

Explore Russia Visa Free by Ferry from Helsinki: St. Petersburg - Moscow - 5 days

VF-01



If you're short on time and don't wish to apply for a Russian visa, then this is the tour for you, a 72-hour trip taking in the highlights of Russia's two largest cities. Our professional guides and drivers will ensure that you see all the major sights of elegant St Petersburg and buzzing Moscow. You'll visit the Peter and Paul Fortress, be awed by the huge art collection at the Hermitage Museum, get up close and personal with Lenin's embalmed body in his mausoleum and of course have a tour of colourful St Basil's Cathedral in Red Square.

For your comfort, we have organized a stay in a comfortable 3* hotel in the center of Moscow before the train ride to St. Petersburg.

DEPARTURE DATES:

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Day 1 - Helsinki

Departure to St. Petersburg. Ferry Princess Anastasia

Day 2 - St. Petersburg

Exploring St. Petersburg. Peter & Paul's Fortress.
Catherine Palace & Amber Room. Departure to Moscow

Day 3 - Moscow

Highlights of Moscow: Kremlin, Armoury, Red Square.
Departure to St. Petersburg

Day 4 - St. Petersburg

Hermitage Museum. Boat Trip. Departure to Helsinki

Day 5 - Helsinki

Arrival in Helsinki

TOUR INCLUSIONS AND OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Included

International flights
Accommodation
Ferry cabin
Breakfasts in Russia
Train: 2nd class (overnight)
English - speaking guides
Guided tours & entrance fees
Port fees
Hotel & railway transfers

Not included

Personal travel insurance
Optional excursions
Lunches & dinners
Transfers in Helsinki

Optional extras and upgrades

Optional excursions
Train compartment upgrade
Theatre and circus tickets

Practical information

FAQ: travelling in Russia
FAQ: visa-free tours
Visa-free rules
Book with Confidence - Covid FAQs

ALTERNATIVE TOURS AND TAILOR-MADE ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to organised group tours, we also offer individual trips. This could be an entirely separate holiday arrangement or an extension to a regular "Go Russia" trip. Whether you would like to travel independently, or just with the group of your friends or colleagues, we can help to realise your holiday plans. Depending on your preference for either comfort or budget, we can help you to design the ideal itinerary and provide the optimal value-for-money quote. Please contact us for a quote.

Based on your chosen tour we believe you might be interested in alternative trips listed below:

> Explore Russia Visa-Free by Ferry from Helsinki: St. Petersburg - 5 days (VF-02), Price from £, 5 days

- > [Best of Moscow & St. Petersburg Guided Tour \(CB-17\)](#), Price from £995, 8 days
- > [Discovery of the Russian North: St. Petersburg, Kizhi, Solovetsky Island, Gulag Camp \(KL-07\)](#), Price from £1,795, 9 days

INFORMATION ABOUT VISAS

Go Russia provides assistance in processing visas and visa fees are included in the cost of most of our trips as detailed in the tour dossier. The visa application process is very straightforward. We have years of practical experience in dealing with tourist visas, and our in-house visa team provides assistance with completing the forms and checking the documents before consular submission. Please do not worry that your application will be unsuccessful (unless you have had any immigration issues with the relevant authorities in the past). All our tourists get their visas.

All nationalities require a full passport valid for at least six months beyond the intended length of stay. Please also make sure there are enough blank pages in your passport: Russian consulate requires minimum two blank pages.

UK, USA, Germany, France, Spain residents

We have in-house visa teams in the UK, USA, Germany, France and Spain. Upon your booking we will email you detailed guidance notes how to fill in the visa forms and what additional documents depending on nationality and your immigration status will be required. You will need to post your application pack to our visa processing office including your original passport. Please allow about two - three weeks for each visa application to be processed. The actual visa processing times are published on our website. Please advise us if you require your passport urgently, we can arrange urgent processing for an additional charge.

Non-UK, USA, Germany, France, Spain residents

If you are not resident in the above countries, we will issue official paperwork and email the required documents to you. You will need to apply for your visa at the local consulate. The process is very straightforward and we can assist you with completing the visa forms. You will have to pay the correct visa fee at the consulate in the country of your residence.

You can read more information about visa, processing times and application forms on our website:

www.justgorussia.co.uk/en/visa_services.html

HOW TO BOOK

Step 1 - Choose Your Holiday & Departure Dates

It is important that you choose a trip that is well suited to your interests, capabilities and experience. All our staff has first hand experience of a range of Go Russia holidays and will be happy to talk to you about your chosen trip, enabling you to assess its suitability. We also recommend that you read the descriptions of the relevant region, general information about our services, booking conditions, and trip dossiers carefully. Once you know what tour is right for you, as well as your departure dates, you can start your booking.

Step 2 - Complete the Booking Form

Online: log on to www.justgorussia.co.uk and open the tour you wish to book and click "Book now". To provide you with a more personalised and relevant experience in all your contact with Go Russia, when you book online we ask you to register on our system. Once registered you can retrieve your bookings, brochure requests, update newsletter subscriptions, passenger and emergency contact details, submit special dietary requests, view invoices and receipts, download trip documents.

Email: alternatively, you can book your tour per email - info@justgorussia.co.uk, or

Phone: call us on +44 (0)20 33 55 77 17

When booking by email or over the phone please confirm your personal details (full name and address), chosen tour, departure date, package type (hotel / cabin category), and available upgrades.

Step 3 - Confirmation of your booking

On receipt of your booking form, we will make any necessary reservations for you and send you confirmation invoice, including the flight details, and additional information about your destination: advice on visas, vaccinations and what to take. The invoice will also show you the exact due date of the payment.

Step 4 - Payment

Please note, if your departure date is more than 56 days you will need to pay the deposit, which should cover the full cost of the flight (if applicable), plus 10% of the land-only arrangements (minimum £100) per person towards your tour. The outstanding payment must be made 56 days prior to departure. If you book less than 56 days before departure, full payment must be made at the time of your booking. You can make your payment by bank transfer, debit or credit card, cheque, bankers draft or postal order. You will find all relevant payment details in your invoice.

