

# **Russia – My Motherland**

## **The Russian Federation**



The President of Russia is Vladimir Putin.



•The Vice – President of Russia is Mikhail Mishustin.

Russia is a parliamentary republic. The Head of State is the President. The legislative powers are exercised by the Duma.

Today the flag of Russia is a three - coloured banner.

A national emblem is the two-headed eagle , the most ancient symbol of Russia.



# The Hymn of Russia

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**Россия - священная наша держава!  
Россия - любимая наша страна!  
Могучая воля, великая слава –  
Твое достоянье на все времена.**

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Братских народов союз вековой.  
Предками данная мудрость народная.  
Славься, страна! Мы гордимся тобой!**

**От южных морей до полярного края  
Раскинулись наши леса и поля.  
Одна ты на свете! Одна ты такая!  
Хранимая Богом родная земля.**

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**Широкий простор для мечты и для жизни,  
Грядущие нам открывают года.  
Нам силу дает наша верность Отчизне.  
Так было, так есть и так будет всегда!**

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The population of Russia is 145 million people!!!  
More than 100 nationalities live in our country

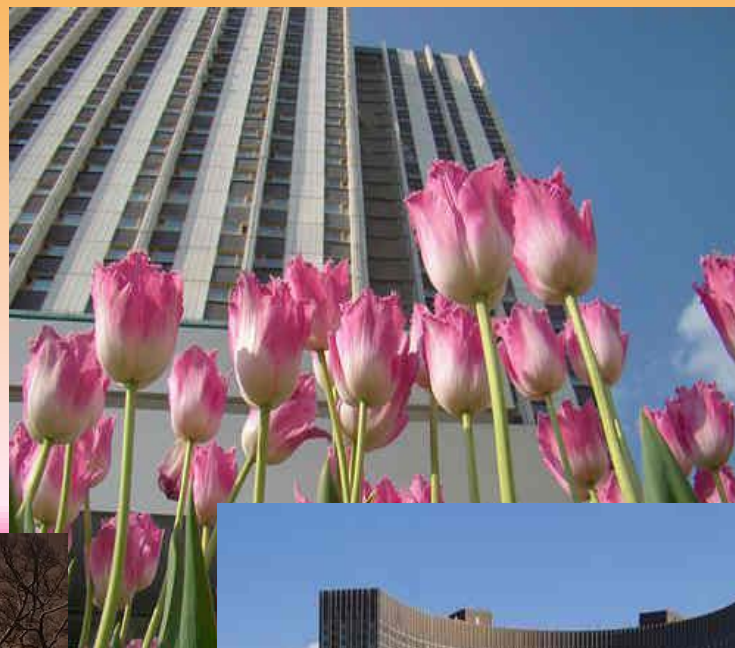


The Russian Federation is the largest country in the world. It occupies about one - seventh of the earth's surface. Russia covers the eastern part of Europe and the northern part of Asia. Its total area is about 17 million square kilometers . The country is washed by 12 seas of 3 oceans: the Pacific, the Arctic and the Atlantic. In the south Russia borders on China, Mongolia, Korea, Kazakhstan, Georgia and Azerbaijan. In the west it borders on Norway, Finland, the Baltic States, Belorussia, the Ukraine. It also has a sea-border with the USA

**РОССИЯ**



There are 1030 towns and cities in Russia. Moscow is the capital and the biggest city with a population of about 12 million people. It's the largest political, scientific, cultural and industrial centre. It's one of the oldest Russian cities.

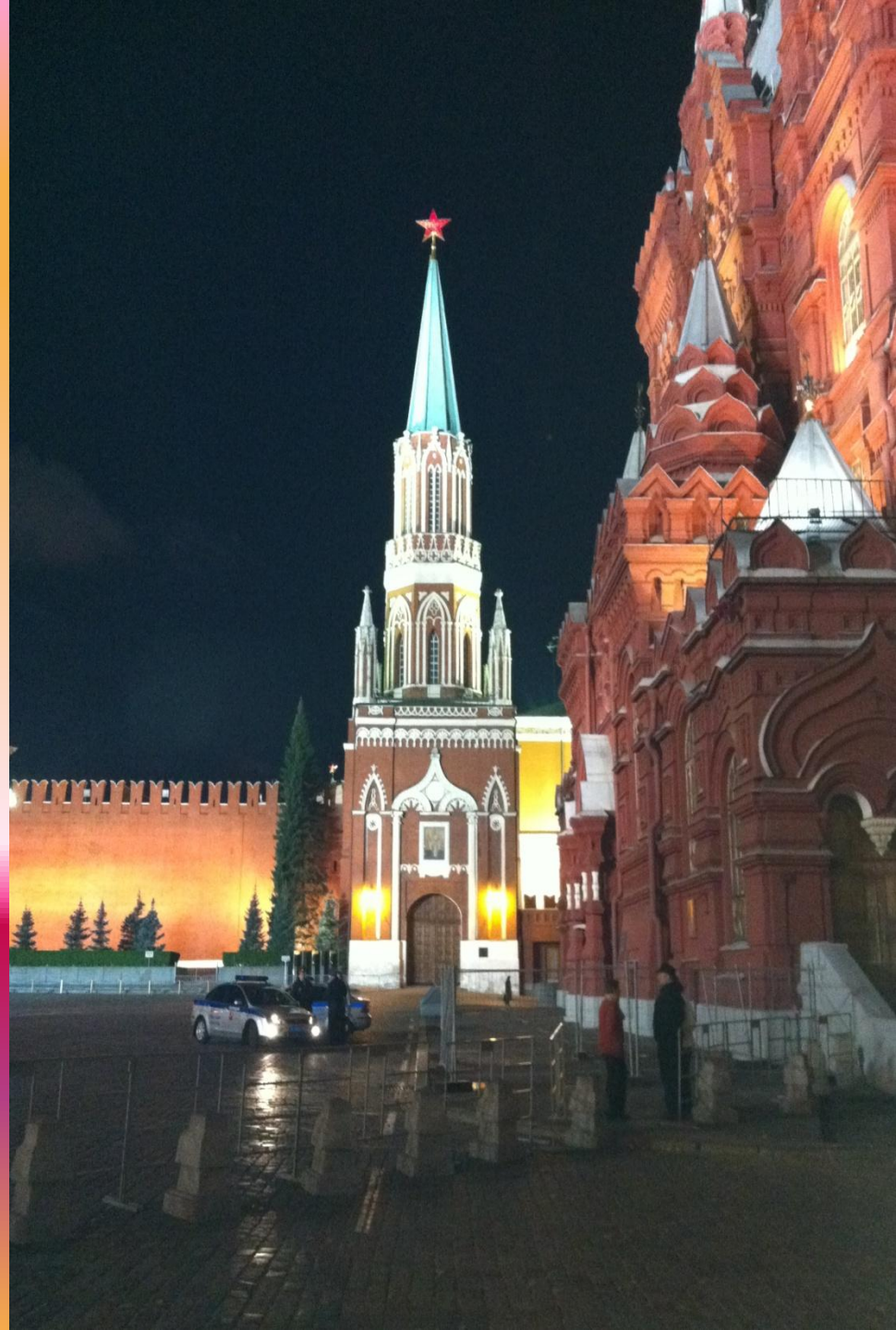


The heart of Moscow is Red Square, the central and the most beautiful square in Moscow.









- Here you can see the Cathedral of St. Basil the Blessed , erected by architects Postnik and Barma to commemorate Russia's conquest of the Kingdom of Kazan in 1552. It is a masterpiece of Russian architecture. Tourists can see the monument to Minin and Pozharsky in front of it.



# The Beauty of Russian Nature!



Russia is a land of long rivers and deep lakes. There are over two million rivers in our country.



We have  
steppes  
in the  
south



# The Richness of Russian Fields



Russia is very rich in oil, coal, iron ore, natural gas, copper, nickel, and other mineral resources.





We have plains and forests in the central region, tundra and taiga in the north, highlands and desert in the east.



The animal world in the north includes the walrus, the seal, the polar bear and the polar fox. In the central zone there are a lot of wolves and foxes, hares and squirrels.



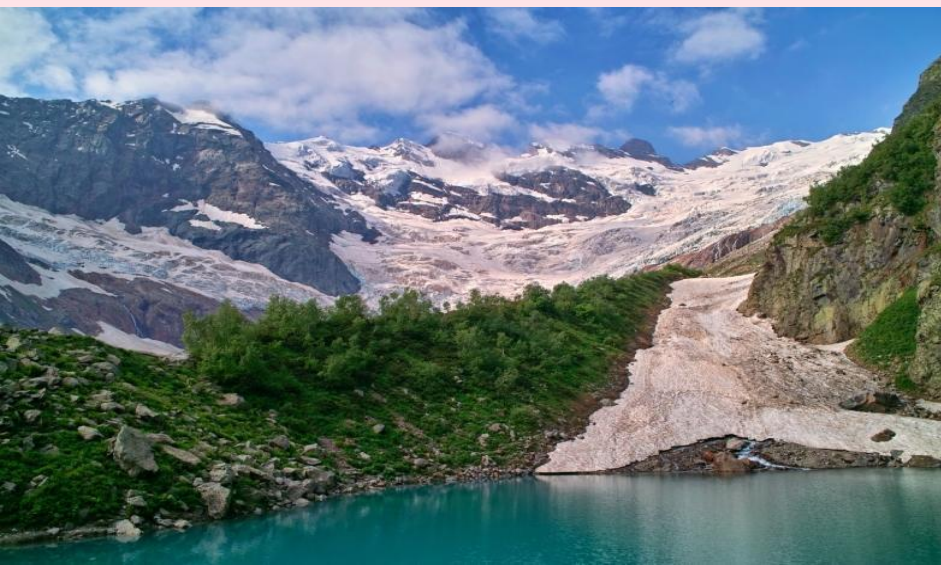
## The Mountains!!!

There are several mountain chains on the territory of the country: the Urals, the Caucasus, the Altai and others. The largest mountain chain, the Urals, separates Europe from Asia.





The Caucasus



Russia is rich in beautiful lakes. The world's deepest lake (1600 meters) is Lake Baikal. It is much smaller than the Baltic Sea, but there is much more water in it than in the Baltic Sea.



Rivers. Volga is Europe's biggest river. It runs into the Caspian Sea which is in fact the largest lake in the world. The main Siberian rivers – the Ob, the Yenisei and the Lena – flow from south to north. The Amur in the Far East flows into the Pacific Ocean.



Nature! There is hardly a country in the world where such a variety of scenery and vegetation can be found.



Forests. Russia has one sixth of the world's forests. They are concentrated in the European north of the country, in Siberia and in the Far East.





## The famous Russian birches





Siberia



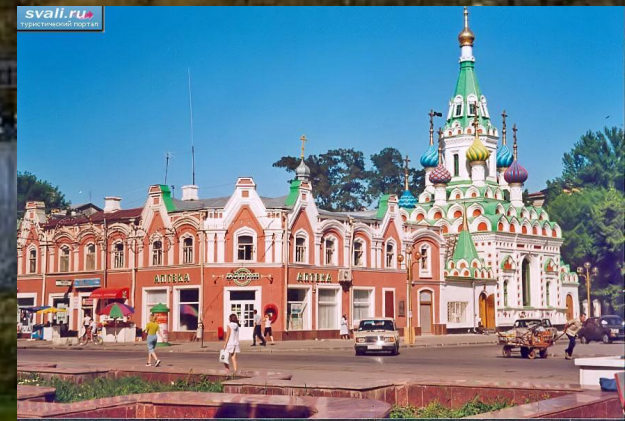
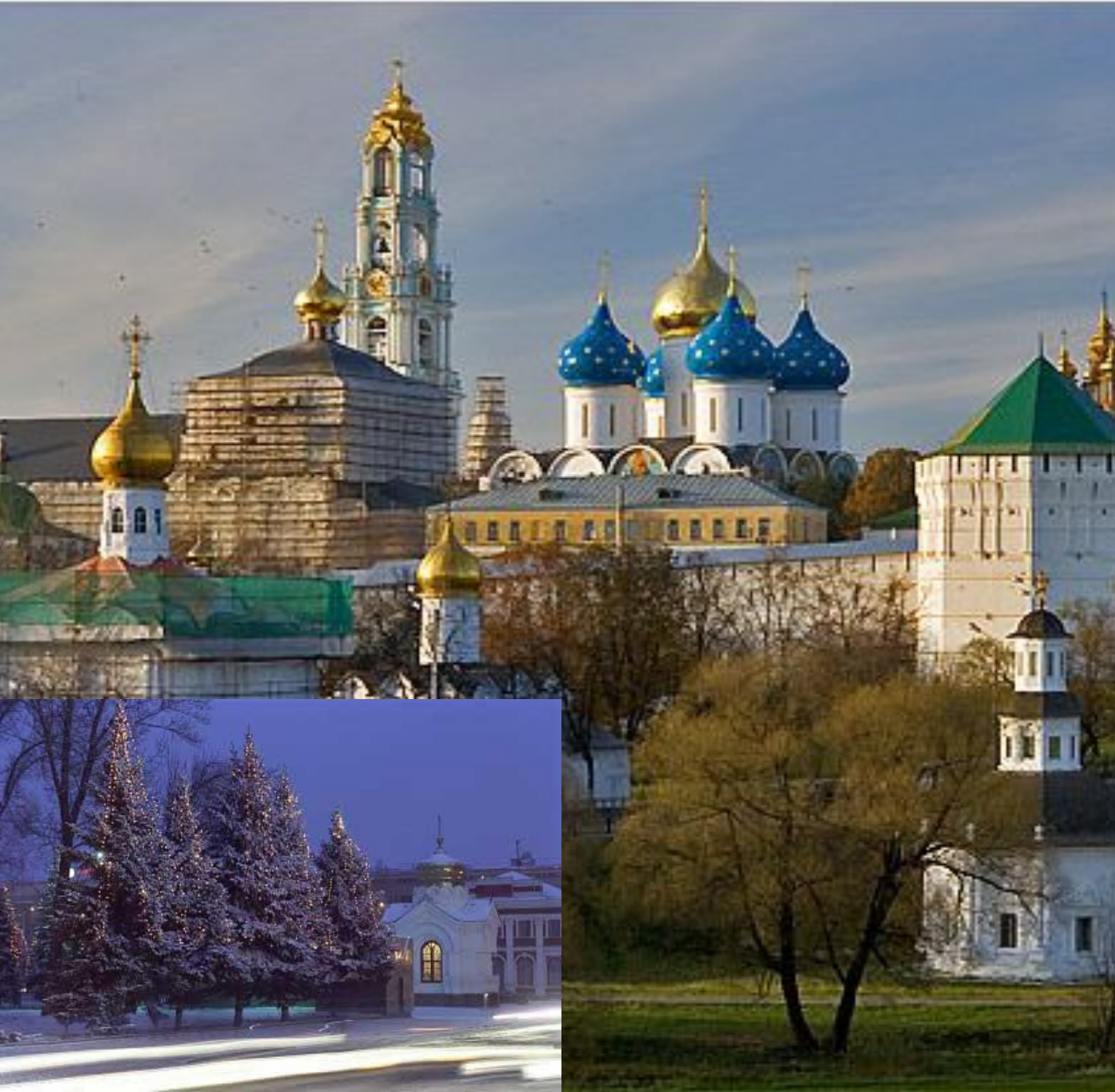
# Russian Winter



Over the vast territory of the country there are various types of climate, from arctic in the north to subtropical in the south. But the temperate zone with four seasons prevails. Winters are cold and windy with a lot of snow. In Siberia the temperature in winter falls to 50 degrees below zero. The coldest registered temperature was 70 degrees.



# Russian Churches!!!



# Night Views



# Cities of Russia



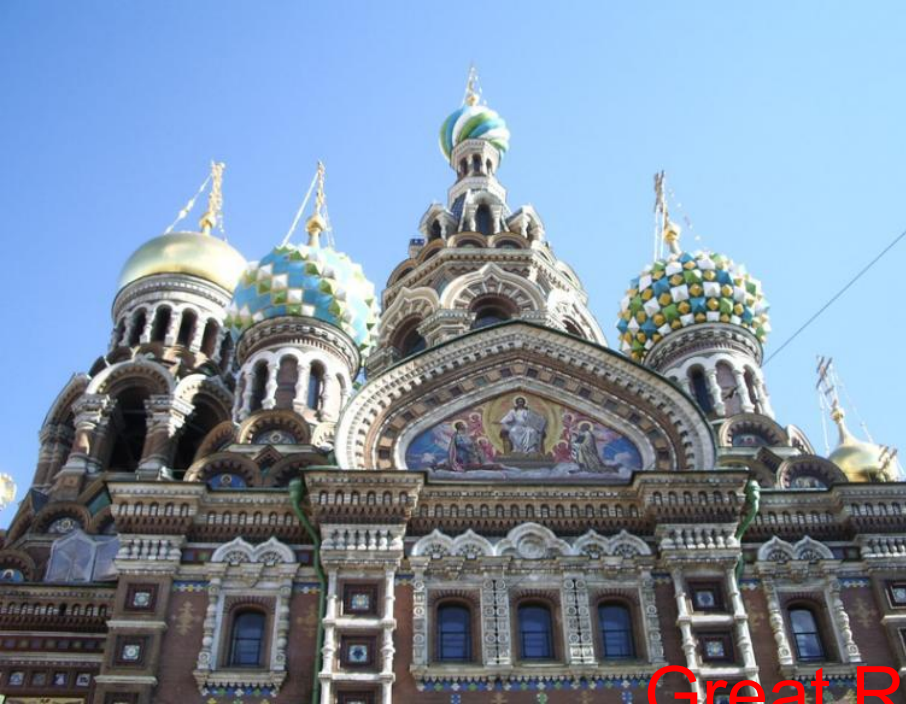


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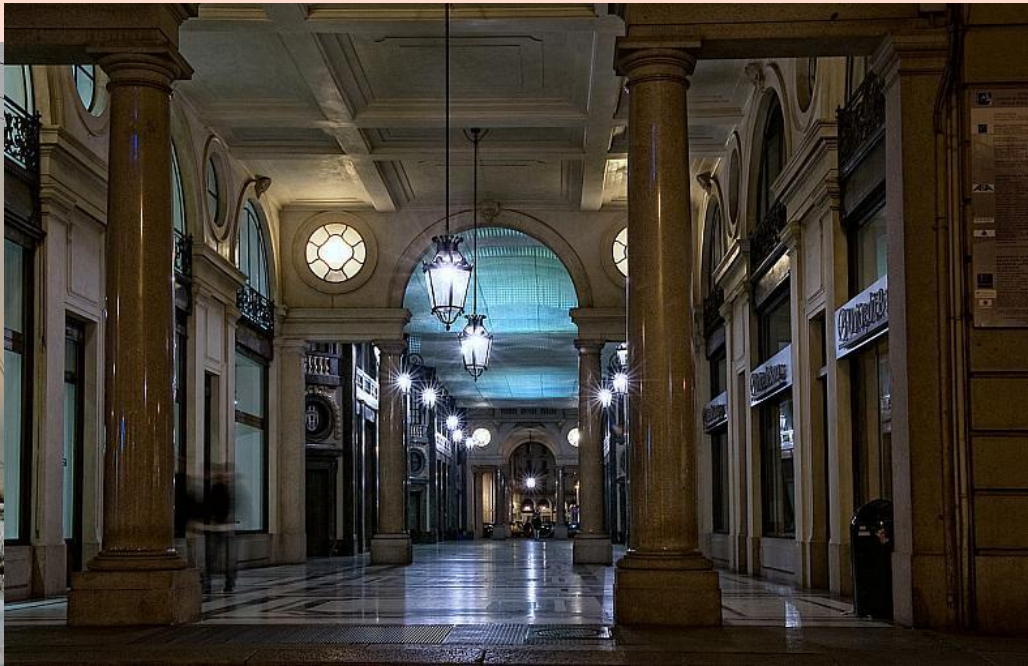


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Great Russia!



# Sightseings



# The hero - city Volgograd

