10. The Russian Museum



The Russian Museum is the world's largest museum of Russian art, a unique architectural and artistic complex in the historic center of St. Petersburg.

It is the first state museum of Russian fine art.

The collection of the Russian Museum was based on objects and works of art donated from the Winter, Gatchina and Alexander Palaces, the Academy of Arts, as well as collections of private collectors donated to the museum.

The museum's collection includes about 400,000 exhibits and covers all historical periods and trends of russian art development, major species and genres, directions and schools for more than 1000 years: from the 10th to the 21st century.

The main retrospective exhibition of the museum is located in the Saint-Michael's Palace and in the building of Benoit, originally built as an exhibition pavilion of the Academy of Arts. The total area of the museum is now more than 30 hectares. The museum complex also includes the Saint-Michael's Garden, the Summer Garden with the Summer Palace of Peter I and the house of Peter I. The Russian Museum is an extensive museum complex, the largest authoritative research, restoration and curatorial and methodical center, which oversees the work of all art museums in the country.





