

# Cruise Adventures Offers 2008 Russia Tour

Come Travel with Your Friends  
at the Madera Chamber of Commerce  
October 14<sup>th</sup> thru 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008  
St. Petersburg / Pushkin / Novgorod  
\$2199.00 per person\*

**Limited to  
200 Passengers**

## NOTES FROM RUSSIA INFORMATION NIGHT December 11, 2007

**This trip is limited to 200 passengers, on a first-come; first served basis  
Non-refundable deposit of \$249.00 per person, is due at a time of booking  
Reservations close and final payment is due July 15, 2008**

**The cost of this trip is EXCLUSIVE per the agreement with Cruise Adventures (CST 2069482-50) and  
the Madera Chamber of Commerce**

### Price includes:

- Round-Trip International Air Fare
- Lodging, based on double-occupancy
- Meals:
  - Breakfast every day at the hotel (7:00 to 11:00 a.m.)
  - Six (6) Lunches
  - Three (3) Dinners
- Deluxe Bus Tours with English-speaking Tour Guides
- Admission to all tourist attractions

### Price does not include:

- Airline taxes – approximately \$215.00 per person
- Fuel surcharge – approximately \$126.00 per person
- Meals that are not included – One (1) Lunch and Four (4) Dinners
- VISA processing fee – approximately \$115.00
- Travel Insurance (optional) – an additional \$195.50 per person; allows full refund if purchased through Cruise Adventures
- Round-Trip Bus Transportation from Madera to LAX (optional) – an additional \$99.00 per person
- Upgrade to Single Room (optional) – an additional \$492.00 per person
- Upgrade flight to Business Class (optional) – an additional \$4500.00 per person

### Registration Form:

- One (1) Form per person
- Names must be completed exactly as they appear on Passport
- List name of Roommate (Lodging); select 1-King or 2-Queen
- List names of 'Traveling with' (Bus Assignments)
- NO Triple Occupancy is available

### Flight information:

- Round-Trip International Flight from LAX
- Fifteen (15 Hour) Flight, approximately
- Two carriers are being considered: Aeroflot and Lufthansa
- Airline tickets will only have First and Last names on them

- Luggage limitations: 50 lbs. each; limited to two (2) per passenger
- NOT CONFIRMED: Arrival in Moscow is being considered but is not confirmed (would be an added bonus at not additional cost) BUT will only be possible if airlines cooperate with flights
  - Moscow scenario would include arriving in Moscow, scenic bus tour, with an evening departure by train with arrival in St. Petersburg the next day.

**About the tour:**

- Weather
  - § Cold - daily highs approximately 50 degrees
  - § October is normally a dry month, usually no snow
- Lodging
  - § Sovietskaya Hotel during the entire stay
  - § Located in the very center of St. Petersburg
  - § Amenities: Telephone, TV, Personal Care Products, Hair Dryer
- Passports and VISA Processing
  - § Passports
    - § Required
    - § Approximate processing time – 16 weeks
    - § Passports need to match ID cards
  - § VISA
    - § Required
    - § All VISA processing will be handled by Cruise Adventures
    - § Fee is unavailable at this time
    - § Kits will be mailed to confirmed passengers around June 15, 2008
    - § Additional VISA application kits will be available at the Chamber office

**Currency and Exchange Rate:**

- § ATM access is available
- § The official currency is the Rouble (RUB), which is divided into 100 kopeks.
- § Most major credit cards, like Visa and Mastercard are accepted in the larger hotels and at places that deal with foreign tourists.
- § Currency can be changed at banks, currency exchange booths and hotels.
- § Travelers' Cheques are difficult and expensive to cash, but if necessary it is advised to take them in US Dollars or Euro.
- § It is hard to get rubles outside Russia and travelers are advised to take good condition US dollars or Euro notes to change once there.
- § It is illegal to pay for goods or services in hard currency, though it is often accepted.
- § RUB 1.00 = US\$ 0.04 (guideline only)