



St Petersburg

Facts & Figures

Population: 4,700,000

Foundation: May 1703, by Peter the Great

Climate: Intermediate (from nautical to continental)

GMT Offset: GMT +3 hours



St Petersburg has been dubbed the Venice of the North for its palace-lined waterways. It managed to escape the architectural incursions of Stalinism and its grandiose relics of tsarist days are for the most part intact. St Petersburg is a year-round destination. The city's northern latitude means long days in summer and long nights in winter, but in winter tourist attractions are less crowded and there's a twinkling magic to the night sky. While the White Nights in mid-summer are undeniably beautiful, some people find them slightly disconcerting!

Courses

AMBergh, St Petersburg State University and specialised language schools offer Russian language programmes to international students in a truly international environment. You will be taught by highly qualified and friendly staff and will have access to modern language learning equipment such as special audio and video teaching materials. All this provides you with the perfect environment to improve your language skills considerably.

Group courses

If you choose to study in a group then you will be in a class with a maximum of 12 students. On arrival you will be asked to participate in a short, informal test before being placed in a class at the appropriate level. The beginners' course is designed for those who want to acquire basic skills in speaking, reading, understanding and writ-

ing, with special emphasis on spoken Russian. It includes elementary Russian grammar, conversational classes based on everyday topics and core vocabulary. At higher levels the courses are designed for foreigners who wish to improve their existing Russian language skills.

Individual courses

If you choose to take an individual course then the programme can be tailored to meet your specific needs. You have the opportunity to influence the pace and content of your learning experience.

Accommodation

We offer accommodation in a student room, with a host family, in a hostel or in a hotel. Accommodation is generally reserved from Sunday prior to the start of the course until Saturday following the end of the course. Extra nights before and after the course can be arranged at an extra fee.

Excursions

Many different tourist agencies offer a range of city tours and day trips all year round. The university usually also arranges daily excursions in the period May to September. Payments for excursions are made locally.

- Petrodvorets
- Pushkin
- Vasilevsky Island
- Summer Garden
- St Isaac's Cathedral
- Museums
- Peter & Paul Fortress
- Nevsky Prospect
- Palace Square and the Hermitage
- St Petersburg city tour



Summer Garden

"I generally feel that the overall standard of teaching was high and that the staff were certainly very helpful and cooperative."

🇬🇧 Ruth C., UK