

Again an almost full day of relaxation and lectures on the train, today you are passing through the plains of Western Siberia and reach Novosibirsk in the late afternoon. With 1,5 million inhabitants Russia's third largest city and the biggest of Siberia, it is widely regarded as the centre of Siberia. It was founded in 1893 as the future site of the Trans-Siberian railway bridge crossing the Siberian River Ob.
Accommodation in Novosibirsk. 14

Day 6 Novosibirsk (B, L, D)

In the morning a city sightseeing tour shows you some remarkable orthodox churches which have survived the Soviet period, and you see the famous Opera House which is the largest of Russia, situated in the centre of the city at Lenin Square. In the afternoon, an excursion takes you out of the city into the Taiga, the "real Siberian forest". About 30 km out of the city you have the opportunity of visiting the largest open air railway museum of Russia, a collection of more than 60 showpieces of steam, diesel and electric locomotives as well as several historical passenger cars – a perfect insight into the development of the trains on the Trans-Siberian Railway. On a boat tour on the River Ob you cruise under the mighty railway bridge of the Trans-Siberian railway.

Accommodation on board the Grand Trans-Siberian Express.

Day 7 Krasnoyarsk (B, L, D)

Krasnoyarsk, like Yekaterinburg and Ulan-Ude used to be a "closed city" during Soviet times – closed to foreigners and also to most Soviet citizens at that time. It is located along the Yenissei River which is the greatest river system flowing to the Arctic Ocean. A sightseeing tour shows you several view points and the main shopping street which is fascinating as the local mayor decided to decorate it with palm trees in summer time – in the middle of Siberia!

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Day 8 Irkutsk (B, L, D)

Irkutsk is famous for its trade with Mongolia and China and used to be called "Paris of Siberia" because of its colourful life style during the time of the Tsars. You visit the old town with its large quarters still consisting of wooden houses only, before invited to the cultural highlight of the tour, a private classical concert in a palace of historical background.

Accommodation in Irkutsk.

Day 9 Lake Baikal (B, L, D)

Today one of the top highlights of the tour with the Grand Trans-Siberian Express will amaze you for the rest of the day. Lake Baikal holds the biggest fresh water reserves in the world. It stretches up to 26 miles from east to west and more than 370 miles from north to south. Lake Baikal is the deepest lake of the world, reaching 1.620 meters at its deepest part. The mountain ranges around Lake Baikal and the deep blue water of the lake, you will never forget.

In the morning a one hour bus drive takes you from the hotel to Lake Baikal. A walk through the village of Listvyanka shows you to St Nicholas church, a typical orthodox wooden build church beautifully renovated in the 1990's. On a great Siberian lunch you can taste the famous Omul fish which lives only in Lake Baikal. In the afternoon a boat takes you on a short cruise on Lake Baikal to the small village of Port Baikal where the private train is waiting for you.

Today the private train is running at low speed along the scenic Circum Baikal Railway line between Port Baikal and Sludyanka, which for many years has been used only by a few of local trains and tourist trains. A photo stop will be arranged at a small village where you can get off the train, put your feet into the clear and cold water of Lake Baikal and also visit the typical wooden houses of local people. A Baikal barbecue is also a part of the program.

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Day 10 Ulan-Ude (B, L, D)

Ulan-Ude is the capital of the so-called "Buryat Autonomous Republic" of the Russian Federation. Buryats are an ethnic group close to Mongolians with an amazing mix of cultures and religions. Ulan-Ude is a meeting place between East and West. Like Irkutsk, the city still has large areas with typical Siberian wooden houses. Your sightseeing excursion goes to one of the villages of Orthodox "Old Believers" still practising their live like people did it centuries ago. You will be hosted for a typical Russian homemade lunch.

Prices 2019 Moscow – Ulaanbaatar (Option 1)					
Moscow – Ulaanbaatar (13 days, 12 nights) – All Rates are in EURO, per person.					
Option 1 Category	Standard Economy	Standard Economy	Standard Plus	Silver	Gold
Passengers per cabin	4	3	2	2	2
Price per person EUR	4970	5890	7090	11170	13370
Single Supplement Train & Hotel	n/a	n/a	2970	6120	7220
High Season Supplement I	240	240	240	240	240
High Season Supplement II	160	160	160	160	160

Prices 2019 Moscow - Beijing					
Option 2: for those who wish to travel by train throughout from Moscow to Beijing					
Moscow – Beijing (15 days, 14 nights). All Rates are in EURO, per person.					
Option 2 (train throughout) Category	Standard Economy	Standard Economy	Standard Plus	Silver	Gold
Passengers per cabin	4	3	2	2	2
Price per person EUR	6500	7500	8640	13320	15520
Single Supplement Train & Hotel	n/a	n/a	4570	7820	8920
High Season Supplement I	240	240	240	240	240
High Season Supplement II	160	160	160	160	160

Services included in the tour price:

- ✓ 6 nights' accommodation on board the Grand Trans-Siberian Express Moscow - Ulaanbaatar in the category booked
- ✓ 1 night accommodation at **** hotel, Moscow
- ✓ 1 night accommodation at **** hotel, Yekaterinburg
- ✓ 1 night accommodation at **** hotel, Novosibirsk
- ✓ 1 night accommodation at **** hotel, Irkutsk
- ✓ 2 nights' accommodation at **** hotel, Ulaanbaatar
- ✓ Full board throughout the tour, starting with dinner on day 1 and terminating with breakfast on day 15
- ✓ Shower facilities in hotel day rooms in Krasnoyarsk and Ulan-Ude for guests travelling in categories Standard Economy and Standard Plus
- ✓ Transfer shuttle service airport – hotel v.v. in Moscow on day 1 and in Beijing on day 13
- ✓ Sightseeing tours in Moscow, Yekaterinburg, Novosibirsk, Krasnoyarsk, Irkutsk, Lake Baikal, Ulan-Ude, Ulaanbaatar
- ✓ Lectures on board, Introductory Russian language course, Russian Vodka Tasting
- ✓ Private classic concert in Irkutsk
- ✓ Cultural events as mentioned in the programme
- ✓ English, Spanish, Portuguese speaking tour guides (other languages on request)
- ✓ English Speaking Tour Director throughout the tour

TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE: -

- # International Airfare
- # Services Not Included
 - Flights to Moscow and from **Ulaanbaatar**
 - Visa Russia per person INR3500, Mongolia Visa INR1000
 - Gratuities (EUR 200 / USD 250 tipping budget recommended)
- # Anything not specifically mentioned in "Tour Price includes" section.

Optional Booking: Available for maximum 1 month

Minimum number of tour participants: 80 persons on board the charter private train

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Payment Conditions

Deposit Category Standard Economy & Standard plus EUR 750 per person at the time of booking

Category Deluxe Silver & Deluxe Gold EUR 1.500 per person at the time of booking

Balance 60 days before departure

CANCELLATIONS –

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Cancellation Conditions

Up to 91 days before the tour Deposit

90-61 days before the tour 25 %

60-31 days before the tour 50 %

30-15 days before the tour 75 %

14-01 days before the tour 90 %

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