



**GIL TRAVEL**  
*Your Personal Link With The World*

## RUSSIAN TRIO TOUR 2012

**Moscow, Novgorod & St. Petersburg**

**7 days/6 nights**

**\*VISA REQUIRED FOR RUSSIA**

### Day 1, Saturday

#### Arrival in Moscow, Russia

Welcome to Moscow, Russia! After clearing customs you will be met by our local representative at the first exit outside the customs area, or at the luggage claim area. Any claims for lost/stolen baggage should be made to the airline representative at the airport. Our representative will show you to your transportation. After check-in, the rest of the day is free to relax. (D)

### Day 2, Sunday

#### Moscow



*Moscow*

Moscow is the symbolic heart and soul of the country. Your sightseeing tour begins at Red Square, dominated by St. Basil's Cathedral and the massive red walls of the Kremlin. Inside the Kremlin, admire the medieval towers, cathedrals and palaces. Visit the Armory Museum and see Moscow University and the popular Arbat shopping district. Continue with a drive along the wide boulevards, view the Olympic Stadium and Tverskaya Street, and stroll through GUM, Russia's largest department store. The

rest of the day is at leisure or you may want to take an optional evening tour of the Moscow Subway and Red Square. (B)

### Day 3, Monday

#### Moscow – Tver - Novgorod

After an early breakfast, depart for Tver, an ancient trading port nestled against the banks of the River Volga. The city offers fascinating treasures, including Putevoy Dvoretz, built for Catherine II as a resting place on her journeys from Moscow to St. Petersburg. Enjoy a short sightseeing tour of this remarkable city. End the day in Novgorod, founded 1150 years ago. (B, D)

### Day 4, Tuesday

#### Novgorod – St. Petersburg

A morning sightseeing tour of Novgorod starts at the Kremlin with a visit to St. Sophia Cathedral. Cross the river via pedestrian bridge to visit Yaroslav's Court. After sightseeing we continue our tour to St. Petersburg, former capital of the Romanov Czars, where we'll pay a visit to Peter and Paul Fortress, which houses the crypt of the Russian emperors and St. Isaac's Cathedral, before we check in the hotel. After dinner, you may want to join an optional river cruise. (B, D)



*Novgorod*

### **Day 5, Wednesday**

#### **St. Petersburg**

There are not many cities in the world that can match the grace of St. Petersburg. When Peter the Great founded the city in 1703, he hired Europe's best architects, craftsmen and artists to build and decorate it. Spread over 100 islands and linked by over 600 bridges, it is often referred to as the "Venice of the North." This morning visit its highlight: the famous Hermitage, which houses many treasures from the Czarist era. In the afternoon, you might want to join us for an excursion to Petrodvorets, to visit Peterhof Palace. Optional Russian Folklore show will be available in the evening. (B)

### **Day 6, Thursday**

#### **St. Petersburg**

Free day for shopping or individual activities. (B)

### **Day 7, Friday**

#### **Depart St. Petersburg**

After breakfast, transfer to the airport. Your homebound flight arrives the same day. (B)

**(B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (LL) Light Lunch (D) Dinner**

Prices and itineraries may vary from what is displayed on the website.  
Please call us to confirm the latest details.

**LAND ONLY RATES: Please inquire about airfare for this tour**

**Twin/Double Occupancy Rate:** \$1,850 (price per person)

**Single Occupancy Rate:** \$2,594 (price per person)

**DATES: APRIL - OCTOBER 2012**

<b>Saturday Arrivals and Friday Returns</b>	
MAY 28 – MAY 4	JULY 28 – AUG 3
MAY 12 – MAY 18	AUG 25 – AUG 31
MAY 26 – JUNE 1	SEPT 8 – SEPT 14
JUNE 23 – JULY 29	SEPT 22 – SEPT 28
JULY 7 - JULY 13	OCT 6 – OCT 12

Transfers are included if arrival and departure dates match the tour dates. Tour has a local escort with a minimum of 10 participants. With fewer than 10, local guide and driver/escort will be provided. Please inquire about special airfares in conjunction with this tour.

**HOTELS:**

<b>CITY</b>	<b>HOTEL</b>	<b>NIGHTS</b>
NOVGOROD: FIRST CLASS	PARK INN VELIKY NOVGOROD	1
ST. PETERSBURG: FIRST CLASS	HOLIDAY INN MOSKOVSKIE VOROTA	3
MOSCOW: SUPERIOR FIRST CLASS	MARRIOT GRAND	2

**INCLUDED FEATURES:**

- Moscow, Novgorod, St. Petersburg
- 6 Nights Hotel Accommodations
- Inclusive Dining: 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 3 dinners
- Comprehensive sightseeing
- Professional Tour Director upon Arrival
- Expert local guides in each city
- Hotel Taxes & Service Charges