

# British Tourist Tries, and Fails, to Take Motorcycle Selfie on Red Square

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A tourist from Britain was stopped by police after trying to ride his motorcycle onto Moscow's Red Square.

The man, who was unaware the area is pedestrianized, wanted to photograph himself alongside his motorcycle on the iconic square, Interfax reported Tuesday, citing a member of the security services.

This is not the first time a foreigner has tried to gain access to Red Square using unorthodox means.

In 1987, a 19-year-old amateur pilot from East Germany, Mathias Rust, shot to fame after bypassing Soviet air controls to bring down his plane on the square.

Rust was detained by police and sentenced to four years in a labor camp, of which he served a total of 14 months before being released.

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