



Trans Manchurian Express



EAST TO WEST



Welcome to Beijing

NIGHTS: 6

Sample the wonders Beijing has to offer as you walk the cobbled pathways of the Forbidden Palace, climb the Great Wall of China and wander where ancient armies marched. For more information about touring China, including extra services for Beijing, visit our China pages at www.russiantravelcentre.com.

Make your own way to Beijing Station. Yes, we can get a hotel nearby.

Train No 19 from Beijing to Moscow departs at 2310. See Timetables at www.transsiberian.com.au.

Departure times can change each year, or seasonally. We can confirm the time when booking.

The Trans Siberian route opens up great visual swathes of Siberia. You will see and thus feel, the immensity of this geographic region, passing sparsely populated village enclaves, interspersed with an occasional large city.

Time for the next chapter (or two) of *War and Peace*, or a game or two of chess! Expect to share a vodka with your Russian fellow travellers, too.

Three nights in Moscow

NIGHTS: 3

Arrive Moscow at 1950. You will be met and transferred to your selected accommodation for three nights. Choice of homestay, hostel or budget hotel.

Today, Russia's capital, once the heart of global Communism, is one of the world's richest and most dynamic cities.

Your three-hour introductory walking tour at 0900 hrs may include the reconstructed Cathedral of Christ the Saviour, Lomonosov University, the New Virgin Monastery and Red Square with its colourful St. Basil's Cathedral. As well there are the notorious former KGB headquarters and the White House.

Moscow is now a city much changed from the Soviet era, but its many surviving examples of architecture complement its thriving theatre and arts and for those so disposed, Moscow has museums to satisfy any interest.

Don't miss our suggestions for optional sightseeing excursions at www.russiantravelcentre.com!

Departure from Moscow
NIGHTS: 1

It's farewell from Moscow (unless additional
arrangements have been made)