



# MS Volga Dream

## Hotel & Cruise Tour – 13 days/12 nights

### Moscow to St. Petersburg or reverse

#### Day 1 Moscow

Arrival Moscow. You will be met at the airport and transferred to your centrally located 5-star hotel.

**Gold program** - Marriott Aurora

**Platinum program** - St. Regis Nikolskaya or Ararat Park Hyatt.

#### Day 2 Moscow

**Gold** - Morning city tour and visit to the Novodevichy Cemetery where many of Russia's famous cultural and political figures are buried. Afternoon at leisure. **B**

**Platinum** - Morning visit to the Kremlin to view the unique collection of tsars' treasures in the Armoury Museum. After time in Red Square and lunch, visit the original Tretyakov Art Gallery. **BL**

#### Day 3 Moscow

**Gold** - Kremlin & Armoury Museum, afternoon free. **B**

**Platinum** - This morning, a backstage tour of the historic Bolshoi Theatre (May, June and September departures - other departures, including early September,

feature a visit to the Museum of Contemporary Russian History) followed by a tour of the famous Moscow Metro. After lunch, visit the Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts with its remarkable collection of French Impressionists. **BL**

#### Day 4 Moscow

**Gold** - Morning free. Midday check-out from your hotel followed by a visit to the Tretyakov Art Gallery, the first museum dedicated to Russian fine art. Then explore Moscow's amazing metro system, before you board the MS Volga Dream to begin your six-night cruise along Russia's waterways and enjoy the Captain's welcome reception and dinner. **BD**

**Platinum** - Hotel check-out, followed by a visit to the New Tretyakov Art Gallery to see its collection of early 20th century works of Russian avant-garde masters and Social Realist Art. After lunch, a Moscow Architecture Tour to explore its amazing diversity of architectural styles. Then embark the MS Volga Dream and enjoy the Captain's welcome reception

and dinner as you begin your 6-night cruise. **BLD**

#### Day 5 Uglich

Afternoon arrival in Uglich, founded in 1148. During your walking tour of the city you will see the Church of St. Dmitry on the Blood, the St. John's Church and attend a concert of choral music. **BLD**

#### Day 6 Yaroslavl

Morning arrival in Yaroslavl, the oldest city on the Volga River and a World Heritage Site. Visit the Church of St. Elijah the Prophet with its rich frescoes and take part in a costumed reception at the Governor's House. **BLD**

#### Day 7 Goritsy

Early this morning your ship crosses the White Lake to arrive in the peaceful village of Goritsy.

**Gold** - Visit the Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery, now home to one of the world's finest collections of Russian icons. **BLD**  
**Platinum** - Visit the Ferapontov Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site featuring magnificent frescoes by Dionysius, one of Russia's most renowned icon painters. **BLD**

#### Day 8 Kizhi

Cruise through Lake Onega, to tiny Kizhi Island. A highlight of your walking tour is the Transfiguration Church, built from aspen in 1714 without a single nail. **BLD**

#### Day 9 Svir River & Svirstroy

Enjoy the scenery as your ship navigates the Svir River towards Lake Ladoga, Europe's largest freshwater lake. During WWII the frozen lake provided the only access to the besieged city of Leningrad. Visit a local resident's home where you will be welcomed warmly and offered tea

with jam and piroshky (pies). Then take a bus to the nearby town to visit a local primary school. **BLD**

#### Day 10 St. Petersburg

Morning arrival in St. Petersburg, where you disembark for a full day's sightseeing.

**Gold** - Morning city tour with Peter & Paul Fortress. After lunch, visit the renowned Hermitage Museum. Evening check-in to the Kempinski Moika 22 hotel. **BL**

**Platinum** - Morning city tour, with a visit to Peter and Paul Fortress. After lunch, visit the fabulous Fabergé Museum containing the world's largest collection of objets d'art by Carl Fabergé, including 9 Imperial Easter Eggs. Check-in to the deluxe Belmond Grand Hotel Europe. **BL**

#### Day 11 St. Petersburg

**Gold** - Morning visit to the magnificent Peterhof estate. Stroll through the Lower Park with its spectacular statues and fountains and visit one of the small cottages. Afternoon free. **B**

**Platinum** - Early morning departure to Tsar's Village to visit the magnificent Baroque Catherine's Palace and its famous Amber Room. Continue to Peterhof. Stroll through the spectacular Lower Park and return to the city by hydrofoil. After lunch, visit opulent Yusupov Palace, the site of Rasputin's murder in 1916, and enjoy a musical performance. **BL**

#### Day 12 St. Petersburg

**Gold** - Morning drive to Tsar's Village to visit Catherine's Palace with its famous Amber Room. After lunch at a local restaurant, visit the exquisite Fabergé Museum. **BL**

**Platinum** - Early entrance to the Hermitage Museum including a private viewing of the stunning 18th century Peacock clock - a mechanical masterpiece. Then relax on a canal cruise, sailing under the city's historic bridges and past its magnificent pastel palaces. Before lunch, enjoy a Russian Choral performance. Your day concludes with a visit to the home of a local professor and his family where you will taste some home-cooked food. **BL**

#### Day 13 St. Petersburg

Tour services end after breakfast with your transfer to the airport. **B**





Moscow, Novodevichy Convent

### Inclusions

- 6 nights on board MS Volga Dream in air-conditioned outside cabin
- All meals on board MS Volga Dream
- Complimentary wine & soft drinks with lunch & dinner on board MS Volga Dream
- Breakfasts & lunches as specified in Moscow and St. Petersburg
- Bottled water replenished daily
- Sightseeing as specified with **English speaking guide**
- Entertainment and educational program on board
- Port charges

### Gold

- Group arrival & departure transfers on days 1 & 13 only
- Sightseeing excursions in small groups (maximum 25 guests)
- Hotel accommodation - 3 nights Moscow, 3 nights St. Petersburg
- 2 lunches in St. Petersburg

#### 5-star hotels

- **Moscow** - Marriott Aurora
- **St. Petersburg** - Kempinski Moika 22

### Platinum

- Private arrival & departure transfers on days 1 & 13 only
- Sightseeing excursions in small groups (maximum 18 guests)
- Hotel accommodation - 3 nights Moscow, 3 nights St. Petersburg
- 3 lunches in Moscow, 3 lunches in St. Petersburg

#### 5-star hotels

- **Moscow** - St. Regis Nikolskaya or Ararat Park Hyatt
- **St. Petersburg** - Belmond Grand Hotel Europe

#### Additional sightseeing excursions

- **Moscow** - Bolshoi Theatre backstage visit (selected departures), Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts, New Tretyakov Art Gallery, Moscow Architecture Tour
- **St. Petersburg** - Early entrance to Catherine's Palace, Yusupov Palace, early entrance to Hermitage Museum with private viewing of Peacock Clock, Canal Cruise, Army Choir performance, private home visit

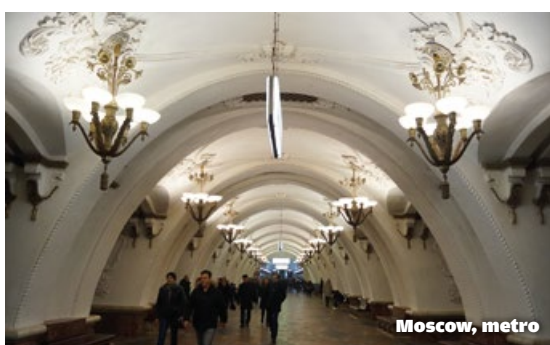
## Tour prices & departures

Prices shown per person in AUD. Applicable 2018.

Ship/ Sailing Dates	Class	Category/Deck									
		Cabin	Main	Promenade				Sun			
		Standard	Superior	Standard	Deluxe	Jnr Suite	Owners Suite	Deluxe	Jnr Suite	Deluxe Jnr Suite	
		Twn	Twn	Sgl	Dbl	Dbl	Dbl	Twn	Sgl	Dbl	Dbl
<b>MS VOLGA DREAM</b>											
<b>ex Moscow</b>											
18 May, 16 Jul, 28 Jul, 21 Aug, 2 Sep, 20 Sep	<b>Gold</b>	4995	5795	7495	6395	7495	10095	6595	8395	7495	8395
	<b>Platinum</b>	7245	8045	9745	8645	9745	12345	8845	10645	9745	10645
<b>ex St. Petersburg</b>											
12 May, 24 May, 12 Jun**	<b>Gold</b>	4995	5795	7495	6395	7495	10095	6595	8395	7495	8395
	<b>Platinum</b>	7245	8045	9745	8645	9745	12345	8845	10645	9745	10645
15 Aug, 26 Sep	<b>Gold</b>	4695	5495	7195	6095	7195	9795	6295	8095	7195	8095
	<b>Platinum</b>	6945	7745	9445	8345	9445	12045	8545	10345	9445	10345

\*\* Due to the FIFA Soccer World Cup, the 12 June cruise ex St. Petersburg will only offer Gold Class. Additionally the accommodation in St Petersburg (3 nts) and Moscow (3 nts) will be on the ship not in a hotel.

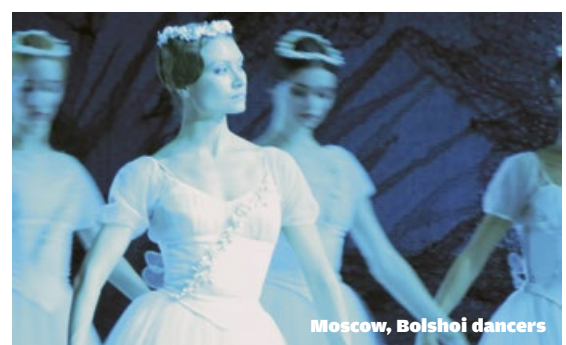
■ Limited single cabins are available on Promenade and Sun Decks. For sole use of a twin or double cabin - prices are on application. For deck and cabin plans see page 5.



Moscow, metro



Hermitage Museum



Moscow, Bolshoi dancers



Goritsy, Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery

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## Moscow to St. Petersburg

Day	Destination	Activities
1	Moscow	Hotel check-in (after 3pm)
2	Moscow	City tour, Novodevichy Cemetery <b>Gold</b> Kremlin, Armoury Museum, Red Square, Tretyakov Art Gallery <b>Platinum</b>
3	Moscow	Kremlin & Armoury Museum <b>Gold</b> Bolshoi backstage, Metro, Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts <b>Platinum</b>
4	Moscow	Hotel check-out Tretyakov Art Gallery, Metro <b>Gold</b> New Tretyakov Art Gallery, Moscow Architecture Tour <b>Platinum</b> Embarkation
5	Uglich	Church of St. Dmitry on the Blood, St. John's Church
6	Yaroslavl	City tour, Church of St. Elijah the Prophet
7	Goritsy	Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery <b>Gold</b> Ferafontov Monastery <b>Platinum</b>
8	Kizhi	Open-air Museum of Architecture
9	Svirstroy	Home visit, primary school visit
10	St. Petersburg	Disembarkation City tour, Peter & Paul Fortress, Hermitage Museum <b>Gold</b> City tour, Peter & Paul Fortress, Fabergé Museum <b>Platinum</b> Hotel check-in
11	St. Petersburg	Peterhof Lower Park & small cottage <b>Gold</b> Catherine's Palace, Peterhof Lower Park, Yusupov Palace <b>Platinum</b>
12	St. Petersburg	Catherine's Palace, Fabergé Museum <b>Gold</b> Early entrance Hermitage Museum with Peacock Clock, Canal Cruise, Army Choir, family visit <b>Platinum</b>
13	St. Petersburg	Hotel check-out (before 12pm)

## St. Petersburg to Moscow

Day	Destination	Activities
1	St. Petersburg	Hotel check-in (after 3pm)
2	St. Petersburg	City tour, Peter & Paul Fortress, Hermitage <b>Gold</b> City tour, Peter & Paul Fortress, Fabergé Museum <b>Platinum</b>
3	St. Petersburg	Peterhof Lower Park & small cottage <b>Gold</b> Catherine's Palace, Peterhof Lower Park, Yusupov Palace <b>Platinum</b>
4	St. Petersburg	Hotel check-out Catherine's Palace, Fabergé Museum <b>Gold</b> Early entrance Hermitage Museum with Peacock Clock, Canal Cruise, Army Choir, family visit <b>Platinum</b> Embarkation
5	Svirstroy	Home visit, primary school visit
6	Kizhi	Open-air Museum of Wooden Architecture
7	Goritsy	Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery <b>Gold</b> Ferafontov Monastery <b>Platinum</b>
8	Yaroslavl	City tour, Church of St. Elijah the Prophet
9	Uglich	Church of St. Dmitry on the Blood, St John's Church
10	Moscow	Disembarkation City tour, Novodevichy Cemetery, Metro, Hotel check-in <b>Gold</b> Moscow Architecture Tour, New Tretyakov Art Gallery, City Tour, Hotel check-in <b>Platinum</b>
11	Moscow	Red Square, Kremlin & Armoury Museum <b>Gold</b> Bolshoi backstage, Metro, Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts <b>Platinum</b>
12	Moscow	Tretyakov Art Gallery, Cathedral of Christ the Saviour <b>Gold</b> Kremlin, Armoury Museum, Red Square, Tretyakov Art Gallery <b>Platinum</b>
13	Moscow	Hotel check-out (before 12pm)



Fabergé Eggs



St. Petersburg, Catherine's Palace



St. Petersburg, Bank Bridge