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Departs Thursdays:

2020 - 20 Aug, 10 Sept, 01 Oct

Cruise Package Includes:

- Return economy airfares from Melbourne, Sydney, Perth, Canberra Brisbane & Adelaide to St Petersburg & Moscow
- Extra \$295 from Hobart.
- One way airfares from Moscow to Copenhagen
- All airfare taxes and fees
- 10 nights Tourist Class river cruise on MS Zosima Shashkov
- 47 meals: 17 breakfasts, 15 lunches, 15 dinners
- English speaking cruise director throughout
- Shore excursions per itinerary
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- 7 nights Norwegian Fjords Cruise on MSC MERAVIGLIA
- All meals and entertainment board the cruise.

Russian River Cruise includes:

- Guaranteed accommodation according to your reservation
- Luggage handling in river ports and on board the ship
- Full board catering, including dinner upon arrival and breakfast on the departure day. Breakfast is buffet style, dinner and lunch are with fixed menu and preliminary order, BBQ outdoors in Mandrogui (instead of lunch on board, subject to weather conditions)
- Captain's welcome cocktail reception
- English/French/German/Spanish/Italian speaking guides
- On board entertainment including Russian language course and Russian songs lessons, live music concerts, dancing music in bars nightly, Captain's bridge tour, etc.
- Included excursion program (in Moscow and St. Petersburg all tour buses are air-conditioned). Shore excursions booked on board ship.
- Captain's Farewell dinner (special menu)
- Visa support letter

*Subject to confirmation by the airlines & local operators.
Booking conditions & cancellation fees apply.*

Excludes:

- Single supplement – contact us for rates
- Visa fees
- Travel insurance (required)
- Airport to cruise port transfers
- Meals & sightseeing not specified in the itinerary
- Optional tours
- Gratuities for guides, drivers and crew
- Personal items, such as drinks, bottled water, snacks, WiFi, laundry etc
- Any items or services not listed in the inclusions or in the itinerary

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Tour Itinerary:**Day 1: Depart Australia****DAY 2, - Arrive in St. Petersburg**

Arrive in astonishingly beautiful St. Petersburg, nestled on the Neva River; make your own way by taxi to the port to embark your cruise. After arrival formalities, time to rest, relax and enjoy your new surroundings. Tonight's dinner welcomes you to Russia and your cruise on the legendary Volga River

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Dinner

DAY 3, - Hermitage Museum & St. Petersburg City Tour

This morning visit the world-famous Hermitage Museum, housing the largest collection of priceless masterpieces by Michelangelo, Da Vinci, Rembrandt and many others. This afternoon, your tour of enchanting St. Petersburg begins on the stunning Nevsky Prospekt, the main avenue of the city, planned by Peter the Great. Continue to view the Palace Square, Peter and Paul Fortress, St. Isaac's Cathedral with its huge golden dome and the magnificent Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood, a superb example of Russian architecture. Tonight, after dinner, attend an optional performance of a traditional Russian ballet or opt to take a scenic cruise along St. Petersburg's legendary canals

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 4,- Full Day in St. Petersburg

Today is free to explore all of the delights of this magical city on your own. Or, join the *optional* excursion to Pushkin Palace and Peterhof Park. Travel to nearby Pushkin to visit the lavish 18th century Catherine's Palace, summer residence of the Russian Tsars, named for Catherine, widow of Peter the Great. Explore the luxurious palace, an architectural masterpiece, and the surrounding gardens. Visit the reconstructed Amber Room, with its walls covered with dazzling panels of amber, gold leaf and mirrors. Then, continue to Peterhof Palace with its gorgeous landscaped gardens and fountains overlooking the Gulf of Finland. This configuration of palaces and gardens was masterminded by Peter the Great, and is often called the "Russian Versailles." Return to the ship in the late afternoon and set sail from St. Petersburg. This evening, enjoy dinner on board and get to know your fellow traveling companions

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 5, - Village of Mandrogi

Sail to Mandrogi, a reconstructed 18th century traditional Russian village set amongst a picturesque landscape. Walk through the village with its traditional Russian houses (izba) and browse the shops for handmade Russian crafts, paintings or traditional clothes. Stop at the popular Museum of Russian Vodka, with a collection of over 2500 varieties of vodka from across Russia. Explore the craft workshops where painting, wood carving, weaving lacework and pottery are demonstrated, and then cap off the afternoon with a traditional "shashlik" lunch, served in an open-air pavillion on the shore (weather permitting). In the late afternoon, sail for the island of Kizhi

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 6, Kizhi Church of Transfiguration

This morning arrive to the island of Kizhi.* Here, you will stand in awe at the Church of Transfiguration, one of the most impressive wooden structures ever erected. This fairy tale architectural landmark is largely responsible for creating one of the most frequented tourist attractions in Russia. The church features 22 cupolas of striking intricacy, built without using a single nail. Wander through the open-air wooden Architecture Museum with its collection of wooden houses, windmills and churches representing ancient Russian architecture. This entire area has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Return to the ship in time for lunch. This afternoon, attend a Russian tea ceremony on board, or a Russian song class as the ship sails towards Goritsy

**The operation of the Kizhi Church of Transfiguration is dependent on weather and sea conditions. If canceled, the visit to Kizhi will be replaced with alternate sightseeing.*

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 7, - Monastery of St. Cyril, Goritsy

Morning is at leisure on board. Afternoon arrival in Goritsy, an old Russian town with a rich historical and cultural heritage. Stroll the grounds of the 14th century Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery, also known as the Monastery of St. Cyril of the White Lake, one of the largest and best preserved medieval Abbeys in Russia. The wooden churches and walls built at the original location were replaced over succeeding centuries by impressive stone and masonry structures. The monastery's fortifying walls, which measure 2400-feet-long and 22 feet thick, are truly a very impressive sight. In the late afternoon, reboard your ship and set sail for Yaroslavl

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 8, - Yaroslavl City Tour

Arrive this afternoon in the quaint Golden Ring city of Yaroslavl. This beautiful city, one of Russia's oldest, traces its roots back to the days of the Vikings. View the fortified Transfiguration of the Savior Monastery and its Cathedral, the oldest building in Yaroslavl, dating back 800 years. Continue to the Yaroslavl Museum of Russian Art housed in the 18th-century Governor's mansion, with its impressive collection of Russian paintings spread out across many palatial rooms. View the exquisite Church of Elijah the Prophet with its detailed frescoes and icons, a real masterpiece of ancient Russian art and the Church of St. Nicholas the Wonder-worker. Time to browse the local food markets before returning to the ship for dinner

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 9, - Walking Tour of Uglich

Arrive in historic Uglich on the banks of the Volga River. Uglich played an important role in Russian history when Prince Dmitry used it as a hiding place from the bloody reign of his father Ivan the Terrible. His death made the town famous and led to an increasingly turbulent period in Russia's history. This morning's walking tour will visit the Church of St. Dimitry-on-Blood built in honor of the Prince on the exact spot where he was killed by his father's forces, and the Transfiguration Cathedral marvelously decorated with painted icons and frescoes. The ship will set

sail for Moscow at noon. This evening join the Captain's dinner on board and a delightful talent show

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 10, - Moscow City Tour

This morning relax on board as you prepare for an exciting afternoon in Moscow, the fabled capital of Russia. After lunch on board, begin your panoramic city tour at the Cathedral of Christ the Savior and the former headquarters of the KGB. Explore storied Red Square with St. Basil's cathedral and the famous red brick walls of the Kremlin before returning to the ship for dinner on board

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 11,- Kremlin Grounds Tour

Visit the Kremlin, one of the best-known monuments in Russia - and in the world. The guided walking tour takes you inside the former residence of the Russian Czars. See the famous Czar Cannon, the 16th century Czar Bell, and Cathedral Square, home to three of Moscow's most elaborate cathedrals: the Cathedral of Assumption, the Cathedral of Annunciation, and the Cathedral of the Archangel. This afternoon return to the ship to rest, explore Moscow on your own, or take the *optional* afternoon tour to the Kremlin Armory. Here, you will find the largest collection of the world-famous Fabergé eggs. Marvel at Grand Siberian Railway egg, with its gold train, platinum locomotive and ruby headlamp, crafted to commemorate the Moscow–Vladivostok line. View Russian arms and armor, the state regalia, thrones, carriages, and ornate coronation dressers. Tonight, bid a fond farewell to your newfound friends on board

Overnight: River Cruise

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 12, - Depart Russia

Morning disembarkation in Moscow. The airport is approximately a two hour drive from the port. Make your own way to the airport by taxi for your departure flight.

Fly from Moscow to Copenhagen to connect with your Norwegian Fjords Cruise on MSC MERAVIGLIA

Meals: Breakfast

DAY	PORT	ARRIVAL	DEPARTURE	ACTIVITY*
12	Copenhagen, Denmark	-	18:00	Docked
13	At Sea	-	-	-
14	Hellesylt/Geiranger, Norway	07:00	19:00	Tender
15	Alesund, Norway	07:00	16:00	Docked
16	Flaam, Norway	07:00	18:00	Docked/Tender
17	At Sea	-	-	-
18	Kiel, Germany	09:00	19:00	Docked
19	Copenhagen, Denmark	08:00	-	Docked

DAY 19, - Depart Russia

Cruise arrives back in Copenhagen. Catch a taxi to the airport for your flights home to Australia.

DAY 20, - Arrive Home



Please note: The day by day descriptions published are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and a multitude of other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that ultimately are for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible and open minded in this regard.

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GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (GST)

The Australian GST does not apply to international travel. Any service fees, courier, cancellation and amendment fees are subject to GST. You will be charged GST where applicable.

DEPOSIT

A deposit is required to confirm your booking (varies depending on package booked). Receipt of deposit will be taken as an understanding by Destination International Holidays that the customer has checked their confirmed travel arrangements and has read and agreed to the terms and conditions.

FINAL PAYMENT

Payment in full must be made no less than 120 days before travel, unless required earlier by any supplier.

PRICES

All prices for our tours are advised in Australian Dollars (\$AUD). They are based on airfares, schedules and tariffs at the time of printing. Destination International Holidays reserves the right to vary the cost of the tour, taxes and airline prices if necessary by reason of currency fluctuation, cost increase, or airfare increase. All prices are subject to confirmation from local tour operators. Once full payment has been received by Destination International no surcharges in respect to currency fluctuations will be applied.

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Destination International Holidays reserves the right to amend the itinerary for reasons such as service requirements, road or weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances. Where a change is of a significant nature, it will be advised to our customers in writing. Destination International Holidays reserves the right to substitute hotels, lodges, inns and camps with properties of similar standard.

AMENDMENT FEES

- \$50 per person for all airline seat reservations and baggage charges plus any airline fees.
- \$100 per person for all Tourist visa processing plus the cost for the visa fee.
- \$75 per person to reissue any travel documents lost in the mail.
- \$100 per person to process insurance claims when travel insurance has not been purchased from this site.

CANCELLATIONS

Cancellation fees will be levied relative to the amount of notice given as follows:

Days Notice	90 or more	75-90	65-75	65-1
	Loss of Deposit and 50% loss of fare	75%	85%	100%

The above are Destination International Holidays cancellation fees. Airlines and Tour Operators may have additional fees. Transfer of a confirmed booking to another tour or departure date is deemed a cancellation of the original booking. There will be no refund for cancellation of unused services on or after commencement date. Please note that employees of any overseas suppliers are not authorised

by Destination International Holidays to make any undertakings to our clients in respect of refunds or other matters.

This office will charge a 15% cancellation fee on all refundable portions of a cancelled tour. All tour cancellations must be received in writing.

ACCOMMODATION

There will be variations in the size, standard and presentation of rooms and facilities within the one hotel. This is beyond the control of Destination International Holidays.

CLAIMS

If you encounter any problems on your holiday, you should try and solve it directly with the supplier whilst overseas. If it is not possible to do so please do so in writing within 30 days of completing your Destination International Holidays arrangements.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

You must be insured for the duration of your trip. You need comprehensive travel insurance to cover cancellation, health requirements, luggage and additional expenses. Insurance policies rarely cover for loss of cash.

PASSPORT, VISA & VACCINATIONS

You must familiarise yourself with any visa and health requirements that may be applicable in the countries you are visiting. You are responsible for all entry/exit health and any other documents required by laws, regulations, orders, demands or requirements of countries visited or transited. Please note that passport and visa requirements are not the responsibility of Destination International Holidays. We will not be held liable for any loss or expense due to the failure to comply with the above. We recommend that you be in possession of a passport valid for at least 6 months beyond your intended stay overseas.

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