

# EKATERINBURG EASTERN CAPITAL



Ekaterinburg formerly (1924–91) Sverdlovsk, city and administrative centre of Sverdlovsk *oblast* (region), west-central Russia. Near the village of Shartash, which was founded in 1672 by members of the Russian sect of Old Believers, an ironworks was established in 1721 and a fortress in 1722. The town grew as the administrative centre for all the ironworks of the Urals region, and its importance increased after 1783, when the Great Siberian Highway was built through it. After 1878 the Trans-Siberian Railroad linked the city with Siberia. After the Russian Revolution of 1917 (October), Yekaterinburg achieved notoriety as the scene of the execution of the last tsar, Nicholas II, and his family in July 1918. In 1924 it was renamed Sverdlovsk in honour of the Bolshevik leader Yakov M. Sverdlov, but the city reverted to its original name in 1991.

Modern Yekaterinburg is one of the major industrial centres of Russia, especially for heavy engineering. The Uralmash produces heavy machinery and is the city's largest enterprise; it once employed some 50,000 workers, though it now has a small fraction of that number. Engineering products manufactured in the city include metallurgical and chemical machinery, turbines, diesels, and ball bearings.



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## DAY 1 INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE OF USSR

Arrival in Ekaterinburg. Meeting with the guide

- 12:00-14:00** Ekaterinburg City Sightseeing Tour (including museum of Architecture and Industrial Heritage and Old Water Tower)
- 14:00-15:00** **Lunch at historical Restaurant “Fabrika Kukhnya”**
- 15:00-15:30** Transfer to Verkhnya Pyshma  
Walking Tour in the Indoor and Outdoor Expositions of Achievements of National Mechanical engineering
- 16:00-17:30**
- 17:30-19:00** Visiting production divisions of Ural Mining and Metallurgical Company
- 19:00-20:00** Transfer to Ekaterinburg, time to refresh
- 20:00-21:30** **Dinner in Visotskiy restaurant on the 51<sup>st</sup> floor with the best view of the city**
- 21:30-22:00** Transfer to hotel. Overnight





## DAY 2 URALVAGONZAVOD EXPERIENCE

- 07:30-07:45** Meeting with the guide at the hotel
- 07:45-09:45** Travel excursion on the way to Nizhny Tagil  
Arrival to the central entrance Uralvagonzavod. Instructing, obtaining personal protective equipment
- 09:45-10:00**
- 10:00-12:00** Excursion to the units where freight railcars and tanks are made
- 12:00-13:00** **Lunch at corporate plant's canteen**
- 13.00-13:30** Visiting the colouring unit
- 13:30-15:00** Excursion to the Museum of armored vehicles
- 15:00-16:00** Walking tour of the exhibition of rolling stock
- 16:00-18:00** Transfer back to Ekaterinburg
- 18:00-19:45** Free time to refresh  
Meeting with the guide and transfer for dinner
- 20:00-22:00** **Dinner in authentic Demidov Museum-Cafe**
- 22:00-22:30** Transfer to hotel



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## EKATERINBURG CITY SIGHTSEEING TOUR

Enjoy the picturesque view of Iset River and its Dam – the place where the city was founded. Walking down the Historical Square you will both learn the history of the city and see the Coin Yard, Sevastyanov Estate, Labor Square, zero kilometer of Ekaterinburg, museum of fine arts, one of its exhibits being the Gran Prix winner of the Exposition Universelle in Paris in 1900. You'll look at the buildings of the administration of the city, region and the Ural Federal District, theatres and cinemas, headquarters of the Volga and Urals military districts, square of the Soviet army and its prominent memorial. Then you will go up the Ascension hill to the Ascension church – one of the oldest in the city.

## LUNCH AT THE FABRIKA KUKHNYA RESTAURANT

### TRANSFER TO VERKHNYAYA PYSHMA

The copper capital of the Urals, satellite city of Yekaterinburg. Recently, the city is actively developing, transforming and acquiring all the new sights thanks to the city-forming enterprise.

### INDOOR AND OUTDOOR EXPOSITIONS OF ACHIEVEMENTS OF NATIONAL MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Museum was established in 2006 and since then is constantly expanding and is replenished with new exhibits. Now it is difficult to believe that the museum began with only 10 exhibits. The museum consists of an open area, a three-story building of the exhibition center (opened in 2013) and a museum of automotive vehicles of the USSR (opened in 2016). All the exhibits can be touched and some can be driven!

## DINNER IN VISOTSKIY RESTAURANT ON THE 51ST FLOOR WITH THE BEST VIEW OF THE CITY

**CUISINE:** European, Russian

"Vertical" is the highest restaurant in the Urals and a worthy attraction of Yekaterinburg, which should be definitely seen by the guests of the city. A breathtaking view of the city from the height of the bird will not leave indifferent any guest! The snow-white interior of the restaurant, elegant tables, crystal chandeliers, a white piano - this "airy" design creates a special atmosphere filled with restrained luxury and romance.



# URALVAGONZAVOD

## NIZHNY TAGIL

Nizhny Tagil is one of the largest industrial centers of the Urals and the second largest city in the Sverdlovsk region. It is often called the "city of factories." 356,288 people live here. Nizhny Tagil is the administrative center of the eponymous municipality, which includes 23 nearby settlements.

## VISITING EXHIBITION AND INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX OF URALVAGONZAVOD

In the units that we will visit, make axles, wheelsets, wagon carts, collect freight cars and tanks. It looks like simple pieces of iron, they are born very effectively.

## LUNCH AT CORPORATE PLANT CANTEEN

## MUSEUM OF ARMORED VEHICLES

The museum has collected almost everything that was ever invented and released by Uralvagonzavod to technically knead native and other people's dirt, dust and asphalt with caterpillars. Museum of armored vehicles is a very good place, not serving in the army, check whether you are a tanker. Enough to get inside the tank: the smaller protrusions you find with sides and head, the higher your suitability. Every third freight car produced right now on the railways of Russia is produced at UVZ. On the open area of the exhibition of wagon technology, samples of domestic freight trains of the late XIX - early XXI century were collected. Among them are the rarest monuments of railway equipment.

## DINNER AT DEMIDOV MUSEUM-CAFE RESTAURANT

The cafe-museum was opened in 2002 in a wooden mansion in the Art Nouveau style, which was built in 1890. There are two halls in the cafe: the first one - Demidovsky - the main one, the second one - the "Bear", named so because of the bear's skin on the wall, which the owner of the establishment Mikhail Goryunov at the time hunted. On the second floor of the mansion there is "Demidov's drawing room" and "Malachite cabinet", where, on special occasions, an old gramophone with plates of Shalyapin, Vertinsky, Sobinov and Caruso are being built. The interior retained the stone masonry of the turn of the XIX-XX centuries, on the benches were laid bear skins. The cafe specializes in Russian cuisine with a Uralic bias (hence the name) - the ear of Demidovskaya with pies, borshch Lomayevsky with belyashas, solyanka Rastorguevskaya, beef stroganoffs Ermak".



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