



**27TH TOUR TO CELEBRATE THE DELAYED RE-OPENING OF ALEXANDER PALACE,
THE LAST PALACE TO THE TSARS & HIS FAMILY
TUESDAY 19 – MONDAY 25 JULY 2022**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Booking

The cost of the entire trip is £3,350 per person (provisional) plus £300 Russian administration charge per person. The price is based on two people sharing a luxury twin or double room. The single room supplement is £550 for the trip (for single occupancy in a double room).

The price includes hotel accommodation at the luxury Astoria for 6 nights in St Petersburg.

A non-refundable deposit of £750 per person is requested to reserve places on the Tour. You will receive an invoice for the balance of the cost 14 weeks prior to departure, for which payment will be due no later than 12 weeks prior to departure. The balance is non-refundable. Should you cancel your reservation within the 14 weeks prior to departure, you will still be liable to pay the cost of the trip, if you have not already done so. If we can re-sell your place(s) on the Tour, your payments will be refunded to you, less any costs incurred in reselling the places.

Regarding the flights, it is likely that we will use SAS (Scandinavian Airlines) from London Heathrow to Pulkova International Airport, St Petersburg (economy), via Stockholm.

* If you wish to book your own flights, a discount from the Tour of £450 per person will be deducted from the total cost. (We would arrange for the hotel limousine service to pick you up and this service will be added to your hotel bill to be paid at the end of your stay).

The full Grand Excursion and all meals (except one dinner). The dinner is a free evening for you to choose your restaurant, on the evening of the ballet, but naturally we will help you to select a restaurant if you wish. Alcoholic drinks are not included except for the Black-Tie Dinner.

The gratuities for our guide, driver, travel and medical insurance are not included.

Payment for the Tour can be made by sterling cheque issued from a UK bank, a bank transfer or debit or credit card. Any costs incurred through payment e.g. bank transfer fees will be added to your final bill for the Tour. A surcharge of 3% will be payable on credit card payments.

For each guest the St Petersburg Collection requires a completed and signed Reservation Form.

Prices

St Petersburg Collection cannot be held responsible for any increase in the costs of the Tour due to transport costs, a rise or introduction of taxes, increase in visa costs, or a change in the value of the Dollar or Euro against the pound. Any increased costs will be included in the final invoice with an explanation. **P.T.O.**

Cancellation

St Petersburg Collection reserves the right to cancel the Tour at any time. Except in the case of force majeure, a full refund of monies will be made if the Tour is cancelled by St Petersburg Collection.

Unless for a reason completely beyond their control, St Petersburg Collection will not cancel the Tour less than two months prior to the departure date.

St Petersburg Collection is not liable to pay compensation or any costs due to cancellation of the Tour.

Liability

St Petersburg Collection reserves the right to alter any of the services included in the Tour to an equal or better service if appropriate or necessary.

St Petersburg Collection cannot be held liable for any changes, which need to be made to the programme of the Tour when the changes are beyond their control.

St Petersburg Collection is not liable to compensate you for damage or injury, the cause of which is attributable to you OR to a third party unconnected with the provision of the services contracted for and which is unforeseeable or unavoidable OR due to unusual and unforeseeable circumstances beyond our control and consequences of which could not be avoided even if all due care had been exercised. The contract will only be governed under UK law.

NB. Transportation of any kind is subject to the conditions of the carrier.

If St Petersburg Collection makes payment to you in any of the circumstances referred to, we reserve the right to claim in your place against the person responsible for causing the reason for the claim.

Insurance

It is essential that guests take out adequate personal insurance, personal possessions insurance, medical insurance and cancellation insurance for their stay in St Petersburg. This cancellation insurance should be taken out at the time of booking.

Passport and Visa

To acquire a visa to enter Russia, your local Consulate or Embassy will require: -

- (i) A letter of invitation (provided by St Petersburg Collection).
- (ii) An application form (provided online).
- (iii) Your passport must be valid for at least six months after your trip to Russia.
- (iv) One passport size photograph in colour, signed on the reverse.
- (v) Details of your worldwide medical insurance.

Visas normally take approximately ten working days to be processed. A visa can be acquired within less time for a higher fee.

St Petersburg Collection can assist with acquiring a visa on your behalf if you are resident in the UK and have an EU passport or British residency stamp or will recommend a visa company in your country to you and will provide document support. Cost of acquiring your visa is not included in the cost of the Tour. We will send out all the relevant information in due course. The Russian Consulates do change their policies at a whim, St Petersburg Collection cannot be held liable for any inconvenience this may cause.