

REVOLUTIONS TOUR: FRANCE AND RUSSIA

Day 1 Australia - France

Depart Australia on your flights to France.

Day 2 Paris**(D)**

Upon arrival, transfer to your accommodation. After lunch, you might like to do a general history walking tour with your teachers leading the group.

First night's accommodation in Paris

Day 3 Paris**(B,D)**

This morning, visit the Musée Carnavalet, which houses exhibits on the Revolution. After lunch in the Marais (*at own expense*), walk to Place de la Bastille. Spend the afternoon exploring the area, including Place des Vosges as a group.

Second night's accommodation in Paris

Day 4 Versailles**(B,D)**

Make your way to Versailles and spend a full day in the palace and gardens. Your visit includes a guided tour of the *Grands Appartements* and free time in the palace gardens. Return to Paris in the late afternoon.

Third night's accommodation in Paris

Day 5 Paris**(B,D)**

After breakfast, make your way to the Louvre and enjoy a guided tour of the museum, including a look at *La Liberté Guidant Le Peuple*. This afternoon, follow your teachers on a walking tour of the Royal Palace and gardens, the Jacobin Club and the home of its central figure, Robespierre, and the Place de la Concorde, where he lost his head!

Fourth night's accommodation in Paris

**Day 6 Paris****(B,D)**

Enjoy a free day of general sightseeing in Paris. Spend the morning at Notre Dame Cathedral. Make your way to Montmartre and visit Sacré Cœur and the artists' square, Place du Tertre. This afternoon, enjoy a cruise on the Seine, finishing at the Eiffel Tower, which you might like to climb for evening views of the city.

Fifth night's accommodation in Paris

Day 7 Paris - St. Petersburg**(B,D)**

Depart Paris for St. Petersburg by plane. Upon arrival, your English-speaking assistant will guide you through the airport to your hotel. This afternoon, enjoy an introductory Russian lesson to help you communicate over the next 9 days!

First night's accommodation in St. Petersburg

Day 8 St. Petersburg**(B,L,D)**

Meet your guide for a full-day tour. This morning, visit the Museum of Political History and the former home of Matilda Kshesinskaya. The building was used by the Bolsheviks as their headquarters and Lenin gave regular speeches from the balcony. This afternoon, enjoy a packed lunch in the Botanical Gardens before visiting the Peter and Paul Fortress complex, the oldest building in the city.



Second night's accommodation in St. Petersburg

Day 9 St. Petersburg**(B,D)**

This morning, enjoy a guided tour of the Hermitage, one of the world's most impressive museums. Travel by hydrofoil to Peterhof, one of the summer palaces of the Tsars. Visit the Grand Palace and parklands with your guide.

Third night's accommodation in St. Petersburg

Day 10 St. Petersburg**(B,D)**

This morning, visit the Smolny Cathedral and Institute, where the October Revolution was planned. Enjoy free time in the city this afternoon. After dinner, attend a ballet performance at the legendary Mariinsky Theatre.

Fourth night's accommodation in St. Petersburg

**Day 11 St. Petersburg****(B,D)**

This morning, make your way to St. Isaac's cathedral with its magnificent golden dome. Meet your guide and enjoy a walking tour along Nevsky Prospect, Russia's most famous street.

Fifth night's accommodation in St. Petersburg

Day 12 Kronshtadt, Moscow**(B,D)**

Enjoy an excursion to Kronshtadt, site of a short-lived mutiny against the revolutionaries in 1921. Visit the Naval Cathedral and enjoy a walk through Petrovsky Park for views of the harbour. Return to St. Petersburg in the early afternoon and transfer to the station for your train trip to Moscow. Upon arrival, meet your coach and transfer to your accommodation.

First night's accommodation in Moscow

Day 13 Moscow**(B,L,D)**

After breakfast, meet your guide and enjoy a full-day sightseeing tour. This morning, visit the Red Square and Lenin's Mausoleum. Continue on to the Kremlin and explore the grounds and cathedrals with your guide. Enjoy a packed lunch in the Alexandrovsky gardens and see the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Visit the Armoury before returning to your accommodation in the early evening.

Second night's accommodation in Moscow

Day 14 Moscow**(B,D)**

This morning, visit the Novodevichy convent and cemetery with your guide. After lunch (*at own expense*), travel to the Contemporary History Museum and visit the exhibits with your teachers leading the group.

Third night's accommodation in Moscow

Day 15 Moscow**(B,D)**

Enjoy a final free day in Russia. You might like to visit the KGB Museum and walk through the old streets of Kitay-Gorog.

Fourth night's accommodation in Moscow

Day 16 Russia - Australia**(B)**

After breakfast at your hotel, transfer to the airport for your return flights to Australia.

Day 17 Australia

Arrive home.

B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, PL = Packed Lunch, D = Dinner

We tailor all tours to meet your specific requirements.