Snapshot of Pre Soviet Russia

Russian Postcards from 1900 - 1910
Original postcards housed in UK Libraries’ Special Collections. Slides created from digital images created by UK Libraries Digital Library Services.
Many of these cards bear messages requesting postcard exchanges, a popular hobby of the time.
Russian Imperial Coat of Arms with flags of Russia

Top: Russian Navy
Bottom: Imperial Standard
Tsar Nicholas II

Tsarina Alexandra
Russian Army Palace Grenadiers, 1905.

Ceremonial guards and band members.
Count Vladimir Nikolaevich Lamsdorf

Viceroy Admiral Evgenii Ivanovich Alekseev
Major General Leonid Konstantinovich Artamanov

Young woman of Kharkov
Wool spinners with admirer

Reed gathering and storage
Cutting and stacking peat

Wool spinner and admirer
Young warrior of the Caucasus

Ingiloi Women of Azerbaijan
Ingush man of northern Caucasus

Village group in Imereti province, Georgia
Horse trading at the Kolchansks market

Zealots observing the Day of Ashura in Baku, Azerbaijan
Night watchman

Mounted Cossack
Cossack mounted cavalry group

Cossacks grooming horses
Cossack mounted military band

Northeastern Siberian hunters with sled-dogs
Siberian reindeer market

Summer wheeled carriage troika
Winter sleigh troika

Ice carriers
Artilleryman

Bliny vendor
Street vendor

Chimney sweep
Ukrainian group portrait

Old man with baskets
Kvass vendor

Broom vendor
Women with gardening tools

Woman street vendor
Peasant alms-seeker

Couple dining at a restaurant
Peasant alms-seekers at church door

Outdoor meal with musician
Group portrait with garmonika (button-accordion) player

Family meal outdoors
Ukrainian group portrait

Farm workers outside village elder’s cabin
Kalmyk women, Astrakhan

Far Eastern Russian troops are fitted with fur hats (ushanka)
St. Petersburg, the Winter Palace with Vasilievsky Island Lighthouse, foreground
St. Petersburg, the Nikolaevsky Bridge
St. Petersburg, Nevskii Prospekt

St. Petersburg, Cathedral of the Ascension
St. Petersburg, Razumovsky Academy of Sciences

St. Petersburg, the Nikolaevsky Station
St. Petersburg, House of the People Theatre

St. Petersburg, Engineering Castle
St. Petersburg, Wooden Church of Sts. Peter and Paul

St. Petersburg, Cathedral of St. Isaac
St. Petersburg, the Sapper Battalion monument

St. Petersburg, Anichkov Bridge horse sculpture
St. Petersburg, Suvorov Monument

Moscow, the Kremlin
Moscow, Cathedral of St. Basil

Moscow, Spasskaya Tower, the Kremlin
Moscow, Slavyansky Bazaar

Moscow, Iversky Gate, the Kremlin
Moscow, Cathedral of Christ the Savior

Ryazan, the Lazarevsky Road
Odessa (Crimea), Imber building

Kiev (Ukraine), Solovtsov Theatre
Livadiya (Crimea), the Romanov Small Palace

Crimea, Cape Fiolent
Odessa (Crimea), Shirayevo

Odessa, the Port
Rostov-on-Don, the Riverfront

Rostov-on-Don, Panorama
Rostov-on-Don,
City park entrance

Rostov-on-Don, Maly Prospekt
Nakhichevan (Rostov-on-Don), Monument to Catherine the Great

Rostov-on-Don, Tokarev academy
Rostov-on-Don, Novo Pokrovskaya Church

Sochi (North Caucasus), Black Sea coast spa
North Caucasus, Mletsky Ascent on Georgian Military Highway (fountain at lower left)
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