

# 17D15N TRANS-SIBERIAN ENTSR5 BY IMPERIAL RUSSIA TRAIN

## FOLLOW US....

The journey itself is reason enough to take this trip through the vast forests of Russia and the open steppe and desert of Mongolia before finishing in vast China, a destination in itself. Travel on the Trans-Siberian Railway through Russia, Mongolia and China suggests you an opportunity to see world metropolises such as Moscow, Ulaanbaatar and Beijing as well as the varied landscapes along the route.

RIVER OLKHA, RUSSIA



Travel Validity Period:  
Summer Apr – Oct 2019

## HIGHLIGHTS

### RUSSIA

#### MOSCOW

- Red Square
- St Basil Cathedral
- Cathedral of Christ the Savior
- Kremlin
- Arbat Street

#### TRANS-SIBERIAN

- Kazan
- Yekaterinburg
- Novosibirsk
- Irkutsk
- Lake Baikal
- Ulan Ude
- Ulaanbaatar

### CHINA

#### BEIJING

- Tiananmen Square
- Forbidden city
- Hutongs



#### DAY 1 SINGAPORE ▶ MOSCOW

Assemble at the airport and depart for **Moscow**, capital of Russia.

#### DAY 2 MOSCOW

*Meals on board*  
Arrival in **Moscow**, you will transfer from airport to your hotel.

#### DAY 3 MOSCOW

*Breakfast*  
Today, free day at leisure or you can consider to take a side trip out of Moscow today and head to the pilgrim town of Sergiev Posad, founded by the country's most revered monk, St. Sergius of Radonezh, himself. Pay a visit to the Trinity Sergius Lavra, the most important landmark of his town as well as one of the most important monasteries of the Russian Orthodox Church.

#### DAY 4 MOSCOW ▶ ON BOARD THE IMPERIAL RUSSIA TRAIN

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*  
After breakfast, you will enjoy the panoramic tour of Moscow that give you an idea of capital 's dimensions. Explore the **Red Square**, the very heart of Moscow, with picturesque **St. Basil's Cathedral** or enjoy

the ride in Moscow subway with the stations that are more likely to be underground palaces. You will be impressed by the spectacular **Cathedral of Christ the Savior** or stunning view of Moscow standing on the Lenin Hills with your back towards Moscow University and other historical sites. After lunch in the city, continue to the **Kremlin**, one of the best known monuments in Russia and in the world. The guided tour takes you inside the former residence of the Russian Tsars. Enjoy some time in down town strolling along the ancient **Arbat Street** with its numerous cafes, souvenir shops. Later in the evening, you'll board «Imperial Russia» Train. Enjoy your dinner onboard & get to know your travel companions.

#### DAY 5 KAZAN

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*  
Upon arrival in **Kazan**, once the capital of the **Tatar Khanate** you will depart for city tour to explore the Old Kazan. Today, in the **White Kremlin** of Kazan, a new mosque rises in the immediate vicinity of a Christian cathedral. Enjoy the spectacular folklore program that will give you an insight into the Tatar national epic. We invite you to taste local cuisine while lunch & follow cooking demo revealing the secrets of Tatar cuisine. Later this afternoon you board your train & continue your trip. Tonight, enjoy your dinner onboard!

## DELICACIES

#### Meal Plan

Breakfast, Lunches, Dinners

#### Specialities

- Master class revealing the secret of Tatar Cuisine
- Lake Baikal BBQ Picnic
- Traditional Mongolian Dinner
- Mongolian BBQ
- Traditional Beijing Duck

## 5★ HOTELS

**MOSCOW** Baltschung Kempinski

**BEIJING** Regent

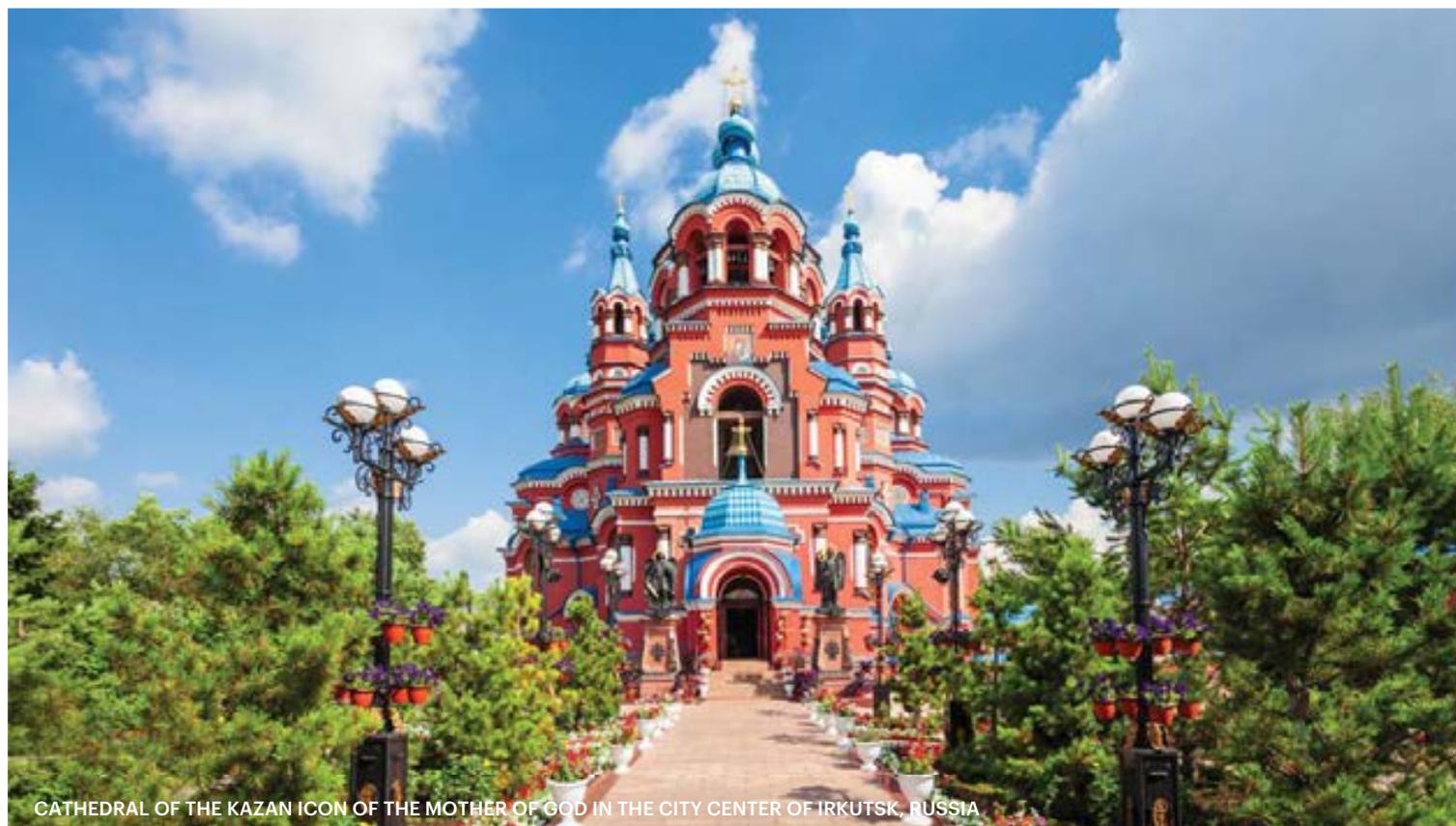
\*Note: Hotels subject to final confirmation. Should there be changes, customers will be offered accommodation similar to this list.

## EXCLUSIVE



- Private Imperial Russia Train
- Overnight stay in Yurt

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CATHEDRAL OF THE KAZAN ICON OF THE MOTHER OF GOD IN THE CITY CENTER OF IRKUTSK, RUSSIA

## DAY 6 YEKATERINBURG

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Today we arrive in **Yekaterinburg** & start our discovery of this city that is closely connected with the family of the last Russian Emperor. During the tour, you will visit the memorial **Church on the Blood** to commemorate the tragic events taken place in this city. After lunch in downtown, we continue our visit. An absolutely must see is a memorial that marks the borderline between Europe & Asia. You will have an opportunity to be in both continents at the same time & keep the memory of it taking pictures. In the evening, we board «Imperial Russia» Train. Tonight enjoy your dinner onboard!

## DAY 7 NOVOSIBIRSK

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

We arrive in **Novosibirsk**, the very heart of Siberia, & start our tour of city in the vicinity of the railway station with the visit to the local railway museum dedicated to the legendary Trans-Siberian Railway. After lunch break the city tour will take us the embankment of the **Ob River, Main Squares** and streets of the most Soviet city on our itinerary. The local **Opera House** stands out among local sites, will impress

you with its monumental architecture, and is known as the biggest theatre building in this country. Board your train & enjoy your dinner tonight onboard!

## DAY 8 ON BOARD THE TRAIN

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Your «Imperial Russia» Train keeps traveling through Siberia. Today enjoy your stay onboard to reflect on cities you have already visited. You may want to spend your time having a drink at the bar with your fellow travellers, or you might stay in your cabin and follow the changing scenery. Wooden houses, birch forests and if lucky enough some sun rays over mountain landscapes will greet you. Onboard staff will invite you for a talk on Trans-Siberian Railway. Enjoy the relaxing day in anticipation of the next stop!

## DAY 9 IRKUTSK

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Our train arrives today in **Irkutsk**, one of the largest cities in Siberia. This city has preserved quite a few of historical buildings and monuments. During the city tour you will see picturesque wooden houses, visit the **Decembrists' House** that

will unfold the story of failed uprising of Russian aristocracy who were exiled to this city. After lunch do not miss the opportunity to visit an **open-air museum** located in the picturesque place of the river bank of Angara. This unique museum will tell you about the daily life of the people in this region in the past. Spend some free time strolling through **Irkutskaya Sloboda** before you will board your train in the evening.

## DAY 10 LAKE BAIKAL

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Standing on the shores of **Lake Baikal**, you can't help being awestruck with admiration by the wonder created by nature itself. It is the deepest Lake in the world that contains the fifth part of the Earth's fresh water. After breakfast, board a motor ship to sail on the waters of the Baikal to the village of **Listvyanka**. Here you will visit the unique museum dedicated to the flora and fauna of the Lake. Not to be missed is the observation point at the **Chersky Stone** with a stunning view on the Lake and the **Angara River**. After a visit to a local market, the journey continues along the original route of the Trans-Siberian

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Railway for several hours directly along the shore of Lake Baikal. Your train will stop at a particular spot for you to enjoy the majestic lake and a barbecue dinner.

## DAY 11

### ULAN UDE

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

«Imperial Russia» Train will stop today in **Ulan-Ude**, the capital of **Buryatia**. A special spiritual experience is a visit to an active datsan that is today on your program during the city tour. Be a guest to the locals who will welcome you in a traditional yurt. Here you learn how to cook traditional "pozy", play dice, wear traditional costume, and assemble yurt. Another perspective on the Buryats' culture is a colourful and spectacular folklore program that you will enjoy here. Later in the evening board «Imperial Russia» Train to continue your voyage.

## DAY 12

### ULAANBAATAR

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

After arrival in **Ulaanbaatar**, you will leave for **Terelj National Park**. You will be introduced to the nomadic way of life of still many Mongolians today. When reached Ger Camp in a remote area at Terelj National Park, explore its most beautiful landscapes on the tour of the National Park. Tonight you will sleep in gers (traditional Mongolian yurt) and enjoy traditional Mongolian dinner.

## DAY 13

### ULAANBAATAR

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Today you travel back to **Mongolian** capital to explore this historic city. You will visit the Gandan abbey, and the **National Museum of Mongolia**. Enjoy a stunning Mongolian cultural performance including the famous throat singing. Tonight you are welcome back onboard «Imperial Russia» Train.

## DAY 14

### ERLIAN

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Your train pulls towards the Chinese border through the **Gobi Desert**. Jawdropping landscapes will keep your eyes glued to the window. **Erlian**, the border town, is nothing more than a military post. Due to the different gauges, «Imperial Russia» Train cannot go to Beijing. Your Chinese charter reaches the capital of China in about 16 hours.

*Note: No Shower facilities on Chinese charter train*

## DAY 15

### BEIJING

*Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

Beijing is the final destination of your railway journey that has led you across two continents. It is home to millions of small shops and street traders, the place to shop for souvenirs and bargains, and the last opportunity to taste the delicious Chinese food in all its variations. During the city tour you will visit the **Forbidden City**, the **Tiananmen**

**Square** and the **Hutongs**. The Forbidden City was home to 24 emperors between 1368 and 1911. Tiananmen Square is the largest city square in the centre of Beijing, named after the which sits to its north, separating it from the Forbidden City. It has great cultural significance, as it was the site of several key events in Chinese history. As the world's largest city square and enduring symbol of China's national pride, it is surrounded by many imposing buildings including the Heavenly Gate, Museums, government buildings and Chairman Mao's Mausoleum. Tonight, you will lodge at one of the hotels in the city.

## DAY 16

### BEIJING

*Breakfast*

Enjoy a free day at leisure, shopping or exploring the city. You could also join an optional tour to the Great Wall and Summer Palace.

## DAY 17

### BEIJING ► SINGAPORE

*Breakfast*

You will transfer to the airport and depart for your flight back home. We hope you enjoyed your Imperial Russia Train journey with our company. We look forward to seeing you again for your next trip.

*Tipping and Train Gratuities: (based on 17D15N)*

- €170 per person

*Note:*

- A minimum group size of 10 passengers is required for a confirmed departure.
- The sequence of the itinerary, flight schedules and hotels are subject to change without prior notice in the event of unforeseen circumstances.
- Activities are subject to weather conditions.
- During major events and festivals, accommodation may be re-located to outside of the city or in another city without prior notice.
- No triple sharing is allowed.





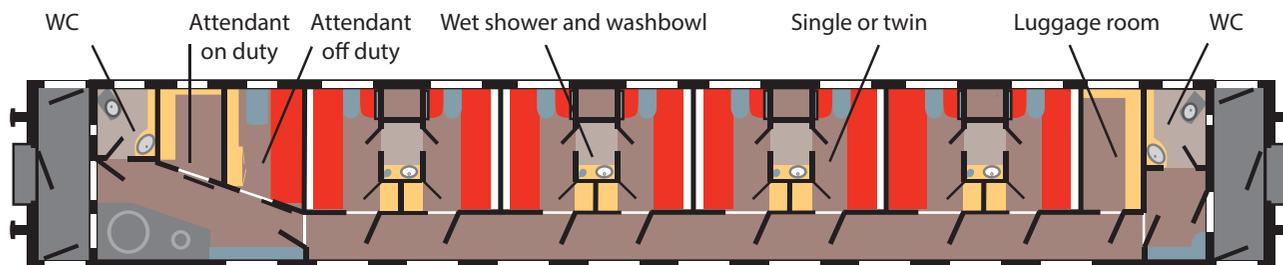


## FIRST CLASS PLUS SLEEPING CARS

*1 to 2 passengers per compartment (3,3 square meters\*)*

Consists of 8 passenger compartments, 2 berth in each. An upper and lower berth. A table with an armchair. An LCD TV set. An inbuilt clothes cabinet. Between compartments there are four rooms with washbowls and shower cans.

In compartment 9 there is an auxiliary room for storing luggage. Two water closets: in the beginning and in the end of the car. The air conditioning system is general, with an option of additional temperature control in each compartment (« ± 3 °C»).

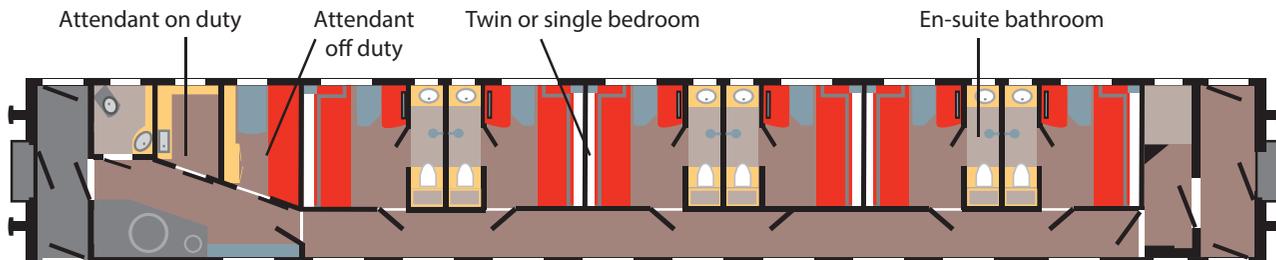


## BUSINESS CLASS CARS

*1 to 2 passengers per compartment (5,5 square meters\*)*

Consists of 6 passenger compartments, 2 berth in each. An upper and lower berth one. A table with an armchair. An LCD TV set. A private en-suite wet shower with a washbasin and toilet. An individual air

conditioner for heating and cooling the cabin. Business Class cars have compartments with an area of 5,5 sqm. A compartment has a comfortable transformable sofa and a foldaway upper berth.



*\* including the shower area*

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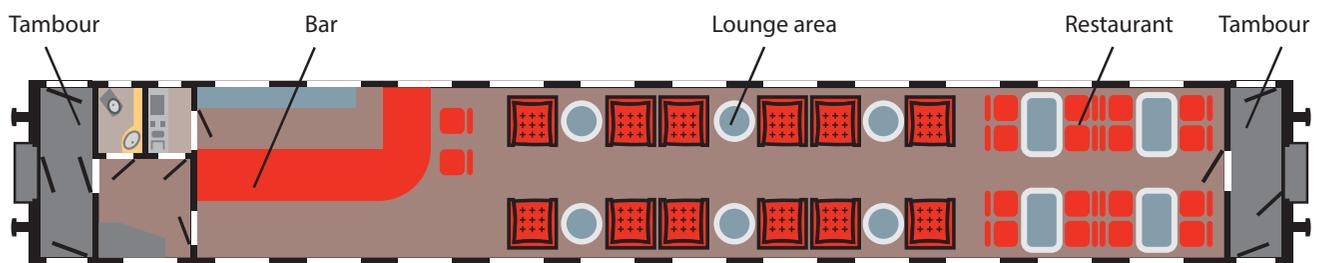
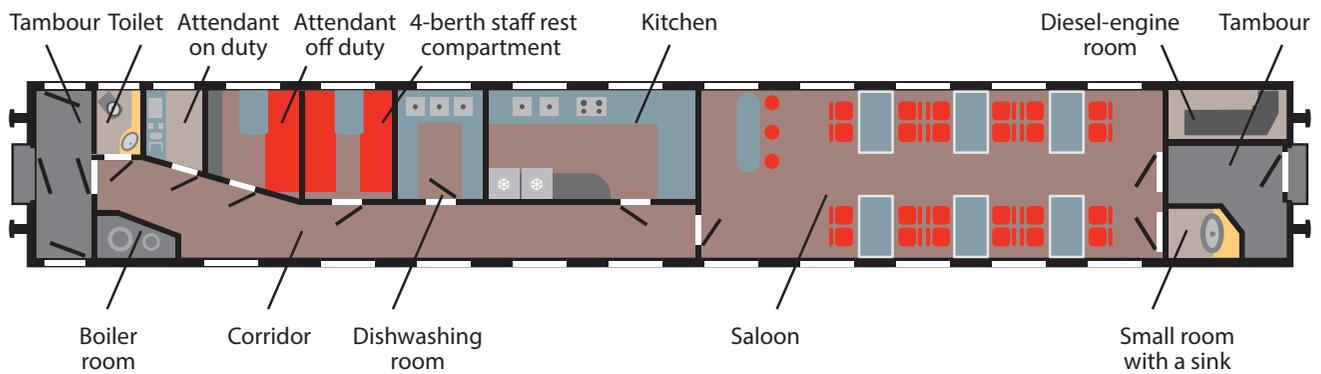


## RESTAURANTS & BARS

**Two Restaurant cars** are designed for providing passengers with guaranteed hot food in the compartments and in the restaurant. **The Bar car** is separated by a decorative partition to make two comfortable zones allowing the passengers to eat, dance, relax with a drink and enjoy the scenery passing in the window.

A unique car with a music saloon, divided into two functional areas: an area with comfortable armchairs and a restaurant area with a dance floor, equipped with the piano.

The bar car is ideal for cocktail parties, theme parties, holiday events.



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