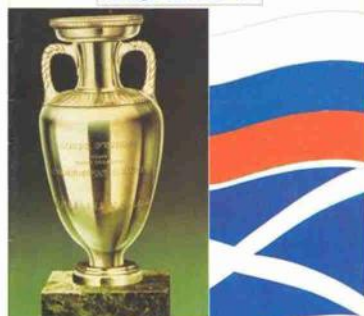


RUSSIA 2019

Thursday 10th October 21:45 Luzhniki Stadium, Moscow #RUSSCO

Scotland visit Moscow for the 3rd time on match day 7 of qualifying for Euro 2020 seeking revenge for that 2-1 loss at Hampden last month. It really is a case of restoring pride for Steve Clarke's men who are now focusing on those play offs next March.

The Russian Football Federation (RFS) inherited everything from the Football Federation of USSR in July 1992 after the break up of the Soviet Union. This included results of the Russian Empire who won their first game 5-4 against Bohemia (Czech Kingdom) in 1910 in St Petersburg. Affiliating with FIFA in 1912 their first official matches were at the Olympics in the same year, losing 2-1 to Finland and 16-0 to Germany. They played 16 times in total before the breakout of the first world war and the Russian Revolution. Although league football restarted in the Soviet Union in 1920 there were limited international matches until the Olympics in 1952, USSR beat Bulgaria 2-1 (aet) before losing to Yugoslavia after a replay in a politically significant match. Revenge was sweet 4 years later when they beat Yugoslavia to win gold in the 1956 Olympics in Australia. They also affiliated with UEFA and competed in the World Cup for the first time in 1958, qualifying by beating Poland in a play off. They knocked England out in the 1st round before going out to the hosts Sweden in the Quarter Final. They have qualified 11 times for the World Cup with their best performance a 4th place in 1966. They won the inaugural European Championships in 1960 beating Yugoslavia 2-1 after extra time in Paris. Since then they have qualified for the Euros 11 times and been runners up 3 times (1964, 68 and 88). They qualified for Euro 1992 with their last match as the Soviet Union but were allowed to compete at the finals as the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) where they had two credible draws against Germany and the Netherlands before losing 3-0 to Scotland. The break up of the Soviet Union divided it into 15 nations: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Estonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan that all now compete in international football. As Russia they have qualified for 5 out of 6 Euros and 4 out of 7 World Cup Finals including reaching the quarter final last year as hosts.



That win against CIS is the only time Scotland has beaten a Russian team and sent both nations home. In Spain in the World Cup finals in 1982 Scotland needed to beat the USSR to qualify from Group 6, despite leading from an early Joe Jordan goal a 2-2 draw put the Soviets through on goal difference. As Russia the teams met twice in qualifying for Euro 96, 2 draws (1-1 at Hampden and 0-0 at Luzhniki) was enough for both sides to qualify. This time it looks likely that Russia will be the team to qualify alongside Belgium from Group I after that come from behind 2-1 victory in September. The other 3 meetings were all friendly defeats for Scotland 2-0 (1967) and 1-0 (1991) at Hampden and 1-0 in Moscow in 1971.

Clarke's men face San Marino at home 3 days after Moscow and hopefully two good results will get us back on track, up the group table and ready for March.

Scotland record against USSR, CIS and Russia

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Best	Worst	Last
Home	4	0	1	3	2	6	1-1	0-2	1-2
Away	2	0	1	1	0	1	0-0	0-1	0-0
Neutral	2	1	1	0	5	2	3-0	2-2	3-0
Total	8	1	3	4	7	9	3-0	0-2	1-2

LUZHNIKI STADIUM

Stadium

The Grand Sports Arena of the Luzhnik Olympic Complex or Luzhnik Stadium is the national stadium of Russia located in the south west of Moscow. It was built in just 450 days and opened in July 1956 as the Grand Arena of the Central Lenin Stadium. It was renamed in 1992 and had a roof built in 1996, that roof was retained when it was rebuilt in 2013 where the capacity was increased to 81,000. Hosted last year's World Cup Final becoming only the 5th venue to host Summer Olympics (1980), Champions League Final (2008) and World Cup Final (2018). It has a hybrid pitch 95% natural grass re-inforced with plastic. TA Select FC will play against a team of Russia fans at 1pm inside the complex on Training pitch 2.



ЛУЖНИКИ



Tickets

The SFA have advised there will be a 10% ticket pickup, this will only be at the ground. At the ticket office near the main entrance, beside number 3 below. From XX-YYPM on matchday. Use Entrance beside Sportivnaya Metro for ticket pickup. As always pick up your tickets as early as possible to avoid queues. Take your SSC card and/or a valid form of photo ID in order to ensure pick up of your ticket. Scotland fans will be in Tribune A on the river side of the stadium in Sections 211 and 212 and enter through gate 4. Access can be slow - there will be ticket checks and body searches at the entrance to the turnstiles. Bagpipes and other instruments are allowed. For flags greater than 2mx1.5m contact fans@rfs.ru.

Getting To the Ground

The stadium is located about 4 miles south west of the city centre on the banks of the Moskva river. The metro is the best way to get there, nearest stations are Sportivnaya (Спортивная) and Vorobyovy Goy (Воробьёвы горы) on the Red number 1 line (see right). Vorobyovy Goy station is on the bridge over the river and is the best for accessing the Scotland sector. Line 1 directly connects with Moscow city centre, Okhotny Ryad (Охотный ряд) or Biblioteka (Библиотека) takes no more than 10 minutes.

The Moscow Central Circle Line Metro number 14 (Red and White) also has a stop near by Luzhniky (Лужники).

There will be a fanzone in the complex on matchday it is not known if alcohol will be sold at the Fanzone. More details can be found here (Ruddian only) matchday.rfs.ru/1010-luzhniky starts at 19:00 and has events until kick off including activities of the Scottish team. Pipe band, costume animators, national cuisine. Many other events and a stage.

1 Sokolnicheskaya line



MOSCOW

The capital of Russia Moskvá (Москва́) is the largest and one of the most famous cities in Europe. It has been the capital as well as the political and financial centre of the Russian Empire, USSR and now the Russian Federation. With over 30 million residents it has one tenth of the population of all Russia and some of the most iconic sights including Red Square, the Kremlin, St Basil's Cathedral, the Bolshoi Theatre and the Moscow State University to name a few.

Restaurants (РЕСТОРАНЫ)

Dining establishments in Moscow range from food stalls near metro stations to quick canteen-style 'Stolovaya' eateries to American-style fast food chains to overpriced restaurants catering to tourists to high-end restaurants where you can spend RUB10,000.

Teremok – Brown-colored kiosks sell large blinchi, Russian crepes that come with a variety of fillings

Darbar - Leninsky Prospect, 38 - Indian restaurant with panoramic view over the city.

Gavan' v Khamovnikakh - ul. Rossolimo 7 - Great authentic Armenian food

Bars

As far as prices go, like any city there are cheaper and more expensive alternatives. The craft bars start at around 250 RUB for a glass and go up to about 400 RUB for the more esoteric/foreign beers. If you go to a normal bar, prices start at 400/450 RUB and top out at around 600 RUB, wine is generally not cheap.

Papa's Bar & Grill - Nikol'skaya st. 10 - Sports bar with a nightclub. Venue for the Nicht Afore Party and will be opening early for the Rugby World Cup match between Russia and Scotland

Beer Market - Butyrskaya 69 - Probably the widest choice of beers in the city,

Bobby Dazzler Pub - Kostyanskiy pereulok 7/13 -Wide choice of UK beers. Large food menu. Beers and food are reasonably priced.

Katie O'Shea's - Mokhovaya 7 and Prospekt Mira, 26 - Two locations: one right beside Red Square (in a business office building), the other not far away from the Garden Ring and near the Embassy of Ireland

Connolly Station - Pereulok Stoleshnikov, 8 - Perfect central location with a decent interior.

Ulitsa Kuznetskiy Most between Tverskaya & Petrovka also has plenty to suit all tastes. If you want to get out from the very centre there are certain districts close by worth a look. One area to explore is Red Oktober Island. Lots of bars & Restaurants. Chistye Prudye is also worth a walk out to.

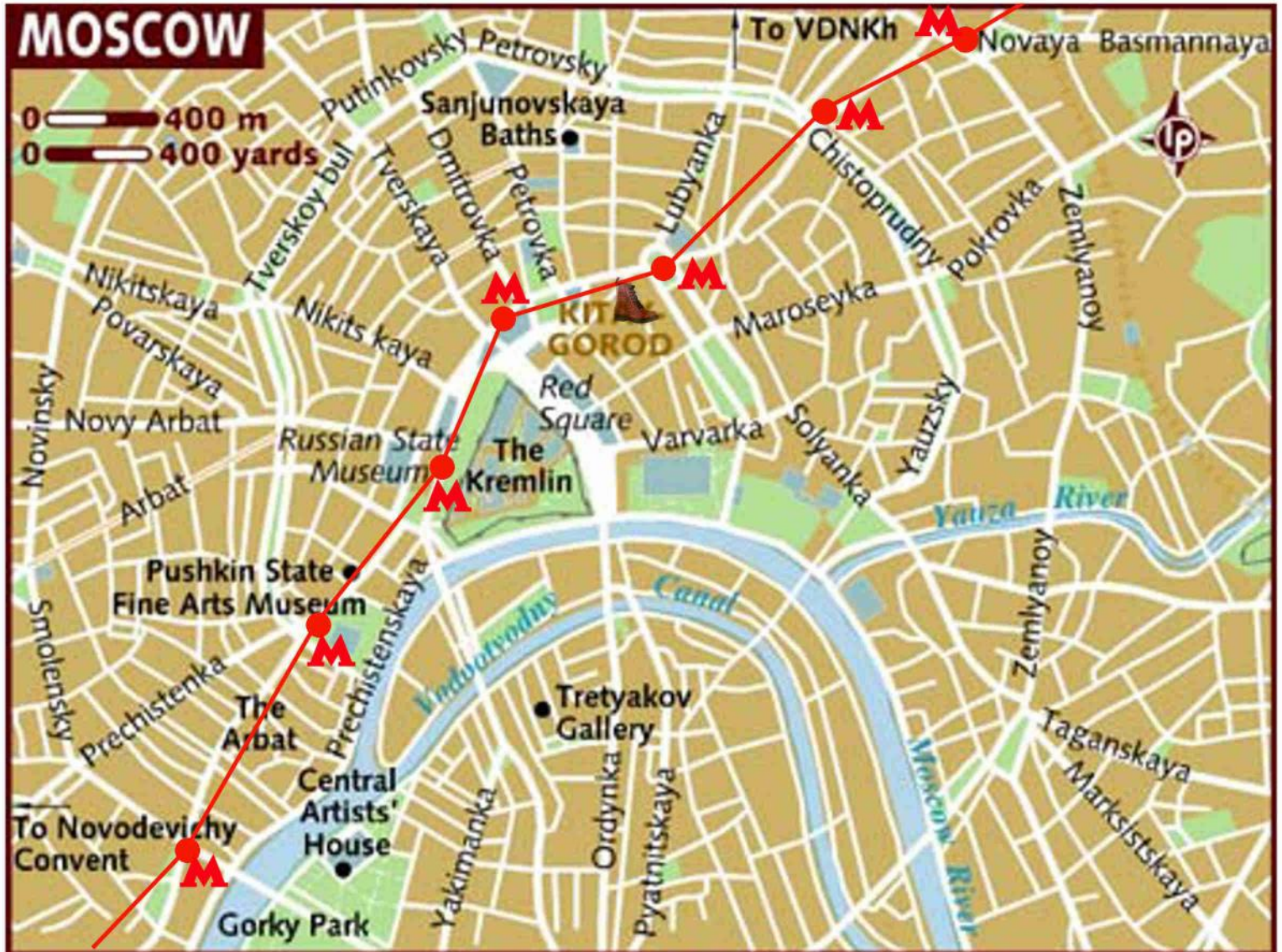
Museums

Kremlin Musum Complex - Kremlin (0930-1800 closed Thursday)- An ancient city and citadel, the former residence of Russian Tsars and Soviet rulers is still used today.

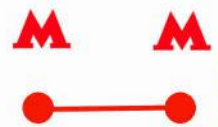
Lenin Mausoleum - in the centre of the Red Square (10AM-1PM Tu, W, Th, Sa) - Walk past the embalmed body of Vladimir Lenin. Cameras, phones and bags in the luggage office. Admission is free.



MOSCOW MAP



The Luzhniki Stadium is just south west of this map, 2 or 3 more stops on the Red 1 metro line. Entrance to Sportinaya metro station pictured right.



The Red 1 or Sokolnicheskaya line of the metro travels through central Moscow from North East to South West including 2 stops near Luzhniki Stadium. More details of the stops can be found on the stadium page but on this map goes from Park Kultury on way to stadium in south to Krasnye Vorota.



Nicht Afore Party
Paps Bar and Grill (Nikol'skaya st. 10)



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MOSCOW



Transport

Metro is open 5:30AM-1:00AM
Lines are commonly known by colour and number, e.g. Red 1 is the line that goes from the city centre to Sportivnaya near the stadium (marked on map with SFA logo).

Metro Stations are marked with the red letter 'M'. Tickets are bought in cash (no credit cards) from ticket office KACCA or vending machines.

There is also a network of buses, trolleybuses and Trams.

Tickets can be bought for 55RUB (70p), 2 (110 RUB) or 60 (1,900 RUB) trips or for 1 day (230 RUB) or 3 days (438 RUB) or a month.

Troicka cards are the cheapest tickets (38 RUB) per trip and are topped up in advance.

Taxi Apps

Yandex Taxi is the Russian equivalent of Uber and should be used for ordering Taxis in Russia. Payments are in cash rather than credit card. **Gett Taxi** is also available.

Do not use Taxi drivers that are hanging around airport arrival halls or near train stations and tourist attractions. They have a reputation for using doctored metres that charge significantly more than they should.





TA IN MOSCOW



Tartan Army Childrens Charity

TACC are making a donation to the charity To Children with Love for the youngest children in one of their Russian orphanages. TACC will also be taking 7 children to the match in Moscow and gifting Russian Shirts as part of their My First Scotland Match experience.

to Children with Love
Changing Children's Lives

To Children With Love Limited is an Irish registered charity originally founded to aid an orphanage in Khortolova, Western Russia.

TACC raise as much money as possible to support disadvantaged children in Scotland and in the countries that they visit to watch Scotland play.
www.tartanarmychildrenscharity.org.uk



Match
Announcement

Russia Fans
V
Tartan Army Select FC

Thursday 10th October 2019
Luzhniki Training Pitch 2
Moscow
13.00 kick off



WEDNESDAY/OCTOBER 9TH
8PM-3AM

NIGHT AFORE
PARTY

 FOOTBALL PARTY OF SCOTLAND FUN TEAM
DJ TAM COYLE

AT THE BAR THAT HOSTED THE WORLD CUP!
NIKOLSKAYA 10, MOSCOW **Papa's**

Tartan Army Sunshine Appeal

TASA will make their 75th consecutive donation in Moscow. The donation presentation will take place at 12 noon on Thursday 10th October where they will be donating £5,000 (circa 400,000RUB) to the Lighthouse Charity Foundation. The donation will be used to pay for much needed medical equipment, medicines, and support for the children and young adults, and families, in their care.

TASA will be meeting representatives at their new hospice building, which is scheduled to be fully operational in Spring 2020. The presentation will include details of the history of the charity, and those present will see for themselves the new facility which is nearing completion, and have the opportunity to speak with some of the management, coordinators, administrators and doctors involved.

For more details checkout
www.tasunshineappeal.scot



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SAINT PETERSBURG

Saint Petersburg is Russia's 2nd largest city after Moscow and is considered Russia's cultural capital. Was capital of the Russian Empire 1713-1728 and 1732-1918. Was renamed Leningrad after the death of Vladimir Lenin in 1924 until the break up of the Soviet Union in 1991. Offers a great number of buildings that could be served an image for a postcard. Many call the city an open-air museum implying the beauty of its streets, palaces, rivers, bridges. The main sights to be seen while visiting Saint Petersburg include

- the Nevsky avenue
- Kazan Cathedral (pictured right)
- St. Isaac Cathedral
- The Winter palace
- Palace square
- Catherine palace in a town of Pushkin
- Peterhof's fountains, parks and palaces
- The Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood (pictured below)
- Peter and Paul fortress
- Spit of the Vasilievsky island with rostral columns
- and at least one of the raised bridges (best of all, the Palace bridge, but really no matter which one).



All of them, except sightseeings in Peterhof and Pushkin and a raising bridge (which can be seen in the midnight only), are located along the routes of two bus city tour companies.

Bars

Fish Fabrique – Ligovskiy prospect 5 - Concerts start at 9pm Admission fee. Legendary St Petersburg venue. Live concerts and club nights

Bar Cuba Libre – Sadovaya ulitsa 7 - Open 24 hours. 200 cocktails plus music and dancing

Biblioteka – Nevskiy prospect 20 - Top floor bar in a building which also host a florists and several bookshops

Republic of Cats – Ulitsa Yakubovicha 10 - Socialise with cats whilst helping a local shelter

The Office pub – Kazanskaya ulitsa 5 – Irish pub. Does what it says on the tin

W St Petersburg – Voznesenskiy prospect 6 - Spectacular views from the terrace

Museums

C-189 Submarine Museum - Leytenanta Shmidta embankment (11-7 Wed-Sun) Launched in 1954 this 76 metre submarine served in the Soviet navy until 1990

Museum of Russian Vodka- 4 Konnogvardeisky Boulevard (Open daily 11-10) – Commercial museum with a restaurant.

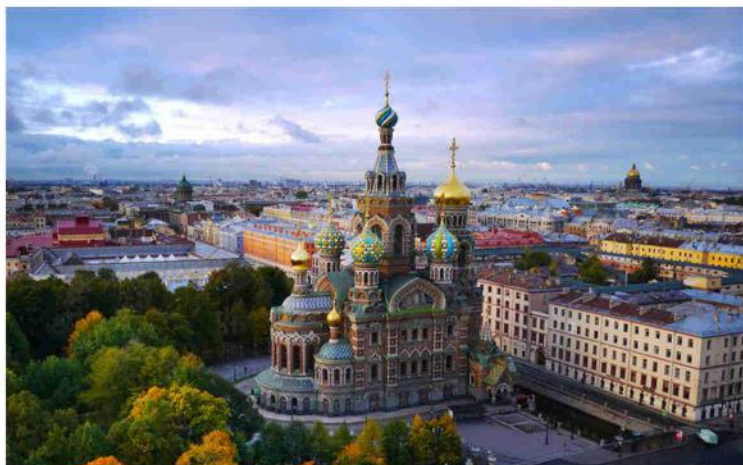
Museum of the Defence and Siege of Leningrad - 9 Solyanoy Pereulok (Thu- Mon 10-5) Museum commemorating the 900 day siege of the city by the Germans in WW2.

Transport

The city operates extensive subway network serving almost all districts. Public transport also consists of bus, trolleybus and tram network. There are private mini-buses marked with the letter K before the number of the route. The railway system consists of five stations serving both commuter and long-distance trains. Moskovsky train station (Moskovsky Vokzal) is where trains heading to Moscow leave from. The city has several dozens taxi services, all the operators are private companies.

St. Petersburg Guest Card

The city launched the visitor's card a few years ago, and it proved to be a very useful tool for travelers as it offers discounts or free access to many attractions and transport. The official website of the card is here: <https://petersburgcard.com/en/>



WINNING WORDS

Hello
Hello (informal)
How are you?
Good, thank you
What is your name?
My name is _____
Nice to meet you
Please
Thank you
You're welcome
Yes
No
Excuse me. (getting attention)
Excuse me. (begging pardon)
I'm sorry
Goodbye
I can't speak Russian [well]

Do you speak English?
Help!
Look out!
Good morning
Good evening
Good night (to sleep)
I don't understand
Where is the toilet?
I'm lost

Where is the train station?
Where is the British Embassy?

Здравствуйте. (ZDRAHST-vooy-tyeh)
Привет. (pree-VYEHT)
Как дела? (kahg dee-LAH?)
спасибо, Хорошо. (spah-SEE-buh kahh-rah-SHOH)
Как Вас зовут? (kahk vahs zah-VOOT?)
Меня зовут _____. (mee-NYAH zah-VOOT _____)
Очень приятно. (OH-cheen' pree-YAHT-nuh)
Пожалуйста. (pah-ZHAN-luh-stuh)
Спасибо. (spuh-SEE-buh)
Не за что. (NYEH-zuh-shtoh)
Да. (dah)
Нет. (nyeht)
Извините. (eez-vee-NEET-yeh)
Простите. (prah-STEET-yeh)
Простите. (prah-STEET-yeh)
До свидания. (duh svee-DAN-nyah.)
Я не говорю по-русски (хорошо). (yah nee guh-vah-RYOO pah ROO-skee [kahh-rah-SHOH])
Вы говорите по-английски? (vyh guh-vah-REE-tyeh pah ahn-GLEES-kee?)
Помогите! (puh-mah-GEE-tyeh!)
Осторожно!! (uhs-tah-ROH-zhnuh!)
Доброе утро. (DOH-bruh-yeh OO-truh)
Добрый вечер. (DOH-bryh VYEH-chuhr)
Спокойной ночи! (spah-KOY-nuy NOH-chee)
Я не понимаю. (ya nee puh-nee-MIGH-yoo)
Где туалет? (gdyeh too-ah-LYEHT?)
Я заблудился/заблудилась - (m/f). (yah zah-bloo-DEEL-suh / zah-bloo-DEE-luhs')
Как добраться до вокзала? (kahk dah-BRAH-tsuah duh vah-GZAH-luh?)
Как добраться до английского консульства? (kahk dah-BRAH-tsuah du ahng-LEES-kuh-vuh KOHN-sool'-stvuah)

Police!	Полиция! (poh-LEE-tyeh-yah!)
I lost my bag	Я потерял(а) свою сумку. (yah puh-teer-YAHL(-ah) svah-YOOH SOOM-kooh)
I lost my wallet	Я потерял(а) свой бумажник. (yah puh-teer-YAHL(-ah) svooy boo-MANZH-neek)
I'm sick	Я болен (m.) / Я больна (f.) (yah-BOH-leen (masculine) / yah-bah'-NAH (feminine))
I need a doctor	Мне нужен врач. (mnyeh NOO-zhyhn vrahch)
I need your help.	Мне нужна ваша помощь. (mnyeh noozh-NAH VAH-shah POH-muhsh)
Scotland	Шотландия (Shotlandiya)
Russia	Россия (Rossiya)

VS

Common signs

OPEN	Открыто
CLOSED	Закрыто
ENTRANCE	Вход
EXIT	Выход
PUSH	От себя
PULL	На себя
TOILET	Туалет
MEN	Мужской, М
WOMEN	Женский, Ж
Forbidden	Запрещено

Russian is a Slavic language spoken by 300+ Million people. Written in Cyrillic the Russian alphabet has 33 characters. Whilst many young or higher educated people know enough English to have a basic conversation generally speaking most Russians speak little or no English. If they can speak English they will.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

There is a page on the UK government website for advice
www.gov.uk/government/news/russia-v-scotland-travel-advice

Average Temperature in Moscow in October is 6°C
 Currency Rouble (RUB) - 100 kopeks
 Time zone (MSK) BST +2
 Associated plug types is C and F

A Visa is required to enter Russia, see the ATAC Visa Guide. Carry your passport with you at all times. A copy will not be sufficient.

Brexit will not happen before the trip to Russia so normal rules will apply if transiting through EU. There are no public holidays in Moscow in October.

Roubles are readily available in UK banks and currency exchange providers. Use US Dollars or Euros if you plan to buy roubles in Russia, only change money at banks, hotels and airport exchange bureaux. It is an offence to change money from street traders.

In recent weeks, several large-scale political demonstrations have taken place in Central Moscow. Some protests are not given police authorisation. Police detained large numbers of protestors at an unauthorised protest on 27 July. Reports indicate demonstrations are likely to continue to take place in Moscow. These protests usually happen on weekends. You should check the local media for the latest information, be vigilant, and avoid any demonstrations.

Drinking alcohol in public places is prohibited by law and punishable by a fine of 500-1500 RUB.

Health

The European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) is not valid in Russia, and the reciprocal healthcare agreement between the UK and Russia ended on 1 January 2016. You should take out travel and medical insurance before you travel.

The emergency services numbers in Russia is 112

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 Smolenskaya Naberezhnaya 10
 Russia

Embassy opening hours:

Monday to Friday, 9am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm

If you're in Russia and you need urgent help (for example, you've been attacked, arrested or someone has died), call +7 495 956 7200. If you're in the UK and worried about a British national in Russia, call 020 7008 1500.

ATAC would like to thank the following web sites and organisations for information in this Sporran Guide.

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www.theodora.com

We hope that you have found this useful, if you have any feedback or information you think would be useful for upcoming matches then get in contact with us via one of the social media channels on the foot of this page or by email to info@associationoftartanarmyclubs.com

Getting There

Moscow has 4 main airports

Sheremetyevo is 32km northwest. Aeroexpress is a rail link to Belorussky Railway Terminal (20 minutes metro from city centre), it takes 35 minutes, costs 500RUB (450RUB in advance). Buses 851 and 949 go to Metro Line 2 (Dark Green), 817 and 948 go to Metro Line 7 (Purple). Official Fixed price Taxi cost RUB1,800 Yandex from RUB850-1,000

Domodedovo is 45km southeast, Aeroexpress rail link to Paveletsky Railway Terminal (20 minutes metro from city centre), it takes 50 minutes, costs 500RUB (450RUB in advance). Commuter train takes 75 minutes and costs RUB132 Bus 308 go to Metro Line 2 (Dark Green). Official Fixed price Taxi cost RUB1,650 Yandex from RUB850-1,000

Vnukovo is 30km southwest, Aeroexpress rail link to Kievsky Railway Terminal (20 minutes metro from city centre), it takes 40 minutes, costs 500RUB (450RUB in advance). Bus 32 go to Metro Line 8A (Yellow). Bus 611 and 911 go to Metro Line 1 (Red) Yandex from RUB850-1,000

Zhukovsky is 40km southeast, Shuttle bus (RUB100) or shared taxi to Otdykh train station, then by a commuter train to Metro Line 7 (Purple) or regular train at Kazanskiy Railway Station. Express bus 441 to Metro Line 7 (Purple)

Train

Moscow has 9 railway terminals connecting to all parts of Russia, Europe and Asia. St Petersburg takes 4 hours on high speed Sapsan train or Overnight Paris-Moscow express takes 2 days via Berlin, Warsaw and Brest. Other connections to Helsinki, Vienna, Prague and Budapest. Trans-Siberian express is a 7 day train to Vladivostok alternatives include Beijing and Ulaanbaatar.

All railway stations have airport-style security. All bags will be scanned and passengers will need to go through detector arches.

Saint Petersburg Pulkovo Airport is 20km south of the city centre with bus number 39 to nearby Metro stations and train stations that service the city centre. Taxis from the Service booth cost about RUB1,000-1,400, Yandex app from RUB500-900.

St. Petersburg's oldest and busiest rail station, Moscow Station (Moskovsky Vokzal) is located in the very centre of the city on Ploshchad Vosstaniya, at the junction between Nevsky Prospekt and Ligovsky Prospekt. The station is served by two metro stations, Ploshchad Vosstaniya on the red line and Mayakovskaya on the green line. Moskovsky train station is where trains heading to Moscow leave from.

Do NOT accept an offer of a taxi ride from around the arrivals lounge claiming to be official drivers - these are scammers who use meters charging RUB900 per kilometre



UEFA EURO2020

GROUP I



Pos	Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
1	Belgium	6	6	0	0	19	1	18	18
2	Russia	6	5	0	1	18	4	14	15
3	Kazakhstan	6	2	1	3	8	9	-1	7
4	Cyprus	6	2	1	3	11	6	5	7
5	Scotland	6	2	0	4	5	13	-8	6
6	San Marino	6	0	0	6	0	28	-28	0

—	3-1	3-0	19-Nov	3-0	10-Oct
16-Nov	—	1-0	1-0	10-Oct	9-0
13-Oct	0-4	—	10-Oct	3-0	4-0
0-2	13-Oct	1-1	—	16-Nov	5-0
0-4	1-2	19-Nov	2-1	—	13-Oct
0-4	19-Nov	16-Nov	0-4	0-2	—



10th October (MSK)

17:00	Kazakhstan	v	Cyprus	Nur-Sultan
21:45	Belgium	v	San Marino	Brussels
21:45	Russia	v	Scotland	Moscow

13th October (BST)

14:00	Kazakhstan	v	Belgium	Nur-Sultan
17:00	Cyprus	v	Russia	Nicosia
17:00	Scotland	v	San Marino	Glasgow



League C Play Offs

The 4 participants for Path C of the Nations League play offs will be determined by a draw on Friday 22nd November. Originally allocated to the 4 group winners in League C this changes if teams qualify directly. If the group tables finished as they are now Finland would no longer require a play off, League A and B would require a 4th team as only 3 have not qualified. Therefore teams ranked 29th-31st Bulgaria, Israel and Hungary will gain entry into the play offs. The draw principle is to keep host nations in separate play off paths, that would put Hungary into path B to avoid fellow hosts Netherlands and Scotland. There would then be a draw to determine if Bulgaria or Hungary go to Path A or C. Scotland would host one of those teams in the semi on Thursday 26th March. Norway and Serbia would be the second semi-final. At the draw one of the semi-finals will be determined as hosts for the final. This is just an indication as it will change over the last 4 matchdays.

League C Rankings

Rank	Team	Group	Pos	Pld	Pts
25	Scotland[H]	I	5th	6	6
26	Norway	F	4th	6	9
27	Serbia	B	3rd	5	7
28	Finland	J	2nd	6	12 (q)
29	Bulgaria	A	5th	5	2
30	Israel	G	5th	6	8
31	Hungary[H]	E	3rd	5	9
32	Romania[H]	F	3rd	6	10
33	Greece	J	6th	6	5
34	Albania	H	4th	6	9
35	Montenegro	A	4th	5	2
36	Cyprus	I	4th	6	7
37	Estonia	C	5th	5	0
38	Slovenia	G	2nd	6	11 (q)
39	Lithuania	B	5th	5	1

(q) In position to qualifier directly to Euro 2020

[H] Euro 2020 Host

Play Off Path A

Rank	Team
2	Netherlands[H]
4	Switzerland
12	Iceland
CA	League C

Play Off Path B

13	Bosnia and Herzegovina
18	Austria
19	Wales
CB	League C

Play Off Path C

25	Scotland[H]
26	Norway
27	Serbia
CC	League C

Play Off Path D

40	Georgia
41	North Macedonia
42	Kosovo
43	Belarus

Other Scotland matches October 2019

Scotland's men and women youth teams will also be in action during October in European Championship fixtures. Dates and times are given in Moscow time (MSK) as well as BST but they are subject to change so confirm before arranging travel.

	MSK	BST				
2nd Oct	18:00	16:00	Bulgaria	v	Scotland	Belchatow, Poland 2020 WU19 Euro Qualifier
5th Oct	17:00	15:00	Scotland	v	Croatia	Sieradz, Poland 2020 WU19 Euro Qualifier
8th Oct	16:00	14:00	Poland	v	Scotland	Lodz, Poland 2020 WU19 Euro Qualifier
9th Oct	21:00	19:00	Belarus	v	Scotland	Capielow, Greenock 2020 MU19 Euro Qualifier
10th Oct		tbk	Scotland	v	Lithuania	Tynecastle, Edinburgh 2021 MU21 Euro Qualifier
12th Oct	14:00	12:00	Scotland	v	Andorra	Dumbarton 2020 MU19 Euro Qualifier
14th Oct		tbk	Czech Republic	v	Scotland	Uherské Hradiště, Czech 2021 MU21 Euro Qualifier
14th Oct	19:30	17:30	Northern Ireland	v	Scotland	Oriam, Edinburgh 2020 WU17 Euro Qualifier
15th Oct	21:05	19:05	Scotland	v	Germany	Firhill, Glasgow 2020 MU19 Euro Qualifier
17th Oct	19:30	17:30	Scotland	v	Montenegro	Oriam, Edinburgh 2020 WU17 Euro Qualifier
20th Oct	14:30	12:30	Scotland	v	Italy	Ainslie Park, Edinburgh 2020 WU17 Euro Qualifier
22nd Oct	20:00	18:00	Scotland	v	Armenia	Forthbank, Stirling 2020 MU17 Euro Qualifier
25th Oct	20:00	18:00	Scotland	v	Iceland	Forthbank, Stirling 2020 MU17 Euro Qualifier
28th Oct	21:05	19:05	Croatia	v	Scotland	Forthbank, Stirling 2020 MU17 Euro Qualifier

Rugby Union World Cup 2019

The day before the match at the Luzhniki Scotland play Russia in the Rugby Union World Cup Finals in Japan. Papas Bar and Grill will be showing the game and open from 9AM.

Scotland vs Russia
10:15 MSK
08:15 BST
9th October
Shizuoka



Japan vs Scotland
13:45 MSK
11:45 BST
13th October
Yokohama

