

RUSSIAN WATERWAYS

Enjoy a spectacular voyage through the heart of Russia along its colorful and historic waterways. Explore bustling and excitement-packed Moscow, then cruise north and visit the enchanting Golden Ring cities of Uglich, Kostroma and Yaroslavl. Continue along the Volga-Baltic Waterways and through Europe's two largest lakes, Onega and Ladoga to St. Petersburg, one of the world's most beautiful cities, spread over 101 islands and 66 canals.

13 DAYS ♦

MOSCOW/ST.PETERSBURG

from €1710 cruise only

All sailings guaranteed

YOUR TRAVEL VALUE INCLUDES

- ◆ 12 night cruise accommodation in outside cabin
- ◆ All meals onboard; early-riser coffee, buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner
- ◆ Red or white wine or juice with every dinner
- ◆ Bottled water in every cabin
- ◆ Cocktail Reception and Welcome Dinner
- ◆ Home visit and meal with Russian family in Uglich
- ◆ All-inclusive daily sightseeing program as outlined in the itinerary
- ◆ EXCLUSIVE BALLET PERFORMANCE AT THE HERMITAGE THEATRE, THE PRIVATE THEATRE OF THE CZARS
- ◆ Guest lectures on Russian history, culture, art, politics and economy
- ◆ On board music performances and Russian language classes
- ◆ All English language on board in a non-smoking environment (smoking only on the Sun Deck)
- ◆ All transfers with the purchase of cruise and air package
- ◆ All local taxes



▲ Moscow at night

Day 1, Sat. ARRIVE IN MOSCOW, RUSSIA. Start discovering the city on your own, before meeting your fellow travelers at the Welcome Cocktail Reception. (D)

Day 2, Sun. MOSCOW. Today's sightseeing of Russia's beautiful capital city which was founded in 1147, includes Red Square, St. Basil, the Lenin Hills, Tverskaya, Lubyanka Square (KGB building) and Arbat Street, followed by a visit to the Moscow Metro. Later, in the afternoon, you will visit Tretyakov Art Museum. (B,L,D)

Day 3, Mon. MOSCOW. This morning, your sightseeing continues with a tour inside the Kremlin's Walls. Your tour will introduce you to the former royal residence of the Czar and main-centre of the Russian Orthodox faith. You will visit the Armoury Museum, Russia's oldest museum, which houses the former royal collection, a wide collection of treasures, including jewels, crowns, armour and the world famous



Faberge Eggs and royal carriages. The afternoon is free to explore further. (B,L,D)

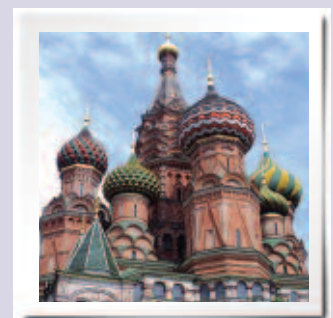
Day 4, Tue. UGLICH. On the banks of the Volga, Uglich was founded by merchants, in 1148. Rich in history you can admire some of Russia's most beautiful churches and cathedrals during your city tour. This will include the Transfiguration Cathedral and the magnificent Church of Dimitry on the blood, with its tragic story of dedication to Ivan the Terrible's son. (B,L,D)



Kizhi



Russian Folklore Performance



Moscow

Day 5, Wed. KOSTROMA.

Located on the left banks of the Volga River, this Golden Ring city is as old as Moscow and its picturesque suburbs have long been a source of inspiration for many Russian artists. It was here that the last Imperial dynasty, the Romanovs, came to power. Your tour will include the Ipatiev Monastery, the Museum of Wooden Architecture and much of the 18th century buildings beloved of Catherine the Great. (B,L,D)

Day 6, Thu. YAROSLAVL.

Founded in 1010 by Prince Yaroslav the Wise, it is one of Russia's oldest cities, tracing its roots back to the Vikings. The city stretches for miles along the confluence of Volga and Kotorosl rivers.

Explore the cities history through its architecture, including the fortified 12th century Transfiguration Monastery and the Church of Elijah the Prophet, home to many beautiful icons. (B,L,D)

Day 7, Fri. GORITSY. Goritsy is a peaceful farming town and a typical Russian village. The tour will include the Monastery of St. Cyril on the White lake and the Museum of Icons. (B,L,D)

Day 8, Sat. KIZHI ISLAND.

Kizhi is situated at the north end of Lake Onega and home to some of the most amazing wooden architecture in Russia. Forever linked to Novgorod the Great, the style of architecture reflects its early introduction to Christianity. In 1764 locals built the Church of Intercession, its towering walls and 22 domes without the use of a single nail. The walking tour will include the Museum of Wooden Architecture. (B,L,D)

Day 9, Sun. MANDROGUI.

Mandrogui is a recreated Russian village, built to relive the traditions and crafts of Russia's by gone age. Enjoy some free time strolling around this quaint village and maybe tour the museum of it's locally produced Vodka and even sample some yourself. (B,L,D)

Day 10, Mon. ST.

PETERSBURG. One of Russia's former capitals, this city rivals Paris or Venice for its romantic image. Dating from the beginning of the 18th century it was built on the express orders and construction direction of Peter the Great. Home to many museums, galleries, Palaces, impressive squares and streets. The sightseeing tour this beautiful city will show you Nevsky Prospect, Palace Square, St. Issacs Cathedral and the battle-cruiser Aurora. Later, tour the Hermitage museum, the former Palace of the Czars, which houses the royal art collection of over 3 million works of art; it is one of the biggest and most impressive art museums in the world. (B,L,D)

Day 11, Tue. ST. PETERS-

BURG. Today you will tour perhaps St. Petersburg's most famous and spectacular Imperial Estate - Peterhof. Nestled on the shore of the Gulf of Finland, the palace was built by Peter the Great initially as a resting place en route to the Imperial naval base. But the Czar was quick to recognize the attractiveness of the area and masterminded a vast estate intended to rival the famous gardens of Versailles. In your free time absorb the atmosphere of its vibrant cultural life. Tonight explore some more on your own, or come along for an optional folklore show. (B,L,D)

Day 12, Wed. ST. PETERS-

BURG. This morning, stroll along one of the many picturesque canals or join the optional excursion tour to Pushkin and the Palace of Catherine the Great. This evening be our guest at a exclusive Ballet performance at the Hermitage Theatre. The former private theatre of the Czars. (B,L,D)

Day 13, Thu DEPART ST.

PETERSBURG. Enjoy one last breakfast on board, then bid your ship farewell. (B)

DAILY PROGRAM FEATURES

DAY	DESTINATION	ACTIVITIES
1	Moscow	Flight to Russia Transfer to the ship EMBARKATION
2	Moscow	City tour Red Square & Metro Visit to Tretiakov Gallery Optional Moscow by night Optional Circus or Folklore
3	Moscow	Kremlin & Armory Museum Optional Pushkin Museum, Opt. Novodevichy Monastery
4	Uglich	City tour Transfiguration Cathedral Church of Dimitry on the Blood Russian home visits
5	Kostroma	City tour Ipatiev Monastery Wooden Architecture Museum
6	Yaroslavl	City tour Transfiguration Monastery Church of Elyjah the Prophet St Cyril Monastery
7	Goritsy	Museum of icons Wooden architecture Museum
8	Kizhi	Russian handicrafts
9	Mandrogui	City tour
10	St Petersburg	Ballet performance at the Hermitage Theatre Optional Pushkin Tour of Hermitage museum Optional folklore show
11	St Petersburg	Excursion to Peterhof
13	St Petersburg	DISSEMBARK
14	St Petersburg	

DATES & PRICES

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MS TOLSTOY

DEPARTURE	START CITY	CRUISE ONLY	CRUISE, LAND & AIR*
19 May	Moscow	€1710	€2260
31 May	St. Petersburg	€1784	€2334
12 Jun	Moscow	€1859	€2409
24 Jun	St. Petersburg	€1859	€2409
06 July	Moscow	€1859	€2409
18 July	St. Petersburg	€1859	€2409
30 July	Moscow	€1859	€2409
11 Aug	St. Petersburg	€1859	€2409
23 Aug	Moscow	€1859	€2409
04 Sep	St. Petersburg	€1859	€2409
16 Sep	Moscow	€1784	€2334
28 Sep	St. Petersburg	€1710	€2260

*Included airfare from Dublin is a current estimate. Actual airfares from all gateways will be advised at time of booking.

Port charges: €90 per person.

Single price: 150% of twin price; Suites 200% of twin price

Prices are per person in Cat. E in a deluxe outside cabin. To upgrade to higher Category, add per person (all cabins twin/dbl):

CATEGORY	DECK	PRICE
D	Main Deck, Middle	€111
C	Upper Deck, Forward	€297
B	Upper Deck, Middle	€371
A	Boat Deck	€446
Single	Boat Deck	€520
Jr.Suite	Boat Deck	€1412
Suite	Boat Deck	€2156

PLEASE NOTE: All passengers travelling to Russia require a visa. Please call 01 2366800 for more information.



Catherine's Palace, St. Petersburg



Onion domes inside the Kremlin



Kostroma