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Moscow is a city of contrasts where the bohemian and the glamorous merge in an idiosyncratic fusion – do not be surprised to find a golden-domed 16th-century church next to an ultra-modern glass skyscraper or a Soviet blockhouse. Here, salty fish eggs (caviar) are washed down with bubbly champagne, and worn-out commuters travel by the elaborately decorated, elegant metro, one of the city's main attractions.



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## THE CITY



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The Kremlin has long served as headquarters for Moscow's many rulers – Ivan the Terrible and Stalin once issued their orders from here and today, the Kremlin's walls protect some of the country's most precious treasures.

Outside the Kremlin microcosm lies Russia in constant flux. Since Gorbachov introduced perestroyka (restructuring) in 1985, the Communists have given way to a new generation of business-minded men and women, hungry for progress. However, old traditions are being honoured and kept alive – excellent performative arts (ballet, opera, and instrumental music), beautifully restored Orthodox churches, Soviet architectural and cultural heritage, and the national cuisine are only a few of the things modern Moscow has to offer.

#### DO & SEE



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Moscow might be one of the world's most exciting cities, an embodiment of the intricate fusion of the old and the new. You will definitely be able to fill your time here with history, art, culture, and great food. Visit the many churches and cathedrals, enjoy a show at the Bolshoi Theatre, or go for a walk in one of the city's many parks – Moscow certainly has many ways to enchant you.

# Children are the Victims of Adult Vices Sculptures



The monument, designed by Mihail Chemiakin, shows 2 children at play, surrounded by 13 menacing-looking figures, each representing a vice

or evil the youth is often faced with growing up. Can you interpret the meaning of each sculpture? You can find the monument south of the Moscow Kremlin, in Bolotnaya Square.

Photo: Stoyanov Alexey/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bolotnaya Square

#### Peter the Great Statue



Built in memory of the emperor Peter I, who reigned the nation for 43 years, the monument faces the Moskva River and is the 8th highest

statue in the world, standing at 98 meters (322ft) tall. Besides the statue, you can also enjoy a beautiful view over the river around the area, as well as spot some boat traffic.

Photo: Tatiana Popova/Shutterstock.com Address: 10 Krymskaya Naberezhnaya, Moscow

## **Novodevichy Convent and Monastery**



Several religious buildings surrounded by a wall make up the monastery, set amid a park on the Moskva River bank. To grasp the

importance of the place throughout the course of Russian history, visit the Novodevichy Cemetry, where many prominent Russians found their final resting place, from literary behemoths (Chekhov and Gogol) to politicians (Boris Yeltsin). The monastery has remained near-intact since the 17th century.

Photo: Boris Stroujko/Shutterstock.com Address: Novodevichy Passage, Moscow Opening hours: Museum: Daily 9:00am - 5:00pm.

## **Church of Ascension Kolomenskoye**



The church was built to mark the birth of prince Ivan VI, who was later to become Ivan 'the Terrible' -- it was the first of its architectural kind in

Russia. The structure faces the Moskva River

and is marvellous in its unique architectural design. Kolomenskoye Park stretches along the Moskva River and is a favourite among locals for day trips, too.

Photo: ansharphoto/Shutterstock.com Address: Andropova Avenue 39, Moscow

#### Wooden Palace of Tsar Alexei Mikhailovich



Today's Wooden Palace of Tsar Alexei Mikhailovich is a complete reconstruction, since the building's original was, sadly, demolished on

command of Catherine the Great in the 18th century. The museum inside showcases the lively embellishments and ornate furniture that was replicated through paintings dating back to the time.

Photo: Gubin Yury/Shutterstock.com Address: Kolomenskoye Park, Moscow

Opening hours: Tuesday - Sunday 10:00 - 18:00.

More Info: Mondays closed.

#### The Pushkin Museum of Fine Art



The Pushkin Museum of Fine Art is a paradise for those interested in art. Here Impressionist and Post-Impressionist art mingles with older works

by Rembrandt and Botticelli.

Photo: Gubin Yury/Shutterstock.com Address: 12 Ulitsa Volchonka, Moscow

Opening hours: Open daily 10 am-7 pm, ticket office 10 am-6

pm. Closed on Mondays

Phone: +7 495 609 95 20 / +7 495 697 95 78

Internet: www.arts-museum.ru



# The Tretiakov Gallery



With its 62 halls and 100,000 paintings, the Tretiakov Gallery contains the world's largest collection of Russian art. Fortunately,

all of these pieces are not all displayed together, but a few at a time.

Photo: Grisha Bruev/Shutterstock.com

Address: 10 Lavrushinsky Pereulok, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 953 10 51

Internet: www.tretyakovgallery.ru Email: tretyakov@tretyakov.ru

## **Armoury Chamber in The Kremlin**



If you yearn for gold, velvet and precious stones, you must visit the Armoury. The treasures that have been collected over the centuries by the

Russian tsars and princes can be found here. Some magnificent examples are the Fabergé egg and Catherine the Great's coronation dress.

Photo: Anton\_Ivanov/Shutterstock.com Address: The Kremlin, Moscow Phone: +7 495 621 46 31

Internet: www.kreml.ru

More Info: Use entrance from the Alexander Garden

# Red Square and the Lenin Mausoleum



Enclosed by the GUM, Kremlin, and Saint Basil's Cathedral, the Red Square stands proud. This is also the place where Lenin rests in his

mausoleum. Since 1924 he has been as carefully quarded as he was embalmed.

Photo: Baturina Yuliya/Shutterstock.com Address: Krasnaya Ploshad, Moscow

Internet: www.lenin.ru

#### St. Basil's Cathedral



With its round, brilliantly coloured cupolas, St.
Basil's Cathedral truly looks like a fairy-tale castle. Ivan the Terrible had it built around 1550

in order to celebrate a victory over the Tartars. Today the cathedral is one of the world's architectural wonders.

Photo: vvoe/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2 Krasnaya Ploshad, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 698 33 04 Internet: www.saintbasil.ru

#### **Moscow Metro**



Going on the metro in Moscow is an attraction in itself. The metro here is just beautiful with its architecture and majestic spaces. If you have to

choose, two of the most beautiful stations to visit are "Komsomol'skaya" and "Kazan'skaya".

Photo: Gubin Yury/Shutterstock.com

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collection of hip enterprises that range from cool stores (do not miss the "Respublika" book shop and its fun merch) to cafes, coworking spaces, and art installations. Check their event schedule



to see what's on (mind that most events are conducted in Russian).

Photo: GaudiLab/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bol'shaya Novodmitrovskaya Ulitsa, 36, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 790 79 01 Internet: https://flacon.ru

## Izmaylovo Market



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like matryoshka dolls and fur hats. The market is quite big, so make sure to have enough time and money when coming here.

Photo: eFesenko/Shutterstock.com Address: Izmaylovo Market, Moscow

# **Gorky Park**



In the middle of Moscow you can find Gorky Park, named after the author Maxim Gorky. This park is located on the riverbank and is full of

fun activities. Here you can find parkland, a sports centre, an open-air cinema and much more.

Photo: dimbar76/Shutterstock.com Address: 9 Krymsky val, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 995 00 20

Internet: www.park-gorkogo.com
Email: info@park-gorkogo.com

## **Sparrow Hills**



One of the best lookouts in Moscow is called Sparrow Hills. From here you will get magnificent views of the city, hence this is also a popular

place for spending New Year's Eve and enjoying the fireworks. In the park you can wander among ponds and occasionally come here for a concert or event.

Photo: Alla Ushakova/Shutterstock.com Address: Vorobyevy Gory, Moscow

#### **Arbat Street**



The popular Arbat Street is one of the oldest streets in Moscow. If you have not been to Arbat Street before, it is definitely worth a visit -

it's closed off to traffic, allowing pedestrians to enjoy its many cafes and souvenir shops, as well as entertaining street artists and portrait painters.

Photo: Tatiana Popova/Shutterstock.com Address: Ulitsa Arbat, Moscow

#### **Memorial Museum of Cosmonautics**



This unique museum can be found below the ravishing Space Monument. At The Memorial Museum of Cosmonautics there are

several exhibitions with different space objects, documents, and art. If you are interested in space and the cosmonauts, you will most certainly not be disappointed.



Photo: Sloniki/Shutterstock.com Address: 111 Prospekt Mira, Moscow

Opening hours: Open 11 am-7 pm. Closed on Mondays

Phone: +7 495 602 20 73 / +7 495 682 60 92

Internet: www.kosmo-museum.ru

#### **Seven Sisters**



The so-called "Seven Sisters" are seven skyscrapers built in Stalinist style. The skyscrapers are still among the tallest

buildings in Europe and can be seen from multiple spots throughout the city. One of the Seven Sisters is the Moscow State University building, which can be found on Sparrow Hills.

Photo: Alexey Kljatov/Wikimedia Commons

## **Gulag History Museum**



Founded in 2001, this museum is devoted to showing the rise and fall of the labor camp system in Russia called Gulag. Here you can find both

permanent and temporary exhibitions as well as concerts and events.

Photo: Finlandi/Shutterstock.com Address: 16 Petrovka, Moscow Phone: +7 495 621 73 10 Internet: www.gmig.ru

# **Cathedral of Christ the Savior**



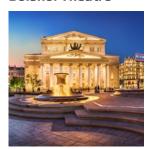
This enormous, beautiful cathedral is located by the river and was designed by the architect Konstantin Ton. You can recognise the cathedral

by its copper domes that dominate the skyline.

Photo: Delpixel/Shutterstock.com Address: Volkhonka Ulitsa, Moscow

Internet: www.xxc.ru

#### **Bolshoi Theatre**



The stunning Bolshoi
Theatre is one of
Moscow's cultural
landmarks. Here you can
enjoy several ballets by
world-renowned Russian

ballet companies, operas and different performances in a grandiose interior.

Photo: Baturina Yuliya/Shutterstock.com Address: Teatralnaya Ploshad, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 455 5555 Internet: www.bolshoi.ru Email: sales@bolshoi.ru

# **Zaryadye Park**



Right next to the famous Red Square sits Moscow's first urban park since half a century. Designed by American architects Diller Scofidio and Renfro

and inaugurated in September 2017, this massive piece of land in the heart of the Russian capital is more than just a park, it is a breath of fresh air to the city's landscape and a new meeting place for locals and tourists alike. Take a walk around its 35-acre grounds and visit its multiple attractions including: two amphitheaters, a market, a restaurant, a world-class philharmonic concert hall, an ice cave, and a boomerang-shaped bridge floating over the Moscow River.

Photo: Mos.ru/WikimediaCommons(image cropped)

Address: Varvarka Street, Moscow

Public Transport: Metro stations nearby: Okhotny Ryad, Teatralnaya, Ploshchad Revolyutsii and Kitay-Gorod

Opening hours: Open 24 hours



Phone: +7 495 531 0500

Internet: www.zaryadyepark.ru/en Email: parkzaryadye@culture.mos.ru

#### DINING



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It is truly an adventure to go out for dinner in Moscow. The city teems with extravagant themed restaurants where one is transported through both time and space. You may suddenly find yourself in Thailand, on a farm or in the past century. If you want to have good food and spend less, you can go to some of the city's many Georgian and Armenian restaurants. There are also food chains such as Moo-Moo and Yolki-Palki, where you can serve yourself inexpensive, simple Russian fare. For most restaurants, it is recommended to book a table in advance.

Discover some of the best restaurants in Moscow, Russia:

# **Restaurant Expedition**



Restaurant "Expedition.
Northern cuisine" serves
delicacies of northern
Russian cuisine of the
highest quality. Each
product "flies" or

"comes" or "swims" here from distant ecologically clean lands and is cooked only on Baikal water! This restaurant is the place for those who appreciate high quality in everything! So don't be surprised if some famous singer is performing a song for his friends at a table next to yours... They are a big family and every guest for them is a good friend!

Photo: Restaurant Expedition

Address: Pevcheskiy Pereulok, 6, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 775 60 75

Internet: https://en.expedition.rest Email: restaurant@dorogi.ru

# Central Market (Центральный рынок)



Despite the name, Moscow's Central Market isn't really much of a market, but rather a collection of trendy restaurants and cafes

serving dishes of world cuisines. Once you take your pick from its vast array of culinary offerings, stop by the wine shop (main entrance, first right) and pick up a bottle to your liking - you can even borrow a pair of wine glasses with your purchase.

On summer evenings, the outdoor terrace teems with people. It's one of the current places to be.

Photo: Lyubov Levitskaya/Shutterstock.com Address: Rozhdestvensky Blvd 1, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 902 77 77

Internet: http://moscowcentralmarket.ru

# Café Pushkin



Do not be fooled by "café" in its title: this is one of Moscow's finest restaurants. Go on a journey through time back to the sumptuous

19th century. Here, well-dressed Muscovites



enjoy caviar and the Franco-Russian cuisine. Here you can also enjoy a grandiose breakfast buffet.

Photo: Yulia Mayorova/Shutterstock.com Address: 26A Tverskoy Bulvar, Moscow Opening hours: Open 12 am-12 am

Phone: +7 495 739 00 33 Internet: www.cafe-pushkin.ru

# **Danilovskiy Rynok Foodcourt**



One of the hottest food courts in town, this one at Danilovskiy Market ('rynok') boasts several exceptional eateries at once. Try Shepka

(ΙΙΙΕΠΚΑ) for high-quality smoked meats and fish (you'll want to bring some from the deli on your way out), Bô for as-authentic-as-it gets
Vietnamese, Fiorella Pasta Fresca for fresh hand-made pasta, Georgian Street Food or Crabs
Are Coming (with Alaskan king crab meat).

Afterwards, take a gander around the market itself, and perhaps pick up a few items from the many stalls and deli shops.

Photo: SeventyFour/Shutterstock.com Address: Mytnaya Ulitsa, 74, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 120 18 01 Internet: http://danrinok.ru

#### Depo Food Mall



If you're not quite sure what it is you're in the mood for, Depo is an excellent solution. The expansive space is shared by several dozen

restaurants and food stalls, which serve up specialities of world cuisines, ranging from Vietnamese (at the well-liked "Bổ") to burgers, plus a few shops specialising in seafood (you can even get fresh oysters and sea urchin).

Apart from eateries, the complex contains a large farmers' market with 120 shops selling produce from home and abroad, teas, sweets, and more.

Photo: Elena Dijour/Shutterstock.com Address: Lesnaya Ulitsa, 20 bldg 3, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 788 88 10 Internet: https://depomoscow.ru

#### Rybnyy Bazar



In downtown Moscow, near Pushkinskaya / Tverskaya underground station, you can find the elegant Rybnyy Bazar ("fish market"). This

restaurant serves seafood, and lobster and oysters are especially popular here.

Photo: Bignai/Shutterstock.com

Address: Trekhprudnyy Pereulok д. 10/2, стр. 2, Moscow

Opening hours: Daily 12pm-12am

Phone: +7 495 650 5444 Internet: www.rbazar.ru

#### Mu-Mu



Mu-Mu is an affordable self-service restaurant chain serving both light snacks and full meals. The interior is very cosy and the restaurant has

become increasingly popular for its simple and tasty food. Multiple locations operate around the city.

Photo: vkuslandia/Shutterstock.com Address: 45/24 Plotnikov Ct., Moscow

Phone: +7 985 178-88-82 Internet: www.cafemumu.ru



Email: fastland@cafemumu.ru

## Noev Kovcheg (Noah's Ark)



Noev Kovcheg serves award-winning Armenian food. When here, be sure to taste the famous Armenian cognac. The prestigious restaurant

opened its doors to the public on July 17th 1999, the same date that Noah's Ark settled on the mountain of Ararat.

Photo: minadezhda/Shutterstock.com

Address: 9 M.Ivanovsky Pereulok, Moscow Phone: +7 495 917 07 17 / +7 495 628 29 29

Internet: www.noevkovcheg.ru

#### El Gaucho



Argentinean restaurants are always good choices if you feel like a big and tasty steak, this one is no exception. The meat is fantastic and cooked on

charcoal. Of course, they also have an extensive wine list to go with the menu.

Photo: stockcreations/Shutterstock.com Address: 6 Zacepinsky Val, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 953 28 76 Internet: www.elgaucho.ru

# Khachapuri



At this city café, you can enjoy some traditional Georgian food. Here you can choose between traditional grilled dishes, soups, kebabs and much

more. It is recommended to leave lots of room in your stomach when coming here because the portions are reportedly huge.

Photo: Lisovskaya Natalia/Shutterstock.com Address: Ukrainskiy Bul'var, 7, Moscow

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-11pm, Sat & Sun 11am-11pm

Phone: +7 985 764 23 64 Internet: https://hacha.ru/en/

Email: pr@hacha.ru

#### **Darbars**



Darbars is a popular Indian restaurant and the perfect place for relaxing after a day's touring.

Photo: espies/Shutterstock.com Address: Prospekt Mira, 12, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 930 2925

#### Delicatessen



Although not an easy to find, this restaurant is definitely worth the search. Delicatessen is located in a courtyard and serves traditional

food and drinks in a unique atmosphere.

Photo: Andrey Bayda/Shutterstock.com

Address: 20 str.2 Ulitsa Sadovaya-Karetnaya, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 699 39 52 Internet: www.newdeli.ru

Email: cafe.delicatessen@gmail.com



#### **CAFES**



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Moscow is a city teeming with cafes that suit all tastes and wallets. In the summer, city parks turn into visitor magnets with abundant outdoor cafes - the recently re-conceptualised and ever-evolving Gorky Park being one of the main summertime hot spots. Outside of parks, there are multiple cafes at nearly every corner, ranging from local and international coffee shop chains to guirky themed establishments.

Here are some of the best cafes in Moscow, Russia:

#### Coffeemania



This Moscow-based coffee shop chain has several cafés in the city centre and two in the Domodedovo airport. The thing uniting these coffee

shops is the passion for coffee in all its forms. You can try a large number of espresso-based beverages or some of their cakes, pastries and desserts.

Photo: Coffee Lover/Shutterstock.com Address: 2 Trubnaya Ploshad, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 229 84 59 Internet: www.coffeemania.ru

# Stolovaya 57



Stolovaya 57 is an affordable eatery that replicates Soviet-style canteens in both atmosphere and menu selection - food here is

simple but filling, with dishes bearing little difference from those served decades ago.

Located directly inside GUM shopping center in Red Square.

Photo: Elena M. Tarasova/Shutterstock.com

Address: Red Square, Moscow Phone: +7 495 620 31 29 More Info: Inside GUM

## Lyudi Kak Lyudi



One of the best cafes in Kitay-Gorod area of Moscow, Lyudi Kak Lyudi is very popular with locals - one would be lucky to secure a spot to

be seated during peak hours. Serves sweet and savoury pies and pastries, as well as fresh fruit smoothies.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com Address: 1/4 Solyanskiy Tupik, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 621 12 01 Internet: www.ludikakludi.com

## **Upside Down Cake Company**



Upside Down Cake
Company is a bakery
inspired by the
metropolis New York and
has cool interior with
white walls and granite

table tops. The pastry menu is quite impressive, containing cupcakes, ciabatta sandwiches, coconut pie and a number of cakes, just to



mention a few.

Photo: 5 second Studio/Shutterstock.com Address: 76B Gruzinskaya Ulitsa, Moscow

Phone: +7 499 250 07 31

Internet: www.upsidedowncake.ru

# Margarita Bistro



This nice café, named after Bulgakov's novel "The Master and Margarita," lies next to the Patriarch's pond. Come here in the

evening, have a beer and listen to live violin and piano music.

Photo: Igor Normann/Shutterstock.com

Address: 28 Malaya Bronnaya Ulitsa, Moscow

Internet: www.cafe-margarita.ru

## **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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The nightlife scene in Moscow is varied, and long gone are the days when the only kind of venues in operation were luxury establishments guarded by stern-looking bouncers. Although some places still enforce FC/DC, many are now leaning towards a more casual approach to entry - the recent decade has seen a rise in the number of casual bars modelled after hip urban haunts of West European capitals. Wine bars, craft breweries, bohemian cafes, indie bars, and glitzy

nightclubs are all to be found in abundance, spread throughout the city's many neighbourhoods.

And here are the best bars and nightclubs in Moscow, Russia:

#### Strelka



A summertime staple, this bar belong to its namesake Institute for Media, Architecture and Design and attracts a with-it crowd. Its open-air

terrace buzzes with patrons sipping on cocktails all throughout the warm season. Weekends see parties with dancing, DJ sets and the occasional performing musicians.

Photo: FXQuadro/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bersenevskaya Naberezhnaya, 14/5, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 771 74 16

Internet: http://strelka.com/ru/bar/?v=bar

#### **Propaganda**



Propaganda is a real underground club classic. Here famous DJ's play before a good-looking crowd - with an age range of roughly 20-40

represented. The club is open every day (during the daylight hours it operates as a restaurant/cafe), and plays house music during the weekends.

Photo: Maksim Fesenko/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7 Bolshoy Zlatoustinskiy Pereulok, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 624 57 32

Internet: www.propagandamoscow.com



#### Zhan-Zhak



An atmospheric wine bar that reportedly attracts Moscow's liberal intelligentsia, but is equally positively inclined towards anyone that

chooses to stop by. There are several locations around Moscow (and beyond), all consistent in their Parisian brasserie-style interior decor, red coloured walls, and a menu of classic French dishes.

Photo: Song\_about\_summer/Shutterstock.com

Address: Nikitsky bul 12, Moscow

Phone: +7 968 665 51 10 Internet: https://jan-jak.ru

#### Chinese Pilot Jao Da



A longstanding nightlife venue holding a near-legendary status, the bar is named after a semi-fictional character (17 stories of his life and

adventures adjourn the walls). Live music is often played here, and the crowd is known for being exceptionally welcoming.

Photo: Ollyy/Shutterstock.com

Address: 25/12 Lubyansky Proezd, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 924 56 11 Internet: www.jao-da.ru

#### 16 Tons Club



This popular English pub brews its own namesake beer in-house (the brew has even gotten several international awards). The venue is also known

for hosting some of the capital's best concerts both local and international artists and bands. Photo: melis/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ulitsa Presnenskiy Val, 6, ctp. 1, Moscow

Opening hours: Daily 11am-6am Phone: +7 499 253 53 00 Internet: www.16tons.ru

#### **Belfast**



Unlike some of Moscow's more refined evening establishments, the pub Belfast invites guests to kick back and relax, watching a live sports

broadcast, enjoying traditional Irish pub grub, or singing along to Irish folk songs.

Photo: BlueSkyImage/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sredniy Ovchinnikovskiy Pereulok, 1, ctp.13,

Moscow

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 12pm-12am, Fri 12pm-2am, Sat

3pm-2am, Sun 3pm-12am Phone: +7 926 947 12 87 Internet: www.belfast-pub.ru Email: info@yourpubs.ru

## **Hookah Bar Friends**



Housed inside a refurbished apartment, this cosy hookah bar entices with its oriental decor and a great selection of hookah

flavours. Guests are welcome to make use of board games.

Photo: cristographic/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ulitsa Bol'shaya Ordynka, 13 корпус 9, Moscow Opening hours: Sun-Thu 12pm-2am, Fri-Sat 12pm-4am

Phone: +7 925 918 12 86



#### **SHOPPING**



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In order to satisfy the wishes of Moscow's well-off upper middle classes, many chic designer stores have opened their stores in Moscow. Today there is definitely a risk that tourists will return home with considerably more expensive souvenirs than fur hats and Russian "matryoshka" dolls, which are readily available throughout - a good place to start browsing for these is the souvenir market right next to the Red Square.

## **Popular Shopping Streets**



Popular shopping streets are Noviy Arbat and the more exclusive Kuznetskiy, but the number one shopping street is Tverskaya ulitsa.

Stalin had the street restored in the 1930's, so here, too, there is evidence of his liking for massive, grey buildings.

Photo: VLADJ55/Shutterstock.com

#### **GUM**



Those who wish to start their shopping trip at one of the shopping centres with the finest old traditions in the world should head for GUM.

The building was designed in the new Russian style at the end of 19th century. During the Stalinist period, GUM was temporarily converted into offices. Today it accommodates a plethora of international luxury brands, and is more of a landmark than a go-to shopping location.

Photo: Nymph\_i/Shutterstock.com Address: 3 Krasnaya Ploshad, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 788 43 43 Internet: www.gum.ru

# Eliseyevskiy Store



Eliseyevskiy store is the name of Moscow's most famous delicatessen shop (known during the Soviet period as Gastronomy no.

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buy your ration of vodka, caviar, and other local delicacies. Russians are avid tea drinkers and at Chudesa Podnebesnoi you can find the finest Chinese teas.

Photo: gkrphoto/Shutterstock.com Address: 14 Tverskaya Ulitsa, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 650-46-43

Internet: www.eliseevskiy.ru/e\_home.htm

#### Perlov Tea House



This late 19th century building stands out dramatically against its surroundings. It was built to emulate ornate Chinese tea houses of the



era, and remains in its near-original condition to-date. Inside, multiple varieties of tea are sold both by weight and by package. There is a little on-site cafe that sells sweets, teas and coffee.

Photo: Kemal Kozbaev/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: Myasnitskaya 19, Moscow

## **Tsvetnoy**



Perhaps the capital's trendiest shopping mall, attractive for both its wide array of international retail brands and a two-floor

food court with quality eateries.

Photo: Alones/Shutterstock.com

Address: Tsvetnoy Blvd, 15 bld. 1, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 737 77 73 Internet: https://tsvetnoy.com/

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Phone: +7 495 790 79 01 Internet: https://flacon.ru

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like matryoshka dolls and fur hats. The market is quite big, so make sure to have enough time and money when coming here.

Photo: eFesenko/Shutterstock.com Address: Izmaylovo Market, Moscow

## **TOURIST INFORMATION**



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#### **Vnukovo International Airport**



The city's third and most compact airport, Vnukovo is located approximately 28 kilometres southwest of the city centre. The air hub is best reached by

Aeroexpress trains departing from the Kievskaya Railway Station. Several mini-buses also run here from Yugo-Zapadnaya metro station (south end of the red line).

Photo: Juan Garces
Phone: +7 495 937-55-55
Internet: www.vnukovo.ru/en

# **Sheremetyevo International Airport**



The largest international airport in Moscow is Sheremetyevo International Airport, located 30 kilometres from the city centre. The

easiest and fastest way to reach any of Moscow's three major airports is by Aeroexpress - a fast train designated for air travelers (train departs from Belorussky Railway Station). The train ride takes 35 minutes.

Another way to get here is by taxi. At the airport you can order taxis at the operator desk. You can usually book a taxi in advance through the hotel or travel agency when going to the airport.

Alternatively, there are different bus routes. The buses take about 30-70 minutes depending on the route and your final destination. When traveling by car or bus, do keep in mind that rush hour traffic may sometimes be very dense, and significant delays are possible.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Sheremetyevo International Airport, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 578 65 65 Internet: www.svo.aero/en/main

#### **Domodedovo International Airport**



Another large airport in Moscow is Moscow Domodedovo Airport. The airport is located 22 kilometres away from the city. You can also reach

the airport from Domodedovskaya underground station by mini-bus or bus and from Paveletsky railway station by train. The train from Paveletsky railway station takes 40-50 minutes going on the Aeroexpress train, and 1 hour and 10 minutes on the commuter train. The express buses and shuttles from Domodedovskaya

underground station take 25-30 minutes and leave every 15 minutes. Buses run from 6am-12am.

Taxis can be ordered at the domestic and international arrivals hall.

There are car rental services at the airport.

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Address: Moscow Domodedovo Airport, Moscow

Phone: +7 495 933 6666 Internet: www.domodedovo.ru

#### Metro



Moscow has one of the world's most beautiful underground railways which operates very efficiently. If you carry big luggage on the metro,

make sure you buy a special luggage ticket.

Tickets can be bought at station entrances either at vending machines or special staffed
kiosks. If you plan to use the metro multiple times
during your stay, it makes sense to purchase a
top-up card called "Troika".

Photo: ArrivalGuides
Phone: +7 495 688 02 93
Internet: www.mosmetro.ru

#### **Public Transport**



In Moscow there are also buses, trolley buses and trams apart from the beautiful metro. Tickets can be bought from the kiosks in the street or

from the driver and validated once aboard.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair Phone: +7 495 950 4204 Internet: www.mosgortrans.ru



#### Taxi



In Moscow the easiest way to get a taxi is the traditional way: to stand in the street and hold out your arm. Civilian cars like to operate as taxis, it

is therefore recommended to only use professional taxi services. Taxi meters are not always used, so agree on a price before travelling. English-speaking taxi services in Moscow:

Welcome Taxi +7 499 922 06 74 www.welcometaxi.ru

LingoTaxi: +7 495 204 21 34

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#### **Post**



There are many post offices around town. If you want to send a letter you can drop it of in one of the dark blue post boxes. Main Post Office:

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: Ul. Myasnitskaya 26, Moscow Opening hours: Open 12 am-12 am

Phone: +7 495 623 67 01 Internet: www.pochta.ru

## **Pharmacy**



Medical care may be very expensive if you do not have insurance. Hotels often have their own doctor, so start there if you need help. There are

dozens of pharmacies all throughout the city, and many work 24/7.

Rigla 102 www.rigla.ru 15/43 Arbat, Moscow

Apteka 36,6 www.366.ru 25 str 1A Zemlyanoy val, Moscow

Photo: Gemma Garner

## Telephone



National code: +7 Area code: 495/499

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# **Electricity**

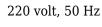




Photo: Stirling Tschan

**Population** 11,514,330

Currency



Russian ruble (RBL) 1 ruble = 100 kopeks

#### **Opening hours**

Most shops are open from 9/11am-7pm on weekdays. Banks are open from 10am-5pm. Some offices are closed an hour for lunch. Many museums are closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

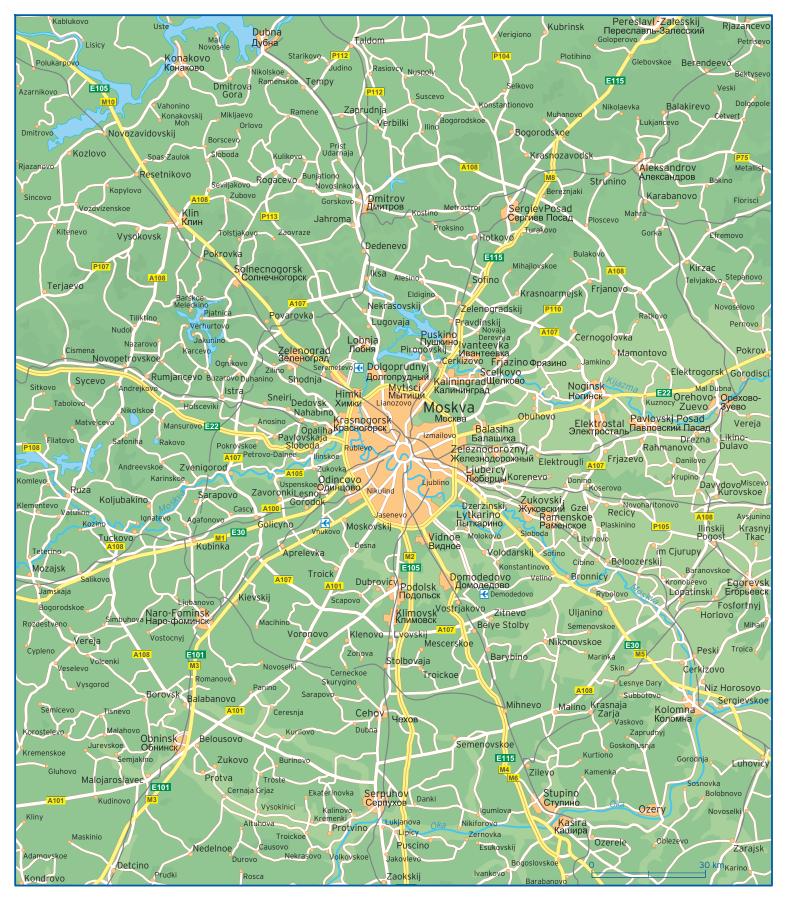
#### Newspapers

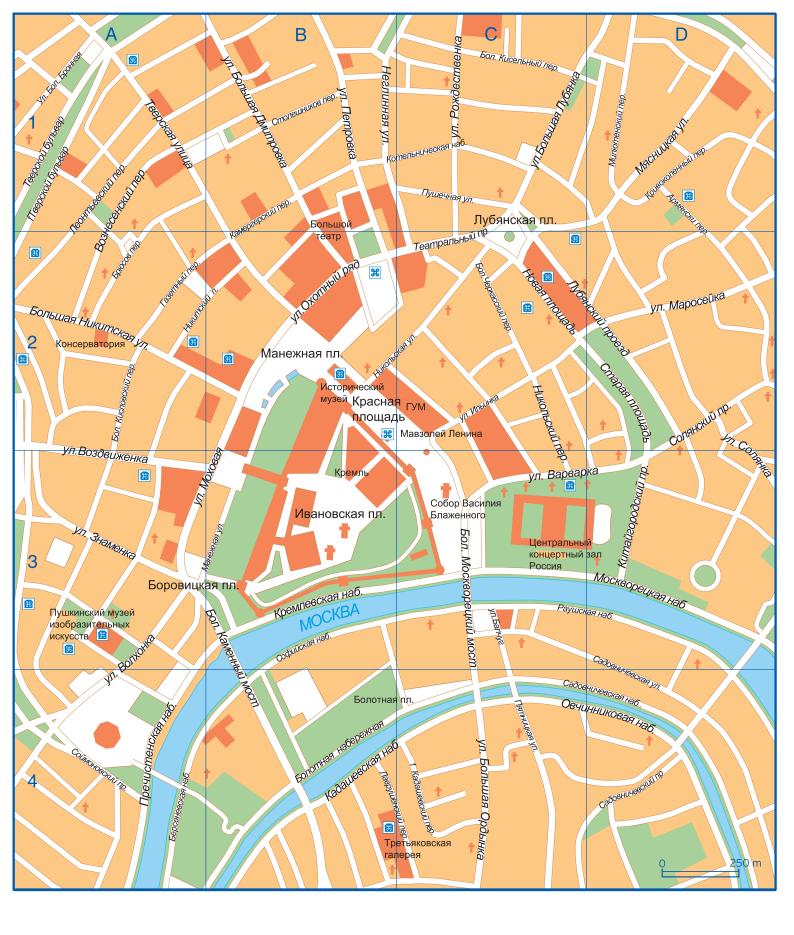
The Village (www.the-village.ru): current news, new openings and events
Afisha (www.afisha.ru): cultural events in town
Time Out Moscow (http://www.timeout.ru)
The Moscow Times (www.themoscowtimes.com)

#### **Emergency numbers**

Emergency: 01 Police: 02 Ambulance: 03

Moscow Tourist Helpline: +7 800 220 00 02 (English)







|                        |       | Вознесенский пер.   | A1 A2    | Садовничевская наб.   | C4 D4    |
|------------------------|-------|---------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
|                        |       | Газетный пер.       | A2 B2    | Садовничевская ул.    | C3 D3 D4 |
|                        |       | Ивановская пл.      | В3       | Садовничевский пр.    | C4 D4    |
|                        |       | Кадашевская наб.    | B4 C4    | Соймоновский пр.      | A4       |
|                        |       | Камергерский пер.   | B1 B2    | Солянский пр.         | D2       |
|                        |       | Китайгородский пр.  | D3       | Софийская наб.        | B4 B3 C3 |
|                        |       | Котельническая наб. | B2 C2    | Старая площадь        | D3       |
|                        |       | Красная площадь     | B2 C2 C3 | Столешников пер.      | B2       |
|                        |       | Кремлевская наб.    | B3 C3    | Тверская улица        | A1 B2    |
|                        |       | Кривоколенный пер.  | D1       | Тверской бульвар      | A1 A2    |
|                        |       | Лаврушенский пер.   | B4 C4    | Театральный пр.       | C2       |
|                        |       | Леонтьевский пер.   | A1 A2    | ул. Балчуг            | C3       |
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|                        |       | Манежная площадь    | B2       | ул. Большая Лубянка   | C1 D1    |
|                        |       | Манежная ул.        | A3 B3    | ул. Большая Ордынка   | C3 C4    |
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| Армянски пер.          | D1 D2 | Москворецкая наб.   | C3 D3    | ул. Воздвиженка       | A2 B2    |
| Берсеневская наб.      | A4 B4 | Мясницкая ул.       | D1       | ул. Волхонка          | A3 A4    |
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| Бол. Москворецкий мост | C3    | Новая площадь       | C2       | ул. Моховая           | A3 B3 B2 |
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| Болотная наб.          | B4 C4 | Пречистенская наб.  | A3 A4    | ул. Охотный ряд       | B2       |
| Болотная пл.           | B3 C3 | Пушечная ул.        | C2       | ул. Петровка          | B1 B2    |
| Большая Никитская ул.  | A2 B2 | Пятницкая ул.       | C4       | ул. Рождественка      | C1 C2    |
| Боровицкая пл.         | A3    | Раушская наб.       | C3 B3    | ул. Солянка           | D2 D3    |
| Брюсов пер.            | A1 A2 |                     |          |                       |          |
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