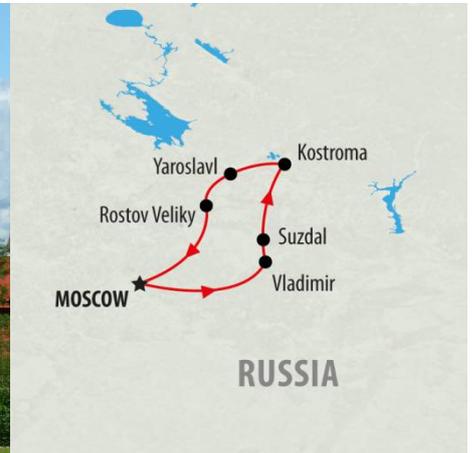


The Golden Ring

7 days | Starts/Ends: Moscow



Russian history and architecture, famous old cities and towns. The Golden Ring is one of the oldest Russian trade routes. It heads to the north-east of Moscow and forms a circle, exploring Vladimir, Suzdal, Kostroma, Yaroslavl and Rostov Velikiy before returning full circle to Moscow.

HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

Trip Highlights

- Moscow - UNESCO-listed Red Square, Kremlin and Lenin's Mausoleum and St Basil's Cathedral
- Vladimir - ancient golden ring town - Golden Gate, Fort and Assumption Cathedral
- Suzdal - 11th century village - kremlin, UNESCO-listed cathedrals, wood houses and rural surrounds
- Kostroma - Epiphany and St Ipaty Monasteries, Trinity Cathedral and the Volga River
- Yaroslavl - Transfiguration of the Saviour Monastery, St. Nicholas Nadein and Elijah the Prophet church frescoes
- Rostov Veliky - 16th century Assumption Cathedral

What's Included

- Airport arrival transfer on day 1 and departure transfer and day 7
- Entrance fees to the museums as per the itinerary
- Professional English speaking guide
- Breakfast daily
- Guided sightseeing to all sights listed
- 6 nights standard, superior or deluxe hotel

What's Not Included

- International flights and visa
- Tip for your tour guide. We recommend you allow USD\$5 - 10 per day, per traveller. Tipping your guide is an entirely personal gesture
- Laundry, drinks and items of a personal nature

ITINERARY

Day 1 : Moscow

Welcome to Russia's famed historical heartland! Airport arrival transfer, hotel check in and overnight.

Overnight - Moscow

Day 2 : Red Square

Today enjoy a guided tour of Moscow's most famous sites - in Red Square see the beautiful St. Basil's Cathedral, with its wildly colourful turban shaped domes, wander around the

historic GUM department store and if open, pay your respects to Lenin at the mausoleum. This afternoon explore the grounds of the mighty Kremlin - Russia's powerhouse, visit its gold domed cathedrals, Ivan the Great Bell Tower and the Armoury, where you can see incredible jewels and ancient artifacts.

Overnight - Moscow (B)

Day 3 : Vladimir and Suzdal



Moscow - Vladimir - Suzdal. Driving onward to Vladimir, the city which gave way to Moscow as Russia's capital. Tour the impressive defensive fort built in 1108, the beautiful Assumption Cathedral with frescoes by the greatest of old Russian painters, Andrei Rubliov and the famous Golden Gate.

This afternoon head to the beautiful, rural Suzdal. Exploring the town mostly on foot, see the enchanting wooden houses, medieval churches and the Assumption Refractory and prison, built on the order of Catherine II, to house those who committed crimes against

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the church. Suzdal is also famed as a place of exile for many Russian ladies of noble birth, including Peter the Great's first wife, Evdokia. **Overnight - Suzdal (B)**

Day 4 : Kostroma

Suzdal - Kostroma. Today, travel to Kostroma, known as the 'Cradle of the Romanov dynasty', as it was home to first Tsar of the Romanov Dynasty. Take a guided tour of this 12th century town which sits on the banks of the Volga River. Visit the Epiphany and St Ipaty Monasteries, see the frescoes inside the Trinity Cathedral and wander around Susanina Square. **Overnight - Kostroma (B)**

Day 5 : Yaroslavl



Kostroma - Yaroslavl. This morning drive to Yaroslavl, which was founded by a Kievan prince. The main attraction is the Monastery of the Transfiguration of the Saviour - founded in the 12th century, it was one of Russia's richest and most fortified monasteries by the 1500's. Other sights of interest on the tour include the beautiful frescoes in the churches of St. Nicholas Nadein and Elijah the Prophet. **Overnight - Yaroslavl (B)**

Day 6 : Rostov Veliky

Yaroslavl - Rostov Veliky - Moscow. Today enjoy the sights of the lakeside town of Rostov Veliky. This historic town is rich in ancient architecture, with many monuments dating back to the 16th and 17th centuries. Dominating the central square is the impressive 16th Century Assumption Cathedral and between the square and the lake is the Kremlin, which has eleven beautifully ornate towers and is home to several elaborately decorated churches and palaces. This afternoon travel onward to Moscow. **Overnight - Moscow (B)**

Day 7 : Moscow

Your tour concludes after breakfast and onward departure transfer to the airport.(B)

PRICES / DATES INFO

Prices shown are per person when there are 2 persons sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the per person price.

PRICES / DATES 2020

Date	Twin Share	Single
13 Feb	GBP 2,045	GBP 2,215

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