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Tour program

Duration	Days	4	Nights	3

Itinerary Day 1 Arrival to Murmansk airport, meeting with the guide, luggage request

Transfer to Murmansk

Lunch (the meal is not included into the price)

Transfer to Marine station

Excursion to the icebreaker Lenin:

Icebreaker Lenin is the first nuclear powered vessel in the history. Being a unique project for the USSR, Lenin was converted into a museum after she was put out of commission. You will have a chance to see the original interior, engine room and control posts, as well as modernized room devoted to the Arctic exploration.

City tour:

You will see the most interesting sights of the city: Monument to the Defenders of the Arctic (Alyosha) – the third tallest in Russia, the Church of the Savior-on-waters. You will learn the facts about the history of Murmansk, take photos from the best points.

Dinner at local restaurant (the meal is not included into the price)

Tour «Hunting for Northern Lights - Aurora»:

Special geographical position of Murmansk region enables us to observe a unique natural phenomenon – Aurora Borealis, an enticing and mysterious feature of the Northern lands. People cannot control it, but at least they try to predict it to a certain point and then try to find – this is what is called "Aurora hunting". The guests will check several locations outside the city together with our experienced guides, finding out if they are lucky enough to capture this exciting phenomenon. Hot drinks and sweets are provided to keep you warm.

*Short description:

- duration: 2 3 hours
- length of the route: 30 100 km
- hot drinks and sweets
- photographing

Aurora is a natural phenomenon no one can guarantee it. But we do all the best for our guests to see Aurora in existing conditions.

Day 2

Breakfast at the hotel restaurant

Transfer to Teriberka with photostops

<u>Trip to Teriberka – the road to the Arctic Ocean:</u>

The Kola peninsula is washed by the waters of the Arctic ocean, and the only place where its coast is accessible through the whole year is Teriberka. It is a small fishermen's settlement, 140 km away of Murmansk in the north-east direction. One more thing makes it special: a beautiful waterfall, powerful in summertime and frozen in winter, and we provide transportation to the spot (snowmobile in winter, ATV for snowless seasons). On the way to the waterfall there is also a picturesque stony beach, known as "dragon eggs beach". Lunch in the panoramic restaurant on the sandy beach of Teriberka Bay is included into the trip program.

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Trip to Teriberka – the road to the Arctic Ocean:

- arctic landscape and "dragon eggs" beach
- access to the Arctic ocean



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- beautiful waterfall
- transfer for wintertime sledges with snowmobiles, other seasons sledges with ATVs/walking depending on weather conditions

Transfer to the panoramic restaurant on the bank of the Teriberka bay

Lunch (included into the price)

Transfer to Murmansk

Free time

Transfer to dinner

Dinner (the meal is not included into the price)

Transfer to hotel

Day 3

Breakfast at the hotel restaurant

Transfer to the Husky farm

Program in the Husky Farm:

If a person is visiting a new place, it is necessary to get acquainted with local indigenous cultures. Saami are indigenous people of the Murmansk region and Scandinavia, with their own lifestyle. A good way to learn about it is to take up a program in the Husky farm. The campsite is situated 3 km off the main road, so you will enjoy a journey through a beautiful forest. You will see traditional Saami dwellings, communicate with husky dogs, meet the reindeer and feed them. Depending on the season and snow cover, you will have a chance to try dog sledding and reindeer riding (winter program). The program also includes traditional lunch (salmon soup, main course: pork/chicken with rice or buckwheat with reindeer meat; lingonberry pie and tea). There is also a souvenir shop where you can buy mascots made of reindeer horn. We provide you with traditional woolen Saami clothes to keep you warm during the winter activities.

*Short description:

- beautiful scenery the campsite is situated deep in the forest
- traditional Saami dwellings
- traditional Saami lunch cream fish soup, main course: reindeer meat with buckwheat OR pork/chicken with rice, lingonberry pie with herbal tea
- communicating with Northern animals huskies and reindeer
- feeding the reindeer
- reindeer riding (depends on the snow cover winter program)
- dog sledding (depends on the snow cover winter program)
- photos, visiting the souvenir shop

Transfer to Murmansk

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Transfer to dinner

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Day 4

Breakfast at the hotel restaurant

Transfer to a snowmobile base

Snowmobile/ATV safary:

If you wish to have an active holiday with time spent in the fresh air, we suggest a snowmobile safari through snowy winter tundra. Our skillful instructors will teach you to control the vehicle and you will enjoy the ride, making some stops in the most exciting places for pictures of the Northern landscape. Warm overalls, helmets, helmet lining, gloves and boots are provided. If the snow cover is not enough for the snowmobile, the activity is changed to ATV safary. You will enjoy the rocky landscapes, traveling to the highest point in Murmansk (305 m above the sea level), with a panoramic view of the city. During both safary tours driver and passenger can switch their seats.

*Short description:

- driving instructions
- safari on snowmobiles/ATVs through the beautiful tundra
- stops for photos
- warm clothes provided
- professional instructors
- during the route driver and passenger can switch
- duration: 1,5 hours

Transfer to lunch

Lunch (the meal is not included into the price)

Transfer to the Museum of Russian culture

Program at the Museum of Russian culture:

The museum reconstructs the interior of traditional Russian wooden house called izba. The exposition contains exhibits that date back to the 19th and 20th centuries. The museum is privately owned, with some of the items belonging to the families of the staff. The museum also provides different workshops (depending on the season): making of Russian toys of conventional materials like fabric or bast fibre, typical material for many handicraft items in central Russia.

Transfer to the airport

Departure from Murmansk

The program include	S:	
- accommodation (hotel 4*)		
- transport service		
- English-speaking guide		
- excursions & entrance tickets according to the program		
- all activities accord	ing to the program	
- meals:	2 lunches	