



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Russian Union of Scouts invites you to Russia to take part in the 25th anniversary celebration of the Vetluga scout camp in summer 2019! Take an exciting journey to discover the unique Russian culture, make friends with Russian scouts, and share scout traditions and skills.

We gladly assist you in obtaining all the necessary travel documents, including visas and letters of invitation. Moreover, our friend Funko from Solmser Pfadfinderschaft, Germany, who has already visited our camp for 4 times, offers his help in organizing a trip to all WFIS associations. The scouts from our staff are ready to accompany you during your entire stay in Russia.



Explore Russia with Scouts

The Russian Union of Scouts is headquartered in the city of Nizhny Novgorod, which is most conveniently reached via Moscow. Our scouts are available to meet you in Moscow airports and take you in a city tour, show you the sightseeing highlights and organize museum visits based on your preferences and free time.

There are three ways to go from Moscow to Nizhny Novgorod. Enjoy a comfortable speed train ride and reach us in 3.5 hours; or a minibus that takes 5-6 hours to travel; or a one-hour flight to save time. Choose what is the best for you and we will help you arrange it! Our scouts will meet you in Nizhny Novgorod and accommodate you in our headquarters.



Together we will explore the city's attractions, including the ancient Kremlin on the bank of the Volga River, and take a boat tour to see the city from a new perspective.

Optionally, you can visit the old merchant town of Gorodets, located an hour's drive from Nizhny Novgorod, and take a tour to Semyonov, a major center for traditional Russian handcrafts, such as Khokhloma wood painting and Matryoshka dolls.

During your trip, we take all your worries off your hands, organize an individual tourist program for your group, guide you around Moscow and Nizhny Novgorod, and book museum and transport tickets.



Travel Costs and Prices

Prices in Russia are more than affordable, given the current exchange rate (€1 = ₴75). For you to consider your expenses, a train ticket from Moscow to Nizhny Novgorod costs only about €20. A subway ticket costs about €0.50. A meal in a café costs €5-10 per person, and a boat tour in Nizhny Novgorod costs €4 per ticket.

Enjoy the Vetluga Scout Camp

The Vetluga scout camp dates are from July 10th to July 26th, 2019. You can choose any convenient time within this period and combine, for example, one week to visit the camp and one week to travel around. The camp is located 150 km from Nizhny Novgorod in a picturesque meadow along the lake. You can easily get there by an electric train; the nearest train station is 2 km away from the camp.



In 2019, we will celebrate the 25th anniversary of our camp. The program will include various scout activities, such as campfires (open fire is allowed), pioneering (we have many, many poles!), role-playing games, an international day, climbing, archery and rifles, first aid training, swimming, lake rafting, and different sports competitions.

We are ready to provide you any camping equipment, including tents, tarpaulins, campfire tools, firewood, poles for construction, rope, saws, axes, and kitchen stuff. There is no centralized catering in the camp; each patrol cooks their own food in their subcamp. The camp is supplied with electricity and equipped with washing stands and showers. Annually, about 300 scouts visit the Vetluga camp; their health, wellness, and safety are ensured by professional doctors.



The camp fee is €16 per day. The food products for cooking are included in the fee. Registration is now open! The final registration date is April 1, 2019.

We look forward to meeting you in Russia! For any questions, feel free to contact our International Relations Chief, Dmitry Brazhkin, at dmitry.brazhkin@gmail.com or use our official email ruscout.world@gmail.com.