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HIGHLIGHTS OF RUSSIA

10 days

MOSCOW – SERGIEV POSAD – SUZDAL – VLADIMIR – ST. PETERSBURG

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- Sightseeing and entrance fees, as per itinerary
- Transport by air-conditioned coach and 1st class rail
- Gratuities and porterage included

UNIQUE HIGHLIGHTS
- Tour of Moscow’s Kremlin and Armoury Museum, treasury of Russian czars
- Exploration of the famous Moscow Metro and iconic Red Square
- 3-day excursion to historic towns along the famed Golden Ring
- Visit to a local family in Suzdal for a traditional Russian meal
- 1st class travel on the high speed Sapsan train to St. Petersburg
- Tour of the world-famous Hermitage Museum in the royal Winter Palace
- Excursion to the imperial estates of Pushkin (Catherine Palace) and Petrovskets (Peterhof)
- Private cruise along the canals of St. Petersburg
- Tickets to the Moscow Circus and Russian Folklore Show

Guaranteed Departures
Small Group Tour

Pre-tour Excursion: Tretyakov Gallery (4 hours)
Benefit from our discounted hotel rates and arrive a day earlier to join our half day tour to the acclaimed Tretyakov Gallery to see its extensive collection of religious icons and pre-revolutionary paintings.

Day 1 Fri Moscow
Your tour commences with an arrival transfer to Hotel Metropol (5 star). At 5pm, join your fellow tour members and guide for a welcome drink and early dinner, followed by an entertaining performance of the famous Moscow Circus. (D)

Day 2 Sat Moscow
Today you will be introduced to the political and economic capital of the Russian Federation. On a city tour, see many of Moscow’s iconic landmarks such as the Bolshoi Theatre, KGB building and St. Basil’s Cathedral. Drive to Moscow University for a panoramic view of the city, then explore the 15th century Novodevichy Convent, as well as the magnificent Cathedral of Our Saviour. After lunch at a nearby restaurant, today’s highlight will be the formidable Kremlin, where you will have a tour of its grounds including two ancient cathedrals and the Armoury Museum – a stunning collection of royal artefacts including Faberge eggs, carriages and coronation dresses. This evening is free for an optional theatre performance. (B, L)

Day 3 Sun Moscow
After breakfast, experience Moscow’s famous Metro, Stalin’s architectural masterpiece, and marvel at the lavishly decorated stations. Finish your tour at Alexander Park for the Changing of the Guards, followed by free time at Red Square to enter Lenin’s Mausoleum or St. Basil’s Cathedral. Your guide will also take you through Russia’s premier shopping arcade, GUM, where you can have lunch. The afternoon is at leisure, or join your guide for an excursion to the Izmailova Market where you can purchase unique Russian souvenirs. This evening, take in the sights of Moscow on a relaxing dinner cruise along the Moskva River. (B, D)

Day 4 Mon Moscow – Sergiev Posad – Suzdal
Depart Moscow for a drive through the countryside to several of the ancient towns along Russia’s famed Golden Ring. First you visit the historic town of Sergiev Posad and its colourful, functioning St. Sergius Monastery, considered the holiest pilgrimage site of the Russian Orthodox Church. Here you will also experience the tradition of Russian matroska doll painting, and after a local lunch, continue to Suzdal. After check-in at Hotel Pushkarskaya Sloboda (4 star), enjoy an orientation walk on your way to dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 5 Tue Suzdal – Vladimir
Today you visit the unique Museum of Wooden Architecture and Suzdal’s 11th century Kreml and take a horse carriage ride to beautiful St. Euthimius for a tour of the monastery and its Gold Room. You will then meet a local family and be served a traditional Russian lunch in their home, before driving to Vladimir, Russia’s former capital founded in 1108. On arrival, you will see the city’s Golden Gate and UNESCO-listed Assumption and Demetrius Cathedrals, followed by check-in at Park Hotel Voznesenskaya Sloboda (4 star) and dinner at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

Day 6 Wed Vladimir – St. Petersburg
This morning, visit nearby Bogolyubovo to see the Church of the Intercession on the Nerl, then return to Moscow, stopping en-route for a light lunch. Board your high-speed train to St. Petersburg and admire the scenery whilst enjoying dinner in 1st class comfort. On arrival, you will be met by your local guide and be transferred to Hotel Domina Prestige (5 star). (B, L, D)

Day 7 Thu St. Petersburg
Immerse yourself into St. Petersburg’s imperial past with a drive to the town of Pushkin, Tsarskoe Selo (Czar’s Village), where you will visit the magnificent Catherine
Palace and its famous Amber Room. After lunch at Pushkin, continue your royal tour to Peter the Great’s grand summer estate, Petrodvorets (Peterhof). Here you will see its famous Grand Cascade of fountains and gold statues and take a guided walk through the lovely gardens. Return to the city centre by hydrofoil across the Gulf of Finland, followed by an evening at leisure for an optional theatre performance. (B, L)

**DAY 8  FRI  ST. PETERSBURG**

After breakfast, discover St. Petersburg on a city tour which will include Peter and Paul Fortress, the city’s first settlement which houses the burial vault of the Romanov dynasty, and the incredible Split Blood Cathedral featuring 7,000sqm of exquisite mosaics. After a local lunch, you will have a tour of Yusupov Palace, the opulent residence of St. Petersburg’s wealthiest family and sight of Rasputin’s infamous murder. This evening, enjoy an entertaining folklore performance at Nikoleavsky Palace. (B, L)

**DAY 9  SAT  ST. PETERSBURG**

Today you visit the renowned Hermitage Museum, located in the imperial Winter Palace, for an introduction to its immense collection of over 2.7 million items of art. After an orientation tour, return to your hotel for a free afternoon, stopping en-route at St. Isaac’s Cathedral to admire the city views from its colonnade. In the evening, join your private cruise along the canals and Neva River of St. Petersburg, followed by a farewell dinner to mark the conclusion of your journey. (B, D)

**DAY 10  SUN  ST. PETERSBURG**

Your tour concludes with a departure transfer for your onward journey. (B)

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**CONTINUE THIS TOUR TO THE BALTICS & POLAND**

Continue your adventure on our small group special journey through the Baltic countries and Poland, which has been specially designed to link with the conclusion of this tour. Please refer to “BEST OF RUSSIA, THE BALTICS & POLAND” featured on pages 8-9 for further details.

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SPECIAL JOURNEY

BEST OF RUSSIA, THE BALTICS & POLAND


DAY 1 FRI MOSCOW
Your tour commences with an arrival transfer to Hotel Metropol (S star). At 5pm, join your fellow tour members and guide for a welcome drink and early dinner, followed by a performance of the famous Moscow Circus. (D)

DAY 2 SAT MOSCOW
On a city tour, see many iconic landmarks such as the Bolshoi Theatre, KGB Headquarters and St. Basil’s Cathedral. You also visit the 15th century Novodevichy Convent and magnificent Cathedral of Our Saviour. After lunch, enter Moscow’s Kremlin for a tour of its grounds and the Armory Museum, a stunning collection of royal artefacts. Your evening is at leisure. (B, L, D)

DAY 3 SUN MOSCOW
Today you discover Moscow’s famous Metro and its artwork. Your evening is at leisure. (B, L)

DAY 4 MON MOSCOW – SERGIJEV POSAD – SUZDAL
Depart Moscow and drive to the ancient towns along Russia’s famed Golden Ring. First you have the opportunity to experience the tradition of Russian matroshka doll painting, followed by a visit to the historic town of Sergiev Posad and its functioning St. Sergius Monastery. After lunch, continue to Suzdal for check-in at Hotel Pushkarskaya Sloboda (4 star) and an orientation walk on your way to dinner. (B, L, D)

DAY 5 TUE SUZDAL – VLADIMIR
Today you visit Suzdal’s unique Museum of Wooden Architecture, 11th century Kremlin and beautiful St. Euthimius Monastery. You will also meet a local family for a traditional lunch before driving to Vladimir, Russia’s former capital. See the UNESCO-listed Assumption and Demetrius Cathedrals, followed by dinner at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

DAY 6 WED VLADIMIR – ST. PETERSBURG
Visit the nearby village of Bogolyubovo before driving back to Moscow, with a stop en-route for a light lunch. Board your high-speed train to St. Petersburg and enjoy dinner in 1st class comfort. On arrival, you will be met by your guide and be transferred to Hotel Domina Prestige (S star). (B, L, D)

DAY 7 THU ST. PETERSBURG
Immerse yourself into St. Petersburg’s imperial past with an excursion to Tsarskoe Selo (formerly Pushkin) for a tour of Catherine Palace and its Amber Room. After lunch, continue to Peter the Great’s grand estate, Petrodvorets (Peterhof). Here you will see the Grand Cascade of fountains and gold statues and take a guided walk through the lovely gardens. Return by hydrofoil across the Gulf of Finland, followed by an evening at leisure. (B, L)

DAY 8 FRI ST. PETERSBURG
Your St. Petersburg city tour will include Peter and Paul Fortress, which houses the burial vault of the Romanov dynasty, and the magnificent Spilt Blood Cathedral. After lunch, you will tour the opulent palace of the Yusupov family where Rasputin was murdered. Tonight, enjoy an entertaining folklore show at Nikoleavsky Palace. (B, L)

DAY 9 SAT ST. PETERSBURG
The Winter Palace is now the renowned Hermitage Museum, where you will have an introduction to its immense collection of art. Then admire the city views from the colonnade of St. Isaac’s Cathedral, followed by free time. In the evening, enjoy a cruise along the canals of St. Petersburg and dinner in local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 10 SUN ST. PETERSBURG – TALLINN
This morning, transfer to the bus station and board your coach to Tallinn. On arrival, check-in at My City Hotel (4 star), then meet your Baltics guide for a welcome drink and dinner at a medieval restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 11 MON TALLINN
Your walking tour of this medieval, walled city includes Dome Cathedral, Toompea Castle and 13th century Town Hall. After lunch, join an excursion to an ethnographic museum for an interesting look at rural Estonian life. Evening at leisure. (B, L)

DAY 12 TUE TALLINN – VIHULA – TARTU
Drive through the scenic Estonian countryside to Tartu, stopping to see several manor houses built by Baltic-German nobles. Take lunch Vihula Manor, then continue south to Estonia’s second largest city. Check in at Hotel London (4 star) and join a walking tour before this evening’s dinner. (B, L, D)

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES • SMALL GROUP TOUR

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UNIQUE HIGHLIGHTS
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• Dinner with a local family in Suzdal
• World renowned Hermitage Museum
• Catherine Palace and Peterhof estate
• Private canal cruise in St. Petersburg
• Performance of the famous Moscow Circus & Russian folklore show
• 1st class train on the high speed Sapsan
• Dinner at a medieval restaurant in Tallinn
• Organ concert in Riga’s Dome Cathedral
• Lithuania’s evocative Hill of Crosses
• Castle stay in Poland’s lake district
• Wolf’s Lair, Hitler’s WWII headquarters
• Private Chopin concert in Warsaw
• Lower Silesia’s historic capital, Wroclaw
• Oskar Schindler’s factory in Krakow

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DAY 13 WED TARTU – CESIS – RIGA

Today, cross into neighbouring Latvia stopping at Cesis to see the ruins of its 13th century castle. After a local lunch, continue your drive through Gauja National Park before an afternoon arrival at Hotel Welton Valnu (4 star) in Riga. Tonight, enjoy an orientation walk through the Old Town as you make your way to dinner. (B, L, D)

DAY 14 THU RIGA

Explore Riga’s fascinating mix of German, Latvian and Russian heritage on a walking tour that will feature the Art Nouveau district, Freedom Monument, Swedish Gate, Opera House and St. Peter’s Church. Be treated to an organ concert at Dome Cathedral and lunch a local restaurant, with the rest of the day at leisure. (B, L, D)

DAY 15 FRI RIGA – RUNDALE – VILNIUS

This morning, visit Riga’s central markets before travelling south to Rundale Place, built in the 17th century by Rastrelli. After a tour of its state rooms and gardens, continue into Lithuania, stopping at Siauliai to see the evocative Hill of Crosses. Arrive at Vilnius and check in at Hotel Europe Royale (4 star) for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 16 SAT VILNIUS

Your tour of Vilnius’ charming Old Town will include St. Anne’s Church, Chapel of the Dawn, Vilnius Cathedral and 14th century Gediminas Tower which offers spectacular city views. The afternoon is free to explore further, with your final dinner in the Baltics booked at a local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 17 SUN VILNIUS – MAZURY LAKE DISTRICT

Today’s destination is the picturesque Mazury Lake District in northeast Poland. En-route, stop at Wigry National Park for a cruise on the lake and lunch, then visit Boyen Fortress, one of the biggest Prussian fortifications from the 19th century. Check-in at Sofitel Ryn (4 star) for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 18 MON MAZURY LAKE DISTRICT – WARSAW

After breakfast, you visit Gierzow (Wolf’s Lair), Hitler’s eastern headquarters during WWII, and Swieta Lipka, a baroque church famous for its legendary silver Madonna. You will also see several Gothic castles, including a museum tour and lunch at Nidzica Castle. Continue to the Polish capital and check-in at Sofitel Warsaw (5 star), followed by a guided walk on the way to dinner. (B, L, D)

DAY 19 TUE WARSAW

On your city tour, discover the Royal Route and learn about Jewish Warsaw including a visit to the former Ghetto. After lunch, take a walking tour of the Old Town, beautifully rebuilt after WWII, and stop for afternoon tea at the famous Wedel Café. Tonight at Szuster Palace, you will be treated to a Chopin piano recital. (B, L)

DAY 20 WED WARSAW – LODZ – WROCLAW

As you drive southwest to Lower Silesia, stop at the city of Lodz to see Poznanski Palace and take a tour of the remarkable Factory Museum. After lunch, transfer to Wroclaw and check-in at Hotel Park Plaza (4 star), followed by a walk through Wroclaw’s historic Market Square and dinner. (B, L, D)

DAY 21 THU WROCLAW – KRAKOW

This morning you visit 9th century Ostrow Tumski (Cathedral Island), Wroclaw Cathedral and famous Racławice Panorama. You will have lunch in Wroclaw before the drive to Krakow. On the way, visit Mozna Castle, then check-in at Hotel Andel’s (4 star) and enjoy tonight’s dinner in the Old Town. (B, L, D)

DAY 22 FRI KRAKOW / AUSCHWITZ

Visit Krakow’s once thriving Jewish district, Kazimierz, and Podgorze, site of the Krakow Ghetto and Oskar Schindler’s factory. After a tour of the museum and lunch at a Jewish restaurant, travel to the notorious Nazi concentration camp Auschwitz-Birkenau for a private tour [note: participation is optional]. Transfer back to Krakow for a free evening. (B, L)

DAY 23 SAT KRAKOW

Krakow is one of Eastern Europe’s most beautiful cities. Experience the rich heritage of Poland’s former eastern headquarters during WWII, and Swieta Lipka, a baroque church famous for its legendary silver Madonna. You will also see several Gothic castles, including a museum tour and lunch at Nidzica Castle. Continue to the Polish capital and check-in at Sofitel Ryn (4 star) for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

Your tour concludes with a departure transfer for your onward journey, or extend your stay and consider joining our post-tour excursion.

Post-tour Excursion: Zakopane (10 hours)

South of Krakow lies the alpine village of Zakopane, nestled at the foot of the majestic Tatra Mountains. Admire the charming timber houses and churches of “Old Zakopane”, then take a funicular up Gubalowka Mountain for stunning views of the High Tatras. Lunch is included.

CONTINUE THIS TOUR TO BUDAPEST AND VISIT THE CZECH & SLOVAK REPUBLICS

Continue your adventure to Prague and Budapest on our small group Special Journey through the Czech and Slovak Republics, which has been specially designed to link with the conclusion of this tour (all dates except Sep 4). For a detailed itinerary of our guaranteed, 11 day “BOHEMIA TO BUDAPEST” tour, please refer to our website or 2015 Eastern Europe & Beyond brochure.

Best of Russia, the Baltics & Poland

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- Post-tour Accommodation (Sun, Mon) Hotel Andel’s (executive), Krakow 140 110
- Pre-tour Excursion (Fri) Tretiyakov Gallery (min 3 persons) 60
- Post-tour Excursion (Sun) Zakopane (min 4 persons) 165

For reservations and more information, please visit our website or contact us.
FABULOUS SCANDINAVIA

DAY 1   THU   COPENHAGEN
Your tour commences with an optional arrival transfer to Hotel Scandic Copenhagen (4 star). This evening, join your fellow tour members and guide at a welcome meeting.

DAY 2   FRI   COPENHAGEN – OSLO
Copenhagen is Scandinavia's largest and most lively city and one of Europe's most romantic capitals. A morning sightseeing tour will acquaint you with all the city's treasures such as the Little Mermaid, Royal Castle, Nyhavn Harbour and the City Hall Square. This afternoon embark on your overnight ferry bound for Oslo. (B, D)

DAY 3   SAT   OSLO – GEILO
Founded in 1048, Scandinavia's oldest capital is a very pleasant city with an interesting mix of historical and modern architecture. On arrival, take a sightseeing tour beginning at Frogner Park, with its unique sculptures by Gustav Vigeland, and then onto City Hall, Karl Johan Gate and the Royal Palace. In the afternoon drive the beautiful Hallingdal Valley to visit Gol and Geilo. Overnight at Hotel Dr. Holms (4 star) in Geilo. (B, D)

DAY 4   SUN   GEILO – BERGEN
Today experience Norway's breathtaking beauty on a drive up over the Hardanger mountain plateau. En-route see the Voringsfossen Waterfall before crossing Hardanger Fjord to Bergen. An afternoon sightseeing tour will showcase this remarkable Hanseatic city, including the Bryggen area of old wooden houses, traditional Fish Market, St. Mary's Church and Haakon's Hall. Overnight at Hotel Scandic Oernen (4 star). (B, D)

DAY 5   MON   BERGEN – STALHEIM
Your morning is at leisure to further explore this stunning Norwegian city before an afternoon drive to historic Voss with its scenic backdrop of snow clad mountains. Continue to the Naroy Valley and Stalheim, with its stunning views down the Stalheim Gorge. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Stalheim (4 star). (B, D)

DAY 6   TUE   STALHEIM – FAGERNES
After breakfast travel through the fjord region, with its formidable water-drowned glacial valleys and rugged mountain terrain to Flam. Here you may join an optional excursion on the Flam Railway, one of the most famous and breath-taking railway journeys in the world. Later, drive along the Aurlandfjord to Fagernes. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Quality Fagernes (4 star). (B, D)

DAY 7   WED   FAGERNES – OSLO
Leave the majestic Norwegian fjords behind and travel back to Oslo. After check-in at Clarion Royal Christiania (4 star) the remainder of the day is at leisure to explore more of the Viking capital. (B)

DAY 8   THU   OSLO – STOCKHOLM
This morning, drive to Stockholm, passing through a varied landscape of forests, fertile farmland and blue lakes. Arrive in the Swedish capital in the afternoon and check-in at Hotel Scandic Grand Central (4 star). (B)

DAY 9   FRI   STOCKHOLM
Stockholm is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful capitals in the world, built on 14 islands and protected from the sea by the Stockholm archipelago. Your morning sightseeing tour takes you to the Old Town with its Royal Palace, Stockholm Cathedral and famous City Hall. Afternoon at leisure for further discovery. (B)

DAY 10   SAT   STOCKHOLM
Your tour concludes with an optional departure transfer for your onward journey. (B)
FOUR CAPITALS

DAY 1 TUE STOCKHOLM
Your tour commences with an arrival transfer to Hotel Clarion Sign (4 star). This evening, join your fellow tour members and guide at a welcome dinner. (D)

DAY 2 WED STOCKHOLM
Join your guide for a morning tour of beautiful Stockholm, the 'Venice of the North.' See the Royal Palace, Parliament Buildings, Djurgården and the Gamla Stan (Old Town), with its narrow cobbled streets. The highlight is a visit to City Hall with its famous Blue and Golden Rooms, setting for the annual Nobel Prize Banquet. Your afternoon is at leisure, we recommend a visit to the Vasa Museum or a canal cruise. (B)

DAY 3 THU STOCKHOLM - HELSINKI
A free morning is followed by a transfer to the port for the overnight ferry to Helsinki. Sail through the Stockholm archipelago as you settle into your cabin. Dinner will be served in one of the ferry's many restaurants. (B, D)

DAY 4 FRI HELSINKI - STOCKHOLM
Enjoy breakfast as you sail into Helsinki. On arrival, join your guide for a tour of the Finnish capital. Highlights include the beautiful harbour, Senate Square, Uspenski Cathedral, Finlandia Hall and the Sibelius Park & Monument. This afternoon is free for further exploring before embarking your overnight ferry to Stockholm. Note: your cabin for the Stockholm-Helsinki overnight sector will be retained for you. (B, D)

DAY 5 SAT STOCKHOLM - COPENHAGEN
Arrive in Stockholm after breakfast and your tour continues by coach through the pleasant countryside of southern Sweden to Lake Vättern. After lunch at a local restaurant drive to Malmö where you will cross the Øresund Bridge into Denmark. Early evening arrival in Copenhagen with dinner and overnight at the Admiral Hotel (4 star). (B, L, D)

DAY 6 SUN COPENHAGEN
Your day begins with a guided tour of wonderful Copenhagen during which you will see Amalienborg Palace, Christiansborg Palace, Hans Christian Andersen’s statue, the old harbour of Nyhavn and the famous Little Mermaid. During afternoon free time we recommend visiting the popular pedestrian street of Strøget, Rosenborg Palace, or the famous Tivoli Gardens. (entrance tickets to Tivoli are included). (B)

DAY 7 MON COPENHAGEN - OSLO
A free morning in Copenhagen for shopping or more sightseeing before an afternoon transfer to the port for your overnight ferry to Oslo. Enjoy a buffet dinner as you cruise along the Kattegat on your way to Oslo. (B, D)

DAY 8 TUE OSLO
This morning cruise along the enchanting Oslo Fjord before arriving in the Norwegian capital. Join your guide for a city tour including the impressive Vigeland Sculpture Park and City Hall. This afternoon we recommend a visit to the Viking Museum or a stroll along Karl Johan Gate. Dinner and overnight at Radisson BLU Plaza Hotel. (B)

DAY 9 TUE OSLO
Your tour concludes with a departure transfer for your onward journey. (B)

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• Fully escorted in ENGLISH ONLY
• 4 star hotel accommodation
• Seaview cabin with private facilities Stockholm- Helsinki-Stockholm & Copenhagen-Oslo ferries
• Meals as specified: B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner
• City tours of Stockholm, Copenhagen, Oslo, & Helsinki
• Entrance tickets to the Tivoli Gardens, Copenhagen
• Transportation by air-conditioned coach
• Arrival and departure transfers (first and last day only)

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES
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Four Capitals & The Norwegian Fjords


Extend your exploration of Scandinavia with an additional 6 nights touring the scenic splendours of Norway. Highlights include the hanseatic city of Bergen, the spectacular Flam railway, the Norwegian fjords, the Briksdal Glacier and much more!

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DAY 1  SAT  MOSCOW
Your tour commences with an arrival transfer to Marriott Grand Hotel (5 star). This evening, join your fellow tour members and guide at a welcome dinner. (D)

DAY 2  SUN  MOSCOW
Moscow is the symbolic heart of Russia. Your comprehensive sightseeing begins at Red Square, dominated by the red walls of the Kremlin. After a tour of the Kremlin grounds, visit the famous Armoumy Museum, treasury of the Russian czars. (B)

DAY 3  MON  MOSCOW – TVER – NOVGOROD
Depart Moscow for Tver for a short sightseeing tour of this city built by Catherine II as a resting place on her journey between Moscow and St. Petersburg. The day ends in Novgorod with dinner and overnight at Park Inn Veliky Novgorod (4 star). (B, L, D)

DAY 4  TUE  NOVGOROD – ST. PETERSBURG
Your morning sightseeing tour of Novgorod visits the Kremlin, St. Sophia’s Cathedral and Yaroslav’s Court before departing to St. Petersburg. On arrival, take a city tour along the Nevsky Prospekt to St. Isaac’s Cathedral and Peter and Paul Fortress. Dinner and overnight at Holiday Inn St. Petersburg (4 star). (B, D)

DAY 5  WED  ST. PETERSBURG
Spread over 100 islands linked by over 600 bridges, imperial St. Petersburg is often referred to as the “Venice of the North.” This morning, enjoy a guided tour of the Hermitage Museum with its immense collection of art. In the afternoon an optional tour to Peterhof Palace will be offered. (B)

DAY 6  THU  ST. PETERSBURG – TALLINN
Depart for Tallinn with a stop in Narva on the Estonian border. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Meriton Grand (4 star). (B, D)

DAY 7  FRI  TALLINN – RIGA
Tallinn boasts the best-preserved medieval town in Northern Europe. Your walking tour takes you to Toompea Castle, Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and 14th century Gothic Town Hall. In the afternoon, depart for Riga. Dinner and overnight at Radisson Blu Hotel Latvia (4 star). (B, D)

DAY 8  SAT  RIGA
Riga, the largest of the Baltic capitals founded in 1201, is often referred to as the “Paris of the Baltics.” Your walking tour of the Old Town includes Riga Castle, Dome Cathedral, Powder Tower and the district of Art Nouveau houses. The afternoon is at leisure for your own exploration. (B)

DAY 9  SUN  RIGA – VILNIUS
Depart on a scenic journey through the Baltic countryside to Vilnius. On arrival, your afternoon is free to begin exploring. Dinner and overnight at Novotel Vilnius Centre (4 star). (B, D)

DAY 10  MON  VILNIUS
The city of Vilnius is located at the confluence of the Neris and Véimele Rivers. Your morning sightseeing includes a panoramic walking tour of the Old Town to see such renowned sights as St. Stanislaw’s Cathedral, Gediminas Tower, the baroque Peter and Paul Church and ruins of Vilnius Castle. Afternoon and evening at leisure. (B)

DAY 11  TUE  VILNIUS – WARSAW
Depart the former Soviet Union and continue through the picturesque countryside to Warsaw. Arrive late afternoon, with dinner and overnight at Hotel Mercure Warszawa Centrum (4 star). (B, L, D)

DAY 12  WED  WARSAW
On a morning tour of Warsaw, drive along the Royal Route from Castle Square to Wilanow Palace, the summer residence of Poland’s last king. Walk through the Old Town to see Market Square, the Ghetto Memorial and Chopin’s Monument. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B)

DAY 13  THU  WARSAW – KRAKOW
Leaving Warsaw you head for Czestochowa, the spiritual heart of Poland, to visit Jasna Gora Monastery with its famous Black Madonna. In the afternoon you will tour Auschwitz-Birkenau, the infamous concentration camps from WWII. Arrive in Krakow with dinner and overnight at Novotel Centrum Krakow (4 star). (B, D)

DAY 14  FRI  KRAKOW
Your sightseeing tour will start with a visit to Wawel Hill to see the Royal Castle and Cathedral. Walk through the Old Town and visit Market Square, Cloth Hall and St. Mary's Church. The afternoon is free to wander the city on your own. (B)

DAY 15  SAT  KRAKOW – PRAGUE
Drive through the Polish countryside crossing into Slovakia and then the Czech Republic. Today’s final destination is Prague, with its baroque churches, promenades, parks and medieval Old Town. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Angelo (4 star). (B, D)

DAY 16  SUN  PRAGUE
Your city tour of Prague starts with a drive to Wenceslas Square and Castle Square. You then walk to Hradcany Castle, St. Vitus Cathedral and the Royal Palace before crossing Charles Bridge to the Old Town and Jewish Ghetto where you will see Town Hall and the Astronomical Clock. Free time in the afternoon and evening. (B)

DAY 17  MON  PRAGUE – VIENNA
Travel south to Vienna, the “city of waltzes,” and overnight at Hilton Vienna am Stadtpark Hotel (5 star). (B)

DAY 18  TUE  VIENNA
A morning sightseeing tour features the Hofburg Palace, Belvedere Palace, St. Stephen’s Cathedral and other reminders of the city’s imperial past. Your afternoon is at leisure before a farewell dinner. (B, D)

DAY 19  WED  VIENNA
Your tour concludes with a departure transfer for your onward journey. (B)

Moscow to Vienna
Guaranteed Departure Dates

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**ESCORTED TOURS**

**MOSCOW TO PRAGUE**

13 days

MOSCOW – NOVGOROD – ST. PETERSBURG – TALLINN
RIGA – VILNIUS – WARSAW – KRAKOW – PRAGUE

**INCLUSIONS**
- Fully escorted in ENGLISH ONLY
- 4 & 5 star hotel accommodation
- Meals as specified: B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- Transportation by air-conditioned coach
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13 Days from $3,575
May 2, 23; Jun 20; Jul 4, 25; Aug 22;
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**LITTLE TOUR OF RUSSIA**

400$ per couple
Deposit by 19 Dec

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7 Days from $2,300
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Sep 5, 12, 19; Oct 3

**ITINERARY IN BRIEF**

**DAY 1 SAT** MOSCOW: Arrival transfer and Welcome Dinner. (D)

**DAY 2 SUN** MOSCOW: City tour including Red Square and the Kremlin. (B)

**DAY 3 MON** MOSCOW – NOVGOROD: Tver sightseeing tour. (B, D)

**DAY 4 TUE** NOVGOROD – ST. PETERSBURG: Novgorod city tour and St. Petersburg city with Peter & Paul Fortress. (B, D)

**DAY 5 WED** ST. PETERSBURG: Hermitage Museum tour. (B)

**DAY 6 THU** ST. PETERSBURG – TALLINN: Scenic drive along the Gulf of Finland to Tallinn. (B, D)

**DAY 7 FRI** TALLINN – RIGA: Tallinn walking tour, drive to Riga. (B, D)

**DAY 8 SAT** RIGA: City walking tour. (B)

**DAY 9 SUN** RIGA – VILNIUS: Scenic drive to Vilnius. (B, D)

**DAY 10 MON** VILNIUS: City walking tour. (B)

**DAY 11 TUE** VILNIUS – WARSAW: Drive to Warsaw. (B, L, D)

**DAY 12 WED** WARSAW: City sightseeing tour. (B)

**DAY 13 THU** WARSAW – KRAKOW: Visit to Yasna Gora Monastery and Auschwitz-Birkenau. (B, D)

**DAY 14 FRI** KRAKOW: City tour. (B)

**DAY 15 SAT** KRAKOW – PRAGUE: Drive through Poland and Slovakia to Prague. (B, D)

**DAY 16 SUN** PRAGUE: City tour including the Old Town and Hradcany Castle. (B)

**DAY 17 MON** PRAGUE: Departure transfer. (B)

For full details, please refer to days 1 to 17 of the Moscow to Vienna itinerary.

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**Moscow to Prague**

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May 2, 23; Jun 20; Jul 4, 25; Aug 22;
Sep 5, 12, 19; Oct 3
RUSSIAN CAPITALS
7 days
ST. PETERSBURG – MOSCOW

Your tour commences with an optional arrival transfer to Radisson Sonya Hotel (4 star). This evening, join your fellow tour members and guide for a welcome meeting.

DAY 2 WED ST. PETERSBURG
You will become acquainted with the city’s foundations at Peter and Paul Fortress, then travel the city’s main boulevard, Nevsky Prospect, and see Kazan Cathedral, Church of the Spilt Blood, St. Isaac’s Cathedral, Alexander Nevsky Convent and much more. This afternoon offers an optional tour to the royal summer estate of Peterhof for a tour of the palace and lavish gardens. In the evening, join an optional visit to Nikolaevesky Palace for an entertaining folklore show. (B)

DAY 3 THU ST. PETERSBURG
Today’s optional tours include the aristocratic village of Tsarskoye Selo (Pushkin) for a tour of Catherine Palace and the world famous Hermitage Museum. In the evening, enjoy an optional dinner at a traditional Russian restaurant. (B)

DAY 4 FRI ST. PETERSBURG – MOSCOW
Explore St. Petersburg on your own, or take an optional guided shopping tour, before boarding the afternoon high-speed Sapsan train to Moscow. Overnight at Hotel Holiday Inn Lesnaya (4 star). (B)

DAY 5 SAT MOSCOW
On a sightseeing tour of the Russian capital, you will see Red Square, St. Basil’s Cathedral, the Bolshoi Theatre, Sparrow Hills with Moscow University, and take a tour of the Moscow Metro. In the afternoon, join an optional tour of the Kremlin grounds and cathedrals, and in the evening, a cruise along the Moscow River will be offered. (B)

DAY 6 SUN MOSCOW
Today, take an optional excursion to historic Novodevichy Convent, founded in 1524. In the afternoon you will be offered an optional tour to the Tretyakov Gallery. (B)

DAY 7 MON MOSCOW
Your tour concludes with an optional departure transfer for your onward journey. (B)

THE CZAR ROUTE
9 days
HELSINKI – ST. PETERSBURG – MOSCOW

Your tour commences with an optional arrival transfer to Scandic Hotel Simonkentta (4 star). This evening, join your fellow tour members and guide at a welcome meeting.

DAY 2 MON HELSINKI
Your Helsinki city tour includes the city’s lovely harbour, Parliament Building, Sibelius Monument and the famous “Church in the Rock.” In the afternoon, an optional tour is offered to Seurasaari Open-Air Museum. (B)

DAY 3 TUE HELSINKI – ST. PETERSBURG
Today, continue east to quaint Vyborg for a tour of its 13th century castle. Arrive in St. Petersburg and overnight at Hotel Radisson Sonya (4 star). (B)

DAY 4 WED ST. PETERSBURG
You will become acquainted with the city’s foundations at Peter and Paul Fortress, then travel the Nevsky Prospect, and see Kazan Cathedral, Church of the Spilt Blood, St. Isaac’s Cathedral and much more. This afternoon offers an optional tour to Peterhof for a tour of the palace and lavish gardens. In the evening, join an optional entertaining folklore show. (B)

DAY 5 THU ST. PETERSBURG
Today’s optional tours include Catherine Palace and the world famous Hermitage Museum. In the evening, enjoy an optional dinner at a traditional Russian restaurant. (B)

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On a sightseeing tour of the Russian capital, you will see Red Square, St. Basil’s Cathedral, the Bolshoi Theatre and take a tour of the Moscow Metro. In the afternoon, join an optional tour of the Kremlin grounds and cathedrals, and in the evening, a cruise along the Moscow River will be offered. (B)

DAY 8 SUN MOSCOW
Today, take optional excursions to Novodevichy Convent, founded in 1524 and the Tretyakov Gallery. In the evening, you may join an optional visit to the Moscow Circus. (B)

DAY 9 MON MOSCOW
Your tour concludes with an optional departure transfer for your onward journey. (B)
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Your Private Train Cabins

CLASSIC (Czar’s Gold), ALI BABA & ALADDIN (Silk Road), STANDARD (1001 Nights)

These 2-berth cabins (3.8 sqm) have single beds facing each other or two bunk beds (1001 Nights), a table below the window and ample storage space. In addition the 1001 Nights cabins have a wash basin and small fridge. Shared toilets are located at each end of the carriage with shared shower compartments in every second carriage. In Aladdin Class, bathrobes and slippers are provided.

SUPERIOR (Czar’s Gold)

These recently renovated 2-berth cabins (3.8sqm) have two single beds facing each other, a table below the window and ample storage space. Shared toilets are located at each end of the carriage and a shared shower compartment in every second carriage.

NOSTALGIC COMFORT (Czar’s Gold)

These newly built cabins (4 sqm) have been nostalgically furnished in Soviet-era style and offer two bunk beds, table and armchair. Two cabins share a small bathroom located in between with toilets and washrooms located at each end of the carriage.

BOLSHOI (Czar’s Gold), KALIF (Silk Road)

These larger cabins (5.6 sqm) are equipped with two bunk beds (the lower being an extra wide berth), an armchair, table and wardrobe. Each cabin has an en-suite bathroom offering a wash basin, toilet and shower. Each carriage has 6 cabins.

BOLSHOI PLATINUM (Czar’s Gold)

These newly introduced, deluxe cabins (7.2 sqm) feature the highest comfort on the Trans-Siberian Railway. Each cabin has facilities similar to the Bolshoi Class but with a full shower cabin, WC and wash basin. Each carriage has 5 cabins.

Your Private Train Journey Inclusions:

- Dedicated Tour Director, professional group guides and knowledgeable local guides, all equipped with expertise of the region
- Combined train and hotel accommodation with alternate nights taken either onboard or in 3, 4 or 5 star hotels. Note: Onboard the Czar’s Gold, Bolshoi and Bolshoi Platinum guests will be accommodated in 5 star hotels in Moscow and Beijing and upgraded room categories in 4 star hotels in Irkutsk and Ulaan Baatar.
- Extensive sightseeing program accompanied by local guides
- Educational lectures on local culture and history
- All meals onboard served in the lovely restaurant carriage with the finest local cuisine served by courteous crew
- Dedicated carriage attendant serving snacks and drinks
- Daytimes prioritised for sightseeing, with long-distance journeys travelled at night
- Arrival and departure transfers (conditions apply)
- Hotel transfers at intermediate destinations including porterage service
- Border formalities organised onboard the train
- Detailed travel documents, travel guides and personal log book
- Onboard doctor
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MOSCOW – KAZAN – YEKATERINBURG – LAKE BAIKAL – ULAAN BAATAR – BEIJING
May 9; Jun 6; Jul 2, 25
16 Days from $9,430

BEIJING – ULAAN BAATAR – LAKE BAIKAL – YEKATERINBURG – KAZAN – MOSCOW
May 17; Jun 14; Jul 10; Aug 2, 28; Sep 20
15 Days from $9,270

SILK ROAD
Almaty to Ashgabat: Apr 2; Oct 8
Ashgabat to Almaty: Apr 14; Oct 20
14 Days from $5,950

Istanbul to Tehran: May 19; Sep 29
Tehran to Istanbul: May 30; Oct 10
14 Days from $8,270

NEW FOR 2015
Spacious cabins offer every comfort including panoramic windows, comfortable armchairs, air-conditioning, reading lights, ample storage and a safe. The armchairs convert into two single beds at night. Your private en-suite features a shower, washbasin and toilet. Each carriage has 5 deluxe cabins.

Silver Class offers facilities similar to the Gold Class, however cabins are smaller at 5.5sqm. Each cabin has an en-suite offering private facilities and a separate shower cubicle. Each carriage has 6 cabins.

Gold Class cabins have everything from powerful showers and underfloor heating to a DVD/CD player, LCD screen and individual air conditioning. Each cabin has an en-suite offering private facilities and a separate shower cubicle. Each carriage has 5 cabins.

Imperial Suites are the largest onboard with a fixed double bed and lounge area with dressing table. Cabins feature powerful showers, underfloor heating, air-conditioning, DVD/CD player, LCD screen, mini-bar, safe and two panoramic windows. Each carriage has 1 cabin.

Each carriage of the Golden Eagle has 5 cabins.

Onboard Entertainment
The social heart of the trains is undoubtedly the bar carriage, a great place to relax and unwind in comfortable surroundings. A variety of lectures, language classes and entertainment are also provided onboard during your journey.

Onboard Doctor
All private trains have an onboard doctor who travels with you for the entire journey, so you can be assured that medical assistance is always available 24 hours a day.
TRANS-SIBERIAN EXPRESS  
aboard The Golden Eagle Express

MOSCOW – KAZAN – YEKATERINBURG – NOVOSIBIRSK – LAKE BAIKAL – ULAAN BAATAR – VLADIVOSTOK OR REVERSE
Moscow to Vladivostok: Feb 22; May 5; Jun 5; Jul 26; Aug 22
Vladivostok to Moscow: Mar 6; May 18; Jun 18; Aug 8; Sep 4
15 Days from $18,495

ULAAN BAATAR EXPRESS  
aboard The Golden Eagle Express

MOSCOW – KAZAN – YEKATERINBURG – NOVOSIBIRSK – LAKE BAIKAL – ULAAN BAATAR
May 5; Jun 5; Jul 26; Aug 22
11 Days from $13,995

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Moscow to Beijing: Sep 19
Beijing to Moscow: Sep 23
21 Days from $28,495

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BEIJING – ULAAN BAATAR – IRKUTSK – LAKE BAIKAL – YEKATERINBURG – MOSCOW OR REVERSE

16 days

INCLUSIONS
• Hotel accommodation for 8 nights
• Ger Camp accommodation for 1 night
• 2nd class (4 berth) shared sleeper accommodation for 6 nights
• Meals as specified: B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner
• Sightseeing as per itinerary with English-speaking local guides
• Private vehicle arrival and departure transfers in each city

DAY 1 BEIJING: Arrive in Beijing and transfer to Hotel Dongfang (3 star).

DAY 2 BEIJING: Transfer to the railway station after breakfast for your overnight train to Ulaan Baatar. (B)

DAY 3 ULAAN BAATAR – TERELJ NATIONAL PARK: Afternoon arrival into Mongolia’s capital where your guide will be waiting to begin your tour to Terelj National Park. Experience the nomadic life as you overnight in a ger camp. (D)

DAY 4 TERELJ NATIONAL PARK – ULAAN BAATAR: Explore Terelj National Park before returning to Ulaan Baatar in the early evening. Overnight at Platinum Hotel (4 star). (B, L)

DAY 5 ULAAN BAATAR: Full day city tour including Gandan Monastery, Bogd Khan Palace and the National History Museum. In the evening you will board your train for Irkutsk, Russia. (B, L)

DAY 6 ON BOARD: A full day to relax and enjoy the scenery as your train travels across the Mongolian Steppes and into Russia.

DAY 7 IRKUTSK – LAKE BAIKAL: An early arrival into Irkutsk for a panoramic city tour before visiting the Lake Baikal Ethnographic Museum. Overnight at Hotel Baikal (3 star), in Listvyanka. (B, L)

DAY 8 LAKE BAIKAL – IRKUTSK: Morning walking tour of Listvyanka before afternoon free time. Mid afternoon transfer to Irkutsk for your train to Yekaterinburg. (B)

DAY 9 & 10 ON BOARD: Two full day travelling across Siberia whilst making new friends aboard this iconic railway. Late night arrival in Yekaterinburg with a transfer to Hotel Marins Park (4 star).

DAY 11 YEKATERINBURG: City tour including the execution site of the Romanovs and the Europe-Asia border. Afternoon at leisure. (B)

DAY 12 YEKATERINBURG: Free day to further explore before an afternoon transfer to the railway station for your onward journey to Moscow. (B)

DAY 13 MOSCOW: Full day onboard with a late evening arrival into Russia’s energetic capital. Overnight at Hotel Izmailovo (3 star).

DAY 14 MOSCOW: Morning tour by metro which includes Red Square, Kremlin & Armoury followed by an afternoon at leisure for further exploration. (B)

DAY 15 MOSCOW: A full day to discover Moscow further with a Hop On, Hop Off City Tour. (B)

DAY 16 MOSCOW: Your tour concludes with a departure transfer. (B)

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES • SMALL GROUP TOUR

The Trans-Mongolian

Per Person
Twin Share
Single Supplement
(Hotels Only)

Beijing to Moscow: Jan 6; Feb 10; Mar 10; Apr 14; May 12; Jun 30; Jul 14; Aug 4; Sep 22; Oct 20; Nov 24
Moscow to Beijing: Jan 9; Feb 13; Mar 13; Apr 3; May 15; Jun 5, 19; Jul 3, 17; Aug 7; Sep 11; Oct 9; Nov 13; Dec 11
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The "building blocks" of YOUR own tailor made journey on these incredible railways are laid out in the following pages. Select the cities that you wish to visit, how long you wish to stay, what you want to see and which train service you wish to travel on. Once you have your itiner ary mapped out, call us and we can book it for you, all the while providing suggestions and tips that will enhance your holiday and help make it truly memorable.

To give you some ideas to start you off, on pages 21 & 22 we have created two suggested, yet flexible tours which will provide not only pre-booked trains, hotels, day excursions and transfers but also maximise your free time so you can explore at your own pace.

THE TRAINS

Cabins
There is no one Trans-Mongolian or Trans-Siberian train but dozens of different services available.

Two types of cabin are available on most services:
1st class: cabin generally with 2 lower berths only.
2nd class: cabin with 4 berths (2 lower and 2 upper). The upper berths fold up during the day.

There is no segregation of males and females and sole use of a cabin can be obtained by purchasing all berths within a cabin. All lockable cabins are clean and comfortable with ample storage space, reading lights and window blinds. Bed linen is included in the cost of your berth.

Carriages
Each carriage has a shared toilet and wash basin with hot water (no showers). Carriages are heated in winter and air-conditioned in summer, and windows can generally be opened. A train attendant is on hand to keep the carriage and toilets clean and to look after your safety and welfare. A samovar (hot water boiler) for making tea and coffee is available.

Dining Facilities
Most trains will have a restaurant car where inexpensive meals and drinks can be purchased. The restaurant car is the focal point of the train – a great place to meet your fellow travellers and socialise with the locals.

Life Onboard
The trains used for these journeys are local services which provide a unique opportunity to experience the 'real' life and cultures of each country. If you are prepared with a spirit of adventure and a relaxed attitude, these tailor-made rail journeys will be a rewarding and memorable experience.

Schedules
Train services operate to set schedules, and due to the great distances travelled, there may not be departures every day. Other train services may be available for the route you require, but these may take longer to reach your destination. All rail timetables are subject to change, so a degree of flexibility is required when planning your journey.

Please note: Border crossings between China and Mongolia or Mongolia and Russia may take up to 6 hours.

Rail tickets are booked and delivered locally and must be purchased in conjunction with accommodation in the city of departure.
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INCLUSIONS
- 11 nights accommodation in 4 and 5 star hotels
- 1 night accommodation in a traditional ger tent
- 5 nights accommodation in 1st Class (2-berth) sleeper compartments
- Meals as specified: B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner
- Comprehensive sightseeing as per itinerary
- 1st class rail tickets: Beijing-Ulaan Baatar, Ulaan Baatar-Irkutsk, Irkutsk-Moscow, Moscow-St. Petersburg
- Arrival and departure transfers in each city
- Services of local representatives

DAY 1 BEIJING: Arrive in Beijing and transfer to Novotel Peace Hotel.
DAY 2 BEIJING: Full day CITY TOUR WITH FORBIDDEN CITY, TEMPLE OF HEAVEN & SUMMER PALACE. (B, L).
DAY 3 BEIJING: Full day GREAT WALL OF CHINA & MING TOMBS TOUR. (B, L)
DAY 4 BEIJING – ULAAN BAATAR: Early morning transfer to the railway station for your overnight train to Mongolia. (B)
DAY 5 ULAAN BAATAR: Midday arrival in Ulaan Baatar with transfer to Hotel Ramada. Afternoon NATIONAL MUSEUM TOUR and evening CONCERT WITH DINNER. (D)
DAY 6 ULAAN BAATAR: GADAN MONASTERY and TERELJ NATIONAL PARK TOUR. Overnight at a traditional ger camp. (B, L, D)
DAY 7 ULAAN BAATAR – IRKUTSK: Return to Ulaan Baatar and transfer to the railway station for your overnight train to Russia. (B)
DAY 8 IRKUTSK: Arrival in Irkutsk with transfer to Courtyard by Marriott Hotel.

DAY 9 IRKUTSK: Full day LAKE BAIKAL & LISTVYANKA TOUR INCLUDING THE MUSEUM OF WOODEN ARCHITECTURE with private guide. (B)
DAY 10 IRKUTSK – MOSCOW: Transfer with guide assistance to the railway station to commence your 77 hour journey to Moscow. (B)
DAYS 11-12 ON TRAIN: Admire the beautiful scenery and meet your fellow passengers whilst crossing five time zones and passing major Siberian cities such as Novosibirsk and Yekaterinburg.
DAY 13 MOSCOW: Afternoon arrival in Moscow with transfer to Marriott Tverskaya Hotel.
DAY 14 MOSCOW: Full day KREMLIN & ARMOURY MUSEUM, MOSCOW METRO & ARBAT STREET TOUR with private guide. (B)
DAY 15 MOSCOW – ST. PETERSBURG: CITY TOUR WITH NOVODEVICHY CONVENT with private guide. Transfer to the railway station for late afternoon train to St. Petersburg. On arrival, transfer to Corinthia Hotel St. Petersburg. (B)
DAY 16 ST. PETERSBURG: Full day CITY TOUR WITH PETER & PAUL FORTRESS AND HERMITAGE MUSEUM with private guide (B)
DAY 17 ST. PETERSBURG: PETERHOF PALACE TOUR or PUSHKIN & CATHERINE PALACE TOUR. Free time. (B)
DAY 18 ST. PETERSBURG: Transfer to the airport or railway station. (B)

Tour can commence between January & May on WEDNESDAYS
Tour can commence between June & September on WEDNESDAYS or SATURDAYS
Tour can commence between October & December on SATURDAYS

Note: Rail schedules are based on 2014 and are subject to change at any time.

Tailor Made Trans-Mongolian Rail Journey

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BEIJING  •  ULAAN BAATAR  •  IRKUTSK  •  MOSCOW  •  ST. PETERSBURG
TRANS-SIBERIAN RAIL JOURNEY

15 days

VLADIVOSTOK – IRKUTSK – MOSCOW – ST. PETERSBURG

9,289km across the world’s largest country – Russia. Travel from Vladivostok on the Pacific Ocean, across Russia’s great frontier of unspoilt wilderness comprising mountain ranges and seemingly endless taiga crossed by mighty rivers, to imperial St. Petersburg. The journey crosses seven time zones and makes a staggering 78 stops along the way so there are plenty of opportunities for overnight visits.

INCLUSIONS
• 8 nights accommodation in 4 and 5 star hotels
• 6 nights accommodation in 1st Class (2-berth) sleeper compartments
• Meals as specified: B = breakfast
• Comprehensive sightseeing as per itinerary
• 1st class rail tickets: Vladivostok-Irkutsk, Irkutsk-Moscow, Moscow-St. Petersburg
• Arrival and departure transfers in each city
• Services of local representatives

DAYS 8–9 ON TRAIN: Relax onboard whilst crossing five time zones and passing major Siberian cities such as Novosibirsk and Yekaterinburg.

DAY 10 MOSCOW: Afternoon arrival in Moscow with transfer to Marriott Tverskaya Hotel.

DAY 11 MOSCOW: Full day KREMLIN & ARMOURY MUSEUM, MOSCOW METRO & ARBAT STREET TOUR with private guide. (B)

DAY 12 MOSCOW – ST. PETERSBURG: CITY TOUR WITH NOVODEVICHY CONVENT with private guide. Transfer to the railway station for late afternoon train to St. Petersburg. On arrival, transfer to Corinthia Hotel St. Petersburg. (B)

DAY 13 ST. PETERSBURG: Full day CITY TOUR WITH PETER & PAUL FORTRESS AND HERMITAGE MUSEUM with private guide (B)

DAY 14 ST. PETERSBURG: PETERHOF PALACE TOUR or PUSHKIN & CATHERINE PALACE TOUR. Free time. (B)

DAY 15 ST. PETERSBURG: Transfer to the airport or railway station. (B)

Tour can commence DAILY between January & December

Note: Rail schedules are based on 2014 schedules and are subject to change at any time.

Days 1–7

DAY 1 VLADIVOSTOK: Arrive in Vladivostok and transfer to Hotel Hyundai.

DAY 2 VLADIVOSTOK: CITY TOUR with private guide. Free time. Evening transfer to the railway station for your train journey to Siberia. (B)

DAYS 3–4 ON TRAIN: Admire the ever-changing scenery and meet your fellow passengers on your 70 hour journey to Irkutsk.

DAY 5 IRKUTSK: Afternoon arrival in Irkutsk with transfer to Courtyard by Marriott Hotel.

DAY 6 IRKUTSK: Full day LAKE BAIKAL & LISTVYANKA TOUR with private guide. (B)

DAY 7 IRKUTSK – MOSCOW: Morning CITY TOUR with private guide before a transfer to the railway station to commence your 77 hour journey to Moscow. (B)

Tailor Made Trans-Siberian Rail Journey

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SUGGESTED PACKAGES TO CREATE YOUR OWN RAIL TOUR

BEIJING

Both ancient and modern, Beijing is the ideal starting or ending point of the legendary Trans-Mongolian Railway. Our 4-day Beijing package includes return transfers, 3 nights accommodation in your choice of 3 or 4 star hotels with breakfast, sightseeing with lunch and entry fees, delivery of rail tickets, and the services of a local representative.

Day 1 – Arrival transfer to your hotel by private car
Day 2 – Forbidden City, Temple of Heaven & Summer Palace tours (B,L)
Day 3 – Great Wall & Ming Tombs tour (B,L)
Day 4 – Departure transfer with guide assistance to the train station (B)

3 star option from $515 per person
4 star option from $650 per person

ULAAN BAATAR & GER

This package is designed to fit rail schedules arriving from Beijing for a short stay before travelling on to Russia. Enjoy a night in a 3 or 4 star hotel, a ger stay in beautiful Terelj National Park, return transfers, most meals, privately guided sightseeing with entry fees, delivery of rail tickets, and services of our local representative.

Day 1 – Greeting on arrival & transfer to your hotel; afternoon National Museum tour; evening concert with dinner (D)
Day 2 – Gadan Monastery & Terelj National Park tour; overnight at a traditional ger camp (B,L,D)
Day 3 – Return to Ulaan Baatar & transfer to the station (B)

3 star option from $630 per person
4 star option from $690 per person

VLADIVOSTOK

Russia’s largest port and gateway to the Pacific Ocean, Vladivostok is the starting or ending point of the legendary Trans-Siberian Railway. Our 3-day Vladivostok package includes private car transfers, 2 nights accommodation in your choice of 3 or 4 star hotels, daily breakfast, sightseeing with entry fees, delivery of rail tickets, and services of our local representative.

Day 1 – Arrival transfer to your hotel by private car
Day 2 – Walking tour of Vladivostok & visit to the Submarine Museum (B)
Day 3 – Departure transfer with guide assistance to the train station (B)

3 star option from $390 per person
4 star option from $445 per person

GER STAYS & WILD HORSES

This 6-day package suits train times for travellers arriving from Beijing and continuing on to Russia. Highlights include Ulaan Baatar, ger stays on the Mongolian steppes, wild horse watching and the ancient capital, Karakorum. Includes private guide and transport, hotel and ger accommodation, most meals, sightseeing with entry fees, delivery of rail tickets, and services of our local representative.

Day 1 – Greeting on arrival & transfer to your hotel
Day 2 – Gadan Monastery tour; depart for Mongol Els Sand Dunes; overnight at a ger camp (B,L,D)
Day 3 – Excursion to ancient Karakorum & Erdene Zuu; overnight ger stay (B,L,D)
Day 4 – Travel to Kushtain Naruu National Park to view rare “Takhi” - Przewalski’s wild horse; overnight ger stay (B,L,D)
Day 5 – Return to Ulaan Baatar, visiting local nomads en-route; afternoon visit to Bogd Khan Palace; traditional evening concert and dinner (B,L,D)
Day 6 – Free morning; afternoon transfer to the railway station (B)

3 star option from $1,350 per person
4 star option from $1,460 per person

Above prices are intended as a guide only. For current rates, train schedules and detailed itineraries please visit our website or contact Beyond Travel.
**IRKUTSK & LAKE BAIKAL**

Irkutsk is a major stop on the Trans-Siberian railway, known for its traditional wooden architecture and gate-way to spectacular Lake Baikal. Our 3-day package includes private car transfers, 2 nights accommodation in your selected hotel, daily breakfast, full day at Lake Baikal, delivery of rail tickets, and services of our local representative.

Day 1 – Greeting on arrival & transfer to your hotel; Irkutsk walking tour  
Day 2 – Private tour to Baikal, including Lystvyanka & Museum of Wooden Architecture (B)  
Day 3 – Transfer with guide assistance to the train station (B)  

- 3 star option from $615 per person  
- 4 star option from $685 per person

**LAKE BAKAL VILLAGE STAY**

This package starts in Irkutsk with extra time to explore Lake Baikal staying in the charming lake-side, wooden village of Bolshoe Koty, plus a night in the larger village of Lystvyanka. Includes hydrofoil tickets from Irkutsk, 3 nights hotel/chalet accommodation, sightseeing with entrance fees, transfers, meals as indicated, delivery of rail tickets, and services of our local representative.

Day 1 – Greeting on arrival & transfer to your hotel; private city walking tour  
Day 2 – Private tour to Baikal, including Lystvyanka & Museum of Wooden Architecture (B)  
Day 3 – Transfer with guide assistance to the train station (B)  

- 3 star option from $800 per person  
- 4 star option from $840 per person

**YEKATERINBURG**

Yekaterinburg is associated with the execution site of Russia’s last czar and royal family, as well its unique location at the border between Asia and Europe. Our 2 day package includes return transfers, 1 night accommodation with breakfast, private sightseeing with entrance fees, delivery of rail tickets, and services of our local representative.

Day 1 – Greeting on arrival & transfer to your hotel; private city walking tour  
Day 2 – Romanovs in Yekaterinburg tour; departure transfer with guide assistance (B)  

- 3 star option from $505 per person  
- 4 star option from $525 per person

**KAZAN**

The capital of Tartastan, Kazan bridges Central Asia and Europe and offers a unique blend of architectural and cultural styles. The UNESCO-listed Kremlin, built on the orders of Ivan the Terrible, overlooks the Volga River and contains Europe’s largest mosque. Our 2 day package includes private sightseeing with entrance fees, accommodation with breakfast, return transfers, delivery of rail tickets, and services of our local representative.

Day 1 – Greeting on arrival & transfer to your hotel  
Day 2 – Private walking tour featuring the Kazan Kremlin; departure transfer with guide assistance (B)  

- 3 star option from $225 per person  
- 4 star option from $275 per person

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TAILOR MAKE YOUR OWN TOUR

If the idea of joining an escorted tour with a group of up to 45 other travellers is not for you, then why not design YOUR own dream itinerary to the regions that we specialise in?

Explore on your own, or with a small group of friends, on an itinerary designed by YOU encompassing the highlights of a region, whilst getting to know the history, culture and local people.

The “building blocks” of YOUR tailor made itinerary are laid out in the following pages. Select the cities and towns that you wish to visit, how long you wish to stay, what you want to see and do and how you wish to travel (refer to pages 30–38). Here you will find a host of suggestions that cater for all budgets and interests.

Once you have your itinerary mapped out, call us and we will book it for you, while providing suggestions and tips that will enhance your holiday to make it truly memorable.

To give you some ideas, the following 4 pages feature a number of suggested, yet flexible tours which will not only provide pre-booked hotels, day excursions and transfers, but also maximise your free time so you can explore at your own pace.

ST. PETERSBURG VISA FREE

In accordance with Russian visa regulations passengers arriving and departing by ferry into St. Petersburg are able to stay in this majestic city for up to 72 hours visa free! Book this pre-arranged package and Beyond Travel will provide you with all the services and documentation to visit Peter the Great’s Imperial city without the need for a Russian visa.

DAY 1 HELSINKI – ST. PETERSBURG
Your tour commences as you depart Helsinki at 19.00 on the Princess Maria overnight ferry to St. Petersburg. Check-in to your cabin and then take advantage of the ship’s facilities.

DAY 2 ST. PETERSBURG
After a relaxing night’s sleep arrive in St. Petersburg at 08.30. Clear customs and immigration and meet your private vehicle and guide for a tour of this imperial city. Drive along Nevsky Prospect, the city’s main boulevard, to the Winter Palace (now the Hermitage Museum). See Kazan Cathedral, the imposing St. Isaac’s Cathedral, Mariinsky Theatre and the Peter & Paul Fortress, site of the first settlement of St. Petersburg in 1703. At the end of your tour check-in to Hotel Angleterre (4 star) or Cronwell Inn Stremyannaya (3 star) with the afternoon free for your own exploration.

DAY 3 ST. PETERSBURG
This morning take a tour of the Hermitage Museum, located in the former Winter Palace of the czars. The museum contains an immense collection of over 2.7 million pieces of art and your tour will give you an introduction to its astonishing collection of European, prehistoric, Egyptian and Oriental art. After the tour you may stay in the museum or make your own way back to your hotel. (B)

DAY 4 ST. PETERSBURG – HELSINKI
After breakfast check-out from your hotel and you have a free day to further explore St. Petersburg. Alternatively, pre-book a tour of Peterhof Palace on the Gulf of Finland or Catherine Palace in Pushkin. Details of both tours can be found on pages 34 and 35. In the evening transfer back to the port for your overnight ferry to Helsinki. Settle into your cabin as you cruise the Baltic Sea. (B)

DAY 5 HELSINKI
Your tour concludes on disembarkation in Helsinki.
**SUGGESTED TAILOR-MADE TOUR**

**GRAND RUSSIA**

**ST. PETERSBURG – NOVGOROD – MOSCOW**

**9 days**

**INCLUSIONS**
- Hotel accommodation in your preferred category
- Early check-in at your hotel in Moscow
- Meals as specified: B = breakfast
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- Private vehicle transfer: St. Petersburg to Novgorod
- 1st class (2 berth) overnight sleeper: Novgorod to Moscow
- Private transfers between airport, hotels and railway stations
- Services of local representatives

**ST. PETERSBURG – NOVGOROD – MOSCOW**

**DAY 1 ST. PETERSBURG**
Your tour commences with an arrival transfer to Angleterre Hotel (4 star) or Cronwell Inn Stremyannaya (3 star). The rest of the day is at leisure to begin exploring Russia’s elegant ‘Window to the West.’

**DAY 2 ST. PETERSBURG**
This morning, enjoy a guided St. Petersburg City Tour with Peter and Paul Fortress. Experience the city’s imperial 18th century architecture of palaces, mansions and cathedrals including a drive along the city’s main boulevard, Nevsky Prospekt. You will also visit Peter and Paul Fortress, foundation of the city in 1703 and burial place of the Romanov Dynasty. Afternoon and evening at leisure. (B)

**DAY 3 ST. PETERSBURG**
After breakfast, visit the former Winter Palace on your Hermitage Museum Tour. Your guide will introduce you to its immense collection of over 2.7 million treasures from around the world. Free time, or spend the remainder of the afternoon at the Hermitage. (B)

**DAY 4 ST. PETERSBURG**
Today, take an excursion to Peterhof Palace and Gardens. This grand summer palace, built by Peter the Great, has a perfect location on the Gulf of Finland. See the many lavishly furnished state rooms and stroll through the beautiful gardens to see the wonderful fountains and gold statues of the Grand Cascade. Your evening is at leisure. (B)

**DAY 5 ST. PETERSBURG – VELIKY NOVGOROD**
Meet your guide and depart on a Pushkin and Catherine Palace Tour. This former aristocratic town is home to the baroque Catherine Palace with its ornate façade and famed Amber Room. Then take a scenic 3 hour drive through the countryside to Veliky Novgorod and check-in at Park Inn Veliky Novgorod (4 star) or Hotel Volkov (3 star). (B)

**DAY 6 VELIKY NOVGOROD – MOSCOW**
After breakfast embark on a Novgorod City Tour and discover this former capital of ‘Old Rus.’ See the ancient Kremlin, St. Sophia’s Cathedral, Yuriev Monastery and the Museum of Wooden Architecture. You have free time in the afternoon to further explore before an evening transfer to the railway station for your overnight journey to Moscow. (B)

**DAY 7 MOSCOW**
On arrival in Moscow, transfer to Marriott Tverskaya Hotel (4 star) or Hotel Budapest (3 star) for an early check-in. After breakfast, explore the political and economic capital on a Moscow City Tour with Novodevichy Convent. See the major sights of Moscow including Red Square, the Kremlin, St. Basil’s Cathedral, Moscow University and Novodevichy Convent. Afternoon and evening at leisure. (B)

**DAY 8 MOSCOW**
Today your guide will take you on a Kremlin and Armoury Museum Tour. Visit Russia’s great seat of power with its Russian Orthodox cathedrals, Ivan the Great’s Bell Tower and the Armoury Museum, treasury of Russian czars. In the afternoon, explore Stalin’s grand underground rail system of marble, mosaics and sculptures, together with one of Moscow’s premier shopping districts, on a Moscow Metro & Arbat Street Tour. (B)

**DAY 9 MOSCOW**
Your tour concludes with a departure transfer for your onward journey. (B)

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**SOUL OF GEORGIA**

**9 days**

**INCLUSIONS**
- Fully escorted in ENGLISH ONLY
- 3 or 4 star hotel accommodation (3 star outside Tbilisi)
- Meals as specified: B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- Transportation by air-conditioned vehicle
- Arrival and departure transfers

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**DAY 1 TIBLISI**

Your tour commences with an arrival transfer to Hotel Ambassadori (4 star) or Hotel Sharden (3 star).

**DAY 2 TIBLISI**

Discover Tbilisi on a morning tour through the streets of the Old Town. Begin with a visit to the 12th century Metekhi Church, Sioni Cathedral and Anchiskhati Church, Tbilisi's oldest church. Also visit Narikali Fortress and the Treasury of the Georgian national Art Museum.

**DAY 3 TBILISI – KAKHEI REGION – TELAVI**

Travel to the famous wine-growing region in Kakheti to visit a local farmer and learn the Georgian art of wine making. In the afternoon arrive in Telavi for traditional a Georgian dinner and overnight at a family guesthouse.

**DAY 4 TELAVI – MTSKHETA – GUDARI**

Depart for Mtsheta, the ancient capital and religious centre of Georgia. Visit two fascinating UNESCO World Heritage sites – Jvari Monastery and Svetitskhoveli Cathedral. Afterwards drive to the scenic Great Caucasus Mountains to reach the resort town of Gudauri. Overnight Hotel Carpe Diem (3 star).

**DAY 5 GUDARI – KAIZBEGI – GUDARI**

Visit the scenic mountain village of Kazbegi for a leisurely walk through the valleys and woodlands to the 14th century Gergeti Trinity Church. Return to Gudauri via the towering granite cliffs of Dariali Gorge.

**DAY 6 GUDARI – GORI – BAKURIAN**

Depart for Gori, the birthplace of Joseph Stalin, and visit the Stalin Museum. Continue to the cave town of Uplistsikhe, which contains many Iron Age structures and a main stopping point of the famed Silk Road. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Crystal (3 star). B, B, D

**DAY 7 BAKURIAN – VARDZIA – BAKURIAN**

Travel to the cave town of Vardzia, once a monastery with hundreds of cells carved out of the mountain accommodating over 3,000 people. Return to Bakuriani for dinner and overnight. B, D

**DAY 8 BAKURIAN – TIBLISI**

After breakfast, return to Tbilisi arriving in the mid afternoon. Enjoy an evening at leisure, overnight at Hotel Ambassadori (4 star) or Hotel Sharden (3 star).

**DAY 9 TIBLISI**

Your tour concludes with a departure transfer for your onward journey.

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**FINLAND’S CITIES & LAKES BY TRAIN**

**8 days**

**HELSINKI – HAMEENLINNA – TAMPERE – TURKU – HELSINKI**

**INCLUSIONS**
- 3 & 4 star hotel accommodation
- Meals as specified: B = breakfast
- 2nd class rail travel: Helsinki – Hameenlinna – Turku – Tampere – Helsinki
- 48-hour Helsinki Card

**DAY 1 HELSINKI**

Arrive in Helsinki and make your way to Sokos Hotel Torni (4 star). You will receive your travel documents at the hotel reception and included is a 48-hour Helsinki card along with a booklet that contains details of the bonuses it offers. The card is an all-in-one public transportation and admission ticket, an easy way to discover Helsinki on your own.

**DAY 2 HELSINKI**

Today is free for you to explore Helsinki. Use your Helsinki Card for free or discounted city tours, transportation, admission to museums and attractions, discounted city tours, transportation, and further exploration of the city or purchase those last minute souvenirs.

**DAY 3 HELSINKI – HAMEENLINNA**

After breakfast make your way to the railway station for the train to Hameenlinna, birthplace of Finland’s greatest composer, Jean Sibelius. Transfer on Haenninlinna, birthplace of Finland’s railway station for the train to Helsinki or visit the imposing Swedish sea fortress of Suomenlinna.

**DAY 4 HAMEENLINNA – TAMPERE**

Depart by train to Tampere, located between two lakes, Nasijarvi and Pyhajarvi. On arrival in Tampere make your own way to the Hotel Holiday Inn (4 star) for your overnight stay.

**DAY 5 TAMPERE**

After breakfast explore the hotel’s surroundings, a peaceful pine forest park, and enjoy spectacular views from the observation tower situated on top of Pyynikki Ridge. You then have a day to explore Tampere, the capital of Finland’s Thousand Lakes region. All the city’s sights, museums, shops and restaurants are within a ten-minute bus ride from your hotel.

**DAY 6 TAMPERE – TURKU**

Take the train to Turku, Finland’s first capital city and home to some remarkable medieval landmarks such as the Cathedral and Castle. Your hotel, the Sokos Hotel Hamburger Bors (4 star) is located in the very heart of the city near the Market Square with all the sights, including the Market Square.

**DAY 7 TURKU – HELSINKI**

Return by train to Helsinki and overnight at the centrally located hotel Sokos Hotel Vaakuna (3 star), only a few steps from the railway station. The remainder of the day is free to further explore the city or purchase those last minute souvenirs.

**DAY 8 HELSINKI**

After breakfast take the shuttle bus (own expense) from the railway station, to the hotel Vaakuna (3 star), only a few steps from the hotel. You will receive your travel documents at the hotel reception and included in the 48-hour Helsinki Card along with a booklet that contains details of the bonuses it offers. The card is an all-in-one public transportation and admission ticket, an easy way to discover Helsinki on your own.

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**INCLUSIONS**
- 48-hour Helsinki Card
- 2nd class rail travel: Helsinki – Hameenlinna – Turku – Tampere – Helsinki
- 3 or 4 star hotel accommodation

**TBILISI – TELAVI – GUDAURI – BAKURIAN – TBILISI**

**Price per person**

**Departures:** Daily

**4 star hotel*** in Tbilisi

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**LAKES REGION NEAR TAMPERE**

**Finland’s Cities & Lakes by Train**

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DAY 1 TASHKENT
Your tour commences with an arrival transfer to Hotel City Palace (4 star). This evening, meet your guide before dinner at the hotel. (D)

DAY 2 TASHKENT – URGENCH – KHIVA
Transfer to the airport for a two hour flight to Urgench, then travel by road to Khiva, one of the most remote oasis cities of the Silk Road. Khiva's Old Town is preserved within 2,200 metres of unbroken fortified city wall. The town is entirely constructed of mud-brick with delicate blue and white tiled decoration and features many familiar architectural highlights of Central Asia: Kunya-Ark Citadel, Tosh-Khovli Palace, Kalta Minor Minaret and Juma Mosque. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Malika (3 star). (B, D)

DAY 3 KHIVA - BUKHARA
After breakfast, embark on a seven hour journey across the Kara-Kum (black sands) and Kyzyl-Kum (red sands) Deserts to Bukhara, once a bustling commercial centre of the Silk Road. After check-in at Hotel Lyabi House (3 star), visit central Lyabi Hauz Square before dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

DAY 4 BUKHARA
Today, discover Bukhara, a city with the greatest concentration of historic monuments in Central Asia. Visit the Chashma Ayub Mausoleum, 18th century Bolo-Hauz Mosque and ancient Ark Fortress, the palace of the Emirs of Bukhara. Also see the magnificent Kalyan Mosque, the elegant blue-tiled Ulughbek Madrasa (Islamic school) and the summer palace of Bukhara’s last Emir, the Sitorai-Mokhi-Khosa (Palace of the Moon and Stars). Dinner and a folklore show at a local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 5 BUKHARA – SAMARKAND
Drive to Samarkand with stops en-route at the Gijduvan Ceramic Centre and the 12th century Vabkent Minaret. On arrival, check-in at Hotel Malika (3 star) before enjoying a free afternoon to explore this city which was founded 2,500 years ago. Once called the “Pearl of the Muslim World,” Samarkand rose to great glory as a major trading port from the 2nd to the 16th century. (B, D)

DAY 6 SAMARKAND
Today your guide will take you on a tour of this remarkable city. Begin with Ulughbek’s Observatory and the Shahki-Zinda ensemble, a collection of tombs and mausoleums dating from the 14th and 15th centuries. The day’s highlight is famous Registan Square, a vast open square flanked by three richly decorated madrasas. Continue to Bibi Khanum Mosque, one of the largest and most lavish ever built, and the 13th century Gur Emir Mausoleum. This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 7 SAMARKAND – TASHKENT
This morning you drive to Tashkent. After check-in at the Hotel City Palace (4 star), embark on a city tour of the Uzbek capital. Visit the Museum of Applied Arts, with its exhibits of beautiful embroidery, local ceramics and wall hangings, and the Old Town with its narrow lanes, mud brick houses, mosques and madrasas. Next, explore the 16th century temples of Kukeldash and Abul Khasim Madrasa and the Chorusa Bazaar, a huge open market that draws people from the rural areas outside of the city. In the evening, enjoy a farewell dinner and an optional ballet performance at Alisher Navoi Opera & Ballet Theatre. (B, D)

DAY 8 TASHKENT
Your tour concludes with a departure transfer for your onward journey. (B)

INCLUSIONS
• Fully escorted by English speaking guide
• 3 & 4 star hotel accommodation
• Meals as specified: B = breakfast, D = dinner
• Sightseeing as per itinerary
• Transportation by private vehicle
• Economy class flight: Tashkent - Urgench
• Arrival and departure transfers

COMPLETE UZBEKISTAN
For those travellers seeking to spend more time amongst the wonders of this fascinating and fabled region along the Silk Road, a fuller more comprehensive itinerary is available. Spending more time exploring Khiva, Bukhara and Samarkand and visiting Dungalak, Aydarkul Lake and Shakhrisabz this tour will give you the complete Uzbek experience.

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SPOTLIGHT ON MOSCOW
4 days  Independent
Explore the political and economic capital of the Russian Federation on this 4 day package. See the major sights and monumental architecture that Moscow is famous for and experience life as a Muscovite as you travel the city’s metro system.

Day 1: Airport transfer and hotel check-in.
Day 2: City Tour with St. Basil’s Cathedral. (B)
Day 3: Kremlin & Armoury Tour and Metro & Arbat St. Tour. (B)
Day 4: Transfer to the airport. (B)

Hotel Maxima Panorama (3 star): from $785*
Marriott Tverskaya Hotel (4 star): from $860*
Marriott Grand Hotel (5 star): from $920*

Inclusions: Return transfers, 3 nights accommodation, daily breakfast (B), privately guided sightseeing as indicated, services of a local representative

*From prices are per person in AUD, based on twin share in low season.

GRAND MOSCOW
5 days  Independent
A longer stay in Moscow allows you to get a more in depth feel for this thriving metropolis and to experience the town of Sergiev Posad along the Golden Ring. Also included is an evening visit to the famous Nikulin Circus which has been entertaining people for over 120 years.

Day 1: Airport transfer and hotel check-in.
Day 2: City Tour with Novodevichy Convent. Evening performance of the Moscow Circus. (B)
Day 3: Kremlin & Armoury Tour. (B)
Day 4: Full day excursion to Sergiev Posad. (B)
Day 5: Transfer to the airport. (B)

Hotel Maxima Panorama (3 star): from $1,065*
Marriott Tverskaya Hotel (4 star): from $1,165*
Marriott Grand Hotel (5 star): from $1,245*

Inclusions: Return transfers, 4 nights accommodation, daily breakfast (B), privately guided sightseeing as indicated, services of a local representative

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SIGHTSEEING
PRIVATE TOURS
These tours are privately guided. Departure times can be scheduled to suit your requirements. Prices are based on minimum 2 people.

City Tour with Novodevichy Convent
Price: $170 per person
A comprehensive tour of the Russian capital. Highlights include Red Square, Kremlin, St. Basil’s Cathedral, KGB Building, Bolshoi Theatre and a visit to historic Novodevichy Convent.
Departs: Daily except Tue and first Mon of month at 09.30
Duration: 4 hours

City Tour with St. Basil’s Cathedral
Price: $150 per person
A complete city tour featuring all the major highlights plus a visit to Moscow’s most famous building, the ornately designed St. Basil’s Cathedral located right on Red Square.
Departs: Daily except Tue and first Mon of month at 09.30
Duration: 4 hours

City Tour with St. Basil’s & Christ Our Saviour Cathedral
Price: $190 per person
A complete city covering all the major highlights plus a visit to the ornately designed St. Basil’s Cathedral and Moscow’s most important religious site – the recently rebuilt Cathedral of Christ Our Saviour.
Departs: Daily except Tue and first Mon of month at 09.30
Duration: 5 hours

City Tour with Novodevichy Convent, St. Basil’s Cathedral & Christ Our Saviour Cathedral
Price: $240 per person
A complete tour featuring all the major highlights plus a visit to the recently rebuilt Cathedral of Christ Our Saviour.
Departs: Daily except Tue and first Mon of month at 09.30
Duration: 7 hours

Kremlin & Armoury Tour
Price: $155 per person
Take a tour inside the walls of the Kremlin, a potent symbol of Russian power. See the Assumption Cathedral and visit the Armoury Museum, the treasury of the czars. Tour does not include hotel transfers.
Departs: Daily except Thu at 10.00
Duration: 4 hours

Kremlin, Armoury Museum & Diamond Fund
Price: $185 per person
A tour of the Kremlin grounds with more time spent in the Armoury Museum and the State Diamond Fund, which houses the most valuable jewels of Russia including the Orlov Diamond. Tour does not include hotel transfers.
Departs: Daily except Thu at 10.00
Duration: 4 hours

BONUS
Includes FREE Moscow Circus Tickets
FREE Visa Support documentation with hotel bookings.

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SIGHTSEEING

Moscow Metro
Experience the Moscow metro system where stations are built in a grand Soviet style using marble, mosaic and sculptures.
Price: $70 per person
Depart: Daily at 10.00
Duration: 2 hours

Moscow Metro & Arbat Walking Tour
Discover the grandeur of the station of Moscow’s metro system before visiting the pedestrian Arbat St. renowned for its artistic atmosphere.
Price: $70 per person
Depart: Daily at 10.00
Duration: 4 hours

Tretyakov Gallery
An outstanding art museum which houses the world’s finest collection of Russian art including icons and pre-revolutionary paintings. Also see the restored church of St. Nicholas. Tour does not include hotel transfers.
Price: $85 per person
Depart: Daily except Mon at 10.00
Duration: 4 hours

Sergiev Posad Monastery
Visit the historic monastery town of Sergiev Posad, the “Vatican” of the Russian Orthodox Church, founded in 1340, and one of the most important spiritual centres of Russia.
Price: $235 per person
Depart: Daily at 09.00
Duration: 7 hours

Moscow Nikulin Circus
Spend an enjoyable evening at one of Russia’s oldest circuses, established in 1880, and be entertained by the clowns, acrobats and other amazing performers.
Price: from $30 – $125 per person
Depart: Daily at 19.00
Duration: approx. 2 hours

MARRIOTT ROYAL AURORA HOTEL ***** from $155*
A grand international hotel with elegant interiors and featuring a butler service to every room. Located in the heart of Moscow, walking distance to Red Square and the Kremlin.
Stay 4 / Pay 3 (27 Apr – 11 May & 20 Jul – 16 Aug 15)

MARRIOTT GRAND HOTEL ***** from $145*
The sister property to Marriott Royal Aurora offers tastefully decorated rooms with Art Deco touches. Situated on Tverskaya Street just 10 minutes walk to Red Square.
Stay 4 / Pay 3 (27 Apr – 11 May & 20 Jul – 16 Aug 15)

COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT MOSCOW CITY CENTRE **** from $155*
Blending charm, modern elegance and an historic landmark location, this hotel is the perfect choice in central Moscow. Its modern, spacious guest rooms offer refined décor and comfortable furnishings.

HOTEL PETER 1 **** from $150*
Housed in a renovated 19th century mansion this first class property offer classically furnished interiors and a central location within walking distance to Red Square.

MARRIOTT TVERSKAYA HOTEL **** from $125*
A classic Western style hotel with cozy and elegantly furnished interiors. Centrally located on Tverskaya Street, ideal for shopping and a short metro ride to the Red Square.
Stay 4 / Pay 3 (27 Apr – 11 May & 20 Jul – 16 Aug 15)

APARTHOTEL ADAGIO **** from $125*
Spacious, contemporary studios and apartments just 2 metro stops from Red Square. All modern conveniences are provided including kitchen facilities.

AQUAMARINE HOTEL **** from $85*
A modern design hotel with spacious, light-filled rooms. Situated in a prestigious and historical area of Moscow, 20 minutes walk from Red Square.

PARK INN BY RADISSON SADU *** from $125*
A stylish property with comfortable rooms. Located on one of Moscow’s oldest streets, steps away from the Tretyakov Gallery.

HOTEL BUDAPEST *** from $100*
A traditional hotel with tastefully decorated rooms. Ideally located a short walk to Red Square, Kremlin and the Bolshoi Theatre.

HOTEL MAXIMA PANORAMA *** (Superior Room) from $100*
Brand new, quality tourist class option centrally located above a metro station just 3 stops (7-8 minutes) from Red Square. All rooms feature modern décor and conveniences.

IBIS HOTEL PAVELETSKAYA *** from $195*
Modern hotel just 5 minutes by metro or 20 minutes walk from Red Square. Simply furnished rooms feature contemporary styling and amenities.

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Immerse yourself in the historic, scenic and architectural beauty of Russia's famed Golden Ring. Explore towns and cities which have played a significant role in the emergence of Russia since the 11th and 12th centuries. The region will leave a lasting impression as you visit the many onion-domed cathedrals, monasteries and ancient Kremlins.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN RING
2 days

MOSCOW – SERGIEV POSAD – SUZDAL – VLADIMIR – MOSCOW

DAY 1 MOSCOW – SERGIEV POSAD – SUZDAL
Depart Moscow after breakfast for a 1.5 hour drive to the historic town of Sergiev Posad where you will have a tour of the magnificent Holy Trinity St. Sergius Lavra, the spiritual, functioning monastery of the Russian Orthodox Church. In the afternoon travel a short distance to charming Suzdal, a picturesque ‘living museum,’ where you will visit the Museum of Wooden Architecture to see traditional log houses and churches. After check-in at Best Western Art Hotel Nikolaevsky Posad (4 star) take a short stroll through the main village with your guide. (D)

DAY 2 SUZDAL – VLADIMIR – MOSCOW
After breakfast, tour the ancient town of Suzdal including the 11th century Kremlin and the Cathedral of the Nativity with its beautiful frescoes. Continue to the 14th century Monastery of St. Euphrosynus with its seven-domed cathedral and then onto Vladimir, dating back to the 12th century. On arrival, see Vladimir’s historical monuments including the Cathedral of the Assumption with its ornate frescoes and majestic St. Dimetrius Cathedral. After your tour you will return to Moscow, a driving time of approximately 3 hours. (B)

This tour ends in Moscow in time to connect with the 7.45pm Sapsan train to St. Petersburg.

GOLDEN RING EXPLORER
3 days

MOSCOW – SERGIEV POSAD – SUZDAL – BOGOLYUBOVO – VLADIMIR – MOSCOW

DAY 1 MOSCOW – SERGIEV POSAD – SUZDAL
Meet your guide at your hotel and travel through the Russian countryside to the historic town of Sergiev Posad, home of the functioning Holy Trinity St. Sergius Monastery and ‘Vatican’ of the Russian Orthodox Church. Walk amongst the bearded monks attired in their traditional black gowns and experience prayers and singing as you visit the colourful churches with their splendid gilded domes. In the afternoon travel a short distance to charming Suzdal, a picturesque ‘living museum,’ where you will visit the Museum of Wooden Architecture to see traditional log houses and churches. Dinner and overnight at Best Western Art Hotel Nikolaevsky Posad (4 star). (D)

DAY 2 SUZDAL – BOGOLYUBOVO – VLADIMIR – SUZDAL
After breakfast, tour the ancient town of Suzdal including the 11th century Kremlin and the Cathedral of the Nativity with its beautiful frescoes. Continue to the 14th century Monastery of St. Euphrosynus with its seven-domed cathedral and then onto the village of Bogolyubovo to see the famous Church of the Intercession-on-the-Nerl. In the afternoon drive to Vladimir, founded in the 12th century, and once the former capital of Russia. Your tour includes such historic landmarks as the Golden Gate, Assumption Cathedral and St. Dimetrius Cathedral. Return to Suzdal for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 3 SUZDAL – MOSCOW
Leave Suzdal late morning for the drive back to Moscow. You will arrive mid afternoon – perfect for connecting to the high-speed train to St Petersburg departing at 4:30pm. (B)

This tour ends in Moscow in time to connect with the 4.30pm Sapsan train to St. Petersburg.

Highlights of the Golden Ring
Departs Daily
Jan – Dec
Single price available on application

Golden Ring Explorer
Departs Daily
Jan – Dec
Single price available on application.
**BEST OF THE GOLDEN RING**

**4 days**


**DAY 1** **MOSCOW – SERGIEV POSAD – SUZDAL**
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**DAY 2** **SUZDAL – BOGOLYUBOVO – VLADIMIR – SUZDAL**
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**DAY 3** **SUZDAL – KOSTROMA – YAROSLAVL**
After breakfast, leave Suzdal and drive to Kostroma, founded in 1152 on the banks of the Volga River. Here you will visit Ipatiev Monastery and Trinity Cathedral, from where the Romanov Dynasty began in 1613. In the afternoon your tour continues with a scenic drive to Yaroslavl for a tour this 9th century town with its riverfront and impressive 16th century Monastery of the Saviour. Dinner and overnight at Hotel Yubeleinaya (3 star). (B, D)

**DAY 4** **YAROSLAVL – ROSTOV VELIKY – MOSCOW**
Leave Yaroslavl in the late morning for Rostov Veliky and enjoy a tour of the Kremlin, a fortress complex with beautifully decorated churches and towers. Afterwards enjoy free time for lunch (own expense) before returning to Moscow, approximately 3 hours depending on traffic, arriving in the late afternoon. (B)

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**TRANSFERS**

Private transfer Per vehicle (1-2 pax)
Railway Station to Hotel or vice versa 40
Novgorod to St. Petersburg or vice versa (3 hours) 430

**SIGHTSEEING**

**PRIVATE TOUR**
This tour is privately guided. Departure time can be scheduled to suit your requirements. Price is based on minimum 2 people.

**Velikiy Novgorod City Tour**
Price: $235 per person
Discover the fascinating capital of ‘Old Rus’ where you will visit the 9th century Kremlin, St. Sophia Cathedral and the Millennium of Russia Monument. Outside the city visit the 12th century Yuriiev Monastery and the Museum of Wooden Architecture.

**Depart:** Daily at 10.00 **Duration:** 6 hours

**ACCOMMODATION**

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The city’s best hotel blending modern architecture and ancient tradition close to the Kremlin. Spacious stylish rooms, overlook parkland or the River Volkho.

Novgorod’s oldest hotel located close to the Kremlin. A friendly hotel offering modestly decorated rooms, wide marble staircases, high ceilings and a sense of tradition.

Just 15 minutes walk from the Kremlin, this renovated hotel provides all modern needs. Hotel offers comfortable furnished, light and airy rooms, at an affordable price.

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This tour ends in Moscow in time to connect with the 7.45pm Sapsan train to St. Petersburg.
A comprehensive 4 day package to explore Peter the Great's imperial city in depth. See the 'must-see' highlights of Spilt Blood Cathedral, St Isaac's Cathedral, Nevsky Prospekt and the world famous Hermitage Museum, home to over 3 million works of art!

**Day 1:** Airport transfer and hotel check-in.

**Day 2:** City Tour with Peter & Paul Fortress and Spilt Blood Cathedral. (B)

**Day 3:** Hermitage Museum Tour and Russian Folklore Show. (B)

**Day 4:** Transfer to the airport. (B)

**Cronwell Inn Stremyannya (3 star): from** $685*

**Hotel Rossi (4 star): from** $760*

**Hotel Astoria (5 star): from** $1,030*

**Inclusions:** Return transfers, 3 nights accommodation, daily breakfast (B), privately guided sightseeing as indicated, services of a local representative

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**PRIVATE TOURS**

These tours are privately guided. Departure times can be scheduled to suit your requirements. Prices are based on minimum 2 people.

**City Tour With Peter & Paul Fortress**

**Price:** $120 per person

A comprehensive tour of Peter the Great’s imperial city. See the Nevsky Prospekt, Hermitage, Kazan Cathedral, St Isaac’s Cathedral and Peter & Paul Fortress, site of the city’s first settlement.

**Departs:** Daily except Wed and last Tue of month at 09.30  
**Duration:** 4 hours

**City Tour with Peter & Paul Fortress and Spilt Blood Cathedral**

**Price:** $185 per person

Combine a comprehensive tour of St. Petersburg with Peter & Paul Fortress, the site of the city’s first settlement and the impressive Spilt Blood Cathedral.

**Departs:** Daily except Wed and last Tue of month at 9.30  
**Duration:** 5 hours

**City Tour with Peter & Paul Fortress, Spilt Blood Cathedral & St. Isaac’s Cathedral**

**Price:** $240 per person

A complete city covering all the major highlights including Peter & Paul Fortress, the impressive Spilt Blood Cathedral with it’s 7,000sqm of mosaics and the gold-domed St. Isaac’s Cathedral.

**Departs:** Daily except Wed and last Tue of month at 9.30  
**Duration:** 7 hours

**Hermitage Museum**

**Price:** $75 per person

Tour the renowned Hermitage Museum, located in the former Winter Palace, with its astonishing collection of pre-historic, Egyptian, Oriental and European art. Tour does not include hotel transfers.

**Departs:** Daily except Mon at 10.30  
**Duration:** 4 hours

**Hermitage Museum & Treasure Gallery**

**Price:** $175 per person

Extend your tour of the Hermitage Museum to include one of two special exhibits: The Gold Room with it’s magnificent collection of golden artefacts; or The Diamond Room showing the development of the diamond craft over the centuries. Tour does not include hotel transfers.

**Departs:** Daily except Mon at 10.30  
**Duration:** 5 hours

**Yusupov Palace & Rasputin Exhibition**

**Price:** $100 per person

An extensive tour of this 18th century mansion, with its world renowned art collection, and its Rasputin Exhibition detailing the monk’s life and infamous murder. Tour does not include hotel transfers.

**Departs:** Daily at 12.00  
**Duration:** 4 hours

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SIGHTSEEING

**St. Petersburg Canal Cruise**  
Price: $85 per person  
St. Petersburg is known as the “Venice of the North.” View the city’s stunning architecture from a different perspective, on its major canals and Neva River. Tour does not include hotel transfers.  
**Departs:** Daily at 10.00 (May-Sep)  
**Duration:** 2 hours

**Peterhof Palace and Gardens**  
Price: $210 per person  
Peter the Great’s grand summer palace on the Gulf of Finland. Discover its lavishly furnished state rooms and take a walk through the gardens to the gold fountains of the Grand Cascade.  
**Departs:** Daily except Mon and last Tue of the month at 09.30  
**Duration:** 5 hours

**Catherine Palace and Gardens**  
Price: $190 per person  
Catherine Palace, a massive, baroque palace set in vast European-style gardens, with an ornate façade nearly 300 metres long, the palace contains the stunning Amber Room, now fully restored.  
**Departs:** Daily except Tue and last Mon of the month at 09.30  
**Duration:** 5 hours

**Folklore Show at Nikolaevsky Palace**  
Price: $70 per person  
Enjoy a folklore show in the spectacular setting of the Nikolaevsky Palace. A varied itinerary includes classical folk songs, a Russian folk trio and an acrobatic Cossack song-and-dance group. Hotel transfers not included.  
**Departs:** Daily at 17.30  
**Duration:** approx. 2 hours

PRIVATELY GUIDED SHORE EXCURSIONS FOR CRUISE PASSENGERS

Beyond Travel offers passengers arriving by cruise liner the opportunity to explore St. Petersburg with a private guide. Below are three FULL DAY tour options on offer, however all day tours can be tailored to suit your requirements:

**ST. PETERSBURG CITY TOUR & HERMITAGE from $365 per person**  
**ST. PETERSBURG CANAL CRUISE & PETERHOF PALACE from $335 per person**  
**PUSHKIN & CATHERINE PALACE from $240 per person**  
*Tour prices based on minimum 2 passengers

Please contact Beyond Travel for more details.

ACCOMMODATION

1. **GRAND HOTEL EUROPE *******  
   From $235*  
   Iconic Orient Express hotel on the Nevsky Prospekt renowned for its impressive facade. Rooms combine 19th century charm with modern luxury.  
   **Stay 3 / Pay 2 (1 Jan – 30 Apr)**  

2. **HOTEL ASTORIA ******  
   From $200*  
   Sophisticated Rocco Forte hotel overlooking St. Isaac’s Cathedral, combining traditional Russian character and modern luxury. Modern styled rooms with traditional features and oak flooring.  
   **Stay 3 / Pay 2 (1 Jan – 31 Mar & 23 Oct – 31 Dec)**  
   **Stay 4 / Pay 3 (1 Apr – 22 Oct except 13 May – 30 Jun)**

3. **DOMINA PRESTIGE HOTEL *******  
   From $145*  
   Luxury lifestyle hotel on the Moika Embankment close to St. Isaac’s Cathedral. All guestrooms are individually designed combining style, space and comfort.

4. **CORINTHIA HOTEL *******  
   From $110*  
   Grand, elegant hotel housed in a 19th century building on the Nevsky Prospekt. The hotel has luxury, spacious rooms with graceful, contemporary décor and modern conveniences.

5. **ANGLETERRE HOTEL ******  
   From $145*  
   A Rocco Forte property with a long tradition of offering quality and service in the heart of the city. The hotel features elegantly styled, spacious rooms with parquet floors and soft colour schemes.  
   **Stay 3 / Pay 2 (1 Jan – 31 Mar & 23 Oct – 31 Dec)**  
   **Stay 4 / Pay 3 (1 Apr – 22 Oct except 13 May – 30 Jun)**

6. **HOTEL GOLDEN TRIANGLE ******  
   From $130*  
   Boutique property situated in the very centre of St.Petersburg. The hotel’s traditional architecture is complemented by its elegant interiors and individually designed, classically furnished rooms.

7. **ROSSI BOUTIQUE HOTEL ******  
   From $110*  
   Situated centrally on the Fontanka Embankment, this charming first class hotel offers well-appointed rooms with exposed wooden beams and brickwork for added character.

8. **SOLO SOKOS HOTEL VASILIEVSKY ******  
   From $90*  
   First class property close to the Hermitage Museum, housed in a refurbished 19th century building. Comfortable rooms are elegantly decorated with warm tones and modern facilities.

9. **PETRO PALACE HOTEL ******  
   From $80*  
   A great value first class hotel featuring tastefully furnished rooms with modern amenities. Ideally located close to St. Isaac’s Cathedral, Hermitage Museum and Nevsky Prospekt.

10. **M HOTEL *****  
    **(Superior Room)**  
    From $90*  
    Basic, clean and comfortable hotel offering an inexpensive stay in the heart of St. Petersburg, very well located just behind Kazan Cathedral.

11. **CROWVELL INN STREMYANNAYA *****  
    **(Comfort Room)**  
    From $85*  
    A completely renovated hotel in an historic building behind Nevsky Prospekt. This comfortable budget property is designed to emphasise the classic style and atmosphere of historic St. Petersburg.

12. **HOTEL ARBAT NORD *****  
    From $70*  
    Small, tourist class hotel offering comfortable, well appointed rooms and a cozy atmosphere. Located 15 minutes walk to the city’s main attractions.  
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HELSINKI

ACCOMMODATION

1. HOTEL Kämp **** from $175*
Helsinki’s top hotel, perfectly located in the heart of the city, exhibits luxury sophistication and European glamour. Spacious guest rooms combine elegant decor and top class amenities.

2. RADISSON BLU PLAZA HOTEL **** from $105*
A charming historic exterior houses this stylish hotel featuring a mix of design styles from Nordic through to Classic. Situated in the city centre.

3. CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL HELSINKI **** from $100*
Large, first class hotel offering comfortable, contemporary rooms. Located close to Finlandia Hall just 15 minutes walk from the centre of Helsinki.

4. GLO HOTEL KLUUVI **** from $100*
A stylish and modern hotel located in the heart of Helsinki, surrounded by cafes, bars and shopping

5. HOTEL SEURAHUONE **** from $95*
An elegant Art Nouveau building with rich tradition, ideally located opposite the Helsinki Central Station. Charming interiors create the perfect ambiance.

6. HOLIDAY INN HELSINKI CITY CENTRE **** from $95*
A first-class modern hotel featuring Scandinavian style décor, located in the city centre next to Helsinki Central Station.

7. SOKOS HOTEL VAANKUNA *** from $95*
A modern Helsinki-style building, with direct access to the Sokos Department Store, offers comfortable rooms in the heart of Helsinki.

8. SOKOS HOTEL HELSINKI *** from $90*
A modern property with fresh and contemporary interiors, centrally located within walking distance to all Helsinki’s top attractions.

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SIGHTSEEING

Helsinki City Audio Tour
Price: $55 per person
A fantastic orientation to the city and its highlights by coach, including the historical centre with Senate Square, the Lutheran Cathedral, Presidential Palace, the Opera House, Finlandia Hall and the Temppeliaukio Church – the “Church in the Rock.”
Departures: Daily at 11.00 (Jan-Dec) Duration: 1.5 hours Daily at 13.00 (May)

Medieval Tallinn Excursion
Price: $200 per person
Journey across the Gulf of Finland by ferry to visit Tallinn, Estonia’s charming capital city. Explore the Old Town and see Toompea Castle, Dome Cathedral, the gothic 14th century Town Hall and Alexander Nevsky Church on a 3 hour walking tour. Afterwards, enjoy free time for your own exploration before returning to Helsinki. Tour does not include transfers in Helsinki.
Departures: Daily at 07.30 Duration: 12 hours

TRANSFERS

Private transfer
Per vehicle (1-3 pax)
Airport to Hotel or vice versa $160
Railway or Ferry Terminal to Hotel or vice versa $105

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SPOTLIGHT ON KYIV

4 days  Independent

A wonderful 4-day stay in Kyiv will introduce you to the country's vibrant capital city. Learn of the city's rich history, see Kyiv's top museums and beautiful cathedrals and stroll along the famous Khreshchatyk Street.

Day 1:  Airport transfer and hotel check-in.
Day 2:  Kyiv City Walking Tour. (B)
Day 3:  Pechersk Lavra Monastery. (B)
Day 4:  Transfer to the airport. (B)

Hotel Rus (3 star): from $440*
Hotel Dnipro (4 star): from $660*
Hotel Premier Palace (5 star): from $1,050*

Inclusions: Return transfers, 3 nights accommodation, daily breakfast (B), sightseeing as indicated, services of a local representative

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SPOTLIGHT ON ODESSA

3 days  Independent

The popular Ukrainian Black Sea resort town of Odessa is a wonderful blend of culture and history waiting to be discovered. Enjoy this 3 day stay exploring the tree-lined boulevards, French and Italian inspired palaces and the Black Sea beaches.

Day 1:  Airport transfer and hotel check-in.
Day 2:  Odessa City Walking Tour. (B)
Day 3:  Transfer to the airport. (B)

Hotel Chorne More (3 star): from $240*
Hotel Londonsky (4 star): from $400*
Hotel Bristol (5 star): from $575*

Inclusions: Return transfers, 2 nights accommodation, daily breakfast (B), sightseeing as indicated, services of a local representative

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SPOTLIGHT ON LVIV

3 days  Independent

Uncover the splendor of Lviv, Ukraine’s western gateway and one of Central Europe’s most beautiful cities. Visit Castle Hill, stroll through the historic centre and see the wonderful architecture, a legacy from the city’s many different rulers including Poland, Austria and Russia.

Day 1:  Airport transfer and hotel check-in.
Day 2:  Lviv City Walking Tour. (B)
Day 3:  Transfer to the airport. (B)

Hotel George (3 star): from $295*
Hotel Leopolis (4 star): from $515*

Inclusions: Return transfers, 2 nights accommodation, daily breakfast (B), sightseeing as indicated, services of a local representative

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SPOTLIGHT ON MINSK

3 days  Independent

Explore the interesting capital of Belarus on this 3 day package. A city that was all but destroyed during WWII, today boasts an eclectic mix of historic and modern architecture and a thriving cultural scene dominated by the famous Belarusian ballet.

Day 1:  Airport transfer and hotel check-in.
Day 2:  Minsk City Walking Tour. (B)
Day 3:  Transfer to the airport. (B)

Hotel Yubileiny (3 star): from $415*
Hotel Minsk (4 star): from $460*

Inclusions: Return transfers, 2 nights accommodation, daily breakfast (B), sightseeing as indicated, services of a local representative

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## GETTING AROUND: COACH, FERRY & RAIL

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**HELSDINKI – TALLINN or vice-versa**

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- Star class: Deck ticket
- Comfort class: includes a snacks, non-alcoholic beverages and newspapers
- Business class: includes buffet, beverages, newspapers, WIFI and express check-in

**Additional routes available including:**
- Tallinn – Stockholm v.v
- Riga – Stockholm v.v
- Stockholm – Helsinki v.v

### ST. PETERSBURG TO HELSINKI or vice-versa

**Aboard Princess Maria**

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### HIGH SPEED RAIL SECTORS

**ST. PETERSBURG – HELSINKI or vice versa**

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**PRICE PER PERSON one way from:**
- 1st class | 2nd class |
- 145 | 75 |
- 1st Class: Reclining seat, newspapers, snacks and tea/coffee
- 2nd Class: Reclining seat only

**ST. PETERSBURG – MOSCOW or vice versa**

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**PRICE PER PERSON one way from:**
- 1st class | 2nd class |
- 275 | 170 |
- 1st Class: Reclining seat, table, TV, newspapers, drinks and hot meal
- 2nd Class: Reclining seat and table

### COACH SERVICES

**From** | **To** | **Daily Services** | **Approx. Duration** | **Price Per Person** |
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At the time of brochure printing, 2015 schedules and prices were unavailable. We have included 2014 schedules and prices as a guide for planning your journey.
TERMS & CONDITIONS OF TRAVEL

BROCHURE VALIDITY, PRICES & GST
This brochure is valid from 1 January – 31 December 2015.

All prices stated in this brochure are in AUD and based on tariffs and exchange rates as at 30 September 2014. Prices are subject to change without notice in the event of fluctuations in exchange rates or increases in airfares or supplier costs outside the control of Beyond Travel. However, no surcharges will apply once final payment has been received.

Most overseas products featured in this brochure are exempt from a Goods and Services Tax. However, due to legislation, GST is applicable on all domestic services provided, such as cancellations, amendments, visa processing, etc.

HOW TO BOOK
To book any service in this brochure, please contact your preferred travel agent or Beyond Travel.

DEPOSITS & BALANCE DUE
To secure a booking, the following non-refundable deposits will be required for all services within 7 days upon receipt of a confirmation invoice:

Private Train Journeys 15%
All other tours and services 10%

*Minimum deposit is $100 per booking.

Final payment is due 90 days before the commencement of first travel service for Private Train Journeys. For all other tours and services, final payment is required 60 days before the commencement of your travel arrangements.

If the deposit or final payment is not received on time, the booking may be treated as cancelled and subject to applicable cancellation fees.

PAYMENT
Payments may be made by cheque, direct deposit or credit card: Visa, Mastercard, American Express. A merchant fee of 1.5% for Visa and Mastercard and 3% for American Express.

For direct deposits, please transfer payment to the following bank accounts and fax transaction record along with your booking reference number to +61 2 9080 0499, or email to info@beyondtravel.com.au.

Australia: CBA – Clarence & King Street Branch, Sydney
BSB: 062-032 Account: 1016 8338
Account Name: Beyond Travel Group Pty Ltd Client Account

New Zealand: ANZ – 15 Mercari Way, Auckland
BSB: 010-277 Account: 0157342-00
Account Name: Beyond Travel Group Pty Ltd

Travel agents:
Smartmoney (code: RBSYD) – Australia Only
Paymetntg code: (AARU) – Australia & New Zealand
Enett (code: 200262) – Australia
Enett (code: 300478) – New Zealand

SERVICE FEES, CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS
Minimum booking fee: $55 will be charged for bookings valued at less than $500.

Amendments: one amendment will be provided free of charge; further amendments may incur a service fee of $55.

Cancellations: prior to commencement of the cancelled service, the following penalties will apply, unless otherwise advised:

Private Train Journeys
91+ days Loss of deposit
90-59 days 50% fee
60-0 days 100% fee

Other Tours & Services *
61+ days Loss of deposit
60-40 days 50% fee
39-20 days 75% fee
19-0 days 100% fee

Visa support documentation, and rail, coach and theatre tickets are non-refundable once issued or purchased. Airline tickets and rail passes which have been issued are subject to cancellation fees imposed by the airline or rail company.

Refunds: no refund is available for cancellations once travel arrangements have commenced or “no-shows” due to personal negligence or choice. Beyond Travel does not authorise any overseas supplier or hotel to promise refunds on our behalf. All claims for refunds or reimbursements must be received in writing within 3 weeks from the date the service was provided.

Special Itineraries: the territory we cover is vast, and we often receive requests for special itineraries requiring extensive research which may require a non-refundable service fee of $220 to cover time and communication costs. Should our quote be accepted, this fee will then be credited towards the cost of the tour or other services booked with Beyond Travel.

Above payment, service and cancellation fees are inclusive of GST.

DISCOVER MORE TRAVEL CREDITS
Travel Credits can be applied to additional Beyond Travel services only that are featured in any of our 2015 brochures. Credit amounts vary by tour, and solo travellers receive 50% of the per person amount. Credits expire 31 December 2015; services must be booked and outstanding payments made by this date. Discover More Credits are not combinable with any other offer, are invalid if the tour for which it was issued is cancelled, and have no cash value. Refunds can not be issued on unused amounts.

SPECIAL JOURNEY SOLO TRAVELLER CLUB
Our Solo Traveler Club is a Beyond Travel initiative designed to match solo travellers on our 2015 Special Journey tour series who are willing to share twin accommodation, saving on single supplements and offering an opportunity for companionship whilst travelling. Only travellers of the same gender will be matched and there are no guarantees that a match will be possible; if we are unable to find a match, single supplements will apply. To join, please complete the registration form available from our office or website and return it to Beyond Travel or your preferred travel agent. Special booking and payment conditions apply. Detailed conditions are outlined on the registration, and submission of the form is deemed consent to these terms.

TOUR CANCELLATION
Beyond Travel and its principles reserve the right to cancel any tour up to 4 weeks before departure. Should it be necessary to cancel a tour, alternative arrangements will be recommended, however if a suitable substitution is not found, a full refund will be offered. In the unlikely event that a »Guaranteed Departures« tour must be cancelled for reasons beyond the operator’s control, every passenger who has paid either a deposit or full payment will receive a credit of $200 per person if they transfer to another »Guaranteed Departures« tour.

TOUR CONDITIONS & SPECIAL REQUESTS
The services we provide are suitable for almost anyone and age is seldom an issue. An eagerness to be involved and a positive approach to travel will result in a satisfying and rewarding holiday. It is however your responsibility to ensure that you have a suitable level of fitness to undertake your chosen travel itinerary and you must inform Beyond Travel of any medical condition that may prevent your full participation.

For the enjoyment and safety of our passengers, Beyond Travel and its principles reserve the right to substitute hotels and amend itineraries if necessary to do so. If a re-routing of a tour is required, Beyond Travel will cover any additional costs associated with those changes within the dates of the particular tour. Any other changes (e.g. airline changes) which result in additional hotel nights, meals or other services are the responsibility of the passenger. Beyond Travel should be advised at time of booking of any dietary requirements or special requests, such as bedding preferences, non-smoking rooms, etc. Whilst we cannot guarantee, we will endeavour to honour these requests when possible.

DOCUMENTATION
Documentation is normally issued within 4 weeks of your departure from Australia or New Zealand. Please note that seat reservations on most rail sectors are generally not available until 45-60 days prior to date of travel.

PASSPORTS & VISAS
Australian and New Zealand citizens must hold a current passport which must be valid for at least six months after your departure. It is the responsibility of the individual to obtain the required visas prior to departure. Failure to do so which results in the need to cancel travel arrangements will incur normal cancellation penalties.

INSURANCE
Cancellation and refund conditions are strictly enforced; therefore, we recommend that you carry comprehensive travel insurance which covers cancellation due to unforeseen circumstances or those beyond your control. Ask your travel agent or Beyond Travel consultant for a choice of policies.

RESPONSIBILITY
Beyond Travel Group Pty Ltd, trading as Beyond Travel, is an intermediary and acts only in the capacity of agent for the passengers in all matters of transportation, tour and cruise operations and other services. All receipts, tickets or vouchers are issued subject to the terms and conditions under which services are provided. Beyond Travel assumes no responsibility for loss, injury, accident, delay, damage or irregularity that may be caused to person or property, however caused or arising during any tour under its management, sponsorship or procurement. Travellers acknowledge that reasonable changes may be made, and it is the responsibility of the passengers to make sure that they are in possession of the proper travel documents. The issuance and acceptance of receipts, tickets, or vouchers shall be deemed consent to the above conditions.
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