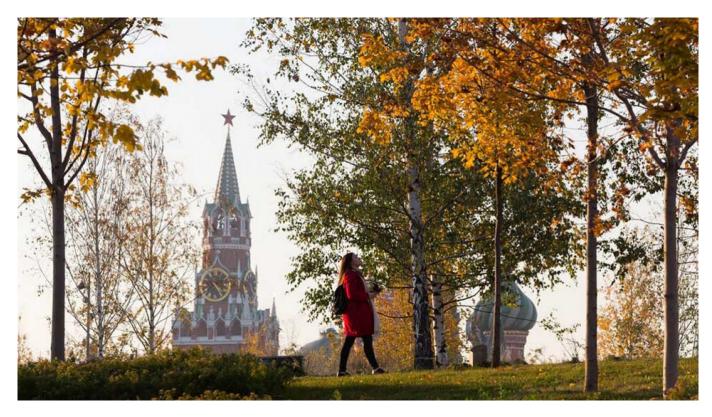


Moscow Ranks Among World's Top 10 Fall Travel Destinations – CNN

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Moscow has landed in CNN Travel's list of the top 10 destinations to witness the red and golden hues of autumn.

While acknowledging that "no country has a patent on trees filled with russet, scarlet and golden leaves," the outlet singles out the Russian capital for "some unexpectedly fine spots for autumn hues."

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Tsaritsyno, CNN <u>writes</u>, "has superb colors." Located south of the city, Tsaritsyno is a rural palace that was commissioned by Catherine the Great in 1775, although the complex lay in ruins for many years after her death. Today, the Tsaritsyno palace boasts a museum, a number of ever-changing exhibitions and a cafe, while its grounds feature large ponds and sun-dappled trails.

Kolomenskoye, "another photogenic spot" situated high on a curve of the Moscow River, is a former royal estate that houses orchards, the Ascension church built in 1532 and a wooden palace.

Meanwhile, Moscow's Sheremetyevo International Airport became the <u>first</u> Russian airport to boast three runways last week. The third runway was <u>inaugurated</u> Thursday with an Aeroflot flight from St. Petersburg.

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