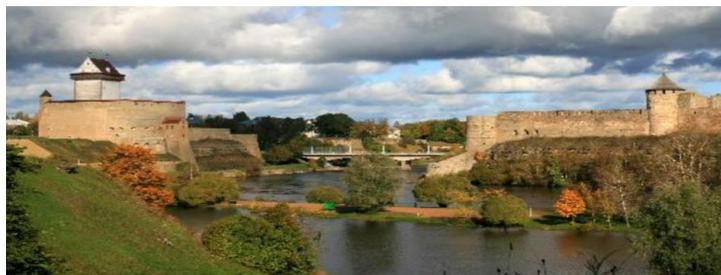


## NC-DKG Estonia, St Petersburg & Moscow - Jul 2017



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- Mon. Jul 24, 2017** Group departs USA - Airfare TBD
- Tue. Jul 25, 2017** Group arrives in Tallinn  
Accommodations, conference admission, and touring in Tallinn arranged separately  
Tours in Tallinn will be conducted through the conference website and provided at a later date. Of course, there will be options for guests who are not participating in the conference during the daytime.
- Wed. Jul 26, 2017** Group attends the Delta Kappa Gamma European Regional Conference at the Nordic Hotel Forum in Tallinn, Estonia
- Thu. Jul 27, 2017** Group attends the Delta Kappa Gamma European Regional Conference at the Nordic Hotel Forum in Tallinn, Estonia
- Fri. Jul 28, 2017** Group attends the Delta Kappa Gamma European Regional Conference at the Nordic Hotel Forum in Tallinn, Estonia
- Sat. Jul 29, 2017** Group attends the Delta Kappa Gamma European Regional Conference at the Nordic Hotel Forum in Tallinn, Estonia  
Estonian Assistant - meets group in the Nordic Hotel Forum lobby and accompanies group to Narva  
Private Coach - arrives at the Nordic Hotel Forum in Tallinn and transfers group to St Petersburg with stop in Narva  
Free time in Narva to explore on own  
**History Lesson:** The main feature of Narva is a 12th Century castle overlooking the Narva River. Climb to the top and you can peer down on its ancient nemesis - the fortress of Ivangorod that sprawls along the opposite bank. This spot has long been a place of conflict between east and west. Today, Ivangorod and its fortress are in Russia. Narva and its castle are in Estonia, which means they're in the EU and Nato.



Narva Castle (Estonia) and the Ivangorod Fortress (Russia) across the River Narva.

The border between Estonia and Russia. Re-board the coach and cross the Estonia-Russia border.

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Russian Assistant - meets group in Ivangorod immediately after crossing the border and accompanies them to St Petersburg. Continue travelling to St Petersburg

Arrive in St Petersburg and check into hotel

Dinner at the hotel - 3 course meal, drinks at own expense

Ambassador Hotel or similar 4 Star Hotel - Standard Room, **St. Petersburg, Russia**

**Sun. Jul 30, 2017**

Breakfast at hotel

Guide and Private Coach - arrives at the hotel and provides a full-day St Petersburg tour Admission: Hermitage



Catherine The Great

**History Lesson:** The State Hermitage Museum is a museum of art and culture in Saint Petersburg, Russia. One of the largest and oldest museums in the world, it was founded in 1754 by Catherine the Great and has been open to the public since 1852. Its



collections, of which only a small part is on permanent display, comprise over three million items including the largest collection of paintings in the world. The collections occupy a large complex of six historic buildings along Palace Embankment, including the Winter Palace, a former residence of Russian emperors.

Free time for lunch on own

Evening: Visit Nevsky Prospekt with free time explore and/or shop Dinner on own .

**History Lesson:** Nevsky Prospekt is the main street in the city of St. Petersburg, Russia. Planned by Peter the Great as beginning of the road to Novgorod and Moscow, the avenue runs from the Admiralty to the Moscow Railway Station and, after making a turn at Vosstaniya Square, to the Alexander Nevsky Lavra. The Nevsky today functions as the main thoroughfare in Saint Petersburg. The majority of the city's shopping and nightlife are located on or right off the Nevsky Prospekt.

Ambassador Hotel or similar 4 Star Hotel - Standard Room, **St. Petersburg, Russia**

**Mon. Jul 31, 2017**

Breakfast at hotel

Guide and Private Coach - arrives at the hotel and provides a full-day St Petersburg tour Admission: Catherine's Palace & Park

Free time for lunch on own

**History Lesson:** The Catherine Palace is a Rococo palace located in the town of Tsarskoye Selo (Pushkin), 30 km south of St. Petersburg, Russia. It was the summer residence of the Russian tsars. Catherine Palace is often mistakenly called Catherine the Great Palace. The true name comes from Catherine I, who had originally received a small 2-storey palace as a gift from her spouse Peter the Great. It later became a grand baroque summer palace and one of the descendant owners was Catherine the Great



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(Empress Catherine II) who turned the palace into the most grandiose summer residence in St. Petersburg and all of Russia. Until WWII Catherine Palace boasted its legendary Amber Room. The original amber panels were made in 1713 for Frederick William I's "tobacco club" in The Berlin Palace and 3 years later was presented to Russian czar Peter the Great. The amber panels were not installed until Peter's daughter Elizabeth commissioned Rastrelli to design The Amber Room for her Catherine Palace. Following the Bolshevik Revolution, Catherine Palace and Park were taken over by the state and nationalized. The Palace became an art history museum while the Park became an area of rest and recreation for the public.

Admission: Mikhailovsky Palace

**History Lesson:** A magnificent Empire-style palace with charming gardens on the banks of the Moika River, the Mikhailovskiy Palace has for more than a century housed the main collections of the [State Russian Museum](#).



(Russian Museum) Dinner on own

Ambassador Hotel or similar 4 Star Hotel - Standard Room, **St. Petersburg, Russia**

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**Tue. Aug 01, 2017**

Breakfast at hotel

Guide and Private Coach - arrives at the hotel and provides a full-day St Petersburg tour

Admission: Peter and Paul Fortress

**History Lesson:** The Peter and Paul Fortress is the original citadel of St. Petersburg, Russia, founded by Peter the Great in 1703. In the early 1920s, it was still used as a prison and execution ground by the bolshevik government. Today it has been adapted as the central and most important part of the State Museum of Saint Petersburg History. The fortress contains several notable buildings clustered around the Peter and Paul Cathedral (1712–1733), which has a 122.5 m (402 ft) bell-tower (the tallest in the city centre) and a gilded angel-topped cupola. The cathedral is the burial place of all Russian tsars from Peter I to Alexander III, with the exception of Peter II and Ivan VI. The remains of Nicholas II and his family and entourage were re-interred there, in the side chapel of St. Catherine, on July 17, 1998, the 80th anniversary of their deaths. Toward the end of 2006, the remains of Dowager Empress Maria Feodorovna were brought from Roskilde Cathedral outside Copenhagen and reinterred next to her husband, Alexander III and other Romanov family members. The latest burial was of Nicholas II's first cousin once removed, Grand Duke Vladimir Cyrilovich (1992). The remains of his parents, Grand Duke Cyril Vladimirovich and his wife Viktoriya



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Fyodorovna, were transferred to the mausoleum from Coburg in 1995.  
Free time for lunch on own

Admission: St Isaac's Cathedral and Colonnade



**History Lesson:** Saint Isaac's Cathedral in Saint Petersburg, Russia, is the largest Russian Orthodox cathedral (*sobor*) in the city. It is the largest orthodox basilica and the fourth largest (by the volume under the cupola) cathedral in the world. It is dedicated to Saint Isaac of Dalmatia, a patron saint of Peter the Great, who had been born on the feast day of that saint.

Admission: Church of our Savior on Spilled Blood

**History Lesson:** The Church of the Savior on Blood was previously known as "Cathedral of the Resurrection of Christ" and "Church on Split Blood". The "blood" in the name of the church refers to the Emperor Alexander II of Russia who was assassinated on this site. The Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood is one of the main sights of St. Petersburg, Russia. This marvelous Russian-style church was built on the spot where Emperor Alexander II was assassinated in March 1881.



Return to hotel for free time until the evening activity, Dinner on own.



Admission: Evening Folklore Performance at Nikolaevsky Palace

**History Lesson:** During the two hours of this dynamic, colorful and picturesque show, you'll hear tuneful folk songs, romantic, and full of life; watch sparkling dances from the different provinces of Russia; and learn that items such as saws, wooden spoons, and other traditional household tool can also be used as musical instruments!

The show takes its place in a palace, which was built by tsar Nikolas the 1-st for his son Great Duke Nikolas in 1861. The building has very rich and interesting history. Now it is one of the most popular sites for foreign tourists as the famous "Feel Yourself Russian" folklore show takes its place here. A great end to our time in St. Petersburg!

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**Wed. Aug 02, 2017**

Breakfast at hotel

Private Coach - arrives at the hotel and transfers group to the St Petersburg rail station Train:

St Petersburg to Moscow - High Speed -Business Class

Guide & Private Coach - arrives at the Moscow rail station and provides a panoramic tour en-route to the hotel

Check into hotel with remainder of afternoon at leisure until dinner this evening

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Dinner at the hotel or nearby restaurant - 3 course meal, drinks at own expense

**Optional Ballet Performances: Reservations must be made in advance. Extra Cost.**

Russian National Ballet: "Sleeping Beauty" – 7 pm

Nikulin State Classical Moscow Circus (est. 1880) – "Chocolate" - 7 pm

Courtyard Marriott City Centre or similar 4 Star Hotel - Standard Room, **Moscow, Russia**

**Thu. Aug 03, 2017**

Breakfast at hotel

Guide and Private Coach - arrives at the hotel and provides a full-day Moscow tour

Admission: Christ the Savior Cathedral

**History Lesson:** One of the most imposing and controversial buildings in Russia, the resurrected Cathedral of Christ the Saviour has had a short but turbulent history. It was originally commissioned after the defeat of Napoleon, but work did not begin on its construction until 1839. Designed by the great St. Petersburg architect Konstantin Ton, who was also responsible for the Grand Kremlin Palace and the Kremlin Armoury and whose church designs pioneered the Byzantine-revival style, the cathedral was erected for maximum effect, on the embankment only a few minutes' walk from the Kremlin.



**History Lesson:** Red Square is a city square (plaza) in Moscow, Russia. It separates the Kremlin, the former royal citadel and currently the official residence of the President of Russia, from a historic merchant quarter known as Kitai-gorod. 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.

Admission: St Basil's Cathedral Free time for lunch on own **History Lesson:** The Cathedral of Vasily the Blessed, commonly known as Saint Basil's Cathedral, is a church in the Red Square in Moscow, Russia. The building, now a museum, is officially known as the Cathedral of the Intercession of the Most Holy Theotokos on the Moat. It was built from 1555–61 on orders from Ivan the Terrible and commemorates the capture of Kazan and Astrakhan. A world-famous landmark, it was the city's tallest building until the completion of the Ivan the Great Bell Tower in 1600. The building is shaped as a flame of a bonfire rising into the sky, a design that has no analogues in Russian architecture As part of the program of state atheism, the church was confiscated from the Russian Orthodox community as part of the Soviet Union's anti-theist campaigns and has operated as a division of the State Historical Museum since 1928.

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It was completely and forcefully secularized in 1929 and remains a federal property of the Russian Federation. The church has been part of the Moscow Kremlin and Red Square UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1990. It is not actually within the Kremlin, but often served as a visual metonym for Russia in western media throughout the Cold War.



**Metro Station Tour - visit 2-3 of the most ornate station**

**History Lesson:** The city of Moscow opened its Metro service in 1935 with a single 11 km line connecting just thirteen stations, but it has since grown into the world's fourth busiest transit system, spanning more than 300 kilometers and offering 188 stops along the way. The Moscow Metro was one of the USSR's most extravagant architectural projects with the intention of building palaces for the people. Built when Stalin was in power, the metro's artists and architects went about designing stations that were to epitomize the Russian word 'svet', meaning radiance & brilliance and 'svetloe budushchee' – a radiant future. This project was used as an opportunity to showcase the country's power. With their reflective marble walls, high ceilings and grandiose chandeliers, many of Moscow's Metro stations are likened to famous European palaces.

Free time for shopping on own before returning to the hotel.  
Dinner on own

**Optional Ballet Performances: Reservations must be made in advance. Extra Cost.**

Russian National Ballet: "Sleeping Beauty" – 7 pm

Moscow Theater: "The Nutcracker" - 7 pm



Courtyard Marriott City Centre or similar 4 Star Hotel - Standard Room, **Moscow, Russia**

**Fri. Aug 04, 2017**

Breakfast at hotel

Guide and Private Coach - arrives at the hotel and provides a full-day Moscow tour

Admission: Kremlin with cathedrals and armory



**History Lesson:** The Armory Chamber of the Moscow Kremlin is a world-famous Royal Treasure House and one of the oldest museums in Russia. The Armory's Collection was formed gradually over several centuries. The main collection consists of treasures from the Kremlin repositories: ancient state regalia, carriages, horse equipment, foreign orders, gold-and-silverware, weapons, ceremonial dresses, mediaeval Russian embroidery and other works of art. And one of the main gems in the Kremlin Armoury Museum is a unique collection of Faberge Eggs. It demonstrates the brilliant flowering of Russian jewellery-making and other forms of decorative applied art.

**Faberge Egg Collection at the Armoury – one of the best in the world!**

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Free time for lunch on own

Admission: Novodevichy Convent & Smolensky Cathedral Dinner on own

**History Lesson:** The Novodevichy Convent, in south-western Moscow, built in the 16th and 17th centuries in the so-called Moscow Baroque style, was part of a chain of monastic ensembles that were integrated into the defence system of the city. The convent was directly associated with the political, cultural and religious history of Russia, and closely linked to the Moscow Kremlin. The convent was used by women of the Tsar's family and the aristocracy. Members of the Tsar's family and entourage were also buried in its cemetery. The convent provides an example of the highest accomplishments of Russian architecture with rich interiors and an important collection of paintings and artifact



**Optional Ballet Performances: Reservations must be made in advance. Extra Cost**



Russian National Ballet Theatre "Giselle" 7 pm

Moscow Theater – "Swan Lake" 7 pm

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Sat. Aug 05, 2017

Breakfast at hotel

Guide and Private Coach - arrives at the hotel and provides a full-day Moscow tour

Admission: Tretyakov Gallery - Main Building

The State Tretyakov Gallery is an art gallery in Moscow, Russia, the foremost depository of Russian fine art in the world. This spectacular museum is an essential destination for budding Russophiles and all visitors to Moscow. For most Westerners, Russian art is something of a closed book up until the 20<sup>th</sup> century and the appearance of giants such as Kandinsky, Chagall and Malevich. The Tretyakov gives you the chance to discover the rich tradition from which these great artists sprang onto the world stage. Often referred to as the Old Tretyakov to differentiate it from the annex next door, the gallery has 62 rooms and 100,000 works charting the development of Russian painting from the 10<sup>th</sup> to the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century.



Free time for lunch on own

Visit Gorky Park with free time to explore and/or shop at one of several shopping areas in Moscow near the Kremlin.

**Gorky Central Park of Culture and Leisure** is a central park in Moscow, named after Maxim Gorky.



### Shopping:

1. The Arbat has fashioned itself as Moscow's premier shopping district, though most of the souvenir booths lining the center of the pedestrian street
2. The Moscow GUM – facing Red Square – is a beautiful mall selling every imaginable deluxe brand; from luxury brands such as Louis Vuitton and Dior to popular high-street houses Calvin Klein and Zara and boutiques selling everything from jewellery to crockery.
3. Souvenir Booths , Craft and Marketplaces

Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant - 3 course meal with 1 drink

Courtyard Marriott City Centre or similar 4 Star Hotel - Standard Room, **Moscow, Russia**

Sun. Aug 06, 2017

Breakfast at hotel

Private Coach - arrives at the hotel and transfers group to the Moscow airport

Group departs Russia - airfare TBD

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**July 29-Aug 6: Post Convention Tour to Russia Price: \$2930 per person based on double occupancy**

**July 24-Aug 6: Roundtrip Flight CLT Price: starting at \$1650 based on availability.**

24JUL UA 6326 CLT-IAD 225P 356P  
 24JUL UA 989 IAD-FRA 520P 720A+1  
 25JUL LH 880 FRA-TLL 945A 100P  
 06AUG LH 2531 DME-MUC 905A 1110A  
 06AUG LH 428 MUC-CLT 1215P 420P

**July 24-Aug 6: Roundtrip Flights from gateways other than CLT priced upon request**

**Additional Costs not included in above package price:**

Description	Price
Private Transfer - Tallinn Airport to Hotel - min 2 people per vehicle	\$19 per Person
Description	Price
Insurance - Required by Russian Federation	\$350 per Person
Description	Price
4 Nights at Nordic Hotel for conference (based on double occupancy)	\$360 per Person
Description	Price
Optional Ballet Performances	\$100-\$120 per Person

- Itinerary is PROVISIONAL. We are not holding space on this itinerary
- Due to fluctuating fuel costs, air prices may increase as we get closer to departure
- Once the itinerary is CONFIRMED, a \$50 per person service fee will be charged for any requested changes to air or land arrangements within 90 days of the departure date.
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- *Air prices are subject to change until confirmed and paid for.* Please note that charter flights are subject to change until the time of travel. We apologize but we will need to pass on any increase in charter flights to the client.

**Included:**

- All rates quoted for services are in US Dollars
- Encore Travel services in detailed planning and itinerary guidance. Assistance in preparations.
- 4 Nights St. Petersburg
- 4 Nights Moscow
- Prices estimated based on these travel dates. Prices may change if dates are changed
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- Breakfast daily in hotels
- English speaking guides and/or assistants as listed
- Admission tickets as listed, with jump the line reservation where available
- Private transportation as listed. Vehicle size is based on the number of people travelling with capacity for one standard sized suitcase and one small carry-on per person. Additional luggage must be arranged in advance and additional fees may apply
- Applicable taxes & fees in force at time of confirmation. Changes, including per person city taxes, coach permit fees, etc., taking effect after confirmation may result in a supplement added to your final pricing.

**Not Included:**

- Airfare (optional)
- Meals, other than those listed in your itinerary
- Porterage of suitcases at airports, rail stations or cruise terminals, if not listed
- Tips for drivers, guides, hotel, restaurant, and other services
- Supplements or optional tours as listed
- Visa, passport, and entry/exit fees
- Ballet Performances

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TSA Passport Info: <http://www.tsa.gov/>

Initial and Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Visa Information:** Many countries require a visa to travel in their country. Proper documentation is the responsibility of the traveler. The traveler is solely responsible for all fees, fines penalties and additional expenses incurred due to not having the proper Visa documentation. Travel Insurance will NOT reimburse for expenses incurred due to not having the proper Visa documentation.

Visa Info: <http://travel.state.gov/visa/>

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**Hotel/Resort/Transportation Fees:** Some hotels, resorts, airlines, rail, car rental, transfers charge a fee on-site and these fees are paid directly to the establishment on-site by the traveler.

Initial and Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**BOOKING AUTHORIZATION**

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