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# “Moscow is always amazing, but it’ll be even better for the World Cup”

Who knows a city better than its locals? We visited the Russian capital to ask for their tips ahead of kick-off this June

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## Karine Khudaverdyan, 28

“You should definitely visit Propaganda ([propagandamoscow.com](http://propagandamoscow.com)): a funky bar with tasty food at good prices. The next morning you might want to regain some energy at Sagah café (9 Kalashniy Lane), and from there walk down to Manezhnaya square and pose in front of the art installations inspired by the World Cup.”



## Darina Osmolovskaya, 30

“To feel the football spirit of Moscow in the '50s, take a walk around 'Torpedo' stadium ([strel.ru](http://strel.ru)) on Vostochnaya Street. The stadium's Stalin era-architecture looks very striking in the working-class neighbourhood.”



## Andrey Glotov, 31

“Visit Taganskaya Square to see a mural of Lev Yashin – the only goalie in the world to have been awarded the Ballon d’Or – plus there are tons of bars in the area where you can watch the games.”



## Grigory Telingater, 30

“Take a tourist boat down the Moskva River for great views of the city. I’d also recommend Darling, I’ll Call You Later ([darlingbars.ru](http://darlingbars.ru)), a small chain of bars that always show big sport games. The atmosphere is pretty electric.” →



**Julia Striganova, 30**

“Once the sun’s out, there’s only one thing to do: go outside! Start with a breakfast on Bulka bakery’s veranda (69 Bolshaya Gruzinskaya). Then just lay on the lawn at the Hermitage Garden (3 Karenyi Ryad) until you’re ready for dinner at Veranda 32.05 ([veranda3205.ru](http://veranda3205.ru)).”



**Dmitriy Kuzminov, 48**

“You can’t get a better view of the city than from Vorobyovy Gory, and that’s where the World Cup Fan Zone will be, with a huge screen broadcasting all the football action live. It’s bound to be packed.”



**Alexey Smirnov, 27**

“I’m pretty sure after a hot match at the new Luzhniki stadium ([eng.luzhniki.ru](http://eng.luzhniki.ru)) visitors will enjoy cooling down with a walk along Neskuchny Garden’s waterfront. Follow the bright lights of Gorky Park and the Muzeon, which will lead you to the Kremlin.”



**Kristina Triandofilidi, 35**

“Don’t miss the VTB Arena Park complex, which houses the legendary Dynamos’ stadium named after Lev Yashin ([en.vtb-arena.com/stadium](http://en.vtb-arena.com/stadium)). This June the first game will be held in the newly rebuilt stadium: it’s your chance to cheer among 26,000 people!”



**Ekaterina Kasyanova, 23**

“Don’t forget to visit Gorky Park ([park-gorkogo.com/en](http://park-gorkogo.com/en)). It’s magical this time of the year, whether you want to chill or to get sporty, and there’s a hip bar, Strelka ([strelka.com](http://strelka.com)), nearby which will show the World Cup games on its courtyard.”

**“Take a walk along the Neskuchny Garden’s cool waterfront”**

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