
Borodino: Where Napoleon Won and Lost — Detailed description

Trip Length: Group: 6-12 Departure: Fixed Period: December - January

Trip overview

During this week-end, we offer you to discover places where took place one of the most impressive, symbolic and bloodiest battle of the French Invasion of Russia in 1812: the battle of Borodino, which allowed the capture of empty and ruined Moscow by Napoleon so-called "Grande Armée". The battle of Borodino weakened the French Army, and announced their future long retreat and numerous losses.

Napoleon himself, wrote the following report about the battle of Borodino: *"Of the fifty battles I have fought, the most terrible was that before Moscow. The French showed themselves to be worthy victors, and the Russians can rightly call themselves invincible"*.

The battle of Borodino is a founding event of Russian patriotism.

In the evening, transfer from Moscow to our accommodation in Mozhaysk surroundings.

On the following day, we are going to visit Borodino's battlefield and main landmarks.

Then, we will discover Mozhaysk, pretty tiny city where Napoleon established his headquarter after Russian retreat. In the afternoon, excursion to Staroye Selo and free time on the shores of the "Sea of Mozhaysk".

Highlights

- Enjoy nature and relax on the shores of "Mozhaysk sea"
- A place and events which inspired Tolstoy's masterpiece "War and Peace"
- Discover one of Napoleonic wars major battlefields
- Escape the hustle and bustle of the city

Tour type

NATURE

Difficulty

Physical rating not assigned

Comfort

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Program

Day 1 — -

Day 2 — -

Day 3 — -

Departures

New departures available soon

Note

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What's included

Price includes

- Lunches
- English-speaking guide
- Excursions and visits as per itinerary
- Banya
- Accommodation
- Letter of invitation
- Transfers
- Breakfasts
- Dinners

Price does not include

- Personal expenses and tips
- Visa fees and travel insurance
- Optional activities
- Beverages

Checklist & Equipment

ATTENTION! The list of equipment varies with the season of travel!

Recommended checklist

Sunglasses
Raincoat or wind and waterproof shell jacket (with hood !)
POLARTEC or similar pullover
Cap or hat to protect against sun
Comfortable shoes for city
Sunscreen for skin and lips
Fleece jacket or warm sweater
Swimsuit

Meals

Picnic for lunch and hot meal served at your accommodation in the evening.

If you are a vegetarian or have any particular preferences, please let us know, so we could adapt the menu.

Visa

You need a tourist visa to travel to Russia. It can be issued for a maximum period of 30 days. Your passport has to be valid for at least six months after the expiry date of your visa and to have at least two blank pages.

BaikalNature offers visa support and has created "BaikalNature letter of invitation" package. If you buy a BaikalNature tour, this package is absolutely free; when you buy any other BaikalNature service, you will have to pay for this package.

For more information please contact your nearest Russian Embassy or Visa Application Center.

Money

The Russian currency is ruble. In all cities and many large villages of Russia, you can easily withdraw rubles, using a Visa or MasterCard, from ATMs, located in banks, department stores or hotel lobbies, some of them are open 24 hours a day. If you have euros or dollars with you, exchange offices will allow you to change them easily in the cities, seldom in the countryside. However, it can be difficult to exchange traveler's checks, even in cities.

Tipping

All persons who compose the BaikalNature travel team (guides, drivers, cooks, etc.) are paid a decent wage for their services and do not expect any tips from you. So you have no obligation to leave anything. If you really want to express your satisfaction by leaving a gratuity,

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and if it is in foreign currency, be aware that torn or glued coins and banknotes cannot be exchanged. Anyway, thank you for your tips, left at your discretion in envelopes.

Health

No compulsory vaccination.

Emergency Contact

You can contact BaikalNature by phone: +73952 26 56 94.

In addition, your call will be forwarded to your manager, reachable 7/7.

Legal Mentions

Professional Guarantees: BaikalNature LLC (ООО "БайкалНейче"), United Federal Register of Tour Operators number: RTO 009402.

Financial Guarantee: "Gaide insurance company" JSC (АО "Страховая компания Гайде"). Insurance contract N 7890/22-49 from September 19, 2022. Amount of coverage: 500 000 RUB. Legal and actual address: BaikalNature LLC, 55 Dekabrskikh Sobyti Str., office 405.2 664007 Irkutsk Russia

Travel Insurance

In addition to your personal insurance, you have an opportunity to purchase local insurance. Please, do not hesitate to ask us about our services.

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