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The Museum of the World Ocean Museum-Reserve

Founded in 1990, the Museum of the World Ocean is the only complex maritime museum in Russia. It began with the restoration of the vessel *Vityaz*, the legend of national oceanology. Today the museum complex comprises 19 objects and almost all of them can be described with superlative adjectives.

The Historic Fleet Embankment features the world's largest museum research vessel *Vityaz*; the only Russia's museum afloat submarine *B-413* of Project 641; the only world's vessel for space communication *Kosmonavt Viktor Patsyev* with a museum exhibition on board and other unique vessels. The onshore complex includes the Main Building with aquariums and the exhibition *Depth* with its star objects – the sperm whale skeleton, one of the biggest in the world, and the deep-sea manned submersible *Mir-I*. The revived cultural heritage objects – the Koenig Gate and the Friedrichsburg Gate – show the bonds and relations between the westernmost region with Russia in different epochs. Permanent exhibitions and the Petrine Centre project for education tell a vivid story about young Peter I, who came to study here. The project is the museum's contribution to preservation of heritage of Peter I in the year of the first Russian emperor's 350th anniversary. In 2020, the list of museum objects added a prewar lighthouse, which is being restored under the charitable programme by the museum and involving the public. The Maritime Exhibition Centre on the Baltic Sea shore invites its visitors to travel to Southeast Asia. It houses and displays *People of the Sea*, a unique ethnographic collection (household and culture items of the peoples of Southeast Asia and the tribes of New Guinea).

The Planet Ocean is a new museum centerpiece. The spherical building is designed as the Earth looking like from space; the opening is scheduled for 2024.

In 2022, the Museum of the World Ocean registered about 1.3 million visits. In the early 2023, the museum joined the top ten most visited museums in Russia. Annually, the museum holds about 140 exhibitions and over 150 events.

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Объекты:

MAIN MUSEUM COMPLEX

Planet Ocean

Exhibition building

Irbenskiy

Lightship

SRT-129

Medium fishing trawler

Water Cube, B-413 submarine and Be-12 seaplane

Naval Centre

Packgaus

Exhibition centre

Kosmonavt Viktor Patsayev

Research vessel

Vityaz

Research vessel

Depth exhibition

Main building

BRANCHES AND HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL CENTRES

Koenig Gate

Historical and cultural centre

Old lighthouse

Zalivino Settlement

Krassin icebreaker

Saint Petersburg

Maritime Exhibition Centre

Svetlogorsk

Friedrichsburg Gate

Historical and cultural centre

Amber Manufactory

Exhibition centre