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## **DEPARTURE DATES**

Apr.19:	22
May.19:	20
Jun.19:	17
Jul.19:	<u>15</u>
Aug.19:	<u>19</u>
Sep.19:	09, 23
Oct.19:	07
Nov.19:	<u>04</u>
Dec.19:	30
Mar.20:	16

#### **PRICE PER PERSON**

ID: 16616		DBL	SINGL
High S.	€	2150	3045
Mid S.	<u>€</u>	<u>2175</u>	<u>3070</u>
Low S.	€	2050	2945

### **EXPECTED HOTELS**

See the hotels provided for this trip in the final part of the brochure and on its website "My Trip".



Stockholm

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#### Stockholm

# From Stockholm to Moscow

#### MON. Stockholm.-TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Arrival.

Reception **transfer to hotel**. Free time. You will receive information about the start of the circuit in the late afternoon, or through the informative panels in the hotel reception area.

#### 02 TUE. Stockholm.-TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Stockholm sightseeing.

We make a **panoramic tour** of this very beautiful capital city built on 13 islands joined together. We will see the Gamla Stand or the "City between the Bridges", the old quarter of the city, full of life where there are many monumental buildings such as the Nobel Museum, alongside the main square of Stortorget, which pays tribute to the winners of the Nobel Prizes, the Cathedral and the Royal Palace. Whenever possible, we will enjoy a pretty view from the Fjällgatan viewpoint. Free time. We recommend visiting the museums and parks. Optionally, we suggest a visit to the City Hall and to the Vasa museum-ship.

#### 03 WED. Stockholm - Ferry Boarding.-TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Ferry to Finland.

Free day in Stockholm. In the evening we will **board a modern ferry**, overnight accommodation in double cabins with private bathroom to go to **Finland**.

#### 04 THU. Turku - Naantali - Helsinki.-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: Forests, lakes, pleasant landscapes.

We recommend you to go to the ship deck at sunrise; we arrive to **Finland** by sailing along Aland Islands, contemplating hundreds of islands covered by forests. We shall see mesmerizing landscapes from the sea. Disembarkation and time to walk around **TURKU**, a city with a very strong Swedish influence. We continue our journey to the neighbor city of **NAANTALI**, very picturesque town of wooden houses next to the sea. We will later arrive in **HELSINKI**, time for lunch. Free afternoon, you will be able to get to know this city, with its old market, the Russian influence in its buildings and churches.

## 05 FRI. Helsinki - Tallinn.-

**TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT**S: Stage by the sea with beautiful landscapes on the way out of Helsinki.

We include a **boat trip** (regular line water local transport) to **Suomenlinna Islands**, - six islands where we highlight a great fortress that used to protect the sea entry to the city and was declared World Heritage - Time to stroll around (we will be able to cross island through its small pedestrian bridges). Later we shall board a ferry to **Estonia**; Ferry trip of around 2h30 duration; we suggest to admire the departure from Helsinki and the surrounding islands. Arrival to **TALLINN**.

## 06 SAT. Tallinn.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS: city tour of Tallinn.

The capital of Estonia is a wonderful city with a wellconserved medieval centre. **Comprehensive tour of the city**, its walls, churches, squares, and its mediaeval streets filled with tourist attractions. Free afternoon.

#### 07 SUN. Tallinn- Narva- St. Petersburg.-TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT: from Estonia to Russia. Lunch included in Narva.

Today we leave Estonia and travel to **Russia**. We stop in **NARVA** with time to see the impressive fortress by the river, on the border between the two countries. Border procedures (which can sometimes take time), **lunch in-cluded** once in Russia. We go on to **ST PETERSBURG.** Arrival at the hotel.

#### 08 MON. St. Petersburg.-

#### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT: Panoramic visit of St. Petersburg. Catherine Palace.

With a local guide we begin the **panoramic visit** of this beautiful city crossed by the Neva River and built on 40 islands. Saint Petersburg is the second most important city of Russia and capital of the Russian Empire. This imperial city reveals the history of the Russian tsars through its museums, palaces, and architectural wealth. The visit includes the **Peter and Paul Fortress**, origin of the city is surrounded by numerous palaces, in the afternoon we include the excursion (tour with guide and tickets) to the **CATHERINE PALACE** located 25 km from St. Petersburg, it was the Tzars summer rococo residence.

## 09 TUE. Saint Petersburg.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT: Hermitage Museum.

Today we have included the **Hermitage Museum**, a fantastic art museum located in the building that was the Tsars' Winter Palace **(visit with guide and tick-**





## Novgorod

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#### 10 WED. St. Petersburg- Novgorod- Valday-Tver.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT: Russian plain, woodlands and lakes.Novgorod. Dinner included.

We travel to **NOVGOROD**, an exciting city that was one of Russia's most important political and cultural cen-tres. We will **visit (with guide and tickets included**) its **Kremlin**, the former market district, the court of Ya-roslav. **Lunch included.** We go on our way to **VALDAY**, a picturesque little city by a lake. We will visit an an-cient monastery on the island in the lake before going on to TVER. Dinner included.

#### 11 THU. Tver-Sergei Posad-Suzdal.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT: Along tiny roads to see the rural areas of Russia, passing many pretty villages on our way. Lunch included.

A stroll in **TVER**, a city on the banks of the Volga River that was the centre of a small State that was Moscow's main rival. After this, we will see some of the cities of the **GOLDEN RING**. A brief stop in **KLIN** where we find the house of the brilliant composer Tchaikovsky. Then we carry on to SERGIEV POSAD, we see the Monastery of the Trinity, considered Russia's most important spiritual centre. Lunch included.

In the afternoon, we travel along small roads that pass through historical cities of the **Golden Ring: ALEK-SHANDROV** (with its Kremlin dedicated to Ivan the Terrible) and **YURYEV POLSKIY**, a small provincial city with its historical Kremlin. Our route continues to SU-ZDAL, where we will visit the wooden Architecture Museum, which illustrates the former peasant life with houses built of trunks, their mills and the Church of the Transfiguration. Dinner included, during which a folkloric group will accompany us with the sound of balalaikas (not included if there are fewer than 15 par-ticipants in the group).

## 12 FRI. Suzdal-Vladimir-Moscow.-

#### TODAYSHIGHLIGHT: sightseeing of Suzdal. Lunch included

In the morning we will see how the famous Matriuska dolls are made and painted, and we will encourage you to learn how to paint them. Then we visit **SUZDAL**, which for many is the most beautiful of the cities of the Golden Ring with its canals, its flowers, the domes on the horizon, which give the city a fairytale-like appearance. We visit the city with a local guide and tickets included: the Kremlin, the cathedral. At the Monastery of St Eugen we will hear the bell concert. After this, we travel to VLADIMIR, where we visit the majestic Cathedral of the Assumption. Lunch included. Then we go on to MOSCOW, where we arrive at the end of the afternoon.

#### 13 SAT. Moscow.-

## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT: city tour of Moscow.

We will start our day with an exciting visit to Russia's huge capital city. This city unites past, present and future in a very unique way. We will go along their im-

mense avenues, their elegant shopping areas, the Red Square where Lenin's Mausoleum is, Saint Basil's Cathe-dral, the Cathedral of Christ the Saviour... We **include** a ticket to the Kremlim with a visit to two of its main cathedrals. We will try (not guaranteed) to coin-cide with the ceremonial military parade in Sobornaya Square. Free afternoon.

#### 14 SUN. Moscow.-

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT: Viewpoint over Moscow. Great Patriotic War Museum.

We will learn more about the history of Russia and its capital. We will pass by the university viewpoint, with its fantastic view over the city where newly mar-ried couples leave flowers (we could go to the view-point after Saturday's visit instead of Sunday) and we will get to know (including entry) the Great Patriotic War Museum (World War II) that also shows us many aspects of the Soviet period. Free afternoon.

#### 15 MON. Moscow.-

After breakfast, transfer to the airport and end of our services.

## THE PRICE INCLUDES

- Europamundo General Services: Travel by bus with English speaking guide, basic travel insurance, and breakfast buffet.
  Includes arrival and departure transfers.
  Evenues in Service Delivered Del
- Excursion: Visit to Catherine Palace in S. Pe-
- tersburg. **Boat**: Suomenlinna islands inHelsinki.
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  City tour in : Stockholm, Tallinn, St. Petersburg, Novgorod, Tver, Suzdal, Moscow.
  Ticket admission: Catherine Palace in S.
  Petersburg, Peter and Paul Fortress and Hermitage Museum in S. Petersburg, Kremlin in Novgorod, Monastery on the island of Valday, Wooden architecture Museum, Church of the Transfiguration, Kremlin, Monastery of St.
  Eugen and factory of Matrioskas in Suzdal, Kremlin and its Principal Cathedrals in Moscow.
  Ferry: Stockholm (Sweden) / Turku (Finland), Helsinki (Finland) / Tallinn (Estonia).
  6 Lunch or Dinner Included in: Narva, Novgorod, Tver, Sergei Posad, Suzdal,
- Tver, Sergei Posad, Suzdal, Novgorod, Vladimir.



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