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Red October – Top Places

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Across from Christ the Saviour cathedral you find this artistic & trendy island based on the territory of the former chocolate factory. It's very raw and industrial, but hosts some of Moscow's nice restaurants, bars and galleries of which many have a great view. We have selected a few highlights:



Strelka has one of the best views in town from their terrace! The food recently got an upgrade with a new Italian chef.Visit Strelka for lunch/after dinner drinks/dancing in the courtyard. Strelka - holds interesting events like our favorite designer market Lambada.

In a courtyard you find this new Asian restaurant from Novikov. The quality is good, the interior nice, but when we were here it was a little empty on a Saturday night. It also has a nice small terrace where you can eat before you go to one of the bars or nightclubs.

This is our favorite bookstore if you're looking for nice coffee table books about Moscow and Russia or Soviet style postcards and posters. The staff in the shop is very service minded and can help you order books if they are out of stock. It's also a large photo exhibition center, so check their website for the exhibitions schedule.

We can't say this is our favorite nightclub, but if you're up for a cheeky old school night of dancing, Gipsy is the place to be. The line can be long, so be in time and the crowd can be quite young. Enjoy a shameless night out!

A nice restaurant from Novikov group with own cheese production serving great pizza and pasta. Nice setting with a tiny outdoor terrace. A perfect spot for family lunch.

We love this stylish sport club, where you really can go to your limits. They offer cross fit, TRX, boxing and personal trainer classes, for each fitness level. Try it out, the first class just cost 500 rub, for a group class.

For all locations & links to the venues check our blog.

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