



# Imperial Waterways of Russia

Moscow to St. Petersburg | 13 Days

## Imperial Waterways of Russia River Cruise Package Includes:

12-night cruise in a riverview stateroom on the lovely *River Victoria*

All meals onboard, prepared using the finest and freshest ingredients

12 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 12 dinners

Captain's Welcome Gala and Farewell Dinners

Complimentary soft drinks during lunch onboard; complimentary fine wines, choice of beer, and soft drinks during dinner onboard; bottled water in your stateroom; and 24-hour specialty coffee and tea bar

11 excursions, fully hosted by English-speaking local guides

An experienced Cruise Manager and attentive, English-speaking staff

State-of-the-art Quietvox portable audio headset system on all shore excursions

Captivating onboard local entertainment

Signature Lectures on Russian civilization and history

All transfers on arrival and departure days (please see transfer guidelines on page 170)

Note: Cruising in Russia is a wonderful experience, and while the *River Victoria* is a friendly and comfortable Russian-style ship, its amenities may differ from those of a Uniworld company-owned ship.

## Follow the path of Peter the Great from Moscow to St. Petersburg and discover the heart of Russia

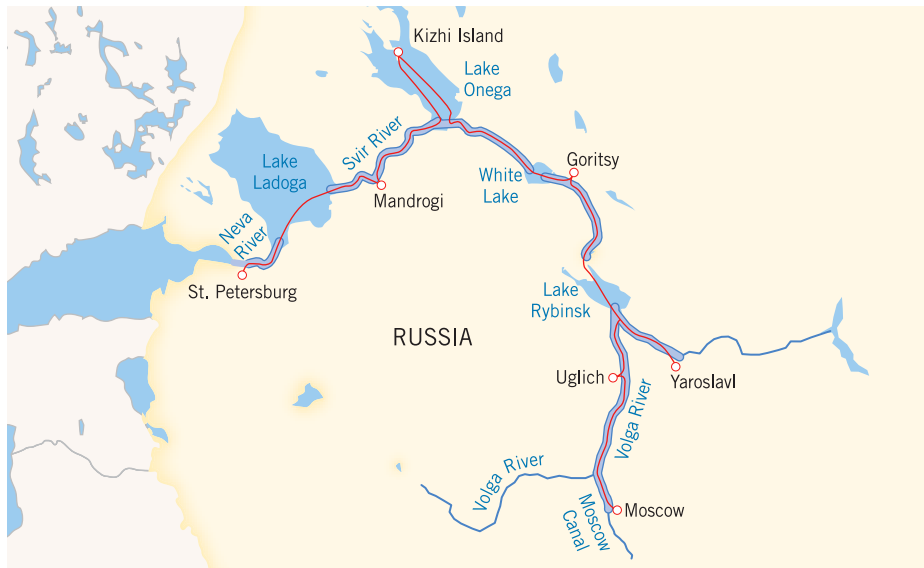
The Volga River, Europe's largest and longest waterway, holds a special place in Russian history and in the hearts and minds of the Russian people. An important aquatic "highway" since Medieval times, the Volga has long served as a major route of trade, settlement, and conquest. Peter the Great sailed along the Volga from Moscow to St. Petersburg approximately 300 years ago on a quest to bring Russia out of the Dark Ages. And centuries' worth of Russian music and literature reflect the people's deep feeling for the river.

Now it's your turn to discover the rich history and traditions along the imperial waterways of Russia. Your journey starts in Moscow, where you'll stand in awe of world-famous sights such as Red Square; the Kremlin; and iconic, onion-domed St. Basil's Cathedral. Cruise along the Golden Ring to some of Russia's most beautiful cities—including Uglich and Yaroslavl, which are known for their white stone churches and gorgeous monasteries. Visit UNESCO-designated Kizhi Island, and experience daily life in Russia with visits to the Children's House of Arts and Crafts, and Mandrogi, a reconstructed Russian village. Your journey ends in enchanting St. Petersburg with visits to Catherine's Palace and the Hermitage Museum, and a viewing of a breathtaking ballet, all of which will bring you up close to the rich traditions and royal history of Russia.

**Who will enjoy this cruise:** Travelers looking to experience a grand tour of Russia including some of the world's finest art and distinctive architecture, as well as visits to tucked-away villages with Old World charm.

From **\$3,899** per person,  
cruise only

Church of the Resurrection of Christ, St. Petersburg, Russia



### Moscow to St. Petersburg

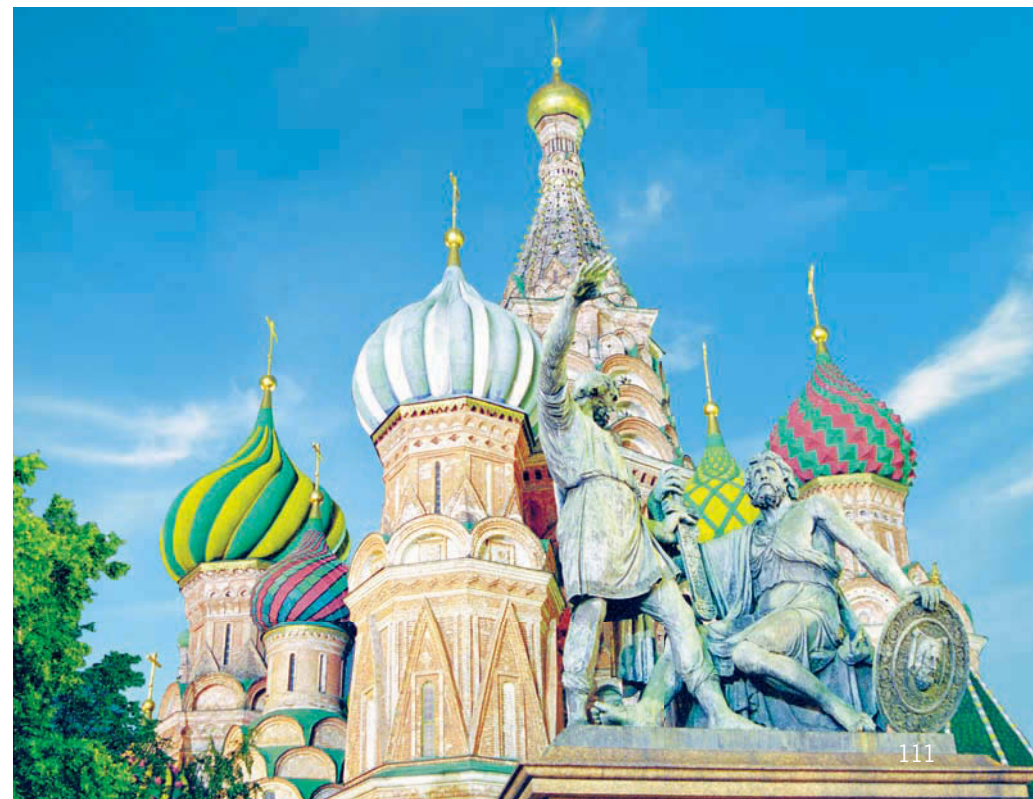
Day	Port/City
1	Moscow (embark)
2	Moscow
3	Moscow
4	Moscow
5	Cruising the Moscow Canal and Volga River, Uglich
6	Yaroslavl, cruising Lake Rybinsk
7	Goritsy
8	Cruising Lake Onega, Kizhi Island
9	Cruising the Svir River, Mandrogi
10	St. Petersburg
11	St. Petersburg
12	St. Petersburg
13	St. Petersburg (disembark), transfer to the airport

### St. Petersburg to Moscow

Day	Port/City
1	St. Petersburg (embark)
2	St. Petersburg
3	St. Petersburg
4	St. Petersburg
5	Mandrogi, cruising the Svir River
6	Kizhi Island, cruising Lake Onega
7	Goritsy
8	Cruising Lake Rybinsk, Yaroslavl
9	Uglich
10	Moscow
11	Moscow
12	Moscow
13	Moscow (disembark), transfer to the airport

**Cruise Start Dates:** May 18, 30\* | June 11, 23\* | July 5, 17\*, 29 | August 10\*, 22 | September 3\*, 15, 27\*

\* On these dates, cruise operates from St. Petersburg to Moscow.





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## Day 1 | Moscow

Arrive at the Moscow airport where you'll be transferred to the ship. (D)

## Day 2 | Moscow

**Featured Excursion:** Moscow city tour

Your panoramic city tour includes the most remarkable city sights, such as Red Square, St. Basil's Cathedral, Novodevichy (New Maiden) Convent, and impressive Tverskaya Street. (BB, L, Captain's Welcome Gala)

## Day 3 | Moscow

**Featured Excursions:** Kremlin and Armory Museum

Visit the Kremlin—a self-contained 15th-century city with palaces, armories, 15th- and 17th-century cathedrals, and a Medieval fortress. You'll also explore the Kremlin's Armory Museum—home of treasures from the Czar's coronation robes to the famous Fabergé Eggs. Enjoy an afternoon of leisure with shuttle bus service provided between the ship and city center. (BB, L, D)

## Day 4 | Moscow

Enjoy an entire day at leisure. Return to the sights that caught your eye on your panoramic tour. Shuttle bus service will be provided between the ship and the city center. (BB, L, D)

## Day 5 | Cruising the Moscow Canal and Volga River, Uglich

**Featured Excursions:** Uglich, Church of St. Dimity on the Blood

Cruise the Moscow Canal before arriving in Uglich, a delightful Golden Ring city. Visit the Church of St. Dimity, built to honor the slain son of Ivan the Terrible, and spend some free time browsing the local market area, replete with small shops and artisan-vendor's stalls. (BB, L, D)

## Day 6 | Yaroslavl, cruising Lake Rybinsk

**Featured Excursions:** Yaroslavl, heart of the Golden Ring

Yaroslavl is considered one of Russia's most beautiful cities. You'll visit the town's exquisite Church of Elijah the Prophet, and delight in a tasting of the local produce at the farmers market. (BB, L, D)

## Day 7 | Goritsy

**Featured Excursion:** Experience Russian daily life

Experience how locals live as you learn how traditions and handicraft techniques are preserved during a visit to the Children's House of Arts and Crafts. Take in a wood construction workshop, then stroll the grounds of 14th-century St. Cyrill of the White Lake Monastery. (BB, L, D)

## Day 8 | Cruising Lake Onega, Kizhi Island

**Featured Excursion:** Kizhi Open Air Museum, and 18th-century Transfiguration Church

Sail on Lake Onega to Kizhi Island, whose famous Open Air Museum is a UNESCO World Heritage Site containing the awe-inspiring Transfiguration Church, which is built entirely from wood. (BB, L, D)

## Day 9 | Cruising the Svir River, Mandrogi

**Featured Excursion:** Mandrogi village walking tour with arts & crafts and *shashlik* picnic lunch ashore

Visit the reconstructed 18th-century village of Mandrogi, which brings Russia's past vibrantly to life, and cap the afternoon off with a traditional *shashlik* picnic. (BB, L, D)

## Day 10 | St. Petersburg

**Featured Excursions:** St. Petersburg panoramic city tour and evening ballet at the Alexandrinsky Theatre

Enjoy a panoramic city tour of enchanting St. Petersburg, taking in all of the majestic sights, such as Nevsky Prospect, Palace Square and Winter Palace, the Church

Transfiguration Church, Kizhi Island, Russia

of the Resurrection, St. Issac's, and so much more. During the evening, be treated to a spectacular Russian ballet at the Alexandrinsky Theater. (BB, L, D)

Day 11 | **St. Petersburg** 🚌 🍷 🏰

**Featured Excursion:** Hermitage Museum in the Winter Palace

Be amazed as you tour the world-famous Hermitage Museum, which is housed in one of the world's largest palaces. The museum contains over a thousand rooms and features nearly three million works of art by masters including Leonardo da Vinci and Michelangelo. (BB, L, Captain's Farewell Dinner)

Day 12 | **St. Petersburg** 🚌 🍷

**Featured Excursions:** Catherine Palace and Park in Pushkin

Travel to nearby Pushkin to visit lavish Catherine Palace and Park, a masterpiece of Russian Rococo architecture and unrivaled in luxury and scale. (BB, L, D)

Day 13 | **Depart St. Petersburg** 🚢 🚗

Disembark the ship and transfer to St. Petersburg's Pulkovo Airport for your flight home, or extend your stay with a visit to the Baltic capitals. (CB/BB)

Note: Tour order in Moscow and St. Petersburg may vary due to weather.

### Extend your vacation with a pre- or post-cruise optional extension



**6-Night Baltic Capitals** | Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania are rich in history, graced with beautiful landscapes, and filled with warm, friendly people—and they're the perfect addition to your Russian holiday.

**Day 1 | St. Petersburg to Tallinn:** Disembark in St. Petersburg and transfer to Tallinn. Dinner and overnight in Tallinn.

**Day 2 | Tallinn:** Tour Tallinn's UNESCO-designated Old Town, and then visit Ethnographical Park and the Rocca-al-Mare Open Air Museum.

**Day 3 | Tallinn to Riga:** Enjoy the seaport town of Tallinn, the Sigulda Castle ruins, and Pärnu.

**Day 4 | Riga:** Tour Riga and then visit the resort town of Jūrmala.

**Day 5 | Riga to Vilnius:** Enjoy a motorcoach ride to Vilnius. Visit the Hill of Crosses in Šiauliai, have lunch at a local restaurant, and take a sightseeing tour of Kaunas en route.

**Day 6 | Vilnius:** Tour Vilnius in the morning and visit Trakai Castle in the afternoon.

**Day 7 | Vilnius:** Transfer to Vilnius airport.

**6-Night Baltic Capitals Includes:** 2 nights at the first-class Radisson Blu Lietuva (or similar) in Vilnius | 2 nights at the first-class Radisson Blu Elizabete (or similar) in Riga | 2 nights at the first-class Radisson Reval Olümpia (or similar) in Tallinn | Breakfast daily, 4 lunches, and 4 dinners | Sightseeing with many special excursions | English-speaking guides and all entrance fees | Touring by deluxe, air-conditioned motorcoach | Tour Manager | All transfers

**Only \$2,199 per person** (single supplement \$399)

Note: This extension is available on cruises that begin or end in St. Petersburg.

### Pay-in-Full Savings

Pay in full at time of booking to **SAVE \$1,500 per couple** (\$750 per person) on category 2 & 1 staterooms and suites. **SAVE \$1,000 per couple** (\$500 per person) on category 6, 5, 4 & 3 staterooms. Offer expires **September 30, 2011**.

### Early Booking Savings

Book and deposit at time of reservation to **SAVE \$500 per couple** (\$250 per person) on cruise rate. Offer expires **November 30, 2011**.

### Pricing Details Per Person

Cruise Start Dates	Cruise Only	Ship	Cruise Start Dates	Cruise Only	Ship
May 18	\$3,899	River Victoria	Aug 10,* 22	\$3,999	River Victoria
May 30*	\$3,999	River Victoria	Sep 3*	\$4,199	River Victoria
Jun 11, 23*	\$3,999	River Victoria	Sep 15	\$4,099	River Victoria
Jul 5, 17,* 29	\$3,999	River Victoria	Sep 27*	\$3,899	River Victoria

– Pay-in-Full and Early Booking Savings cannot be combined. – Prices listed in US dollars. – Travel document shipping/handling fee of \$5 per person applies. – Airfare is not included in the prices listed above. Please inquire at time of booking for best available airfare pricing. – Port Charges: \$216 – Prices shown above include cruise in Cat. 6, Omega Deck. – A limited number of singles are available for an additional supplement. \* On these dates, cruise operates from St. Petersburg to Moscow. Please visit uniworld.com for reverse itinerary and for more information.

### To upgrade to a higher category stateroom, add the following per-person price below:

Category 5	\$495	Deluxe Suite	\$2,295
Category 4	\$695	Junior Suite	\$3,095
Category 3	\$1,395	Presidential Suite	\$3,995
Category 2	\$1,595	See Deck Plan on page 162	
Category 1	\$1,795		

A Russian ballet, St. Petersburg, Russia

