

# Rain Floods Force Locals to Swim Down Streets in Southern Russia

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Cities across Russia were flooded this weekend following several days of heavy rains. In dramatic social media footage, locals are seen walking through waist-high water and canoeing in southern Russian cities including Voronezh, Krasnodar and Saransk.

Surf's up! Residents of Togliatti didn't let the damp weather interfere with their beach day plans.

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Sometimes you just need to take the plunge — like these pedestrians in Krasnodar region.

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Well, that's one way to keep your feet dry! Kids keep swinging in Voronezh region.

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Street flooding got especially serious in Saratov. Dear locals, this looks like a good excuse to spend the day inside.

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But for some, such as these pedestrians in Staraya Russa, nothing gets in the way of a stroll through town.

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While the weather was mostly an impediment, it also offered the opportunity for some beautiful shots — such as this dramatic landscape in Petrozavodsk.

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And the streets of St.Petersburg managed to stay bright and colorful despite the downpour.

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Nevertheless, stay safe in your photographing endeavors! Lightning strikes Mashuk Mountain in Pyatigorsk.

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Still, there's nothing quite so atmospheric as a stormy day in the Russian capital.

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