



Vasilievsky island

# St. Petersburg in Style

## Tailor-made tour - 5 days/4 nights

This tailor-made independent tour is designed for discerning travellers looking for a more in-depth experience of St. Petersburg's cultural attractions whilst seeking an insight into Russia's culinary scene. You'll enjoy fine dining at the Stroganov Palace (where Beef Stroganov was invented), relax at hand-picked informal restaurants where the locals eat, visit a farmers market and have coffee and cake at the Art Nouveau Eliseevsky food store. Cultural highlights include a visit to the Hermitage Museum - one of the world's greatest, and the fabulous Fabergé Museum dedicated to the works of the great jeweller Carl Fabergé.

### Inclusions

- 4 nights accommodation with breakfast in deluxe room at 5-star hotel
- Meals - 1 lunch, 2 dinners, coffee & cake at Eliseevsky food store
- Arrival/departure transfers by business class car
- Sightseeing as specified by business class car and on foot with your own English speaking guide
- City tour with visit to farmers market, entrance to Church on Spilt Blood & canal cruise (May-Oct)
- Hermitage Museum and French Impressionists
- Fabergé Museum
- Peter & Paul Fortress
- Peterhof Palace & Gardens or Catherine's Palace at Pushkin\*

### Your hotel

■ **Belmond Grand Hotel Europe**  
One of the finest luxury hotels in Russia, the iconic Belmond Grand Hotel Europe is ideally positioned on Nevsky Prospekt, adjacent to Arts Square. The hotel has played a central role in the history of St. Petersburg since 1820. Its Art Nouveau décor, stained glass and plush fabrics offer a sense of grandeur from a bygone era. We use the Deluxe rooms.

Romanovs. Dinner tonight is at a Georgian restaurant. Overnight St. Petersburg. **BD**

### Day 4 St. Petersburg

Today, choose between two excursions - Peterhof on the Gulf of Finland, or Pushkin, known as Tsars' Village before the Revolution. Peterhof was commissioned by Peter the Great to rival Versailles. Its summer highlights are its beautiful gardens, fountains and gilded statues. At Pushkin you visit Catherine's Palace, the summer residence of the tsars from the early 18th century to 1917. One of the finest examples of Russian Baroque architecture, it houses the famous Amber Room. Tonight's special dinner is at the opulent Russian Empire Restaurant in the Stroganov Palace. Overnight St. Petersburg. **BD**

### Day 5 St. Petersburg

Tour services end after breakfast with your transfer to the airport or rail station - or extend your stay. **B**

### Day 1 St. Petersburg

Arrive St. Petersburg. You will be met and transferred to your hotel. Overnight St. Petersburg.

Today's sightseeing concludes with a relaxing canal cruise to view the city from a refreshingly different perspective. Overnight St. Petersburg. **BL**

### Day 2 St. Petersburg

After breakfast, your tour of this beautiful northern city covers the major landmarks including a visit to a local farmers market. After lunch at a café popular with locals, visit the Church on Spilt Blood.

### Day 3 St. Petersburg

This morning, you have a guided tour of the magnificent Hermitage Museum, founded in 1764 by Catherine the Great. Fans of the French Impressionists may continue the tour to the General Staff

Building opposite, to view the collection. Time to relax over a coffee and cake at the Art Nouveau Eliseevsky Café and food store. Then visit the fabulous Fabergé Museum, housing the world's largest collection of Fabergé artefacts, including the nine Imperial Easter Eggs. Continue with a visit to Peter & Paul Fortress, the original citadel of St. Petersburg, founded by Peter the Great in 1703 and the burial place of the



State Hermitage Museum



Fabergé egg

### Tour prices & departures

Prices shown per person in AUD. Daily departures Jan-Dec 2020.

Departures	Twn	Sgl
1 Jan-31 Mar, 16 Oct-31 Dec	2443	4161
1 Apr-15 May, 16 Jul-31 Aug, 1-15 Oct	2600	4475
16 May-15 Jul	3546	6295
1-30 Sep	2947	5096

\*Catherine's Palace has been experiencing an unprecedented volume of visitors during the summer months; therefore availability may be restricted or subject to schedule change.