

# Cultural Activities Programme - Moscow

Our campus is located in the centre of the Russian capital, giving you the perfect opportunity to see more of beautiful Moscow. The city itself boasts the world-famous Red Square and Kremlin, many outstanding museums and galleries and much more. We here at Liden & Denz frequently run walking-tours, trips, and master-classes, all of which allow you to really explore the capital.

#### Moscow walking tour

This first day immersion city tour will take you around school and will help you get to know the area. It is guided by one of the teachers, and you can practice very basic questions, boost your survival vocabulary, or try reading cyrillic in an authentic setting. You'll receive pragmatic advice on changing money, grabbing something for a quick lunch, buying books and stationary or having a beer with your classmates. You will also learn how the bus stop/metro looks like and how to act (or look) streetwise in Russian capital. Besides, the teacher will share personal advice on going out, shopping, sightseeing or doing sports. The tour kind of puts you on a map and although we are not visiting any of the must-see locations, you will at least know how to get where and are they worth going.

#### Moscow metro tour

During this tour you will get some secret information about the Moscow metro: a lot of interesting information and historical facts about Moscow metro stations, you will see stained-glass windows of Novoslobodskaya station, mosaic pictures of Kievskaya station, sculptural statues at the station Ploshchad Revolyutsii.

#### Bulgakov's Moscow route

If you feel passionate about "The Master and Margarita", a novel by Michael Bulgakov, then you might like to follow Bulgakov's Moscow route. You will see the places where the mysterious events occurred: the bench where Berlioz and Bezdomny met with a "black magic professor", the "Griboedov" restaurant, the headquarters of the MassoLit. Learn where Bulgakov held a spiritualistic séance, where he first lived in Moscow and where he drew his last breath. And most importantly - you will see the famous 302 "bis" building in Bolshaya Sadovaya Street, where the "bad apartment" mentioned in the novel is located. We will start our walk from the Patriarshiye ponds.

## St. Basil Cathedral & Red Square

Red Square is often considered the central square of Moscow since Moscow's major streets, which connect to Russia's major highways, originate from the square.

The most recognizable building on the Red Square is Saint Basil's Cathedral. It was built from 1555-61 on orders from Ivan the Terrible and commemorates a capture of Kazan and Astrakhan. Nowadays it's a museum. Visitors now take this route into the central church, with its extraordinary, soaring tented roof and a fine 16th Century iconostasis. You can also walk along the narrow, winding gallery, covered in beautiful patterned paintwork.

### Novodevichy Convent & Cemetery

A tranquil spot in metropolitan Moscow, the Novodevichy Cemetery is the final resting place of many famous Russians. The attached Novodevichy Convent also attracted many of Russia's elite. These associations, plus its calm surroundings, make it an important spot to visit in Moscow. Pay your respects at the graves of eminent Russian musicians, writers and thinkers.



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