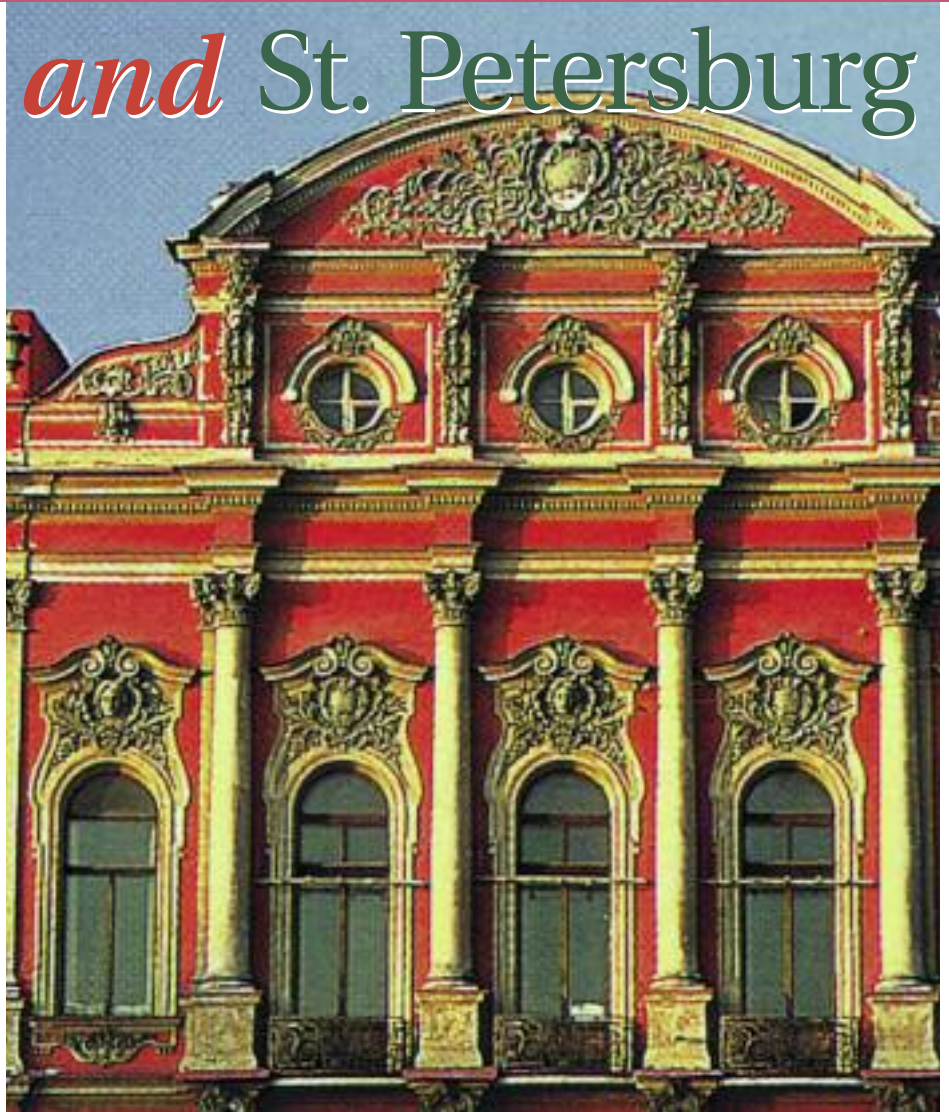


Helsinki *and* St. Petersburg

As much a work of art as a city, Russia's past capital, St. Petersburg is a captivating cocktail of experiences. This twin centre holiday begins with time in Helsinki before taking the rail route past medieval Vyborg, across the Karelian Isthmus and into the ancient capital of the Czars.

Here you will find the Hermitage Museum, Winter Palace, St. Isaac's Cathedral, Peter and Paul Fortress, Yusupov Palace and Rasputin rooms. For students of history there is the Cruiser Aurora from which, in 1917, the signal was given to start the Revolution. Out of town lies the Petrodvorets, the Summer Palace of the Czars – an unmissable sight here being the Grand Cascade, a sparkling veil of water created by sixty four fountains, showering down in front of the Great Palace.



HELSINKI & ST. PETERSBURG

DEPARTURE DATES

Saturdays April 19 May 3, 17, 24, 31
June 7, 14, 21, 28 July 5, 12, 19, 27
Aug 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Sep 13 Nov 8

VISAS

Visas are needed for Russia for which we provide supporting information. You can then either arrange this yourself or use our recommended agent.

Prices are in £ per person

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DATES	TWIN	SINGLE
Apr 19	1030	1185
May 13 & 17	1130	1345
May 24, 31, June, July 5	1199	1480
July 12, 19, 27 Aug, Sep 13	1130	1345
Oct 4, Nov 8	1030	1185

Prices include return Finnair scheduled flights from Heathrow or Manchester to Helsinki • In flight cabin service • Passenger service charges & airport departure taxes • Hotel accommodation in twin bedded room(s) with private WC/shower • Breakfasts throughout and 3 lunches and 3 dinners in Russia • Services of tour escort from day 3(am) to day 6(pm) • Guided excursions as per itinerary

DAY 1 UK – HELSINKI

Scheduled Finnair flight to Helsinki. Overnight at Hotel Marski for two nights.

DAY 2 HELSINKI at your leisure.

DAY 3 HELSINKI – ST. PETERSBURG

Early morning departure to St. Petersburg by rail and transfer on arrival. Highlights of the day: Guided tour on arrival: 'Bronze Horseman': Admiralty: Nevski Prospect Boulevard: Palace Square: Peter and Paul Fortress. Overnight at Hotel Moskva for three nights.

DAY 4 ST. PETERSBURG EXCURSION

Highlights of the day: Hermitage Museum – Cathedral of St. Isaac.

DAY 5 PUSHKIN EXCURSION

Highlight of the day: Pushkin (summer residence of the Imperial Family from Peter the Great to the last Czar).

DAY 6 ST. PETERSBURG – HELSINKI

Morning at leisure. Afternoon transfer to the station for return journey to Helsinki. Late arrival. Overnight at Hotel Marski.

DAY 7 HELSINKI – UK

Morning at leisure. Scheduled Finnair flight to UK.

