RUSSIA (10) DAYS TOUR
Visit: Moscow and St. Petersburg

TOUR ITINERARY:

DAY 01 MANILA / MOSCOW
Assemble at the airport for your departure flight to Moscow - capital city and the most populous federal subject of Russia. Overnight on board.

DAY 02 MOSCOW (L.D.)
Morning arrival at the Moscow Domodedovo Airport. Meet by our local guide for full day sightseeing. Visit Red Square – is a city square in Moscow, the square separates the Kremlin, the former Royal Citadel and currently the official residence of the President of Russia. Then visit Lenin's Mausoleum also known as Lenin's Tomb, situated in Red Square in the center of Moscow, is the Mausoleum that serves as the current resting place of Vladimir Lenin. His embalmed body has been on public display there since shortly after his death in 1924.
Visit Saint Basil's Cathedral a Russian Orthodox Cathedral erected on Red Square in Moscow in 1555-1561. Built in the order of Ivan IV of Russia to commemorate the capture of Kazan and Astrakhan, it marks the geometric center of the city and the hub of its growth since the 14th century. It was the tallest building of Moscow until the completion of the Ivan The Great bell tower in 1600 then entrance to the Moscow Metro – A rapid transit system serving a large part of Moscow, Russia as well as the neighboring city of Krasnogorsk, Moscow oblast. With its first section opening in 1935, it was the first underground railing system in Soviet Union, most of the system is situated underground. Moscow Metro is the World's Second most heavily used rapid transit system after Tokyo's. Lunch at local restaurant. Dinner at Chinese Restaurant. Overnight stay at Holiday Inn Lesnaya Hotel or similar class.

DAY 03 MOSCOW (B.L.D.)
Hot buffet breakfast at the hotel. Full day sightseeing tour, visit the Kremlin – this 28 hectare fortress called Kremel in Russian, emerged in the 12th Century as a wooden encampment, and survived many an invader to become synonymous with modern totalitarianism in the 20th century. Entrance to the Kremlin plus Cathedral – visit the Cathedral of the Assumption, the oldest church in the Kremlin and most importantly the seat of the Russian Orthodox church was transferred here from Vladimir 1326, Making it the centre of the state of Muscovy and the most powerful of the Russian principalities.
Entrance to Annunciation Cathedral – the Russian Royal Families private Orthodox Church services. It was connected to the personnel chamber of the Tsar. Then visit the Cathedral of the Archangel – contains the tombs (46 altogether) of all the rulers of Muscovy and Russia from the 14th Century until Peter the Great moved the Capital to St. Petersburg. Then visit the Church of the Deposition of the Robe – the church's name refer to the robe of the Virgin Mary, a prized relic which was believe to have saved Constantinople from attackers on several occasions. When the city was threatened the robe was paraded around the walls. In Moscow, an icon kept in this church was put to the same use. Then visit the Cathedral of the Twelve Apostles in The Patriarch's Palace. View the Ivan the Great Bell Tower – which at a height of 81 meters, was the tallest building in all Russia for almost 400 years. Visit Armoury Chamber; a treasure house is a part of the Grand Kremlin Palace's Complex. It is situated in the building constructed in 1851 by Architect Konstantin Ton. The museum collections were based on the precious items that had been preserved for centuries in the Tsar's treasury and the patriarch's vestry. Lunch at local restaurant. Dinner at Chinese Restaurant. Overnight stay at Holiday Inn Lesnaya Hotel or similar class.

DAY 04 MOSCOW (B.L.D.)
Hot buffet breakfast at the hotel. Morning half day sightseeing – visit to the Cathedral of Christ the Saviour – it is the tallest Eastern Orthodox church in the world. It is situated in Moscow, on the banks of the Moskva River, a few blocks west of the Kremlin the Cathedral was commissioned by Tsar Alexander I on December 25, 1812, following the defeat and withdrawal of Napoleon's Troops from Russia.
The Tsar proclaimed the Cathedral a monument of gratitude for the intervention of "Divine Providence for saving Russia" from doom and as a memorial to the sacrifices of the Russian People. Visit to Manezh Shopping Complex – partially underground the Okhotny Ryad or Manezh Underground shopping mall can be entered from Metro without even venturing into the sunlight. Then visit Gum Department Store. Lunch at local restaurant. Dinner at Chinese Restaurant. Overnight stay at Holiday Inn Lesnaya Hotel or similar class.

DAY 05 MOSCOW / ST. PETERSBURG (B.L.D.)
Hot buffet breakfast at the hotel. Morning halfday excursion to Sergiev Posad, entrance to the Zagorsk Monastery – St. Sergius Cathedral grounds and chapel at the well included. Then view Moscow University and visit Arbat Street. Lunch at local restaurant. Transfer out to the airport to take the flight to St. Petersburg via S7 flight. Upon arrival, meet and transfer for dinner. Overnight stay at Holiday Inn St. Petersburg – Mosk or similar class.

DAY 06 ST. PETERSBURG / PUSHKIN / PETRODVORETS / ST. PETERSBURG (B.L.D.)
Hot buffet breakfast at the hotel. Full day excursion Pushkin – Petrodvorets - Located 25 kilometer away from St. Petersburg, where we visit Catherine’s Palace and Park which are among Russia’s top historical recreation complexes. Entrance to Catherine’s Palace and see its magnificent interior and treasures. Where you can stroll along the park’s alleys and path. Afternoon visit Petrodvorets – situated on Southern Shore of the Gulf of Finland, 29 KM from St. Petersburg. The town is famous for its series of palaces and gardens known as the Peterhof Palace, laid out on the orders of Peter the Great, and sometimes called the “Russian Versailles”. One of the most famous aspects of Peterhof Palace is the Samson Fountain and Grand Cascade. The fountains of the Grand Cascade are located below the grotto and on either side of it. Their waters flow into a semicircular pool, the terminus of the fountain-lined Sea Channel. In the 1730s, the large Samson Fountain was placed in this pool. It depicts the moment when Samson tears open the jaws of a lion, representing Russia’s victory over Sweden in the Great Northern War. Lunch and dinner will be provided at local restaurant. Overnight stay at Holiday Inn St. Petersburg or similar class.

DAY 07 ST. PETERSBURG (B.L.D.)
Hot buffet breakfast at the hotel. Full day sightseeing tour includes entrance to the Peter and Paul fortress (Includes Cathedral), View of the Bronze Horseman statue (Statue of Peter and Great). Entrance to the Hermitage Museum (also known as Winter Palace) – A museum of art and culture in St. Petersburg. One of the largest and oldest museum of the Worlds. It was founded in 1764 by Catherine the great and open to the public since 1852. Its collection of which only small part is on permanent display. Comprise over 3 million items including the largest collection of paintings in the world. The collection occupy a large complex of six historic buildings along palace embankment including the winter palace, a former residence of Russia Emperor. Lunch and dinner will be provided. Overnight stay at Holiday Inn St. Petersburg or similar class.

DAY 08 ST. PETERSBURG (B.L.D.)
Hot buffet breakfast at the hotel. Full day sightseeing tour – visit Spas – NA – Krovi (Church of our Saviour on the Blood) located at ZA Griboedova Canal Embankment, a church constructed in 1883 – 1907. On the site where Emperor Alexander it was mortally wounded, hence the common name of the church “Saviour on the Blood” the construction was financed by state grants and private donation the design of the Nine – dome building that could hold up to 1,600 people followed that of 16th – 17th centuries museum churches, it is noted for its complex and pictures silhouette and rich mosaic décor, then visit St. Isaac’s Cathedral – originally the city’s main church and largest cathedral in Russia, it was build between 1818 and 1858 by French born Architect Auguste Montferrand, to be one of the most impressive landmark of the Russian Imperial Capital. Entrance to the Kazan Cathedral. Lunch and dinner will be provided. Overnight stay at Holiday Inn St. Petersburg or similar class.

DAY 09 ST. PETERSBURG / MOSCOW / MANILA (B.)
Hot buffet breakfast at the hotel. Free time until transfer out to the airport to take the flight to Moscow. Upon arrival in Moscow airport, we will take the flight back to Manila. Overnight on board.

DAY 10 ARRIVAL MANILA
Arrive Manila with warm and pleasant memories of Russia.

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*** END OF TOUR ***

LEGEND : B – Breakfast  L – Lunch D – Dinner

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