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The Golden ring cities belong to the six regions: Moscow, Vladimir, Ivanovo. Kostroma, Tver and Yaroslavl. In the Golden ring consists of eight major cities of Sergiev Posad, Pereslavl-Zalessky, Rostov, Yaroslavl, Kostroma, Ivanovo, Suzdal and Vladimir. The others (Alexandrov, Bogolyubovo, Gorohovets, Gus-Khrustalny, Kalyazin, Kideksha, Moscow, Murom, Myshkin, Palekh, Ples, Rybinsk, Tutaev, Uglich, Yuryev-Polsky, Shuya, etc.) are debatable.

# SERGIEV POSAD

Sergiev Posad Numerous architectural structures of the Trinity-Sergius Lavra, built by the best architects of Russia. The ensemble of the monastery includes more than 50 buildings.

# PERESLAVL-ZALESSKY

Pereslavl-Zalessky In the city - six monasteries: 1. Goritsky monastery 2. Nikitsky monastery 3. Nikolsky monastery 4. Holy Trinity Danilov monastery 5. The Novodevichy monastery 6. Fedorovsky monastery in the city there are nine churches, of which the most amazingare: Spaso-Preobrazhensky Cathedral, the most ancient monument of architecture of the North-East of Russia; Tent-roofed Church of **Metropolitan Peter** 

# ROSTOV

Rostov - the pearl of the Golden Ring. Considerable cultural potential of the city has made it one of the largest centers of tourism and pilgrimage. Rostov is included in the special program of cooperation between the Council of Europe and Russia for the conservation of historical and cultural heritage.



### YAROSLAVL

Vladimir The city is known by monuments of Vladimir-Suzdal school architecture: the Gold gate the triumphal arch with a semicircular vault of tuff, above the gate Church. White-stone cathedrals: 1. Uspensky it has in interior fragments of frescos centuries and frescoes work by Rublev and Daniel Cherniy; 2. Dmitrievsky; 3. The Cathedral of the Dormition Knyaginin monastery; 4. The Assumption Of The Virgin 5. Nicholas the Wonderworker

### **KOSTROMA**

Kostroma In the old part of the city preserved historic structure plan. The basis of the plan is radial grid of streets, the center of the city is opened to the Volga. The biggest historical monument of Kostroma is the architectural ensemble of the Ipatiev monastery. Also significant monuments of architecture and history in Kostroma are Bogoyavlensko-Anastasyinskiy monastery complex and Trade rows.

# **IVANOVO**

Ivanovo The architectural plan of Ivanovo is known first of all monuments belonging to the epoch of constructivism: house-ship, the house of the Shoe. In the city there are many historical-revolutionary monuments, giving it a unique flavor. Historical center of the city is very interesting

# SUZDAL

Suzdal Kremlin is the oldest part of the city. The architectural ensemble of the Kremlin: 1. The Cathedral of the Nativity of the virgin 2. The Pontifical chambers 3. Nikolskaya Church In the Western part of the Kremlin there is a wooden St. Nicholas Church. Monastic ensembles: 1. Spaso-evfimiev monastery 2. Pokrovsky monastery 3. Alexandrovsky monastery 4. Rizopolozhensky monastery 5. Vasilievsky monastery.

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The Golden ring of Russia - a group of tourist routes, passing by old Russian towns to the North-East from Moscow, in which there are unique monuments of history and culture of Russia, centres of

folk crafts.

