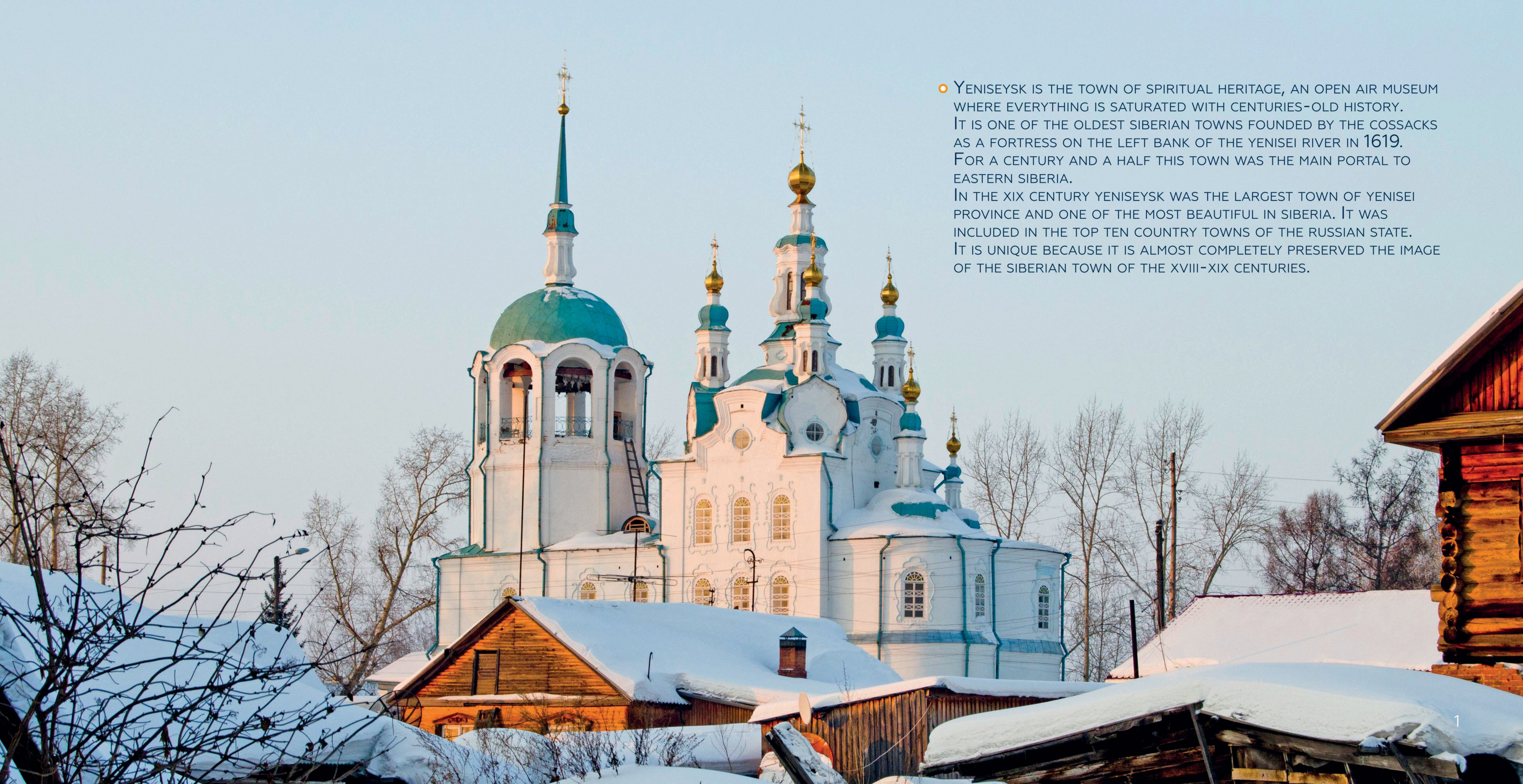


# YENISEYSK

THE TOWN OF SPIRITUAL HERITAGE





○ YENISEYSK IS THE TOWN OF SPIRITUAL HERITAGE, AN OPEN AIR MUSEUM WHERE EVERYTHING IS SATURATED WITH CENTURIES-OLD HISTORY. IT IS ONE OF THE OLDEST SIBERIAN TOWNS FOUNDED BY THE COSSACKS AS A FORTRESS ON THE LEFT BANK OF THE YENISEI RIVER IN 1619. FOR A CENTURY AND A HALF THIS TOWN WAS THE MAIN PORTAL TO EASTERN SIBERIA. IN THE XIX CENTURY YENISEYSK WAS THE LARGEST TOWN OF YENISEI PROVINCE AND ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL IN SIBERIA. IT WAS INCLUDED IN THE TOP TEN COUNTRY TOWNS OF THE RUSSIAN STATE. IT IS UNIQUE BECAUSE IT IS ALMOST COMPLETELY PRESERVED THE IMAGE OF THE SIBERIAN TOWN OF THE XVIII-XIX CENTURIES.



○ Yeniseysk, a town with four hundred years of history and more than 100 cultural heritage sites, has been included in the UNESCO World Heritage Tentative List.

- Travelers, scientists, diplomats, whose way ran through Yeniseysk, noted the magnificent panorama of the town from the river. Norwegian scientist Fridtjof Nansen, who visited the town in 1913, made a note in his travel diary: **"Around noon we started to distinguish bell towers, and as we approached, the green and gold domes and white walls of the churches appeared above the river ."**
- For obvious reasons, **sable**, also known as **"Fur king"**, became the **symbol of the town**. At its height, up to half of all "soft gold" in the Russian Empire was procured in the Yenisei taiga, which was almost 10% of the country's budget.
- Farmstead. A few years ago Eugene Pavlov found three stirrups in a friend's shed, which was the beginning of **Saddlery Museum** and its unusual collection. The current owner of the exposition not only **collects horse relay parts and also offers sleigh and chaise horse rides**.

- **Spassky Monastery in Yeniseysk is one of the oldest monasteries** in the Krasnoyarsk region and one of the most magnificent examples of Siberian architecture.
- **Monastery Lake**, which is 28 km out of the town, is infused with old myths and legends. According to some of them, it has healing and **therapeutic properties**.
- **Yenisei Museum of Local Lore, History and Economy named after A.I. Kytmanov is one of the oldest museums in Siberia**. It houses a unique collection of household items of the Yenisei Siberians.
- **In 1861 the Yeniseysk Shipping Company was founded** when the local merchants started a private steamship firm. The next year, a talented Yeniseysk self-taught master Khudyakov built the ship on which the first cargo was delivered to the lower Yenisei.
- **The Carpenter Plane Museum is the only museum of this type in Russia and probably in the world**. The Unique Exposition was awarded A Golden Star by the Russian Book of Records. As well as it was also included in the Guinness Book of World Records.
- **August Fair** has been traditionally held since 1785. Merchants from all over Russia, Europe and Asia arrived here for Siberian furs.
- The embankment was renovated for the celebration of the 400th anniversary. It attracts both residents and tourists. **A magnificent view** opens up from a long coastline to the valley of the Yenisei River.



## WHY YOU SHOULD COME?

- See the real merchant estates of the second half of the XIX century, owned by merchants Kytmanov, Dementiev, Kobychhev, Balandin
- Visit the **Yenisei Ukha** culinary festival and taste one of the cult dishes – ukha (fish soup) cooked with Yenisei freshwater fish
- Hold the ancient household items of Yeniseysk life, carefully collected in the **"Photo izba"** by a resident of Yeniseysk – photographer Peter Yakovlevich Drozdov
- Visit 9 unique Orthodox buildings – examples of Siberian baroque, including the Spassky Monastery, the Resurrection Church and the Epiphany Cathedral
- Feel the special atmosphere of the ancient Siberian town and immerse yourself in the quiet and measured life without traffic jams and the hectic pace of the modern world



**Merchant guilds. This is a kind of Forbes magazine list:** the richest merchants were in the First Guild, merchants with a lower income were in the Second Guild, artisans and small merchants were in the Third Guild. All of them paid an annual guild fee. Initially it was based on a percentage of their wealth and later it was a set amount. Merchants of the first and second guilds could own factories and plants, were exempted from corporal punishment and from army service. Merchants of the third guild could conduct trade, maintain taverns and inns and engage in craft. Honorary citizenship was introduced to encourage merchants.

## HOW TO GET THERE?



- **CAR**  
Take the P-409 highway – «Yeniseysk tract». Distance 340 km. Travel time ~ 4-5 hours. By the anniversary of the city in 2019, the Yeniseysk tract was successfully upgraded. There are round-the-clock roadside cafes and warm toilets along the route.



- **RAILWAY SERVICE**  
Local train  
KRASNOYARSK – LESOSIBIRSK.  
Travel time ~ 10 hours.  
You can get from Lesosibirsk to the city of Yeniseysk by shuttle bus.  
Travel time ~ 50 min.



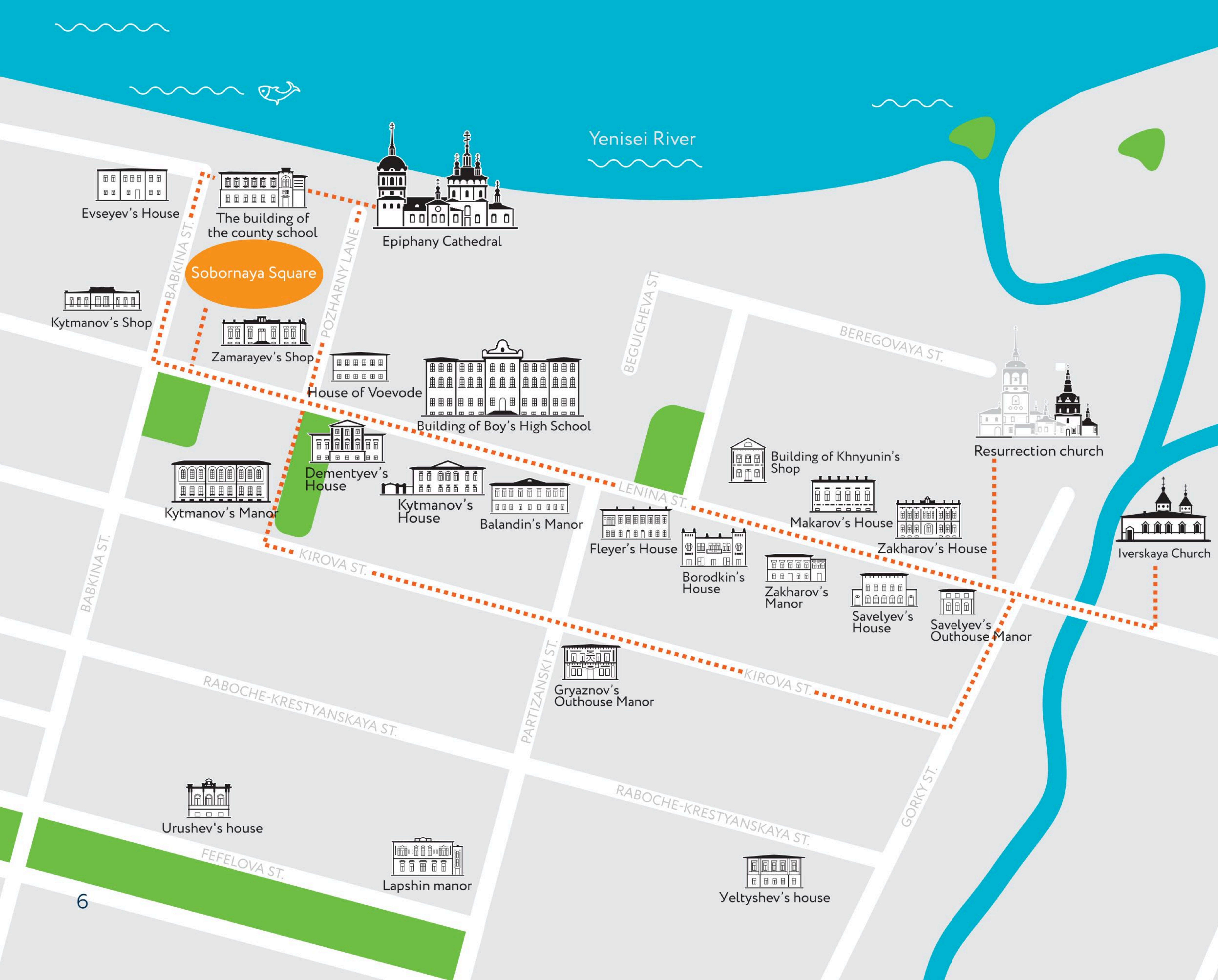
- **BUSES**  
Regular buses leave from Krasnoyarsk bus station to YENISEYSK daily.  
Travel time ~ 6 hours.



- **MOTOR SHIP**  
June – October  
FROM KRASNOYARSK  
TO YENISEYSK  
Travel time ~ 17 hours.

- **1712**  
The first stone Epiphany Cathedral was erected in the town.
- **1719**  
Yeniseysk became the provincial capital.
- **1765-67**  
Merchants lived in the town, including 143 merchants in the First Guild and more than 1200 merchants of the Second and Third Guilds.
- **1789**  
The first public school was opened, which was the only one in the whole Yenisei region.
- **1840-60**  
The town became the center of the gold mining industry.
- **1970**  
Yeniseysk is included in the list of historical towns of Russia.
- **2000**  
The central part of the town is included in the UNESCO Tentative World Heritage list.
- **2019**  
Yeniseysk celebrated its 400th anniversary on an international scale.





## WHERE TO STAY?

- **Borodkin Guest House**  
**Yeniseysk, st. Raboche-Krestyanskaya, 62**  
 The house of Borodkin is a manor built in 1861. In 2023, the building was rearranged to become a museum hotel. The designers restored the interiors typical for a manor dating back to the late 19th through the early 20th century. You can enjoy Siberian cuisine for dinner in the former wine cellar, see the most pleasant dreams in the bed with a baldachin, play table games from the past and even go to your own small balcony in the morning with a cup of tea or coffee, observing the town.
- **Hotel Gornitsa**  
**Yeniseysk, st. Lenin, 125**  
 An authentic, cozy and homely place in the town center, where you are lucky enough to relax on wooden furniture created by the Yeniseysk craftsmen
- **Hotel Yenisei**  
**Yeniseysk, st. Khudzinsky, 6 /st. Lenin, 133**  
 A former merchant house with unique 18th century architecture and an old-fashioned interior. Located in the town center, within walking distance from the landing stage and bus station
- **Hotel Domino**  
**Yeniseysk, st. Petrovsky 2/1**  
 This hotel represents good value for money
- **Hotel Ursa Constellation**  
**Lesosibirsk, st. Magistralnaya, 55**  
 43 km from Yeniseysk, travel time ~ 50 min. Modern hotel with comfortable rooms, a barbecue area and a parking lot
- **Recreation center Fish Settlement**  
**Yeniseysk district, village Ust-Tunguska, st. Beregovaya, 1**  
 74 km from Yeniseysk, travel time ~ 1 hour 12 minutes. Comfortable cottages with cozy rooms, a terrace with access to the Yenisei river bank, a Russian sauna on birch firewood. You can try grayling fishing and enjoy a meal in a restaurant that offers fish dishes based on old Siberian recipes



## WHERE TO EAT?

### ON THE WAY TO YENISEYSK

- **Cafe Ostrovok** serves dishes of traditional Yenisei cuisine – dumplings with venison, maral soup, stroganina (frozen fish or meat cut into thin slices), whitefish soup  
191 km from Kazachinskoe village along the Yeniseysk tract

### IN THE TOWN

- **Hotel Domino Cafe** – a varied menu: Russian, European cuisine  
Yeniseysk, st. Petrovsky 2/1
- **Pizzeria Don Leon** – Russian cuisine and pizza.  
Yeniseysk, st. Kirova, 81
- **Russian cuisine restaurant Skazka** – dishes of Siberian cuisine prepared according to traditional recipes.  
Yeniseisk, st. Petrovsky, 11a

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