



Moscow

**“All you’ve got to do is decide to go
and the hardest part is over.**

So go!”

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(left) **Cathedral of Christ the Saviour p127** Dancers on Patriarshy footbridge.

(above) **Mayakovskaya station p39** Art deco masterpiece of the Metro.

(right) **Matryoshki (nesting dolls)**



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Top Itineraries

Day One

Kremlin & Kitay Gorod (p58)

 Arrive at the Kremlin ticket office at 9.30am sharp to reserve your time to enter the **Armoury**. Dedicate your morning to inspecting the ancient icons and gawking at the gold and gems in the Kremlin. Afterwards, stroll through **Alexander Garden** and catch the changing of the guard at the **Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**. Exiting Alexander Garden, jump right into the queue on Red Square for **Lenin's Tomb** before it closes at 1pm.



Lunch Have lunch at Bosco Cafe (p83) or Stolovaya No 57 (p83).

Kremlin & Kitay Gorod (p58)

 Linger over lunch as long as you like, ogling the Kremlin spires and St Basil's domes. If you wish to see the interior of the **cathedral**, you can do so after lunch. Otherwise, stroll through **Kitay Gorod**, discovering the countless **17th-century churches** and checking out **Park Zaryadye**.



Dinner Dine at a restaurant on ul Petrovka, such as Lavka-Lavka (p95).

Tverskoy (p86)

 Get tickets in advance to see a show at the world-famous **Bolshoi Theatre**. Afterwards, enjoy a late-evening drink at **3205** in Hermitage Garden.

Day Two

Khamovniki (p118)

 A beautiful 17th-century bell tower is the beacon that will guide you to the historic fortress of **Novodevichy Convent**, which contains nearly five centuries of history. After admiring the art and architecture, head next door to the eponymous cemetery, where many famous political and cultural figures are laid to rest.



Lunch Indulge in a traditional lunch at Golubka (p134) or browse the offerings at Usachevsky Market (p134).

Arbat (p118)

 Make your way into the Arbat district for an afternoon of art appreciation. Peruse the collections of the world-famous **Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts**, or investigate one of the smaller niche galleries, such as the whimsical **Burganov House** or the provocative **Multimedia Art Museum**.



Dinner Sample irresistible Russian steaks at Voronezh (p134) or scrumptious Georgian cuisine at Elardzhi (p133).

Arbat (p118)

 After dinner you can stroll along Moscow's most famous street – **the Arbat** – enjoying the talents of buskers and the atmosphere of old Moscow. If you prefer a more formal setting for your entertainment, catch a concert at **Rhythm Blues Cafe**.



Day Three

Zamoskvorechie (p139)

 Get an early start to beat the crowds to the **Tretyakov Gallery**. Take your time inspecting the icons, examining the Peredvizhniki, marvelling at the Russian Revival and ogling the avant-garde.



Lunch Grab lunch at Mizandari (p148) at Red October.

Zamoskvorechie (p139)

 After lunch, stroll along the **Krymskaya naberezhnaya**, where you can frolic in fountains and explore the outdoor art gallery at **Art Muzeon**. Then head across the street to **Gorky Park** for an afternoon of bicycle riding or boat paddling. Stay into the evening for outdoor cinema, sundowners, and drinking and dancing under the stars.



Dinner Grab a burger at AC/DC in Tbilisi (p148) and wash it down with a cider from Le Boule (p152).

Zamoskvorechie (p139)

 It's easy to while away a summer evening in Gorky Park. But if you're up for something more, the former **Red October** factory is now the city's hottest nightlife spot, jam-packed with eating, drinking and entertainment venues. Let yourself wander, stopping here for desert, there for drinks, and somewhere else for dancing. Explore the galleries. Rock the bar scene. Have fun.

Day Four

Basmanny (p156)

 Reserve the morning for shopping at the **Vernisage market**, crammed with souvenir stalls selling everything from silver samovars to Soviet propaganda posters to modern pop-culture *matryoshki* (nesting dolls). The market gets crowded on weekends, so arrive early to beat the crowds and get the best deals.



Lunch Izmaylovsky Market (p161) is famous for its grilled *shashlyk* kebabs).

Basmanny (p156)

 On your way back to the centre, make a stop at **Flakon** and **Khlebozavod No 9** or **Winzavod** and nearby **ArtPlay** to see what's happening in Moscow's former industrial spaces. These contemporary art centres now undertake a different kind of production – art, fashion and design. See what Moscow's most creative minds are up to, and perhaps take home a really unique souvenir.



Dinner Reserve your table for a *haute-russe* feast at Cafe Pushkin (p111).

Presnya (p103)

 Dinner at the Cafe Pushkin is a multicourse medley of old-fashioned Russian cuisine (accompanied by plenty of vodka shots). If you're still standing afterwards, head to **Jagger** for sunset drinks and dancing the night away.

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- Beach
- Bird Sanctuary
- Buddhist
- Castle/Palace
- Christian
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- Hindu
- Islamic
- Jain
- Jewish
- Monument
- Museum/Gallery/Historic Building
- Ruins
- Shinto
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- Taoist
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- Diving
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- Eating

Drinking & Nightlife

- Drinking & Nightlife
- Cafe

Entertainment

- Entertainment

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- Shopping

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- Hospital/Medical
- Internet
- Police
- Post Office
- Telephone
- Toilet
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- Gate
- Hut/Shelter
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- Lookout
- Mountain/Volcano
- Oasis
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- Pass
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- Waterfall

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- Capital (National)
- Capital (State/Province)
- City/Large Town
- Town/Village

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- Metro station
- Monorail
- Parking
- Petrol station
- S-Bahn/Subway station
- Taxi
- T-bane/Tunnelbana station
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- Disputed
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Hydrography

- River, Creek
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- Water
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- Reef

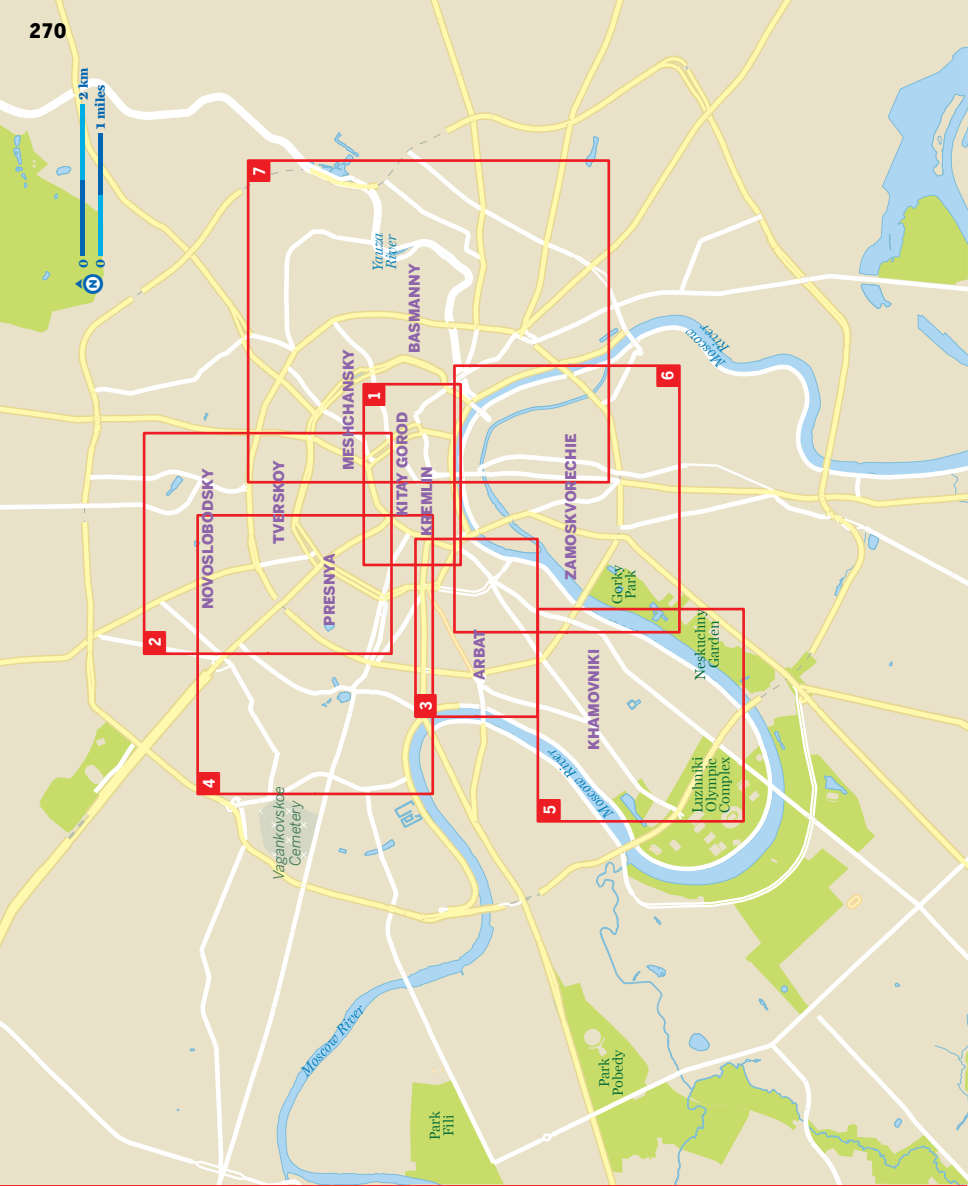
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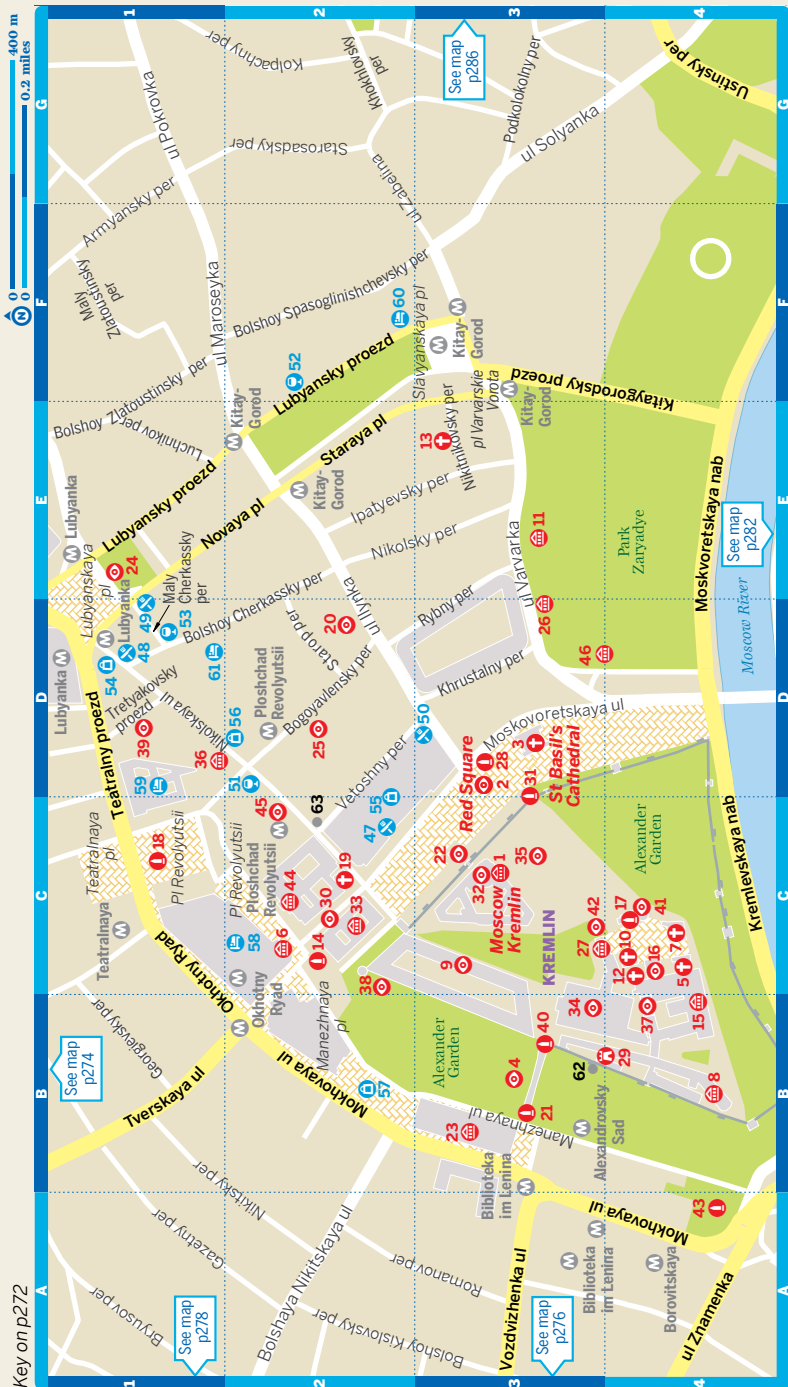
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KREMLIN & KITAY GOROD



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KREMLIN & KITAY GOROD

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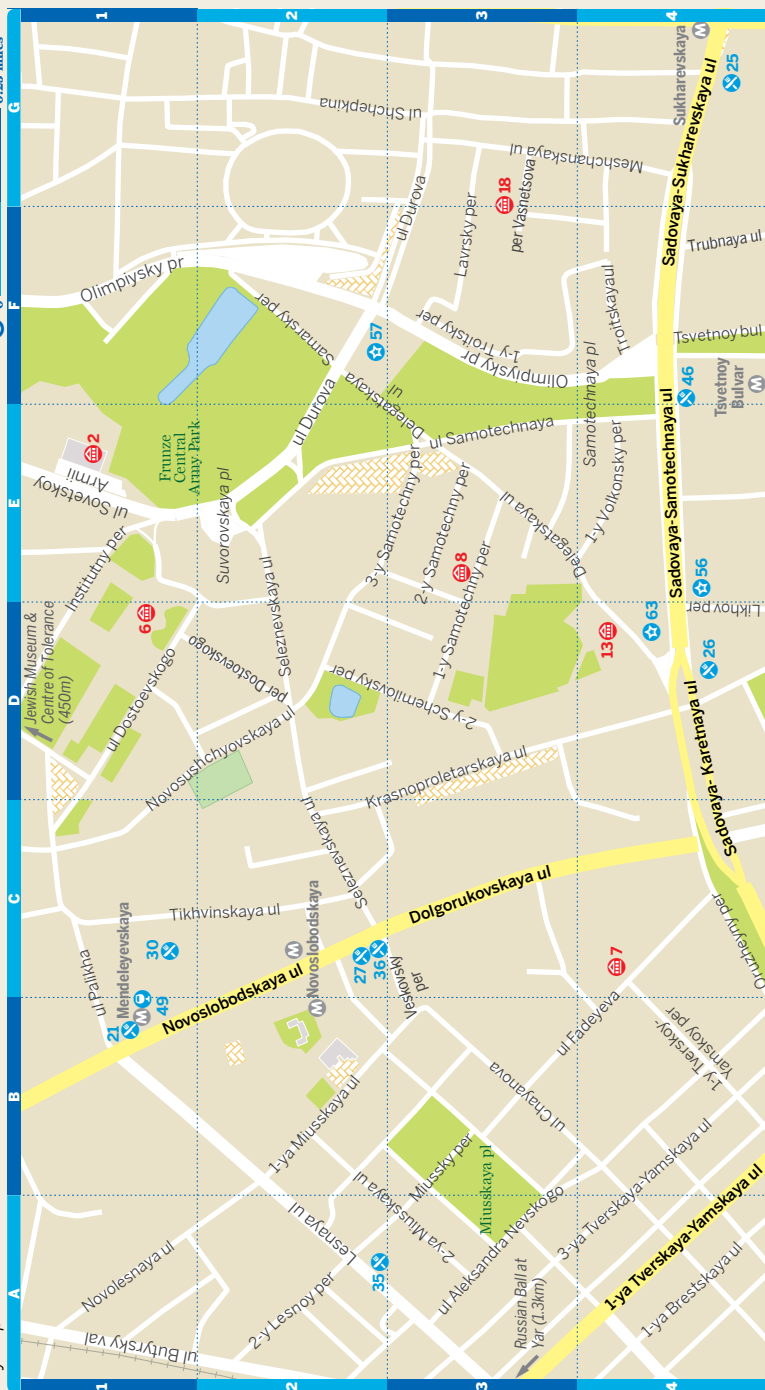
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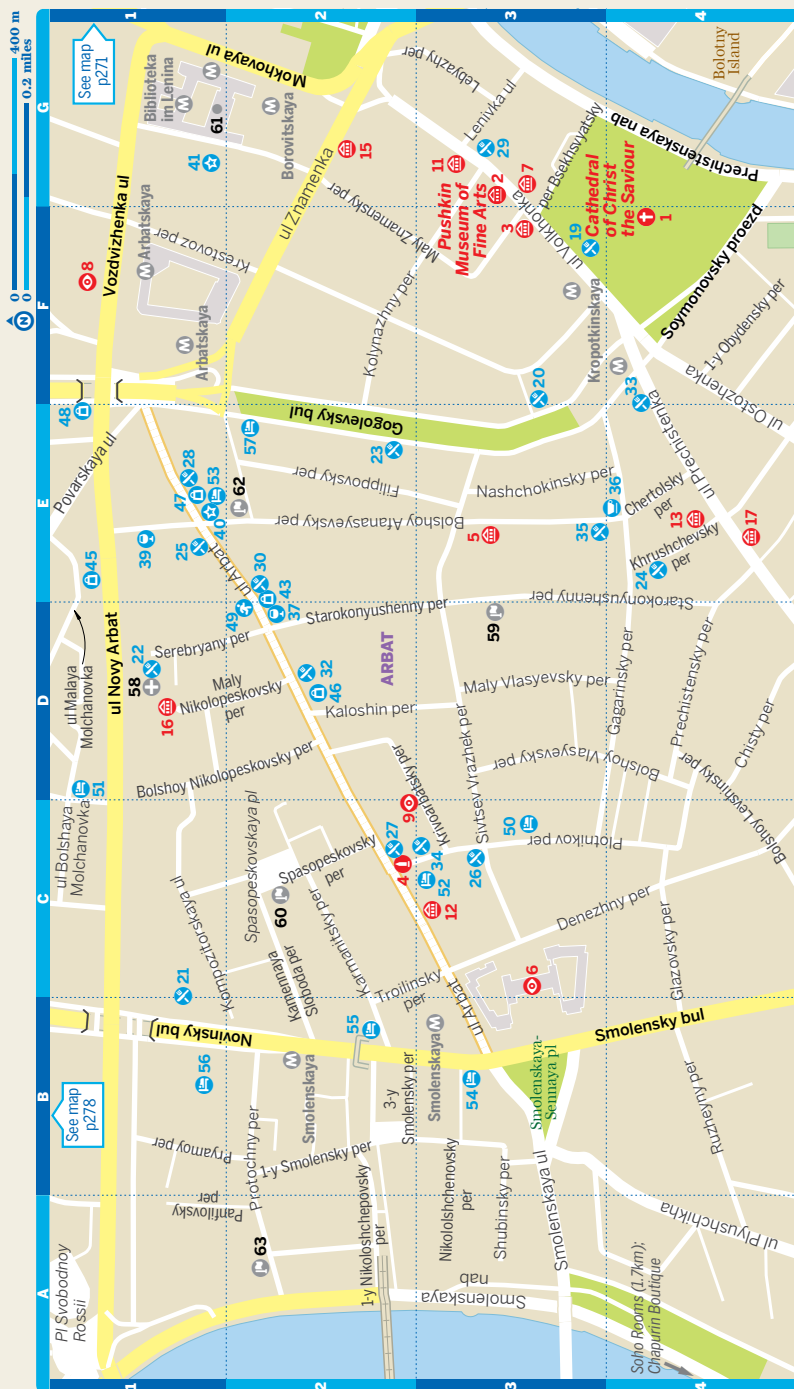
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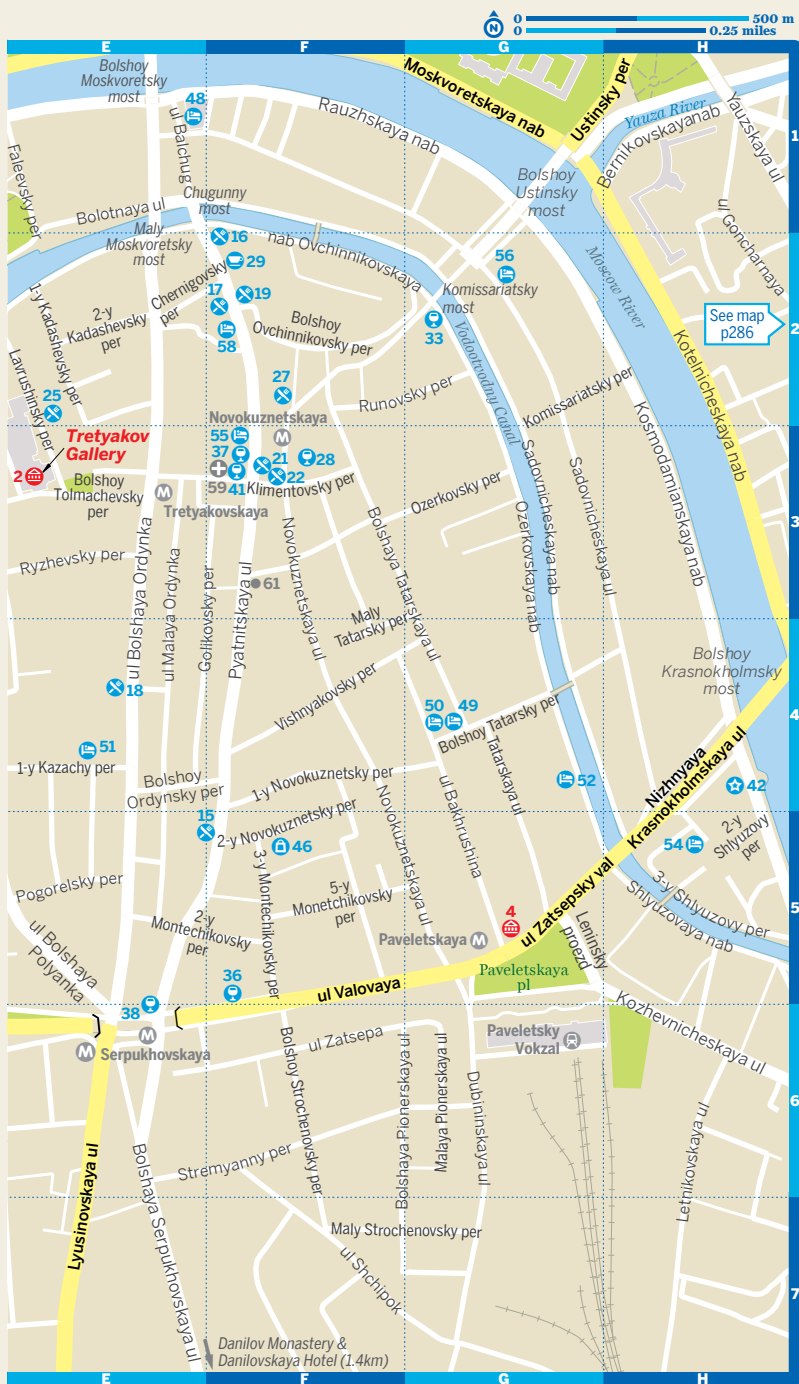
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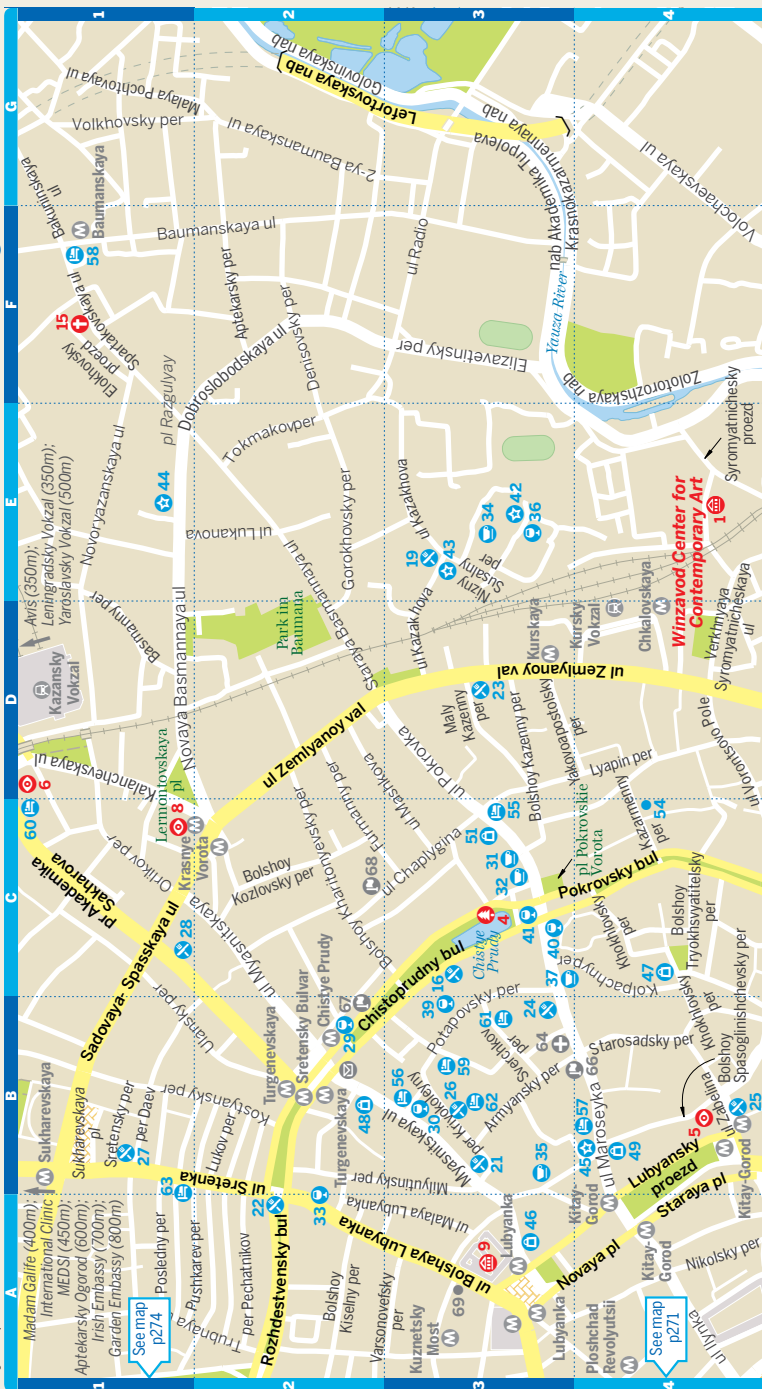
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Our Story

A beat-up old car, a few dollars in the pocket and a sense of adventure. In 1972 that's all Tony and Maureen Wheeler needed for the trip of a lifetime – across Europe and Asia overland to Australia. It took several months, and at the end – broke but inspired – they sat at their kitchen table writing and stapling together their first travel guide, *Across Asia on the Cheap*. Within a week they'd sold 1500 copies. Lonely Planet was born.

Today, Lonely Planet has offices in Franklin, London, Melbourne, Oakland, Dublin, Beijing and Delhi, with more than 600 staff and writers. We share Tony's belief that 'a great guidebook should do three things: inform, educate and amuse'.

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