

Tverskaya to Get Lime Trees and Benches

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Moscow's main thoroughfare will be beautified with lime trees and benches in a return to its glorious Soviet past.

According to the announcement of a tender posted Wednesday on state procurement site Goszakupok, eight small-leaf lime trees will be planted on Tverskaya Ulitsa between Manezh Square and Pushkin Square, while 60 in containers will be installed on the sidewalk during the summer and be replaced with firs and spruce in the winter.

The work, to be completed this year, will see another 189 containers with shrubs and flowers further beautify the street, while 115 benches will provide space for weary pedestrians to rest, Interfax reported.

The plan is to make Tverskaya's sidewalk an extension of the pedestrian zone linking Stoleshnikov Pereulok, Kamergersky Pereulok and Kuznetsky Most.

Tverskaya, earlier known as Ulitsa Gorkogo, was considered one of the greenest areas in Moscow during the 1960s, when lime trees planted on the street in 1947 reached maturity.

The maximum value of the contract has been set at 269.5 million rubles.

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