

# THE MOSCOW STATE CIRCUS

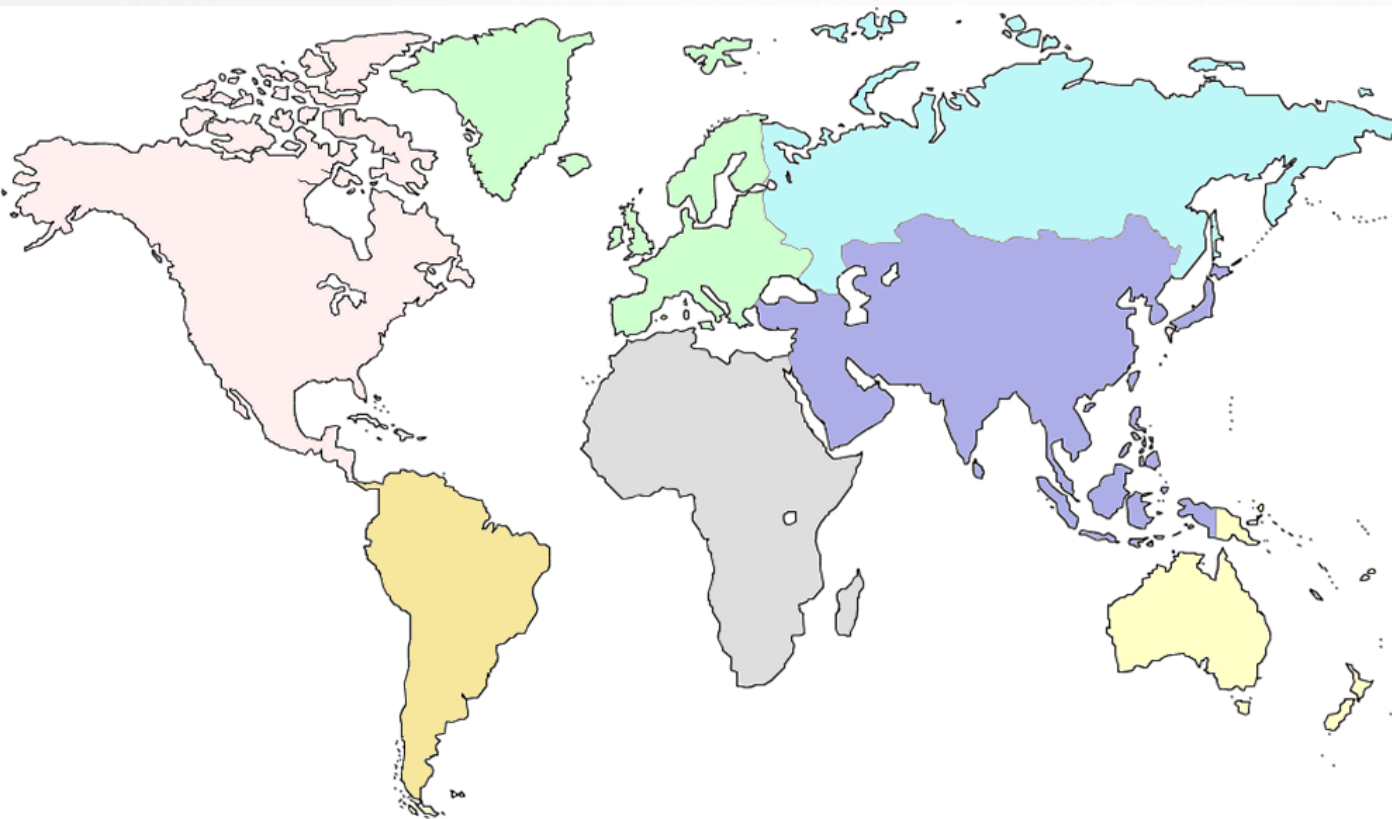


# WHERE IS MOSCOW?



What country is Moscow in?

Where is this country on the world map?



Where in Russia is Moscow?

# WHAT IS IT LIKE IN MOSCOW?

Moscow is the capital city of Russia. It is a huge city with many buildings and cathedrals.



The population of Russia totals to 148 million people

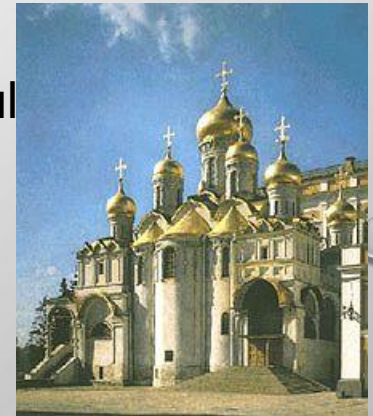
Sometimes, it becomes too cold in Moscow on winter seasons. During this time people wear famous Russian hats called "ushankas" (caps with ear-flaps made of fur of mink, rabbit fur, beaver lamb)



Red square



There are many beautiful cathedrals in Moscow.





## The Kremlin Tour



The Towers of Kremlin

Spasskaya (Saviour) Tower

The Cathedral of Vasily the Blessed

Red Square

Aleksandrovsky Garden

Sobornaya (Cathedral) Square

Ivanovskaya (Ivan's) Square

The beautiful and ancient ensemble of the Moscow's Kremlin stands high on the hill towering over the left bank of Moskva-River. The Kremlin has always been perceived as a symbol of power and mighty of the Russian state, the national idea expressed in stone. Each era in the history of Russia left its significant architectural trace in the Kremlin.

Late in the evening the brightly illuminated Kremlin ensemble presents a fantastic, majestic and sophisticated harmony. The story says that Moscow stands on seven hills. It was there, on Borovitsky Hill, where the first walls of the Kremlin were built long time ago.





# The Great Moscow State Circus

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## History of the Circus

The Great Moscow State Circus was opened on 30th of April 1971 and was designed and built under the guidance of I. Belopolsky. Its impressive auditorium is an enormous 36 meters tall and can seat up to 3,400 people. The circus building contains all the necessary technology and equipment to make its daring and varied range of acts possible.



The floor of the main auditorium is an impressive 18 meters deep and features five interchangeable rings, which are used for the various horse, water, ice and animal acts featured in each performance. The circus also has a sixth ring, which is used for rehearsals and as a place where the artistes warm up before their acts.



The Circus employs approximately several hundreds of artistes at the present time, many of whom have been awarded the prestigious titles of People's Artistes and Honored Artistes of the Russian Federation.

These artists perform over fifty specialized acts, ranging from clowning, juggling and aerial gymnastics to bear and porcupine training acts.

Many of the artists take part in numerous European and international circus festivals and competitions and tour every year to over 20 countries throughout the world with the rest of the Great Moscow State Circus troupe.

# LET'S USE THE INTERNET TO LEARN SOME MORE ABOUT THE MOSCOW STATE CIRCUS

- [HTTP://WWW.BOLSHOICIRCUS.RU/ABOUT\\_EN.HTML](http://WWW.BOLSHOICIRCUS.RU/ABOUT_EN.HTML)
- <http://www.moscowcircusstars.com/PERF2.htm>

