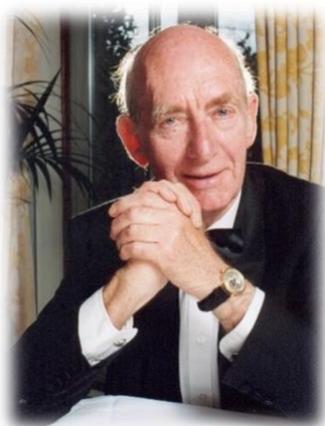


The following is included in the price of this remarkable and fully escorted Tour, which is led by our Chairman, Philip Birkenstein.

- Six nights' accommodation at the ***** Astoria Hotel.
- All meals (except one dinner) in some of St Petersburg's most remarkable restaurants. Alcoholic drinks are not included.
- Return SAS flights (to be confirmed) from London Heathrow to Pulkova International Airport, St Petersburg (economy), via Stockholm. (Club seats can be booked at an additional cost).
- If you wish to make your own travel arrangements, please see the Terms & Conditions document.
- Visa supporting documentation.
- The most experienced guide to give full history and interesting facts for the whole trip.



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27TH CELEBRATORY TOUR

TUESDAY 19 – MONDAY 25 JULY 2022



**CELEBRATING THE DELAYED
RE-OPENING OF
ALEXANDER PALACE, THE LAST PALACE
TO THE TSARS AND HIS FAMILY**

Dear Collectors and Friends,

I am thrilled that I will be leading our fantastic group of Collectors and friends to St Petersburg in July 2022, which means so much, especially as our Tour in 2020 and 2021 were both postponed due to Covid-19.

The delayed re-opening of the Alexander Palace is scheduled to take place in 2021 and the Palace has been closed to visitors since 2015. During our Tour in 2019, we were privileged to see some of the rooms that had been restored, but not finished. For our Tour in 2022, Alexander Palace will be fully restored, furnished and back to the time of the last Tsars. This was the home of the Tsar and his Family before being taken away and murdered.

We will have a Historical Surprise in Alexander Palace and I am sure it will be televised while we visit.

Our exclusive Tour is designed to make your VIP experience unforgettable. With our amazing dedicated Tour guide, we will see some remarkable sights, including some with exclusive access just for St Petersburg Collection, and at many museums without having to queue !

So that you can enjoy our Tour at a personal level, we keep the group very limited and places are booked on a first come basis.

We stay at the fabulous 5 star Astoria Hotel, which has a preservation order as a historical site. All the bedrooms were recently refurbished to original plans and most of the rooms were enlarged, to make the hotel much more intimate and special. The breakfasts in the main dining room has the most amazing selection and my favourite is the salmon caviar on my eggs each morning !

We look forward to you and your family or friends joining us on our very historic Tour.

Best wishes



Philip Birkenstein
Chairman

The highlights of the Tour include:

Our stay will be at the elegant Hotel Astoria, which overlooks the gold dome of St Isaac's Cathedral. Built in 1911, the Astoria accommodation includes all the comforts of a 5-star hotel and is the hotel used by President Putin's guests.

- ❖ We will visit the Peterhof Palaces and Parks. The magnificent summer residence of the Imperial Family is famous for its cascades and fountains. We will be shown rooms not normally on public display.
- ❖ At the State Hermitage Museum, containing some of the finest works of art and treasures in the world, we will be greeted by one of the Hermitage's leading Directors.
- ❖ A river and canal cruise will take us around St Petersburg. With the sun shining, this can be the best way to view the superb architecture of the city.
- ❖ The Director will be your host when you visit the Palaces and Gardens of Tsarskoye Selo, including Catherine's Palace with its famous Amber Room and the Alexander Palace, which will re-open in 2021 after extensive restoration.
- ❖ A surprise Black Tie Dinner in a unique setting.
- ❖ The fabulous mosaic interior of St Isaac's Cathedral will be included in a tour of the city of St Petersburg, viewing the historic and architectural sights.
- ❖ An evening at the ballet at one of St Petersburg's famous theatres.
- ❖ By Special Invitation, a visit to Mariinsky Palace, the parliament building for St Petersburg. It is one of the most beautiful Palaces, all in white and gold.
- ❖ We will visit other Palaces which might not be on regular sightseeing tours!
- ❖ And of course, our historical surprise visit !