

Regional Explorer



CAPITALS OF THE NORTH

13 DAYS | 4 COUNTRIES | 18 MEALS | FROM **US\$3650pp***

FROM THE LITTLE MERMAID TO THE NOT SO LITTLE PETER THE GREAT – TRAVEL FROM COPENHAGEN TO STOCKHOLM AND THE MEADOWS OF SMÅLAND. SHOP IN HELSINKI AND MARVEL AT RUSSIA'S ICONIC CITIES.



- START
- END
- OVERNIGHT
- SIGHTSEEING

THE Icons

CITY TOUR in Copenhagen, Stockholm, Helsinki, St. Petersburg and Moscow

ORIENTATION of Novgorod

VISIT the St. Peter and Paul Fortress and Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, Stockholm's City Hall, the town of Tver, Kremlin Fort Novgorod and the Kremlin in Moscow

VIEW The Little Mermaid in Copenhagen and the Finlandia Hall in Helsinki

YOUR Holiday

DAY

1 ARRIVE COPENHAGEN (2 NIGHTS) Spend a leisurely afternoon connecting with the *hygge* atmosphere of Copenhagen, before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Welcome Reception and evening orientation drive. Tonight, we stay at one of Trafalgar's 'Stays With Stories' – Hotel Phoenix, which has its origins in the 17th century as the former home of a colonel of the Royal Life Guards. **(WR, 🏠) Hotel: Phoenix**

2 COPENHAGEN SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME Join a Local Specialist today for a sightseeing tour of the iconic sights of Copenhagen. See the beloved Little Mermaid, the Renaissance Stock Exchange, and the Royal palaces of Amalienborg and Christiansborg. An afternoon at leisure could see you take an Optional Experience visiting the Danish Riviera. **(SB)**

3 COPENHAGEN – STOCKHOLM We journey northeast across the Øresund to Småland. Travelling past Lake Vättern, we enjoy spectacular views of the ruins of Brahehus Castle en route to Stockholm, where we will dine tonight at a local restaurant. **(SB, RM) Hotel: Elite Palace**

4 STOCKHOLM SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME – AT SEA We meet our Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour of the formidable City Hall and view the Baroque-style Royal Palace. Spend the rest of the day exploring the city on your own or perhaps join an excursion to the Vasa Museum showcasing the 17th-century warship reclaimed from the seabed. This evening, we board an overnight ferry across the Baltic bound for Finland. **(SB)**

5 AT SEA – HELSINKI SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME After an early arrival in Helsinki, our Local Specialist shares the city's iconic sights and its Swedish and Russian heritage. See the modern marble façades of Finlandia Hall, the Senate and the colourful stalls in Market Square. **(SB) Hotel: Scandic Grand Marina**

6 HELSINKI – ST. PETERSBURG (3 NIGHTS) We depart Finland to begin our exploration of Russia and the romantic city of St. Petersburg. Tonight we dine in our hotel. **(SB, D) Hotel: Park Inn Nevsky**

7 ST. PETERSBURG SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME Join a Local Specialist to delve into the opulent royal history and might of imperial Russia. View the Tsar's Winter Palace, Nevsky Prospekt, St. Isaac's Cathedral and the statue of Peter the Great. We'll visit the Peter and Paul Fortress, with its steep Bell Tower spire, and The Hermitage Museum, featuring some three million artefacts. **(BB)**

8 ST. PETERSBURG FREE DAY Admire the ornate domes and colourful mosaics of the Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood and the gold-plated dome of St. Isaac's Cathedral, or join an Optional Experience to visit Peter the Great's summer residence at Petrodvorets. **(BB)**

9 ST. PETERSBURG – NOVGOROD A leisurely morning sees us soak up the elegant atmosphere of St. Petersburg. We head south to the ancient city of Novgorod across the vast Russian plains. View the Kremlin Fort and grounds, the Millennium Monument and St. Sophia Cathedral before we 'Connect With Locals', joining Irina and her family for a traditional dining experience of pancakes and local Russian liqueurs. **(BB, DW, 🏠) Hotel: Park Inn Veliky**

10 NOVGOROD – TVER REGION – KLIN – MOSCOW (3 NIGHTS) A scenic drive past country villages brings us to the Tver region for an included Regional Meal lunch, before we continue to Moscow. **(BB, RM) Hotel: Crowne Plaza**

11 MOSCOW SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME Join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour past Red Square and the domes of St. Basil's Cathedral. We'll venture inside the UNESCO-listed Kremlin, a walled-in complex of palaces, cathedrals and government offices. Spend the rest of your day exploring on your own. **(BB)**

12 MOSCOW FREE DAY Enjoy a full free day in the city to see the sights. Kick-start your morning immersing yourself in the *kofe* culture of Moscow, or consider an Optional Experience to St. Sergius Monastery and handicraft market in Zagorsk, the centre of Russian art and architecture. This evening, we join our Travel Director and fellow travellers for a special Farewell Dinner. **(BB, FD)**

13 DEPART MOSCOW Say a fond farewell to Russia and newfound friends after your memorable holiday comes to an end after breakfast. Airport transfers are available. Conditions apply. **(BB)**

MORE ABOUT YOUR Trip

* All prices are per person, twin share.

Airport transfers: On arrival at Copenhagen Airport transfers will operate at 9am, 12noon and 3.30pm. Guests arriving later should make their own way to the hotel. Return transfers on the last travel day will arrive at Moscow Sheremetyevo Airport at 5am, 10am and 1pm and at Moscow Domodedovo Airport at 6am, 10am and 12pm

Important Visa Information: Visas may be required for this trip. Please speak to your travel agent at the time of booking to assess your specific requirements. Visas cannot be issued at borders in Europe.

Gratuities: Option to pre-pay gratuities for Travel Director and Driver, US\$127 per person.

TRIP CODE: SCRU

YOUR HOLIDAY Planner

Price PP			Price PP		
Start	End	Twin Share	Start	End	Twin Share
SU 21 APR	FR 03 MAY	3650	+ SU 14 JUL	FR 26 JUL	3675
SU 28 APR	FR 10 MAY	3650	+ SU 21 JUL	FR 02 AUG	3675
			+ SU 28 JUL	FR 09 AUG	3675
SU 05 MAY	FR 17 MAY	3650	SU 04 AUG	FR 16 AUG	3675
SU 12 MAY	FR 24 MAY	3650	SU 11 AUG	FR 23 AUG	3650
SU 19 MAY	FR 31 MAY	3650	SU 18 AUG	FR 30 AUG	3650
SU 26 MAY	FR 07 JUN	3650	SU 25 AUG	FR 06 SEP	3650
SU 02 JUN	FR 14 JUN	3825	SU 01 SEP	FR 13 SEP	3650
SU 09 JUN	FR 21 JUN	3825	SU 08 SEP	FR 20 SEP	3650
SU 16 JUN	FR 28 JUN	3825	SU 15 SEP	FR 27 SEP	3650
SU 23 JUN	FR 05 JUL	3850	SU 22 SEP	FR 04 OCT	3650
SU 30 JUN	FR 12 JUL	3850	SU 29 SEP	FR 11 OCT	3650

Single Supplement (add to price above): US\$960 p.p.
 Exceptions 12 May 19 to 02 Jun 19: US\$1130 p.p.
 23 Jun 19 to 30 Jun 19: US\$1130 p.p.

+ Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20-100% discount on our standard single supplement. Please see trafalgar.com for pricing.



EARLY BIRD SAVINGS

SAVE up to US\$385 p.p.

★ Young traveller discount: SAVE US\$370

★ Multiple trip discount: SAVE up to US\$96

★ Triple room discount: SAVE US\$180 p.p.

★ Past guests: Unlock VIP benefits

TRIP Highlights

Here's just a sample of the many special handcrafted Trafalgar highlights included in your trip.

CONNECT WITH LOCALS



Visit Irina and her family for a traditional 'bread and salt' welcome greeting ceremony. Then see how traditional pancakes are made and learn about the art of traditional Russian liqueurs. **(Day 9)**

STAYS WITH STORIES



The history of this luxurious 17th-century hotel is enhanced by its Louis XVI-inspired décor, marble floors and period paintings. Located in the centre, it's also the perfect base for exploring this eclectic city. **(Day 1)**

WR Welcome Reception **L** Lunch
BB Buffet Breakfast **D** Dinner
SB Scandinavian Breakfast **RM** Regional Meal

DW Dinner With Wine
FD Farewell Dinner

Dive Into Culture
 Stays With Stories
 Connect With Locals