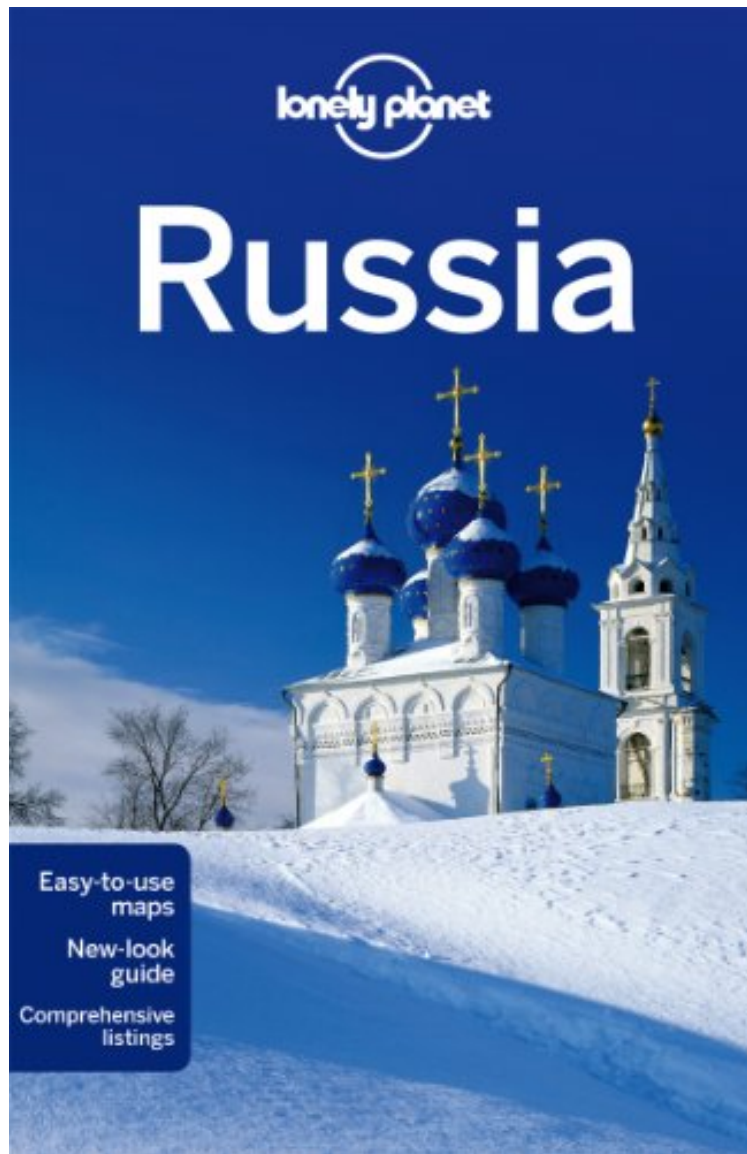


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All of it. Every other travel guide to Russia available today will cover Moscow, St. Petersburg, and probably the Golden Ring, but that's all you'll get. The rest of the country, literally 90 percent of it, will be ignored. This book is different. You get good, comprehensive coverage of Russia from coast to coast, across all nine time zones. Moscow and St. Petersburg, obviously, are feature attractions and get major chapters, but so do the cities along the Volga River and fascinating cities along the trans-Siberian. Want a good introduction to the lovely capital of Tatarstan, the city of Kazan? You'll get it here. Want to understand why the Siberian cities of Tomsk and Irkutsk are worth a journey? You'll find those reasons, and the practical information you'll need to get there, in this book. I've spent a lot of time in the Russian cities of Ulyanovsk and Bryansk, both of which are included in this book. Most people will have never heard of these cities. This guide brings you the Russia of the provinces. I bought the Lonely Planet guide to the USSR way back when I first traveled to Russia not long after the fall of Communism, and I've been using Lonely Planet in Russia ever since. You're simply not going to find a guide that combines the breadth of coverage with a depth cultivated by decades of refinement. Another thing that helps distinguish this guide is its relatively irreverent treatment of the sometimes surly Russian service attitude. While the situation is improving, it's nice to know where old Soviet-style service practices linger on so you can steer clear of those establishments. If there's a weak point to this guide, it's the relative lack of discussion of Russia's enormously diverse geography. There are landscapes in Russia so beautiful that they have inspired poets for centuries. From the Caucasus mountains to the rolling central steppes to the great eastern rivers, there's more here than can possibly be covered in one book, or in one lifetime. And though the coverage of the geography is a bit thin, the book DOES mention that an overnight trip on a Russian train is a must. This experience will give you hours of time to stand at the window and take it all in - the vast Russian land where you'll see not a single man-made object for miles. Russia is a country that a traveler simply can not appreciate without SOME history, because Russia's history is so immensely important to, and indicative of its rich culture. This book will give you that overview, to enrich your experience while you learn about one of the most fascinating and important countries on earth. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. ... in print and not enlarge able as to be useless. The maps would not enlarge either to allow ... By Lynette Walker I find online editions very difficult to follow because there is no comprehensive index - if there is one it is so small in print and not enlarge able as to be useless. The maps would not enlarge either to allow me to examine just a part of one. I will not purchase another lonely planet guide book for an e reader. If you can luck on the information you are seeking it is as useful as a hard copy but luck shouldn't have anything to do with it. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Lonely Planet Russia By Margaret Keirstead I gave this book five stars because it is so thorough. There is detailed information about every city and region, plus a section at the back on Russian history, politics, culture and modern society. Each city is divided by neighborhood with a paragraph on each attraction. The attractions are first given in a list, with the "must-see" attractions listed first. Photographs are included, but not so many as to detract from the text. I will use Lonely Planet Travel Guides in all my travels.

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