



SMALL GROUP
Maximum of
28 Travelers

**LAND
JOURNEY**

Imperial Splendors of Russia

Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Admire **Russia's cultural treasures**, from folk songs and handmade collectibles to priceless masterpieces.
- ▶ Stand in awe in historic, monumental **Red Square**.
- ▶ Escape the crowds with early access to the must-see **Hermitage Museum**.
- ▶ Feel the mist from the fountains as you stroll the grand promenades of **Peter the Great's opulent palace**.
- ▶ Be dazzled by the Russian baroque **Catherine Palace** and the mystery of the Amber Room.
- ▶ Take in sweeping vistas on the **Sapsan**, the high-speed train from Moscow to St. Petersburg.
- ▶ Experience three **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.

INCLUDED FEATURES

Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- **4 nights** in Moscow, Russia, at the first-class InterContinental Moscow Tverskaya.
- **4 nights** in St. Petersburg at the first-class Angletterre Hotel.

Transfers (with baggage handling)

- All transfers in the Land program: high-speed train and deluxe motor coaches.

Extensive Meal Program

- 8 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome Reception.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city✈
- Day 2** Arrive in Moscow and transfer➡ to hotel
- Day 3** Moscow
- Day 4** Moscow
- Day 5** Moscow
- Day 6** Board train | St. Petersburg
- Day 7** St. Petersburg
- Day 8** Peterhof | Catherine Palace
- Day 9** St. Petersburg
- Day 10** Transfer➡ to St. Petersburg airport and depart for gateway city✈

✈Flights and ➡transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

Activity Level: We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.



St. Basil's Cathedral, Moscow



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Discovery

AHI Connects: Saint Petersburg Theater Classic Ballet. In an intimate practice room visit, observe the dancers warm up at the barre, then watch as they leap and glide gracefully in costume during an exclusive performance of short pieces.

Moscow Highlights. Take in the capital city's most notable sites on a panoramic tour, and visit the copper-domed Orthodox Cathedral of Christ the Savior.

Kremlin. Go inside the Kremlin walls to see this 15th-century, self-contained city of cathedrals and palaces. Visit the Armoury Chamber to gaze at the czars' glittering treasures, such as Fabergé eggs, gold and silver works of art, royal carriages and armor.

Moscow Metro. Descend into the city's uniquely beautiful Soviet-era Metro stations to see the elaborate decorations, including marble floors, chandeliers and artwork.

Tretyakov Gallery. Follow the evolution of Russian painting and sculpture in a striking collection that spans a thousand years.

Red Square. Walk through the ornate GUM department store. Then stroll to St. Basil's Cathedral to admire its wildly colorful domes.

Novodevichy Cemetery. Take a guided tour of this cemetery near the Novodevichy convent complex, where many prominent artists and political leaders, including Anton Chekhov, Nikolai Gogol, Nikita Khrushchev and Boris Yeltsin, are buried.

St. Petersburg Highlights. Marvel at this enchanting, canal-filled city on a scenic tour. See the Admiralty and the Church of Our Savior on the Spilled Blood, as well as other key landmarks. Then visit lavish St. Isaac's Cathedral and the Peter and Paul Fortress, home to the czars' tombs.

Peterhof. Be transported to the reign of Peter the Great at his spectacular baroque palace, surrounded by expansive formal gardens, grottoes and majestic fountains.

Russian Folk Traditions. At a country house, savor lunch and sample vodka, then celebrate folk customs during a show featuring live music and dancing.

Catherine Palace. Visit this splendid baroque residence inspired by the palace at Versailles, and see the exquisite Amber Room, adorned with gold leaf and amber.

State Hermitage Museum. Enjoy early access to view one of the world's premier art collections, featuring Greek, Roman and Egyptian antiquities; paintings by European masters; Asian art; and much more.

St. Petersburg Canal Cruise. Sail along the city's pretty waterways on a short cruise.

Enrichment

- ▶ Russian Art
- ▶ Russian Music and Ballet
- ▶ Czarist Russia



Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood, St. Petersburg

UNESCO World Heritage

1. Kremlin and Red Square
2. Ensemble of the Novodevichy Convent
3. Historic Center of Saint Petersburg and Related Groups of Monuments



Peter and Paul Fortress

Accommodations

- InterContinental Moscow Tverskaya** ○○○○○
- Angleterre Hotel** ○○○○○



The information in this flier is correct at the time of printing. Please visit our website to ensure that you receive the most current information.

AHI Sustainability Promise

We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit, whenever possible.

Environmental Impact | Thoughtful choices to minimize our environmental footprint: eco-friendly transportation, guided walks in lieu of bus tours and less plastic waste.

Social Impact | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

Economic Impact | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, "shoulder seasons."

AHI Travel Expertise

Passenger Service Representative | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

Travel information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides and lecturers | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their country.

Let us arrange your flights!

AHI FlexAir | Our **personalized air program** features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

DATES & PRICES

September 7-16, 2021

From Price **\$4,245**

Special Savings **\$250**

Special Price \$3,995

VAT is an additional \$395 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single accommodations are an additional \$755 (limited availability).