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## Seven Days in Russia



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Crisci won an international editorial competition developed by the prestigious Russia Now newspaper (a Rossiyskaya Gazeta Company) based in Moscow. Grand prize was an all-inclusive week long trip to Russia, co-sponsored by the Russian Consulting Corporation (RCC) who planned the trip as well as provided the knowledgeable, witty and caring guides you're about to meet.



### Day Three: From the Kremlin's Western baroque to Gum's diversity mix

August 16, 2012 Mathew G. Crisci

Today's agenda: a morning tour of the Kremlin, then afternoon with my friend Gennadii, a former school teacher, who lived about 15 minutes by metro from Central Moscow, and dinner at the Cafe Pushkin, which I loved the last time through



### A curious adventure, from Russia's impressionists to the Marriott Renaissance

July 31, 2012 Mathew G. Crisci

Mathew G. Crisci continues his narration of his adventures in Russia. This time he tells us about his encounter with the work of the Russian Impressionists at Tretyakov Gallery and his arrival to the Marriott Renaissance



### Day Two: One good cry near the Red Square VIDEO

July 20, 2012 Mathew G. Crisci

Within a matter of minutes I went from laughing so hard I cried to viewing something so moving that it made me cry. Not far from Red Square burns the eternal flame that represents the millions of soldiers who perished during World War Second



### Day One: What could go wrong, goes wrong!

July 11, 2012 Mathew G. Crisci

All started smoothly—other than the fact that my driver, Ron, picked me up at 2:30 AM to make the 6 AM United Los Angeles-to-Moscow flight. I mean how many Americans win a grand prize for editorial excellence in a Russian newspaper! 1



### One American's view of Russia

July 10, 2012 Mathew G. Crisci

I'm an American businessman and author with absolutely no Russian ancestry. My Dad was a butcher and my Mom a telephone operator. I grew up on the streets of New York, and had to scarp for everything I have 3

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- 18:38 September 6, 2012 APEC trade ministers oppose curbs on food exports
- 17:26 September 6, 2012 Prokhorov's CMI Platform to be announced as traditional party in October
- 16:16 September 6, 2012 Opposition files new application for protest march in Moscow on Sept 15
- 14:07 September 6, 2012 Russian Paralympics delegation hopes attackers of bus with volleyball team in London to be found
- 14:06 September 6, 2012 APEC will accelerate Russia's integration with global economy
- 13:49 September 6, 2012 Lavrov hosts APEC ministerial conference in run-up to summit
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