

Moscow

Guide



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How to get to Moscow from the airport

There are two ways of getting from the airport to the city: **taxi** and **train**.

Aeroexpress train

We advise you to choose an **aeroexpress** train that goes to the metro station near to the center. This transport is faster and more reliable, especially during rush hours. Unfortunately, it is closed for several hours at night.

You can buy tickets online at the website and at the airport at ticket machines or ticket office. You can also pay directly at the tourniquet with a Paypass or PayWave card (in this case you do not need to buy the tickets).

For timetables, tickets and more information please see <https://aeroexpress.ru/en.html>

Taxi

We strongly advise you not to use the taxis that are offered at the airport, they are usually overpriced.

The most convenient taxi services with mobile applications are Uber <https://www.uber.com/>, Yandex Taxi <https://taxi.yandex.ru/>, and Gett <http://gett.com/>. If you are a first time Gett user, you can use a promocode GTPYNWK to get a 400rub bonus for your ride. All the services have special fixed tariffs for trips to and from airports.

You can also prebook a taxi for a fixed airport-to-Moscow tariff. The prices range from 1500 to 2000r. The companies with websites in English are: <https://mostaxi.ru/en/>, <http://www.msk-taxi.ru/eng>

Getting around

Except taxis (more information is given in the previous section) there are different types of public transport: underground transport called metro and surface transport (trams, buses, trolleybuses and marshrutkas).

Metro is the most punctual means of transportation in Moscow, also it is very beautiful. All metro trains have free wi-fi (Mosmetro_free). Metro map: http://russianmetro.ru/index_eng.php Also most stations have a interactive panel where you can find the best route between two stations.

If you plan to use ground transport, you might download the Yandex Transport app <https://mobile.yandex.ru/apps/android/transport#main>, it shows the movement of all

the public transport in the area in real time, so you know how much time you need to wait for your bus/trolleybus/tram.

Marshrutkas are route taxis, that are usually small buses and follow the usual bus/trolleybus routes. They are usually faster, but can be confusing to use, especially if you don't speak Russian. You need to pay in cash (it's better to have some change) and tell the driver where to stop (so it is better to know the name of the stop or some landmark, such as the name of a shop, restaurant etc. where you'd like to get off).

There are several types of tickets for both underground and surface transport. There is a **Unified ticket** (in Russian, *Yediniy bilet*) – a ticket valid for the metro and all types of surface transport except for marshrutkas. And there is a **90 minute ticket** (in Russian, *Bilet devianosto minut*) – a ticket good for one ride on the metro plus unlimited surface transport within a 90-minute period. At some stations ticket machines accept credit cards, but mostly the only way to pay for the tickets is cash.

Besides these two ticket types there are also other types of tickets for multiply rides. If you are planning to use public transport several times we advise you to choose the best option for you on the official site: <http://troika.mos.ru/en/tariffs/table/>. There is also a variant with a plastic transport card. There is a test to help you choose the best ticket option: <http://troika.mos.ru/en/tariffs/calc/>. Tickets can be bought right in the metro. Tickets for the surface public transport can be bought from the driver (only for 1 or 2 rides and 90min ticket). There are also tickets offices in the city.

Print a poster

You can easily print a poster in Moscow. The closest place to the School venue is Kirpitch copy center
<http://2gis.ru/moscow/firm/70000001006907926?queryState=center%2F37.664864%2C55.763973%2Fzoom%2F17> (On Saturday it is open from 10:00 to 15:00). Printing an A0 poster will take 15 minutes (if there is no waiting line) and about 1000 rub.

There are also many other printing centers, some of them are working 24/7. See <http://www.funcopy.ru/fun-print-centers> and <http://www.copy24.ru/kontakti.html> (the website does not have an English version unfortunately, but automatic translation seems ok).

Moscow attractions

(For all the tickets check the list of discounts; for all the places check the opening days and hours.)

- **Red Square** with the Kremlin being the heart of Moscow are the most famous places in Russia. On Red Square one can see: St. Basil's Cathedral, Kazan Cathedral, Kremlin Walls, Lenin Mausoleum, Statue of Minin and Pozharsky, Resurrection Gate and the Iberian Chapel, GUM, Lobnoe Mesto. All these attractions are described in <http://www.moscow.info/red-square/index.aspx>. On the square the State Historical Museum is also situated (in the center of the photo



- The **Kremlin** is associated with the political power. The Kremlin along with Red Square and Alexander garden are three main places that one should see in Moscow. As for attractions, there one can see churches, cathedrals, palaces and other great landmarks and artefacts such as the Ivan the Great Bell Tower. These and other attractions of the Kremlin are described in <http://www.moscow.info/kremlin/index.aspx> and <http://www.mydestinationmoscow.com/moscow-kremlin>.



- **Alexander Garden** is in the same complex with Red Square and the Kremlin. In this garden there are not only beautiful sculptures and flowers but also eternal flame. More information can be found by following <http://www.moscow-russia-insiders-guide.com/moscow-alexander-garden.html>.



- **Cathedral of Christ the Saviour** is one of the largest Orthodox church in the world. The building is magnificent, but not as old as it looks, it was rebuilt in 2000 (the original was demolished by the order of Stalin in 1931). More information can be found in <http://www.mydestinationmoscow.com/the-cathedral-of-christ-the-saviour>.



- The **Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts** houses some of the world's most valuable artworks dating from antiquity to the early 20th century. It's European collection of paintings, prints, drawings, sculpture, decorative and applied art from the 16th century onwards are particularly impressive as well as its extensive collection of French Impressionism and Post-Impressionism. The museum has a medium-sized collection of artifacts from ancient Egypt and thousands of objects from antiquities. The Museum of Sculpture Casts has over 750 copies of famous works of sculpture from the Hellenistic era to the Renaissance. More information: <https://www.lonelyplanet.com/russia/moscow/sights/museums-galleries/pushkin-museum-fine-arts>, <http://www.visual-arts-cork.com/museums/pushkin-museum-of-fine-arts.htm> and <http://www.moscow-russia-insiders-guide.com/pushkin-museum->

[of-fine-arts-in-moscow.html](#).



- The **State Tretyakov Gallery** possesses a unique collection of Russian art which includes masterpieces which span a period of a thousand years. Nowadays the gallery contains more than 170,000 works by Russian artists from early religious paintings to modern art. For more information visit the site <http://www.tretyakovgallery.ru/en>.



- **Metro** is a great example of Soviet architecture. With its high ceilings, mosaic pictures, marble and sculptures it doesn't look like public transport but more like palaces. Stations are dedicated to different things and have different design. For stations' descriptions look <http://www.mydestinationmoscow.com/moscow-metro>, <https://weheart.moscow/metro/> and

<http://twistedgifter.com/2014/11/beautiful-stations-of-the-moscow-metro/>.



- The **Bolshoi Theatre** is a symbol of Russia for all time. It was awarded this honor due to the major contribution to the history of the Russian performing arts. This history is on-going and today Bolshoi Theatre artists continue to contribute to it many bright pages. More information:

<http://www.mydestinationmoscow.com/the-bolshoi-theatre>



Useful information

- Moscow free tour: <http://moscowfreetour.com/#free> (booking needed).
- Free guide with information about arrival, events during the period (guide is periodical), eating out: <http://www.inyourpocket.com/data/download/moscow.pdf>.
- Moscow city pass: <https://www.getyourguide.com/moscow-l181/moscow-russia-city-pass-t66836/>.
- Hop-On Hop-Off 24-Hour Moscow City Tour: <https://www.getyourguide.com/moscow-l181/city-sightseeing-tour-moscow-t30665/>. Or 48-Hour Moscow Hop-On Hop-Off Bus Tour and Boat Combo: <https://www.getyourguide.com/moscow-l181/moscow-hop-on-hop-off-tour-boat-tour-combo-t35280/>. You can also look for other similar variants.
- Some of the agencies where one can order a guided tour:
 - <http://moscowfreetour.com>
 - <https://www.getyourguide.com/s/?q=moscow>
 - <http://www.moscowprivatetours.com>
 - <http://bridgetomoscow.com>
 - <http://www.happymoscowtours.com>
- Call-centre for Russian and foreign tourists (also in English): 8-800-220-00-01, 8-800-220-00-02, 8-495-663-13-93 (can take international calls).
- If you smoke, you should check the latest law about places where it is not forbidden to smoke (including street areas).
- Useful sites from which the information for the guide was taken (except for some of the sites mentioned in the text):
 - <http://en.travel2moscow.com>
 - <https://www.getyourguide.com>
 - <http://www.inyourpocket.com/moscow>
 - <http://www.moscow.info/attractions/index.aspx>
 - <http://www.mydestinationmoscow.com/top-10-in-moscow>
 - <https://weheart.moscow/toptenattractions/>
 - <https://www.tripadvisor.com/Guide-g298484-k3267->

[Moscow Central Russia.html](#)

- <https://www.lonelyplanet.com/russia/moscow/travel-tips-and-articles/70679>

- <http://waytorussia.net/Moscow/Guide.html>

USEFUL PHRASES

No/Yes	Net/da	Нет/Да
Hello	Zdrastvuite	Здравствуйте
Goodbye	Dasvidaniya	До свидания
Thank you	Spasibo	Спасибо
Sorry/excuse me	Izvinite	Извините
Please	Pazhalusta	Пожалуйста
I don't understand	Ya ne panimayu	Я не понимаю
I don't speak Russian	Ya ne gavaryu pa-russky	Я не говорю по-русски
Do you speak English?	Vy gavaritye pa-anglisky?	Вы говорите по-английски?
Help	Pomogitye	Помогите
I (don't) like it	Mnye (ne) nraivitsa	Мне (не) нравится
May I?	Mozhno?	Можно?
Do you have...?	U vas est...?	У вас есть...?
I don't know	Ya ne znayu	Я не знаю
How much is it?	Skolko stoit?	Сколько стоит?
It's expensive!	Eta dorogo!	Это дорого!
Large/small	Bolshoy/malenky	Большой/маленький
Good/bad	Khorosho/plokho	Хорошо/плохо
Today	Sevodnya	Сегодня
Tomorrow	Zaftra	Завтра
Stop here please	Ostnavite pazhalusta	Остановите, пожалуйста
When? At what time?	Kogda? Vo skolko?	Когда? Во сколько?
Of course	Koneshno	Конечно
Happy Holidays!	S Praznikom!	С праздником!