**MOSCOW**

Spend three unforgettable days in the capital of Russia and admire numerous treasures of its history and present days and enjoy its beauty!

**City tour**

Stop at St. Sofia Embankment of the Moskva-river; The Bolshoi Stone Bridge; stops at Cathedral of Christ the Savior and Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts; the new monument to Peter the Great; Gorky Park; stop at New Maiden Convent; observation platform of Sparrow (Lenin) Hills; Victory Park and Poklonnaya Hill with World War II Memorial; Kutuzov Avenue; White House.

**Kremlin**
The former residence of Russian czars, an architectural ensemble of unique beauty, which took shape between the 15-th and 20-th centuries. Cathedral Square - the center of the Kremlin with the 15-th century Assumption Cathedral, the main church of Russia, the 15-th century Annunciation Cathedral, the private church of Russian czars and the 16-th century Cathedral of the Archangel, the burial place of the czars. On the ground of the Kremlin there are famous Czar Cannon of the 16-th century and Czar Bell of the 18-th century.

**UGLICH**

Founded in 1148, Uglich is one of the most beloved towns in old Russia. The view of the town as it is approached from the Volga River is especially lovely with the Cathedral of the Resurrection and St.John’s Church looming on the horizon. At the end of the 16th century, Maria Nagaya, seventh wife of Ivan the Terrible, lived in honorary exile in the Kremlin at Uglich. It was here in her garden that the Tsarevich Dmitry met his death and where the Church of St.Demitrius of the Blood was built and still stands today.

 **Walking tour**

**YAROSLAVL**

Yaroslavl is situated at the confluence of the Volga and Kotorosl rivers. It is renowned for its numerous 17th-century churches and is an outstanding example of the urban planning reform Empress Catherine the Great ordered for the whole of Russia in 1763. While keeping some of its significant historic structures, the town was renovated in the neoclassical style on a radial urban master plan. It has also kept elements from the 16th century in the Spassky Monastery, one of the oldest in the Upper Volga region.

**City tour**

**GORITSY**

Goritsy is a tiny settlement seven kilometers from the Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery. Visit what remains of the Nunnery of the resurrection on the banks of the Sheksna River in Goritsy, within a quarter of a mile of where the ship stop, will be interesting for any tourist with a real interest in Russian history.

**Tour - Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery**

**KIZHI**

Via the Volga/Baltic canal, our cruise takes us to the tiny island of Kizhi, located at the northern end of lake Onega. Renowned for its open-air Museum of Architecture assembled from various areas of the country and restored to form a glimpse of the past. The Transfiguration Church, with 22 domes, is the ultimate in Russian fairy-tale church architecture. Erected without a single nail or piece of iron, it was built only by chisel and ax.

**Tour - Open-air Museum of Wooden Architecture**

**MANDROGI**

In the village there are some structures built according to the Russian fine traditions of wooden architecture. Village dwellers meet the quests and organize something special for them. There is a museum of Russian Vodka where tourists can get acquainted with the history of Russian vodka industry (payment on the spot). Remeslennaya Sloboda, walking in the picturesque woods.

**Green stop**

**SAINT PETERSBURG**

St. Petersburg, one of the most beautiful cities in the world, is situated on the bank of the Gulf of Finland, in the delta of the river Neva. Created by Peter the Great to rival Venice, its 101 islands, 66 canals, and hundreds of bridges have secured its reputation as the most beautiful city in the country. It is the northernmost city in the world with a population of over four million. The Historic Centre of Saint Petersburg and Related Groups of Monuments constitute a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Saint Petersburg is home to The Hermitage, one of the largest art museums in the world.

**City tour**
Brief description of what you will see during city tour \*(outside view): Nevski Prospect, Palace Square and Winter Palace+, Spit of the Vasilievsky Island, University Embankment, Main Building of the State St. Petersburg University, Admiralty, Senate Square, Monument to Peter the Great (Bronze Horseman), St. Isaac's Cathedral and St. Isaac's Square, Field of Mars+ and Summer Gardens+, Cruiser Aurora, Smolny Cathedral.

**Hermitage**
One of biggest museums of the world, founded 1764; its collection includes over 2.7 million items, including masterpieces of Leonardo da Vinci, Raphael, Roden, Rembrandt, Rubens, etc. Gala room of the Winter Palace, a former royal residence.