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Faceted Palace, Moscow Kremlin

# Russia, Baltic Countries and Ukraine

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St. Basil's Cathedral, Moscow

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Petegof Grand Cascade Fountain, St. Petersburg

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Hill of Crosses, Siauliai, Lithuania



Rocca-Al-Mare, Tallinn



Trakai Castle, Lithuania



Tea room at the Astoria Hotel, St. Petersburg

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## BALTIC COUNTRIES

### ESTONIA

**Tallinn**, a UNESCO World Heritage site

- An outstanding Old Town, exceptionally complete and well-preserved example of a medieval northern European trading city
- Toompea Castle
- Elaborate Kadriorg Palace
- The Rocca-Al-Mare open-air museum of 18th- and 19th-century rural buildings

Other destinations in Lithuania include:

- **Tartu**, one of the most beautiful towns noted for its classical architecture and the famous Tartu University
- A picturesque island of **Saaremaa**, with quaint little villages and windmills, officially opened to visitors only in 1989

### LATVIA

**Riga**, a vibrant cosmopolitan capital of Latvia

- A charming Old Town
- Finest examples of Art Nouveau architecture
- One of the largest and finest 19th-century organs in the world
- The largest farmers market in the Baltics

Other destinations in Latvia include:

- **Rundale Palace**, a miniature "Versailles of the Baltics"
- **Crusaders Castle of Turaida**
- **Gauja National Park**, Latvia's "Little Switzerland"

### LITHUANIA

**Vilnius**, a UNESCO World Heritage site

- The largest Old Town in Eastern Europe
- The Trakai Castle, the seat of the ancient capital of Lithuania
- Creative amber jewelry and artwork

Other special destinations and activities in Lithuania can include:

- The **Hill of Crosses**, the site of national pilgrimage at Siauliai
- A resort town of **Druskininkai**, a Lithuanian Baden-Baden
- "**Stalin's World**," the first and only theme park of antiquated Soviet sculptures
- **Kaunas**, the City of Museums
- **Klaipeda**, a Lithuanian gateway to the Baltic Sea
- **Nida**, a UNESCO World Heritage site famous for its unique tranquil beauty and pristine sand dunes

## UKRAINE

**Kiev**, a 1,500-year-old capital of Ukraine, known as "The Mother of Russian Cities"

- A spectacular St. Sophia Cathedral and the Kyiv Pechersk Cave Monastery, both UNESCO Heritage sites

Other special destinations and activities in Ukraine can include:

- **The Black Sea cruise**
- **Odessa**, the Pearl of the Black Sea
- **Yalta**, one of the most spectacular spots on the Crimean Peninsula, dotted with royal palaces
- **Sevastopol**, one of Europe's best-kept secrets, with its 2,500-year-old **Khersones settlement**, the northernmost outpost of the Greek Empire, on a par in importance with the ruins of Pompeii and Egyptian antiquities along the Nile



Church of Transfiguration, Khizi, Russia

## RUSSIA

**St. Petersburg**, the legendary "Venice of the North," built on 140 islands

- Hermitage, one of the world's largest and most famous museums
- St. Isaac's Cathedral, the third-largest domed church in the world
- Hydrofoil ride to Peterhof, the Russian Versailles
- Amber Room in Catherine the Great's Summer Palace
- Nicholas and Alexandra Palace of the last Russian monarchs

**Moscow**, the Third Rome

- The Kremlin with lavishly frescoed ancient churches
- A fascinating collection of Faberge eggs
- The Ascension Church in Kolomenskoe, a UNESCO World Heritage site
- The Diamond Vaults with one of the largest diamonds in the world, (189.6 carats)
- A unique display of French Impressionists
- The world-famous Bolshoi Theater

**Vladimir and Suzdal**, UNESCO World Heritage sites

- More than 70 magnificent architectural complexes
- Unique 15th-century frescoes by Andrei Rublev
- A special display of hand-painted Palekh lacquer boxes

**Sergiev Posad**, a Russian Vatican, a UNESCO World Heritage site

- Functioning monastery and theological school
- Ancient cathedrals
- Burial place of Boris Godunov

**Novgorod**, one of Russia's oldest cities

- UNESCO World Heritage sites
- An imposing Kremlin
- A unique Millennium Monument with statues of all important rulers of Russia from Riurik to Mikhail Romanov, the only of its kind in Russia

**Island of Khizhi** on Lake Onega, Karelia, a UNESCO World Heritage site

- A fairytale-like wooden **Church of Transfiguration** with intricate 22 onion-shaped shingled domes, which was built without a single nail
- More than 60 unique monuments and 30,000 artifacts

**Golfing in Russia**

- A world-class championship 18-hole golf course at Moscow Country Club, designed by Robert Trent Jones, Jr.
- The Dunes Golf Club on the Gulf of Finland

**The Volga River cruises**

- Amazing Old Towns of the *Golden Ring of Russia*, remarkable for their old Kremains, ancient cathedrals, frescoes and icons

Other destinations include:

- **The legendary Trans-Siberian** by private train
- **The ancient Silk Road aboard the China Orient Express** private train

View of Old Town, Tallinn



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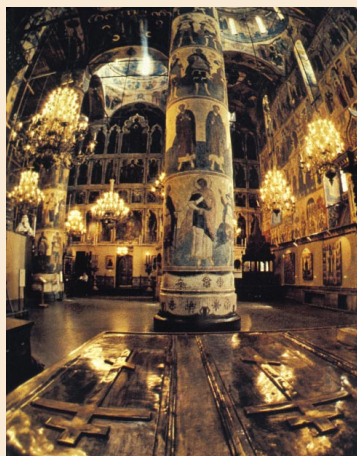
Russian Folklore group



A Ukrainian dance



Blackheads' House, Riga



The Assumption Cathedral,  
Moscow Kremlin

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