

Russia on your own bike (M-ID: 2163)

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from €4,999.00

Dates and duration (days)

The Great Tour of Russia for all motorcycle brands and models. On your own bike. 21 DAYS FROM/TO VIENNA APPROX. 5.300 KM: Austria, Hungary, Ukraine, Russia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia.

"Standing on Red Square with your own motorcycle and soaking up the exciting atmosphere was just overwhelming. The rest of the tour is the icing on the cake."

This is what we heard from the participants of our first "Russia on your own bike" tour and we were proud that everyone was excited about the trip. But before we reach the Red Square we first saddle up our motorcycles at the tour starting point near Vienna, of course we stow our luggage in the escort vehicle. Already accompanied from Vienna by our Russian guide our way leads us first through Hungary and the Ukraine to Russia. Moscow, with the Red Square, St. Petersburg with St. Catherine's Palace and the Amber Room. Unforgettable impressions that will inspire you for a lifetime. What will make the Harley® riders among the participants especially happy: When we arrive in St. Petersburg, the St. Petersburg Harley® Days will begin there. We will continue along the Baltic Sea through Estonia and Latvia and finally through Lithuania, Poland and the Czech Republic back to Austria. 9 countries. One tour. On your own motorcycle. Or as our participants said, "icing on the cake." And what a treat!

Our exclusive travel program:

Day 1: Arrival day.

Independent arrival at the tour starting point. Meeting point for all participants and the first hotel night is in a nice hotel near Vienna Airport. At our first dinner together you will get to know your tour guides and all other participants.

Tip: If you want to come to the tour start with your car and motorcycle trailer, you can park at the hotel during the tour at favorable conditions. Day 2: Vienna - Mukachev (UKR), 595 km Today we start very early. We stow the luggage in the support vehicle and have to master the connecting stage through Hungary first. Mainly on the motorway we ride through the Hungarian Puszta, past Budapest towards Transcarpathia. Directly after the Ukrainian border lies our overnight stop and we immerse ourselves for the first time in this world so foreign to us.

Day 3: Mukachev - Rivne (UKR), 440 km

We cross the Carpathians and enjoy the first day of riding in the Ukraine. Our overnight stay in Rivne, which was granted city rights in the 15th century, is located in the north-east of the Ukraine.

Day 4: Rivne - Kiev (UKR), 330 km

The capital of Ukraine, Kiev, is also the largest city with 3 million inhabitants and is situated on the river Dnepr. Upon arrival, we take a city tour with a local guide.

Day 5: Kiev - Bryansk (RUS), 530 km

The longest day of the trip is waiting for us. Very early in the morning we ride to the Russian border. After the border formalities we "experience" our first kilometers on Russian asphalt until we reach our overnight destination Bryanks.

Day 6: Bryansk - Moscow, 400 km

On our connecting stage to Moscow we get further impressions of life in Russia. After our arrival in Moscow in the early evening we will take a leisurely walk to dinner in a restaurant near the Kremlin.

Day 7 + Day 8: Moscow - Sightseeing During the two days in Moscow we will dive deep into the life of the Muscovites and the Russian culture. Of course we visit the Red Square, St. Basil's Cathedral (outside) and the Kremlin. We visit the famous shopping mall GUM and walk on Arbat Street, the most famous pedestrian street in Moscow, where you can buy lots of Russian souvenirs. We explore the extraordinary Moscow metro "Metro", Gorky Park and enjoy probably the best view of the city from the Sparrow Hills. You have to see it for yourself!

Day 9: Moscow - Tver, 230 km

In the morning we ride to the Red Square to take some pictures of us with the motorbikes. Directly after that we leave Moscow heading north. Our destination for the day, the city of Tver, was first mentioned in documents in 1127 and is thus about 20 years older than Moscow. After a walk through the city center we enjoy a relaxed remaining free afternoon/evening.

Day 10: Tver - Veliky Novgorod, 370 km

Veliky Novgorod is one of the oldest and most famous cities in Russia. In 2009 it celebrated its 1150th anniversary and is considered the birthplace of the Russian state and its democracy. Here we also take a short walk through the old town and the Novgorod Kremlin, which was first mentioned in 1044.

Day 11: Veliky Novgorod - Saint Petersburg, 240 km We pass through some smaller towns on this stage before we reach the next big highlight of the trip: The cosmopolitan city of Saint Petersburg. Founded by Peter the Great in 1703, it was the capital of the Russian Empire until the 20th century. Countless palaces, magnificent buildings and castles bear witness to this time. From 1924 to 1991 it was called Leningrad. Today it is the second largest Russian city with 5 million inhabitants and the fourth largest in Europe. Europe's tallest building, the Lakhta Center, at 462 m, is also located here.

Day 12 + Day 13: Saint Petersburg - Sightseeing On the two "sightseeing days" in St. Petersburg there is a lot on the program: The Peterhof, where we will see dozens of fountains in the lower garden, which have been delighting their viewers for over 250 years. The "Russian Versailles" rivals its French model in luxury, decoration and engineering genius. We will take walks in the city center, e.g. around the Palace Square, on the boulevard "Nevsky Prospect", to the Church of the Savior on the Blood and along the rivers and canals in the city. One of the largest and most important art museums in the world is also there: The Hermitage. Paintings by Rembrandt, Rubens, da Vinci and van Gogh, Egyptian mummies, the collection is sheer breathtaking. There are calculations according to which the visit of all exhibitions in the Hermitage would take at least a week. Unfortunately, we don't have that much time, but you can believe us that even a tour of half a day will impress you. For many THE cultural highlight on the tour: The Catherine Palace with the world famous Amber Room. After the sightseeing, or in the evenings, there is always the possibility to visit the St. Petersburg Harley® Days.

Day 14: St. Petersburg - Leisure day / Parade The day is at your free disposal. Our Russian guide will be happy to give you tips for the day, as there is still a lot to see. If you want to be part of a big motorcycle parade, today you have the opportunity: The official parade of the St. Petersburg Harley® Days runs 36 km across the city and was voted the most beautiful parade in the world by Harley® managers because of its extraordinary route. If you like, you can spend the rest of the day at the party on the grounds of the St. Petersburg $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Harley}}\xspace$ Days or just relax a bit.

Day 15: St. Petersburg - Narva (EST), 210 km We leave St. Petersburg and reach the border to Estonia and the EU at Ivangorod/Narva. We say goodbye to Mother Russia and look forward to a relaxing afternoon on the Baltic Sea. It is not far from the hotel to the water. Those who are brave put on their bathing suits, supposedly the Baltic Sea has up to 23 degrees near the shore at the end of July / beginning of August. Overnight stay in the Narva area.

Day 16: Narva - Tallinn (EST), 210 km

We continue to the capital of Estonia, Tallinn. After our arrival at the centrally located hotel we do a city tour on foot and stay for dinner right in the Old Town.

Day 17: Tallinn - Riga (LET), 280 km

A new day, a new country. Latvia's capital Riga is the largest city in the Baltic States and is located on the Baltic Sea. With its famous medieval Old Town, it is also considered a special pearl of this area. After our arrival at the hotel we will have another city tour on foot.

Day 18: Riga - Vilnius (LIT), 290 km

Our last riding day in the Baltic States. With Lithuania we reach the most southern of the three Baltic states. The old town of the capital Vilnius is one of the largest in Eastern Europe. Because of its many churches built by Italian architects it is called "Rome of the East". After our arrival at the hotel, we take another city tour on foot.

Day 19: Vilnius - Warsaw (POL), 470 km

With Warsaw we reach the capital of Poland. The city's long and turbulent history is reflected in its diverse architecture. The old town was rebuilt after its destruction in the Second World War. City tour on foot in the evening.

Day 20: Warsaw - Silesia, 380 km

We get closer and closer to the starting point of our great round trip and spend our last riding day in Poland. We spend the night in the south of Silesia not far from the Czech border and enjoy our last evening together.

Day 21: Katowice - Vienna, 300 km

Unfortunately, today we have to say goodbye for good. With many beautiful memories in our luggage we start the remaining part of our way home. Passing Brno/Brünn you will be guided by your guide to the tour starting point near Vienna again mostly on the motorway. As the bikes are faster than the luggage bus, some of you take your luggage with you on the bike and say goodbye along the way. Of course you can also pick up your luggage in the afternoon at the hotel at the tour start location near Vienna. Additionally it is also possible to pick up your luggage the next day at the agency office in Lannach or to have it delivered by parcel service (optional). End of the tour.

Tip: For those for whom the route south and to Vienna would be a detour on the way home, it is possible to say goodbye to the other tour participants on departure from the hotel in Vilnius (or also after the night in Warsaw or Katowice) and start the way home independently.

Category	Motorcycle Tour
Terrain	Onroad
Vehicle	your own motorcycle
	motorcycle rent optional
Tourguide / Coach	yes (guided)
Accommodation	Hotel / B&B or similar
Flight to / from	no, not incl.
Ferry	no, not incl.
Support vehicle (luggage/service)	yes
Customer payment protection	yes
* PRICING	Minimal without optional extras, see pricing

Pricing

Prices for the date 24. 07. 2022 - 13. 08. 2022:

per rider in a double room (The booking of a double room is only possible for a booking with 2 persons. As a person participating alone, please additionally choose the single room or the option "half double room").	€4,999.00
per pillion passenger in a double room	€4,949.00
per single room (surcharge)	€799.00
per person - Option "Half Double Room" (If you as a person participating alone do not want to choose a single room, you can agree to the following arrangement with the option "Half Double Room": You book first incl. single room supplement. The single room supplement will be waived or refunded immediately if it is possible to book a double room with you and another person of the same sex at least 4 weeks before departure. The availability of the option "half double room" is therefore not guaranteed).	€5,798.00

Rental motorcycle can be booked on request: Harley-Davidson Pan America, Benelli TRK 502 X, Royal Enfield Himalayan. Please inquire if you are interested.

Prices for 2023 are available upon request approximately 1 year in advance.

Included

Guided 21-day motorcycle tour to Russia and the St. Petersburg Harley® Days

German speaking tour guide from/to Vienna with an experienced guide

Russian Guide from/to Vienna

Support vehicle incl. motorcycle trailer or transporter for luggage transfer from/to Vienna

20 overnight stays in hotels of the simple, good and upper middle class according to the program incl. breakfast

Lunch on riding days in Ukraine and Russia

Dinner on all riding days

2 days sightseeing in Moscow with Kremlin, Red Square, Gorky Park, Moscow subway and much more, incl. entrance fees

2 days city tour in St. Petersburg with Peterhof, Catherine Palace with Amber Room, Hermitage, etc. incl. entrance fees

Day at leisure in St. Petersburg

Possibility to visit the St. Petersburg Harley® Days

City tour with local, German speaking guide in Kiev (Ukraine), Tallinn (Estonia), Riga (Latvia), Vilnius (Lithuania), Warsaw (Poland)

Organisation of visa procurement

Luggage transport from/to motorcycle and vacation

Unlimited customer money protection

Not included

visa fees

meals other than breakfast

all costs related to the operation of the motorcycle

Petrol and oil

Rental motorbike (optional, please inquire)

Toll fees

Parking fees

entries other than those described in the programme

Expenditure for personal needs

Tips

Furthermore, all services that are not expressly listed as included services.

Also not included but strongly recommended: Travel insurance with cancellation protection (foreign health insurance for Russia mandatory!)

Optional - luggage transfer from/to apartment door to motorcycle and holiday:

From Austria: Price per suitcase per route - € 49, service provider: DHL, processing and billing via agency.

From Germany: price per suitcase per way - € 65

From Switzerland: price per suitcase per way - € 80

Service provider (D and CH): Tefra Travel Logistics GmbH, Hamburg, settlement and billing directly with the company Tefra. Further information at www.tefra-log.de.

More details

Tour information:

From/to Vienna approx. 5,300 km. Medium difficulty. Short sections without asphalt, or unpaved; with mountain passes, city rides and motorway stages.

Terms of Travel:

The special conditions are valid for this trip. The terms of travel will be conveyed to you before booking the trip. Minimum number of participants: 12 persons. If the minimum number of participants is not reached, we reserve the right to cancel the trip up to 20 days before the start of the trip. The number of participants is limited! Registrations will be considered in the order of arrival. Short-term changes in the daily schedule and tour itinerary with additional mileage are possible and do not represent a defect or reason for travel reduction.

Special Notes:

Please also note the information on Russian entry with visa and papers for the motorcycles, as well as the mandatory foreign health insurance in Russia. For participation in the trip, travel insurance incl. accident insurance and return service (ambulance jet or home transport) is necessary for all participants, as well as a "car home insurance" (e.g. ÖAMTC / ADAC Schutzbrief) for the motorcycles. We recommend taking out the travel insurance "Travel Protection with Cancellation ALL RISK MED" with Allianz Global Assistance. This includes the highest benefits for travel protection, e.g.: a cancellation is also covered for personal and provable reasons! Furthermore included are a foreign liability insurance, a foreign health insurance, an accident insurance with assumption of rescue costs (incl. helicopter), as well as extra return journey, or ambulance jet with medically necessary reasons OR after 3 days hospitalization. In addition, a "motor vehicle home collection insurance" (e.g.: ÖAMTC Schutzbrief) is also required for all motorcycles. The motorcycles must be in technically perfect condition before departure (tires!). Technical assistance or spare parts service in case of breakdown or damage is only possible to a limited extent on site. In the worst case, a breakdown can result in the participant having to abandon the tour and return home independently.

A frank word among bikers:

On guided motorcycle tours with your own motorcycle, riders and passengers from different countries of origin and with different motorcycles meet for a joint trip. As different as the participants are, as different will usually be the motorcycles, which makes for a fun and interesting trip. As with all group activities, these trips require a certain team spirit and a certain adaptation of the individual to the group, so that everyone can enjoy the trip and their motorcycle holiday.

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