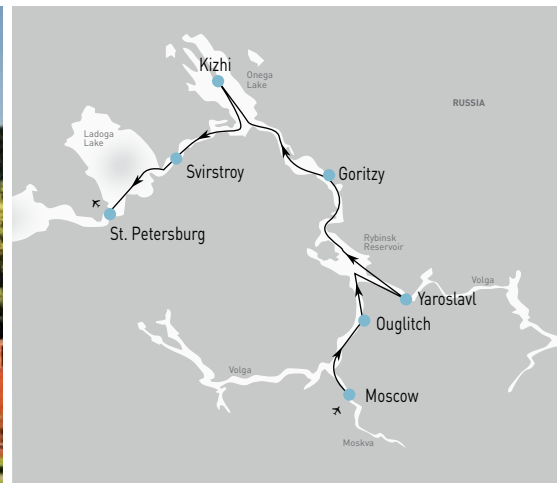
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RUSSIA



Moscow



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 1 Canada • Germany • Departure on a Lufthansa flight to Germany. Meals and movies on board.

Day 2 Germany • Moscow • Arrival in Germany and connecting flight to Moscow. Upon arrival, transfer to the boat. You will be welcome 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 Uglitch. 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 Goritzky • 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. Accomodation: Dostoevsky Hotel 3* or similar. (B/D)

Day 14 St. Petersburg • Germany • Canada • Breakfast. Transfer to St. Petersburg airport for your return flights to Canada via Germany. (B)

N.B. Visits order is subject to change.

The Package Includes

Transportation • Flights with Lufthansa • Private transportation by bus for transfers and excursions • **Guides •** English-speaking local guides • **Visits and excursions •** As per the itinerary • **Activities on board:** lectures, Russian lesson, evening events and concerts • **Accommodations and meals •** Accommodation for 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 • **Services •** Luggage handling (1 piece per person) • **Not included •** Visa for Russia (\$75) • Gratuities • Optional visits and excursions • Beverages during the meals • Airport, security taxes and service charges: \$480 or 490.

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Boats

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Accomodation • 2 suites • 10 single cabins • 124 double cabins • private bathroom • air conditioning • radio • refrigerator

Services on board • Restaurant • bar • solarium • sauna • conference hall • medical room • fitness center • souvenirs store. Maximum capacity: 288 passengers

Ms Sobolev

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Services on board • Restaurant • bar • solarium • sauna • conference hall • medical room • fitness center • souvenirs store. Maximum capacity: 280 passengers

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