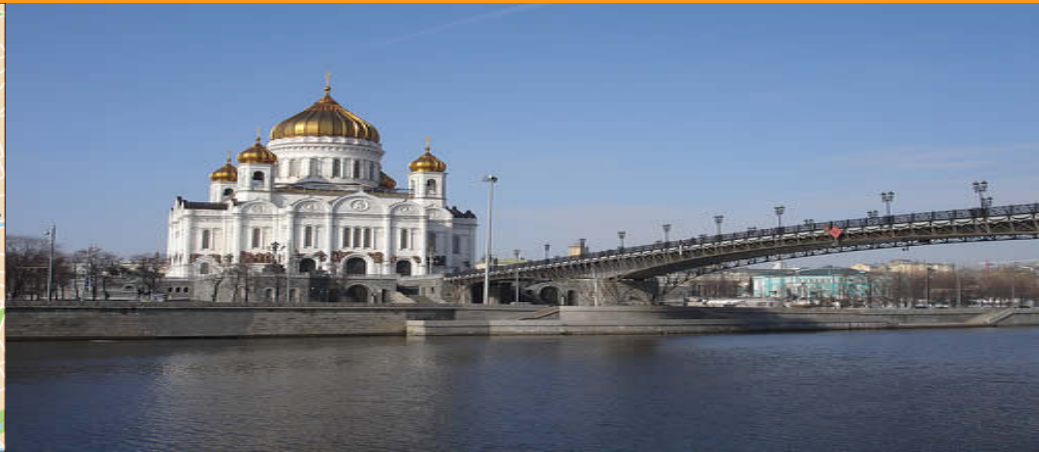


MOSCOW

SIGHTSEEING TRIPS



Introduction:

Moscow is the capital of the Russian Federation. It is the business, scientific, cultural and tourist center of the country. Moscow's unique complex list of attractions attracts visitors from across the world. According to legend Moscow was founded by Suzals Prince Yuri Dolgorukiy in 1147. In the fourteenth century Moscow became the centre of Great Moscow Pricipality and later it became a centre for the whole of the Russian State. Moscow is among the most beautiful cities in the world, it combines the best historic architecture along side some more modern styles. The city has, in recent years undergone a transformation having many treasures restored after the many years of neglect under the soviet system.

Itinerary

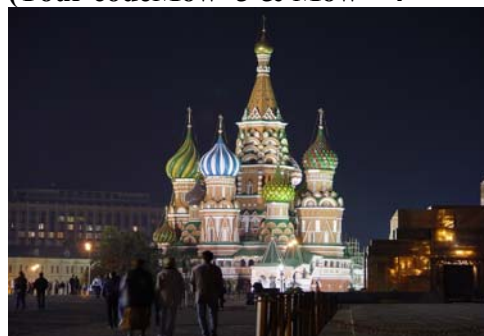
Moscow city tour (3.5 h) (Tour code Mow-1 & Mow – 2)

An excellent way to see the famous buildings and places of Moscow. This tour will be interesting if you want to get the first impression about Moscow, orient yourself, see the main sights, see some bits of the city life, and get used to the city.

Tour includes: English speaking guide and transport from/to the accommodation in Moscow (the tour could start from the airport with additional payment).

Best period: whole year

Kremlin (2.5-3.5 h) (Tour code Mow- 3 & Mow – 4)



The Kremlin is the historical, spiritual and political heart of Moscow and the city's most famous landmark and tourist attraction. It's an intriguing ensemble of buildings with an architectural variety that reveals a long and fascinating history.

Tour includes: English speaking guide, entrance to the cathedrals and transport from/to the accommodation in Moscow. Visit of the Kremlin Armory with additional payment.

Best period: whole year (except Thursdays)



The monastery of Sergiev Posad (6 h) (Tour code Mow – 5)

About 75 km north of Moscow along the road to Yaroslavl, is the small city of Sergiev Posad (called Zagorsk during the Communist era). This city grew up around the Trinity-St. Sergius Lavra Monastery, established around 1340 by St. Sergius of Radonezh. This monastery has been the single most important spiritual center in Russia for well over 600 years, and today is a working monastery, Seminary, Theological Academy and place of pilgrimage.

Visiting the monastery enables a person to experience its lively spiritual environment, filled with history, icons, architecture and relics of the saints. Visitors can view many magnificent examples of architecture, icons and decorative arts from the early 15th to the 20th centuries, located in the churches, in the Seminary/Academy's Museum of Icons, and the State Museum of Arts and History located on the monastery grounds.

Tour includes: English speaking guide, transport from/to the accommodation in Moscow and entrances.

Best period: whole year