



St Petersburg's Historic Heart

This stroll takes in the grandeur of central St Petersburg, with its magnificent palaces, churches, canals, bridges and statues.

Start Dvortsovaya pl

Distance 2km

Duration three hours



2 On the Moyka River is the **Pushkin Flat-Museum** (www.museumpushkin.ru; adult/student R250/150; ☎10.30am-5pm Wed-Sun), former residence of Russia's most celebrated poet.

1 Magnificent **Palace Square** is simply one of the world's most striking plazas.

Classic Photo The must-have St Petersburg bridge shot from Bankovsky most.



6 The **Kazan Cathedral** is a formidable sight. Behind it, **Bankovsky most** is the city's most picturesque bridge.

Take a Break Hit Gräs x Mad-baren for great Scandi-Russian fusion dishes.

3 **Konyushennaya ploshchad** is dominated by the 18th-century court stables.

4 The spectacular **Church of the Saviour on the Spilled Blood** is backed by shady **Mikhailovsky Garden**.



5 Pretty **Ploshchad Iskusstv** is ringed by celebrated cultural institutions, including the **Russian Museum**.

8 **Ploshchad Ostrovskogo** has an impressive statue of Catherine the Great; admire the **Alexandrinsky Theatre** facade.

7 **Bolshoy Gostiny Dvor** is an 18th-century trading arcade still serving shoppers.

