

Alapayevsk
The history of Alapayevsk, one of the oldest metallurgical centres of the region, where the most honorable industrial building of the Middle Urals stands today, inseparably connected with the names of many great people. The elegant Trinity Church was reconstructed by the renowned architect M.P. Malakhov, and its burial vaults serve as a shelter for the Romanov Princes – the Alapayevsk Martyrs. In the main street, you can find the monument of water turbine inventor S.I. Safonov, and a little white marble house used to be the home for the noblewoman Petya Tchikavskiy.

■ **see item 16** **Tchikavskoye State Trinity Church, 19: House Museum of P.I. Tchikavskiy, 30 Tchikavskogo Street, +7 (34346) 3-40-72, Wed. to Sun.10:00-17:00.**

Aramashevo
The ancient used to protect these lands from the raids of nomads can easily be seen from afar with its Saint Kazan Church, Opposite the Church Stone. Opposite the church is a religious place of pagan worship and a cliff with a tell-tale name Shale (Satan's stone). Of great interest is the museum, located inside the building of the 19th-century school, and the museum complex 'log cabins with Ural painting', which is a brand of Alapayevsk district.

■ **120 km away from Ekaterinburg, Rezhevskoy Highway through the town of Rezh to the settlement of Aramashevo** ■ **Aramashevskiy Local History Museum, 38 Sovetskaya Street, +7 (34364) 7-38-33, Tues. to Fri. 9:00-16:00, Sat. 10:00-15:00 upon demand** ■ **see item 15.**

Berezovskiy
In the homeland of the Russian gold, in Berezovskiy, everything reminds of the 'golden' pages of the town chronicles. The monument of the discoverer of hardrock gold E. Markov stands in Historical Square, and the obelisk marks the place of the historical find (the 19th kilometer of Rezhevskoy Highway). There is a monument that immortalizes miners and also there is a renovated Museum of Gold a couple of blocks away, where you can learn everything about the yellow metal – from its physical properties to the way gold-bearing mines in modern Berezovskiy are organized.

■ **see item 13** **Museum of Gold, 4 Komuny Street, +7 (34369) 4-93-47, Wed. to Sun. 11:00-17:00, uole-museum.ru**

Verkhniye and Nizhniye Tavolgi
Nevyanskiy district, famous for its red clays, has been the center for pottery. Once there were dozens of potteries and artels, today there stands the factory 'Tavolzhskaya Ceramics' and the private pottery of hereditary master Sergey Maslikov, where you can go on an excursion and work on the potter's wheel.

■ **105 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-352 Highway through the town of Novaya, 1 km to the village of Nizhniye Tavolgi** ■ **Tavolzhskaya Ceramics, the village of Verkhniye Tavolgi, +7 (982) 858-17-50, 20 Sverdlova Street, Wed. to Sun. 10:00-18:00, tavolgiatur.ru** ■ **S. Maslikov's pottery, the village of Nizhniye Tavolgi, +7 (952) 734-44-17, 37 Kuybysheva Street, Mon. to Sun. 10:00-17:00, gonchar-iz-tavolgu.ru** ■ **see item 5.**

Verkhnyaya Pyshma
A powerful centre of metallurgy in the Middle Urals became a symbolic meeting point for two regions when two magnificent churches were opened here in 2000. The Temple in Honor of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is really impressive with its paintings in Byzantine tradition, and the Mosque of Imam Ismail Al-Bukhari strikes you with its architecture and the sense of Ottoman Empire. Today secular construction flourishes; for more than a year the guests and the citizens of Verkhnyaya Pyshma are entertained in UMMC park with its wonderful light show fountain.

■ **see item 3** **Mosque of Imam Ismail Al-Bukhari, 26 Otkryabskaya Street, Temple in Honor of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 3 Sovetskaya Street.**

Verkhoturye
The spiritual centre of the Urals, Ural Mecca, Ural Jerusalem – Verkhoturye, the oldest town in Sverdlovsk Region, founded in 1598, deserves all these epithets for its ancient cloisters. Thousands of pilgrims undertake the journey to Saint Nicholas Monastery to bow before and pray to the relics of Simon Verkhoturyets, the heavenly patron of the Urals, and to Pokrovskiy Convent to see the miraculous icon of Godmother 'Tenderness'.

■ **see item 11** **Saint Nicholas Monastery, 1a Voinovskaya Street, +7 (34389) 224-40, +7 (9153) 587-86-24; Pokrovskiy Convent, 3 Snyanskogo Street, +7 (34389) 2-22-07.**

Talitsa
The Hero of the Soviet Union Nikolai Ivanovich Kuznetsov, bred and studied in Talitsa before the war. The museum tells about the life of the hero. The exposition presents creative decorations and artifacts of the era.

■ **223 km from Ekaterinburg along the road E22/P351. Talitsa, Lunacharskiy street, 81d, +7 (343-71) 2-14-71. Sanatorium 'Sochi', Zaozersnaya Street, 76, +7 (343) 712-66-72.**

Irbit
This reserve of the merchant past is one of the record breakers in the Urals by the number of architectural monuments of the 19th and 20th centuries. The centre of tourist attraction, just like two centuries ago, becomes the Mall, especially in the days of Irbit trade fair. Moreover, Irbit is a house-museum: European engravings, ancient utensils, oriental marvels – these are just a few of the discoveries awaiting tourists today.

■ **see item 19** **Irbit state Museum of motorcycles** ■ **Museum of fine arts, Elizaryev str., 28B, Volodarskiy str., 14, +7 (34355) 61-06, Tue-Fri 9:00-16:00, Sat 9:30-16:00; Historical and ethnographic Museum, 50, 50 Kirov Street, 74, +7 (34355) 6-33-69, Tue-Fri 9:00-17:00, Sat.16:00-16:00 Centre culture club «Motodom», Proletarskaya St., 2, +7 (34355) 6-49-44**

Kamensk-Uralskiy
The first state industrial centre of Sverdlovsk Region has preserved its compact architectural ensemble of historical development, which is called Staro Kamensk. It looks as if it was specially planned for tourists to take a walk from mansions and shops of 19th century to the dam of Peter the Great times on the Kamenska River, then on to the cast-iron cannon on a pedestal and the architectural pride of the master M.P. Malakhov. Holy Trinity Church and Provision Stores, which is occupied by the Museum of Local History today.

■ **see item 22** **Museum of Local History of I.Y. Syrtshin, 1 Kommolodyezhiy Street, +7 (3439) 38-82-25, Tues. to Sun. 9:30-17:00, museum-kamensk.ru** ■ **tourist complex «Urgic village», per. Sanatorium, 26, +7 (953) 008-10-10**

Kamyshlov
Kamyshlov is an old town, interesting by its merchants' houses, which are preserved until nowadays. The main sign of Kamyshlov is two-floored Pokrovskiy cathedral (1821), founded in honor of victory over Napoleon's army. Every August the jazz festival UralTerraJazz, one of the top-10 most popular open-air feasts in Russia, takes place in Kamyshlov.

■ **136 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-351 Highway** ■ **Pokrovskiy Cathedral, 147A Engels Street; Kamyshevskiy Museum of Local History, 9 Gagarina Street, +7 (34379) 50-40, Mon. to Fri. 9:00-17:30, Sat. 10:00-16:00** ■ **Hotel, 65 Severnaya Street, +7 (34379) 2-43-60.**

Krasnoturyinsk
"Miniature Leningrad" is the Romanesque-style central square of V. Lenin, with street lines sprawling in different directions. Trade signs and pedestrian Mira Boulevard with the temple of the architectural development of the city in post-war architecture are laid out by the designs of Leningrad architect K. Kostomarov. Simonov brought radio inventor A.S. Popov to the world, and today you can visit a memorial museum dedicated to the man.

■ **300 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-352 Highway to the town of Serov, 35 km to the town of Krasnoturyinsk** ■ **Local History Museum, Memorial Museum of A.S. Popov, 70 Popova Street, +7 (34384) 5-42-09, Tues. to Thurs. 11:00-18:00, Fri. to Sun. 9:00-16:00** ■ **Turist Hotel, 21 Karla Marksa Street, +7 (34384) 4-82-80.**

Krasnoufimsk
Since its foundation Krasnoufimsk has remained the centre of trade fairs and crafts traditions. You will see mining and industrial infrastructure here, but you can see a Kossack's wooden house of the 19th-early 20th century, get acquainted with the work of the land hospital of the late 19th-early 20th century and marvel at the architecture in baroque style.

■ **238 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-242 Highway** ■ **Krasnoufimsk Local History Museum, 42 Sovetskaya Street, +7 (34394) 2-21-91, Tues. to Sat. 9:30-17:00; Museum "Krasnoufimsk Land Hospital", Svobodnyy street, 15, +7 (34394) 09-74, Mon-Fri 9:00-16:00; Alexander Nevskiy Cathedral, 88 Mizerova Street, +7 (34394) 14 Rogoznikoviyh Street, +7 (34394) 2-03-00.**

Kushva
The main sight of Kushva in the past – one of the Ural major 'mountain storehouses' of iron-ore – turned into a large-scale quarry, called Kushva, in the early 20th century. On the observation site of the quarry you will see the cast-iron monument of the deposit discoverer, vogul S.Chumpin. There are more points of interest for a tourist here. Two memorial signs "Europe-Asia" of exceptional beauty stand in the vicinity, one of which is 16 km in the direction of the village Verkhnyaya Baranicha, and the other in the direction of the settlement of Baranichinskiy. Approaching the same 21 km, you will see the factory 'Uralochka cottage', 2 km away from the settlement of Verkhnyaya Sysert, +7 (343) 382-14-98, +7 922 16 999 22.

Merkushino
This is the village where the pious Simon Verkhoturyets used to live, and since 1997 there is a town church, which belongs to Ekaterinburg Novotroitskiy Convent. The church was reconstructed on the place of the church complex destroyed in the early 20th century. A small temple of Saint Simon was erected over the burial place of pious Simon's relics: an enclosed gallery joins the temple with the main cathedral of Archangel Michael. On your way to Merkushino you can stop at Raskat village, at a stone on the bank of the Tura River, which is believed to go fishing, and a wooden Church of All Saints in the Land of Siberia.

■ **361 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-352 Highway, highway through Verkhoturye and Krasnogorskiy stete** ■ **Hotel, Merkushino village, +7 902-874-60-02.**

Nevyansk
When you visit Nevyansk Leaning Tower, do not leave Demidovskiy square immediately – take a look at the cast-iron memorial of Peter the Great and Nikita Demidov, stop at the Church of Transfiguration. The latter is known for its bellry, the highest of its kind in the Urals, and its amazing faience iconostasis. Children, coming to visit the town, will be ecstatic about the toy factory visit!

■ **see item 5** **Museum "The House of Nevyansk Icon", 2 Krasnoarmeyskaya Street, +7 (34356) 2-40-05, Tue-Sun 10:00-18:00; Toy factory 'Aina', 2/27 Otkryabskiy Ave., +7 (34356) 4-20-13, Mon. to Sun. 8:00-17:00.**

Nizhniy Tagil
It's one of the biggest iron industry and machinery hubs and centers of the Middle Urals since Demidov's time. E. Artamonov's bicycle, astronomical clock, skeletons of mammoth's family, 'Tagil Madonna' – all these objects which every tourist must visit. Don't forget to look at UralVagonZavod's collection of tanks, paint lacquered Tagil tray and walk along the Malachite line.

■ **see item 8** **Museum of fine arts, Uralakyska Street, 7, +7 (3435) 25-26-47, Mon-Sun 9:00-18:00; Malachite complex «UralVagonZavod», Vostochnoe Shosse Street, 28/5, +7 (3435) 33-21-07, Wed-Sun 8:30-17:00**

Polevskoy
In the town of gold-diggers on malachite deposits and also the place of toilers, the future writer Pavel Bazhov spent his childhood, often listening to different stories in a lodge on Dumaynskiy Mountain. To imagine the original atmosphere of Pavel Bazhov takes more vividly, pay a visit to the Museum of History and to Sovetskaya Blast-furnace – a unique mid-19th century monument of industrial architecture by the standards of Europe.

■ **52 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-355 Highway** ■ **Museum complex 'Severskaya blast-furnace', 7 Verashina St., +7 (3435) 3-20-38, Mon. to Fri. 8:30-17:00 Sat. 10:00-18:00; Polevskoy Museum of History, 93 Il'yicha Street, +7 (34350) 2-06-69, Wed 12:00-20:00, Thurs. to Sun. 9:00-17:00** ■ **see item 25.**

Rezh
The gates of The Semi-precious Stones of the Urals. The eponymous museum boasts a large collection of Ural minerals, and you can have a mineral search expedition organized for you right here, from the management office of Rezh reserve. Work on the items of everyday life of local miners and factory workers can be viewed at the local history exposition, and on the corner of Sovetskaya and Pushkina streets you can meet Rezh masters in person.

■ **88 km away from Ekaterinburg, Rezhevskoy Highway** ■ **Mineralogical Museum "The Semi-precious Stones of the Urals", 4 Sovetskaya Street, +7 (34364) 2-25-44, Mon. to Fri. 8:00-16:00; Rezhevskoy Museum of Local History, 93 Il'yicha Street, +7 (34364) 2-11-26, Mon. to Sat. 9:00-18:00** ■ **Gavan' Hotel, 23 8arta Street, +7 (34364) 8-80-33.**

Sysert
The only porcelain works in the Urals, whose exclusive faience iconostases decorate dozens of churches around the world, is a most vivid reason to visit the town of Sysert. You can go to the works with an excursion and try your hand at painting faience pieces. You can also extend your visit with memorial places of industrial history – the dam and the workshop complex Sysert works, as well as one of the three museums of Pavel Bazhov in the region.

■ **44 km away from Ekaterinburg, M5 Highway** ■ **Factory "Sysert porcelain", 1 Chapayeva Street, +7 (34374) 6-41-50, Mon. to Sat. 8:15-17:00; House Museum of Pavel Bazhov, 16 Volodarskogo Street, +7 (912) 900-05-66, +7 (919) 009-40-91, Mon. to Sat. 10:00-17:00** ■ **Gorki Hotel, 29 Tokarey Street, +7 (34374) 7-40-13.**

Turinsk
This multi-faceted town unites the past of the "Siberian prisons", the present of the Ural matryoshka and the future of a thermal resort. Its cast facade can view the House Museum of Decembrists and in the Park of Decembrists. You can listen to a lecture on the traditions of Turinsk wooden painting in the Arts Centre, and if you are willing to have a SPA session, you can go to the thermal resort "Aquarel", see item 61.

■ **276 km away from Ekaterinburg, Rezhevskoy Highway through the town of Rezh, 1 House-museum of Decembrists, 11 Revolyutsii Street, +7 (34349) 2-23-15, Tues. to Sun. 9:00-18:00; The Centre of Traditional Folk Arts, 11 Revolyutsii Street, +7 (34349) 2-14-01, Tue-Fri 9:00-18:00, Sat 9:00-17:00**

Pervouralsk
Pervouralsk is one of the largest industrial centers of the Middle Ural. The Innovation Cultural Center, the modern complex for ensuring the qualitative development of exhibition, museum, concert, library, theater activities, as well as various educational projects, was opened in place of Demidov iron factory in 2016. In the neighborhood of the town there are mountain ski resorts "Pilyava", "Volchikhina". And in 5 km from the town is situated the first stele on the line Europe – Asia.

■ **44 km from Ekaterinburg, highway P242** ■ **Innovation Cultural Center, 18B Lenina Street, +7 (343) 288-76-54, ikc69.ru, Mon-Sun 10:00 - 21:00** ■ **Hotel "Pervouralsk", Il'yicha avenue, 28, +7 (3439) 27-09-09**

Billimbay
Billimbay is the pattern of a mining settlement, the exclusive place in Sverdlovsk Region, which was founded by Stroganovs, not by Demidovs. In the XXth century here was constructed the first in the world military rocket-powered aircraft Bi-1 and Grigory Bakhtchivandzhi became the first test-pilot of it.

■ **55 km from Ekaterinburg, highway P242, through Pervouralsk** ■ **The House of Folk Culture of the Stroganov family, 1 Bakhtchivandzhi Street, 1a Freedom Square Street, +7 (3439) 296-269, 13 Highway Village "Traffic Light", +7 (922) 102-01-50, baza-svetoforu.ru**

Natural park "Bazhov places"
The most attractive point in these places, veiled with the mist of tales, is a picturesque lake on the site of an abandoned talc mine, nicknamed Talok Kamen (Talc Stone). Miracles and legends permeate almost every site of the natural park: ice-free spring Kipyayevskiy (Boiling Spring), Markov Kamen Mountain and many others.

■ **50 km away from Ekaterinburg, M5 Highway through Sysert, 6 km to the settlement of Asbest to the camp "Krasnaya Gvozdička" (Red Gvozdiki), from the entrance to the park is on the left side of the highway** ■ **The administrative department of the park: Sysert, 68a Timiryazeva Street, +7 (34374) 7-48-70, bm-park.ru** ■ **Recreation center "Uralochka cottage", 2 km away from the settlement of Verkhnyaya Sysert, +7 (343) 319-19-20.**

National park "Olenskiy Ruchey" ("Deer Springs")
This ecologically clean area preserves everything for an active type of rest all year round: well-organized routes for independent walks of 5-15 km, 6 excursion programmes, here there is the Serga River, which suits well for both active and passive recreation, rocks and accessible caves of different sizes, art objects and a cosy cafe.

■ **120 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-242 Highway through the town of Nizhniye Sergi to the village of Bazhukovo** ■ **Administrative department of the park: the village of Bazhukovo, 1 Stantsionnaya Street, +7 904-172-55-65, dien.ur.ru** ■ **Hotel in the village of Bazhukovo, cordons on the park territory.**

National park "Pripyshnitskiy Bory"
The territory of the only national park in Sverdlovsk region covers three separate land allotments: Talitskaya cottage, Tugulymskaya cottage and Yugulym reserve. You can take a short walk along the ecological path "A visit to the forest", which goes through pines covered with white and green mosses to Uralskiy pond with comfortable pavilions. The sides of Lake Gurov offer sand beaches and excellent fishing sites to all tourists.

■ **220 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-351 Highway through the town of Talitsa to sanatorium "Pripyshnitskiy Bor"** ■ **Administrative department of the park: Talitsa, 1a Stepanova Street, +7 (34371) 2-44-84, npbor.ru** ■ **"Kordov" Hotel, Talitskaya dacha (cottage).**

Nature park "The Chusovaya"
The best way of taking a tour around the park is rafting along the beautiful Chusovaya River. It stretches for 148 km through guarded domains; however, the most popular rafting routes only cover 12-71 km, while rafting tourists can marvel Chusovskiy 'warriors' – rocks Kamen Omlinuroy and others.

■ **120 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-242 Highway through the settlement of Billimbay to the settlement of Staroutkinsk** ■ **Administrative department of the park: Nizhniy Tagil, 9a Karla Marksa Street, +7 (3435) 42-32-72, chusovaya.org** ■ **Guest houses in Staroutkinsk, 45 Pionerskiy Street, +7 (3435) 85-51-15, the village of Baronskaya, 25 Zorachnaya Street, +7 (3435) 87-96.**

Nature reserve of mineralogy "Rezhnevskoy"
The realm of stone in all its variety: lipovskiy tourmalines, shaitalskiy agates, adouzev topazes have for a long time been a legend among people. Only two of the three sites of the reserve – Lipovskiy and Shaitalskiy – are rather close to civilization. The first one attracts tourists with Lipovskiy nickel quarries, and the second one is famous for the settlement of Koltshay – the homeland of Master Damila (Zverev). The main treasure of the reserve is the semi-precious mines – are all open for a visit, including the 'wild' Adouzkiy site.

■ **115 km away from Ekaterinburg through the settlement of Lipovskoye to Lipovskiy quarries** ■ **Administrative department of the reserve: the town of Rezh, 4 Sovetskaya Street, +7 (34364) 2-25-44, zakaznik-rezh.ru.**

Ski resort "Gora Belaya"
In winter "Gora Belaya" becomes one of the best skiing resort holidays in Russia – either in the quality of its ski runs, the service quality or the variety of facilities on offer. You can rent cross-country skis, you can skate or do snowboarding, you can visit a swimming pool or do rope-climbing park. In summer there is a range of active sports to do – carting, bicycling and paintball. You can also take the lift to the top of Belaya Mountain.

■ **180 km from Ekaterinburg, IP-352 Highway through the settlement of Uralzet by the direction sign "Gora Belaya", +7 (3435) 46-06-19, gorabelaya.ru** ■ **Hotel complex "Gora Belaya".**

Ski resort "Volchikhina"
On one of the slopes of the highest mountain in the vicinity of Ekaterinburg is the best ski resort among those located in an hour's drive away from the capital of the Urals. The most famous of its attractions is the snow park, where large-scale competitions in snow-boarding types of disciplines are held on an annual basis. Volchikhina does not only offer four ski runs and snowdusting, it invites tourists to try unusual entertainments, such as a zorb descent and a free fall with a landing on an air cushion.

■ **40 km from Ekaterinburg, IP-242 Rezhevskoy Highway, take a turn before the town of Rezh, following the direction sign "Ski resort 'Volchikhina'" +7 912-260-06-00, volchikhina.ru** ■ **see item 23.**

Ski resort "Aist"
The main pride of the sports centre in Dolgaya Mountain is a modern ski jump complex, which has been including the top-5 world ski jumps. In 2014 four international competitions were held here. This is also a regular training place for the sportsmen of Children's and Youth Sports School "Aist". Those who love winter sports can rent mountain skis and cross-country skis as well as shooting stands.

■ **140 km from Ekaterinburg, IP-352 Highway to the town of Nizhniy Tagil, the eastern slope of Mountain Dolgaya +7 (3435) 41-88-43, aist-trampolin.ru** ■ **Sports and hotel complex "Aist".**

Ski resort "Ezhovaya"
One of the first skiing centres in Sverdlovsk Region is very popular among real zealots of snowy slopes. A great variety of ski runs of different complexity and seven types of lifts attract both beginners and advanced skiers to the mountain. The service here matches the sports characteristics. "Ezhovaya" well: there is a restaurant called "Eagle Nest" on the top of the mountain, a cosy hotel not far from the ski runs and a long-standing special appeal – a free bus ride from Ekaterinburg to the ski resort in winter.

■ **90 km from Ekaterinburg, IP-352 Highway through Kirovgrad +7 (343) 342-04-20, ezhovaya.ural.ski** ■ **Hotels on the territory of the ski resort «Velvet», «Cherny mountain», «Hedgehog Bungalows»**

Ukhtus sports complex
The ski resort, situated within the city, offers full range of winter and summer entertainments, exclusive in Russia park for juniors provided with European equipment and unique program "Quick start" for guests of the Ural's capital, which enables to grasp the basics of the ski and snowboard during 4 hours. Ease of access and extensive infrastructure make residents the favorite place for active leisure with family, lots of holidays, activities and sports.

■ **Ekaterinburg, Winter, 27, phone +7 (343) 342-24-22, ukhtus.ural.ski** ■ **Hotel "Ukhtus", Ekaterinburg, 25 Pronina Street, phone +7 (343) 233-99-11; hotels in Ekaterinburg.**

Konzhakovskiy Kamen Mountain
The highest point of Sverdlovsk Region – 1569 meters above sea level is named Konzhak, the tourists who frequent it with particular zest. There is a saying about it: "Haven't been to Konzhak – have been to the Urals!" This is a real itinerary to design your own hiking plan, if you prefer active forms of tourism. You can plan the tour for 3-7 days and enjoy the scenic panorama of Alpine meadows in Artists' Clefs, marvel the haze of mountain peaks Serebryanskiy Kamen, Severniy and Yuzhniy loy on the horizon, you can also challenge the 21-kilometer climb in two days and return to the foot of the mountain before dawn. The path to the peak is called the "marathon path" – an international mountain marathon "Konzhak" has been held here for 20 years annually in the beginning of July, usually thousands of sportsmen and tourists come to take part and watch the competitions.

■ **150 km away from Ekaterinburg, IP-352 Highway to the town of Serov, through the town of Krasnoturyinsk, Kytym Settlement to the bridge over the Katysher River +7 (343) 322-777-44** ■ **Recreation center "Serebryanskiy Kamen", the 44th kilometer of the highway Karpinsk-Kytym, +7 900-043-22-55, ural-turizm.ru**

Maral farm "Visim Daybreak"
For the past seven years visitors to the settlement of Visim arrive to a large reindeer-breeding farm, which was created by a local entrepreneur. There are sika deer and noble marals living here, who "relocated" to the Urals from Altay. Dozens of friendly animals welcome tourists who stop at their wife fence and allow people to feed them. Their neighbours on the farm are Yakut horses, a family of African ostriches and a funny pigmy pig of the mini-pig breed.

■ **8 Yubileynaya Street, +7 922-225-90-61, winter: Sat. to Sun. 11:00-16:00, summer: Sat. to Sun. 11:00-18:00, Mon. to Fri. – open on demand and booking in advance.**

Ethnic park "Ancestor's land"
Historical-ethnographic Park "Ancestor's land" tells about the ancient history of the Urals and the Mansi people who once inhabited the territory of the Middle Urals. Two large boulder dolmens, a lot of medieval burial quarries, an ethnographic center "Nyta-pau" (Settlement of a deer), reindeers and a black ravens. Original tools and unique workshops on ritual castings and original bread baking are here.

■ **35 km from Ekaterinburg on the Serov tract. Tours are available only upon prior request. +7 (922) 291-05-09; +7 (922) 600-20-83 элпирланд.рф**

Thermal resort "Aquarel"
The thermal complex "Aquarel" is situated in Turinsk. The complex involves open-air and indoor thermal swimming pools with water temperature 36 degrees, indoor swimming pool with fresh water, cosy cafe with panorama view. The swimming pool is separated on two parts – the main one has depth 1.3m and a special zone for children only 35 cm depths. Bath complex includes hamam, sauna, herbal sauna and salt chamber.

■ **283 km from Ekaterinburg, Rezhevskoy Highway through the settlement of Uralzet to the settlement of Fabrichnaya +7 912-050-13-00; tkakurel.ru.**

Farm for monitoring and follow-up care for birds of prey "Holzan"
"Holzan" is unique: here, unlike in many farms of the kind in Russia, the birds are not kept to be sold afterwards – birds injured or lost are taken for follow-up care from all the parts of the country and even from abroad. The variety of species in "Holzan" is covered by every zone of the world: here, in its open-air cages, you can meet the most famous birds of prey (eagles, falcons, owls, hawks and others) and a small number of fancy birds Serov. One of the main aims of the centre is reviving falcons.

■ **40 km from Ekaterinburg, M-5 Highway to the village of Kashino, take a turn by the direction sign "Baza Soval" +7 (34374) 6-32-29, holzan.ru** ■ **Recreation Center "Sova" Kashino village, +7 922-213-27-82.**

Sled dog farm "Elburis"
The most high-altitude dog harnesses are not in the Far North – they are in the suburbs of Ekaterinburg! This fact has been registered twice in the Guinness Book of Records: the pets of P.Smolin, the host of "Elburis" were the first sled dogs to conquer Lenin Peak and Communism Peak on Pamir. His dogs used to cover 10 thousand kilometers in polar weather conditions. Today anyone can spend their time with more than 40 pets of the farm – Siberian huskies, Samoyed and East-Siberian huskies and half-breeds – as well as ride a sleigh and harness the dogs.

■ **15 km away from Ekaterinburg, Mednyy village +7 912-226-62-28, 8-922-196-50-78; huskeyelburis.ru** ■ **Hotels of Ekaterinburg.**

Table of distances and area codes of Sverdlovsk Region

Area codes	Ekaterinburg	Alapayevsk	Artymskiy	Kamensk-Uralskiy	Kashanka	Kachkanar	Krasnoturyinsk	Krasnoufimsk	Nizhniy Tagil	Pervouralsk	Polvskoy	Rezh	Sysert	Talitsa	Turinsk
Ekaterinburg	+7 343	159	117	16	193	203	107	136	200	358	292	146	48	52	48
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EKATERINBURG

- VERKHNYAYA PYSHMA cities
 - Achit settlements
 - Murzinka villages
- Approximate population count
- over 1 million
 - 100 thousand – 500 thousand
 - 50 thousand – 100 thousand
 - 10 thousand – 50 thousand
 - under 10 thousand

Communication lines

- Railways:
 - main railways
 - minor railways
- Highways with surfacing:
 - federal highways and their numbers
 - regional highways and their numbers
 - minor highways
- Airport

Hydrography

- Lakes (natural and man-made)
- Rivers

Regional Boarder of Sverdlovsk of natural parks

- top 25 objects for tourism
- towns, settlements, villages
- natural parks
- active time-spending
- the objects of tourism accessible to persons with disabilities

Federal and regional highways

- 1P-242 Ekaterinburg-Perm-Kazan
- 1P-351 Ekaterinburg-Tyumen
- 1P-352 Ekaterinburg-Serov
- 1P-354 Ekaterinburg-Shadrinsk-Kurgan
- 1P-355 Ekaterinburg-Polevskoy
- M5 Ekaterinburg-Chelyabinsk-Moscow

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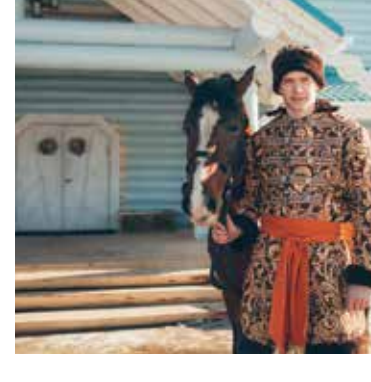


Fersman Mineralogical Museum

Murzinka village is the mineralogical capital of the Urals. Many semi-precious jewels in museum's collection were found in the areas close to Murzinka, some of them were brought here from around the world. The museum is located in the building of old Sreten church (1792) and holds in its collection amethysts, topazes, aquamarines, rubies and others. For all the people interested in mining and mineralogy museum organizes tours to the nearby mines of Mokrusha, Talyan, Buzheninov and others.

150 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-352 Highway through the village of Nikolovskoye, Petrokamskoye to the village of Murzinka a Dekabristov Street, +7 (3435) 931-721, Wed. to Sun. 9:30-17:30, mk-ggo.ru

natatorium 'Lennyvka', Lennyvka Settlement, +7 (3435) 49-74-48.



Park Skazov

Park Skazov – the first in the Urals theme park, dedicated to the tales of Bashov, Russian fairy tale and traditional folk culture of the Urals. The Park is located near Ekaterinburg in Aramil urban district. The idea of the park is to acquaint the tourist with the Urals authentic culture and characters of the Urals fairy tales, to preserve and transmit to future generations our traditions and crafts.

23 km away from Ekaterinburg, Park Skazov Street, 1, Aramil. By train to the station 'Aramil'. Then on foot about 1 km in the opposite direction from the movement of the train.

Park Skazov Street, 1, Aramil, +7 (343) 214-32-63, parkskazov.ru



The Verkhoturye Kremlin

The architectural ensemble of the smallest Russian Kremlin includes General's House, Departmental Chambers, Monarchical Granaries and the magnificent Trinity Church in baroque style, erected in 1703-1712; the structure was proclaimed an architectural monument of world importance by UNESCO. The Kremlin, which dominates the town, has not changed its role until today: now it houses the Municipal Verkhurye Government.

300 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-352 Highway, take a turn and go 20 km more to the town of Verkhoturye 8 Sovetskaya Street, +7 (34389) 2-21-70, mon-sat 9:00-17:30, vgiamz.ru

Sobol' Hotel, 1a Karla Marksa Street, +7 (34389) 2-14-14, guest house Babinov, at, Pervomaiskaya, 1A, +7-922-111-85-55.



Napolnaya school Museum

Alapayevka is a small industrial town in the Sverdlovsk region that dates back to the year 1639. On May 20th, 1918 the exiled Grand Duchess Elizabeth Romanova and her confidantes were brought to Alapayevsk by the special order of the Ural Council of Deputies. The prisoners were kept in the Alapayevsk 'Napolnaya' school right until their tragic deaths. Museum exposition talks about the deeds and charity work of the Royal House of Romanov, their loyalty to their vovs, duty and hardships.

150 km from Ekaterinburg on the Rezhevskiy highway, Perminova str., 58 +7 (34355) 278-92-13 Wed-sun 10:00-17:00

The resort «Gem» village Resort Gem, Kurortnaya street, 29 +7 (343) 263-75-00

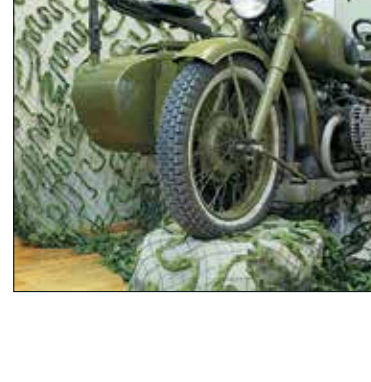


Irbit Museum of Folk Life

The museum holds in one place the important artifacts that reflect the city's trade fair history. Museum has the largest collection of samovars, ranging from the smallest 'Egost' (100 grams) to the largest (415 liters) installed on top of the real motorcycle. Interestingly motorcycles are considered to be another symbol of the city. A total of 2,500 people can drink tea from this samovar at the same time. The museum's goal is to preserve the traditions of tea drinking. Guests are greeted here with a fragrant herbal tea served in glasses with traditional metal cup holders, as well as crepes that are cooked in a real Russian furnace.

203 km from Ekaterinburg, Rezhnevskaya route through the town of Rezh, the town of Artemovskiy to the city of Irbit 100a Revolution Street, 25, +7 (34355) 6-20-20, daily from 9:00 to 00 irbit-imn.ru

'Arktur' Hotel, 35b Elizavievskiy Street, +7 (34355) 6-21-25.



Irbit State Museum of Motorcycles

Today Irbit Motorcycle factory produces world-famous motorcycles 'Ural'. The factory museum has a collection of more than 3,500 different models. The exposition shows the evolution of the domestic heavy motorcycles from the first army model M-72 with Degtyarev automatic rifle to the largest model from the previous century – a one-seat 'Wolf'. In the foreign section, you can have a good look at the motorcycles that were manufactured abroad and even pretend drive one of them.

203 km away from Ekaterinburg, Rezhnevskiy Highway through the town of Rezh, the town of Artemovskiy to the town of Irbit 100a Sovetskaya Street, +7 (34355) 4-26-12, Tues. to Fri. 9:00-17:00, Sat. until 16:00 'Arktur' Hotel, 35b Elizavievskiy Street, +7 (34355) 6-21-25.

Destinations and populations

The Urals are on the border of two parts of the world, it is a place where you can feel that are at the center of the largest continent. In the XVIII century, in Ekaterinburg, Vasily Tatishchev put forward a hypothesis, according to which the border goes through the Ural mountains. The border between continents was established in the 18th century by Vasily Tatishchev. The first obelisk was installed in 1837 and later replaced in 2008 with a large 30-meter tall granite column.

Ekaterinburg, 40 km of Staromoskovskiy tract. Hotels of Ekaterinburg.

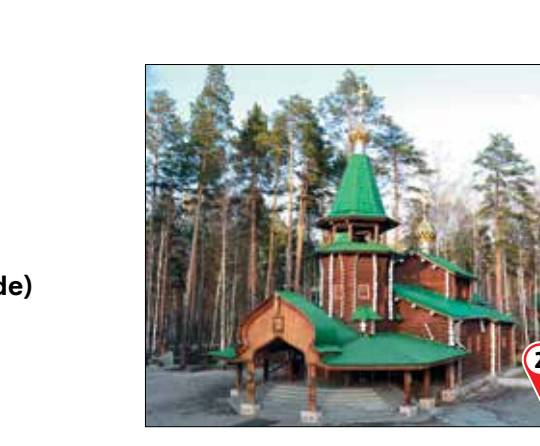
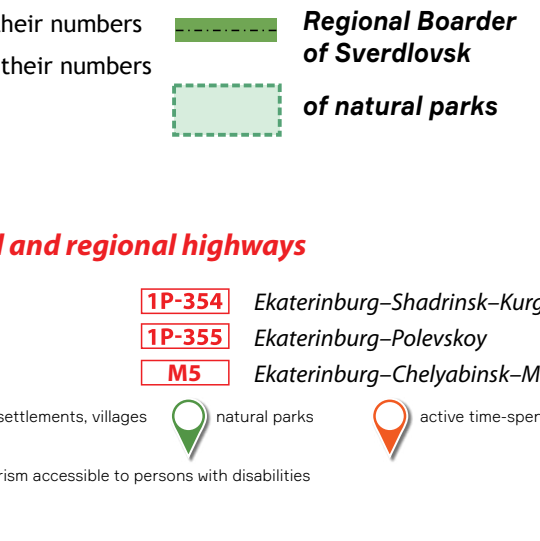
Ganina Yama

A tragic but serene place connected to the murder of Tsar Nicholas II and his family. The atmosphere among the seven wooden churches of the Holy Royal Martyrs Monastery is shockingly peaceful and enjoyable. In fact you can buy souvenirs and candies to commemorate the turbulent time of July 1918.

15 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-352 Highway to Sredneural'sk, in the direction of Kopt'yaki Settlement, following guide signs 'Ganina Yama'

Pilgrimage and excursion service, +7-963-007-18-45, Mon. to Fri. 9:00-16:30, ganinayama.ru

Pilgrimage centre 'Ganina Yama', +7 (343) 264-90-45.



The Museum complex

The Military Museum has a unique collection of military equipment (over 500 units). It is considered to be one of the Top 10 best museums in Russia (according to the TripAdvisor.com). Museum collection consists of Soviet and foreign guns, tanks, self-propelled guns, aircraft, boats as well as a collection of informants, models of small arms and insignia that reflects the history of our country. The railway exposition is also very popular with visitors. As for interactive platforms, you can 'ride' in the tank and shoot the weapons in virtually simulated range.

19 km from Ekaterinburg on Kosmonavtov avenue, Verkhnyaya Pyshma Alexander Kozitsyn Street 2A +7 (34368) 4-67-84, Wed-sun 10:00-18:00 (till 17:30) museum.elem.ru

Hotel «Metallurg», Ordzhonikidze str., 22, +7 (34368) 9-89-88

The Museum complex

The Auto Museum has Russia's largest collection of rare cars, motorcycles and bicycles. The Museum portrays 130 years of history of auto transport: vintage retro cars from the early twentieth century, chic cars from 1920s to 1950s, a full line of Soviet cars, as well as sport motorcycles, motorcycles and racing cars. Together collection has more than 400 unique exhibits.

18 km from Ekaterinburg on Kosmonavtov avenue, Verkhnyaya Pyshma, Alexander Kozitsyn Street, 2A +7 (34368) 4-72-18, 4-67-84, Wed-sun 10:00-18:00 (ticket office till 17:30) museum.elem.ru

Hotel «Metallurg», Ordzhonikidze str., 22, +7 (34368) 9-89-88

Leaning tower of Nevysank

It is one of the official symbols of Sverdlovsk region. The tower was built in the early 18th century by Akinfy Demidov. Important to notice that the tower is leaning and not falling. It is 57.5 meters tall and the degree of tilt from the vertical axis is 2.2 meters. Both the outside and the inside of the industrial architectural monument pose great historical interest. You can learn about the history of the tower with museum's exceptional collection, visit unique acoustic room, listen to the historical English chimes and make a memorial coin.

92 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-352 Highway Demidov public garden, +7 (34356) 2-20-56, Tue-sun 09:00-18:00, Wed 9:00-18:00 (the tower can be visited only with an excursion group), demidovvillage.ru

Sobol' Hotel, 23 Dzerzhynskogo Street, 21 Profsoyuzov Street, +7 (34356) 2-43-20, 2-43-42



Saint Nicholas church

This church located in the Old Believers' village of Byngi is a place worth visiting. This Orthodox church was built in 1789 and has never been closed down. Thereby it preserved its original decorations and wall painting. Most notable preserved item in this church are the chimes that were modelled by the local craftsmen after the chimes on the Leaning Tower of Nevysank. The carved wooden iconostasis inside the church strike the visitor with its grandeur. They are truly unique, one of a kind pieces that are made in distinctive manner of Nevysank icon painters school.

92 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-352 Highway up to the town of Nevysank, 10 km to the village of Byngi 12 Martianovskaya Street see item 5.

The Boris Yeltsin Presidential Center

One of the main attractions of the Yeltsin Center is the Boris Yeltsin Museum dedicated to the modern political history of Russia and the persona of the first president of Russia. In the Yeltsin Center guests can visit an art gallery, watch a documentary, purchase a book, get a cup of coffee. The Yeltsin Center often holds lectures, concerts, exhibits, festivals and other social events.

Ekaterinburg, Boris Yeltsin street, 3, +7 (343) 322-43-43, yeltsin.ru

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Nizhny Tagil museum-reserve 'Gornozavodskoy Ural'

Today the Museum-reserve includes 11 visiting sights such as a place of technology museum 'Dom Cherepanovskiy' and 'Demidovskaya dacha' museum. In addition, there is the first in Russia open-air museum-factory where tourists can get to know the technological cycle of the production of ferrous metals and hydraulic systems of the XVIII century. The museum-reserve also includes one of the smallest museums in Russia – Lyevozerskaya tower, which is located at the top of the Lisiva Mountain.

146 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-352 Highway to Nizhny Tagil 1 Lenina Ave., +7 (3435) 37-02-01, May to Sep, Wed. to Fri. 9:30-17:00, museum-ntr.ru

Hotel Demidov Plaza, Goroshnikova str., 11, +7 (34356) 97-77-11

Gold Mine Museum

The underground world of gold-miners was reconstructed in 2008 in the training rescuers mine, at the depth of 4 meters, with the help of Valeri and Yevgeny Lobanovs, the enthusiasts and patriots of the town of Bereozovskiy. The interactive exposition of this unusual museum reveals the history of gold mining in the Middle Urals: here tourists can see the figures of convicts, working in the mine, their wardens, tools that were used. Tourists also can take a ride in a real dumping trolley. In the summer, tourists are offered to try their hand at gold washing and working as gold-miners. It is rather unlikely that tourists can find a real gold in the river Bereozovka, but an authentic crystal of pyrite is guaranteed as a souvenir.

16 km away from Ekaterinburg, Rezhnevskiy Highway to the town of Bereozovskiy 9a Leninskij district, +7 (34359) 4-47-11, +7-950-205-82-36, mon-Fri 00-18:00 Today excursion program upon request 'Berezyka' Hotel, 5 Gagarina Street, +7 (34369) 4-75-75.

Asbestovskiy quarry

A huge pit that is 11 kilometers long and 310 meters deep has been mined since 1889, when the world's richest deposit of chrysotile asbestos was discovered here. Today Asbestovskiy quarry, one of the largest quarries in Eurasia, supplies approximately one-fourth of the world's production of this mineral. Having visited the observation site of the quarry, go on an excursion to the museum of PLC 'Uralasbest' to learn more about the commercial production of the mineral and the processing of the 'mountain flax'.

85 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-351 Highway through the settlement of Bolovskiy to the town of Asbest 1 Museum of PLC 'Uralasbest': 14 Lenina Street, +7 (34369) 4-26-45, Mon. to Thurs. 12:00-18:00 on demand 'Yestralnyy' Hotel, 77 Ural'skaya Street, +7 (34365) 7-66-28.

Koptelovskiy Museum of the History of Agriculture and Peasant Way of Life

There are two peasant log huts of the 18th century well-preserved in Koptelovo until today. One of them, built by the settlement founder I.Koptelov, is considered to be the oldest wooden construction in the region. The second log hut - 'Baba Katya's Izba' - is not so aged but it does preserve its original form and is today one of the chief exhibits of the local museum. The excursion to this hut, a rich collection of agricultural tools and different working units, a really warm welcome with traditional, folklore performance and a ride in a coach-and-three - these are among the many reasons to prolong your stay in Koptelovo!

150 km away from Ekaterinburg, Rezhnevskiy Highway through the town of Rezh, Aramashovskiy settlement to the village of Koptelovo 8a Krasnyy Orlov Street, +7 (34346) 7-33-31, Wed. to Sun. 9:00-16:00 'Metallurg' Hotel, Alapayevsk, 2 Nekrasova Street, +7 (34346) 2-88-44.

Alapayevskaya narrow-gauge railroad

The largest narrow-gauge railroad in Russia and in former USSR was considered one of the greatest narrow-gauge railroads in the world. Its length reaches 600 kilometers. The construction of Alapayevskaya narrow-gauge railroad started in 1898 and in its booming years it was able to reach the most remote settlements of the Alapayevsk district. Today passenger line joins Alapayevsk and Sankino station, and the tour 'On the train through the Alapayevsk lands' goes up to the settlement of Verkhnyaya Sinyachinka (1 hour and 10 minutes journey). On board, tourists are offered a tea party and needlework workshop. While waiting for their tour tourists are offered to visit the museum of Alapayevskaya narrow-gauge railroad history and have a closer look at the train station with a stationary diesel locomotive TU2.

169 km away from Ekaterinburg, Rezhnevskiy Highway to the town of Alapayevsk 9a Bochkareva Street, +7 (34346) 3-31-32, museum: Mon., Wed. on demand see item 15.

Nizhnesinyachikhinskiy museum reserve of wooden architecture and folk art

A unique historical and architectural open-air museum complex reconstructs a typical 17th-18th century village of the Middle Urals. Local emerald and history connoisseur I. Samolov started his work with the restoration of the rundown village church. In 10 years since then more than 20 architectural pieces were brought here from all around the Urals. All of them are great examples of the local wooden architecture: the keep, the 17th-18th century mansions, chapels, windmills, the forge, the fire station, the reason that you are seeing here still have their preserved interiors. In December 2014, the working stables were added to the museum's collection, they were reconstructed from the drawing and sketches of the 19th and 20th centuries. One of the most precious pieces in the museum's collection is the Transfiguration Church, an architectural monument of federal importance and one of the most beautiful examples of the Siberian baroque. After its restoration, the Church was reopened as a museum. On the second floor of the church tourists can find the 'White Chamber' - a unique piece of Urals house painting.

175 km away from Ekaterinburg, Rezhnevskiy Highway through the town of Alapayevsk to the village of Nizhnyaya Sinyachinka, Pervomaiskaya Street, +7 (34346) 7-51-18, Mon. to Sun. 10:00-17:00 see item 15.

Kourouvska Observatory

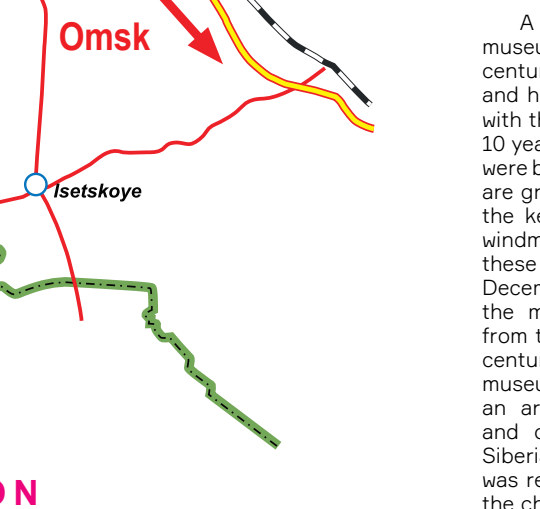
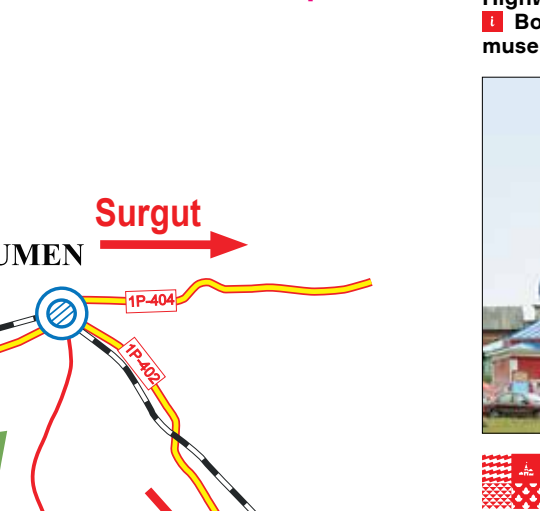
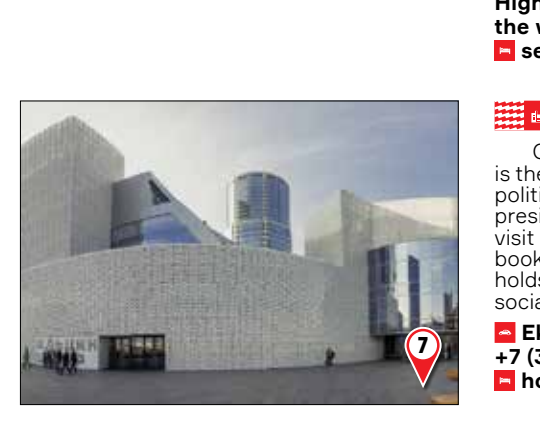
Across the vastness of the Urals it is the only in Moscow's St. Basil's Cathedral and in Donetsk Monastery, in Greek Athens, in Orthodox parishes of Canada and the USA. The private production started in 1991 by N. Pyatkov grew into one of the four leading profile enterprises by its volumes of casting. Any willing excursionist can observe the birth of the bell; and the international festival 'Kamensk-Uralskiy - the bell capital' gathers unusual masses of people.

107 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-354 Highway to the town of Kamensk-Uralskiy 49a Revolyutsionnaya Street, +7 (3439) 36-52-25 pyatkov.ru see item 21.

Shunut Mountain

Shunut is one of the peaks of the Konovalskiy Uval Ridge and also the highest mountain of 726 meters in the vicinity of Ekaterinburg. Its flanks are covered with dark-green coniferous taiga, and its peak is crowned with inaccessible rocky bastions. The difficult climb to the Shunut mountain is so fond of can easily be combined with a visit to Starik-Kamen Mountain, famous for its characteristic stone ribs. On the way to Starik Mountain remember to halt at a radon spring Platonia, which has healing properties.

90 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-242 Highway through the Revda River, the settlement of Marinsk to the settlement of Krasnoyur, then take a 12-kilometer walk along the unsurfaced road 'Metallurg' Hotel, Revda, 33 Zykina Street, +7 (34397) 3-09-37.



Emerald mines (the settlement of Malysheva)

The Malysheva emerald-beryllium deposit is the largest emerald deposit in Europe. The tour program 'Visit to the unique Malysheva emerald-beryllium deposit' consists of two parts: first, guides teach tourists to distinguish natural stones from artificial, and then show how the minerals look under a microscope. In the showrooms one can see emerald ore, various beryl druses, phenakites samples and dozens of other minerals.

95 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-351 Highway through the town of Asbest to the settlement of Malysheva 13C Marinsky Prisk, +7 (343) 95-536-11, mon-Fri 8:00-17:00 marmine.ru

Revnun rapids and Smolinskaya cave

Whatever your expectations are, they can be met and exceeded at the Revnun Rapids. You can have a picnic on the bank of the Iset River, making the rampage of the water, or you can challenge the unruly waters if you are an experienced water rafter. You can enjoy and the quite stillness of Becklenskiyevskiy Rocks or observe the climber that train here of the regular basis. Those who are eager to try kilometer tourism can visit the Smolinskaya Cave 1 kilometer away from Revnun.

90 km away from Ekaterinburg, 1P-354 Highway through the settlement of Pokrovskoye to the village of Becklenskiyevskiy porog-revnun, +7 (3439) 545-1111.

