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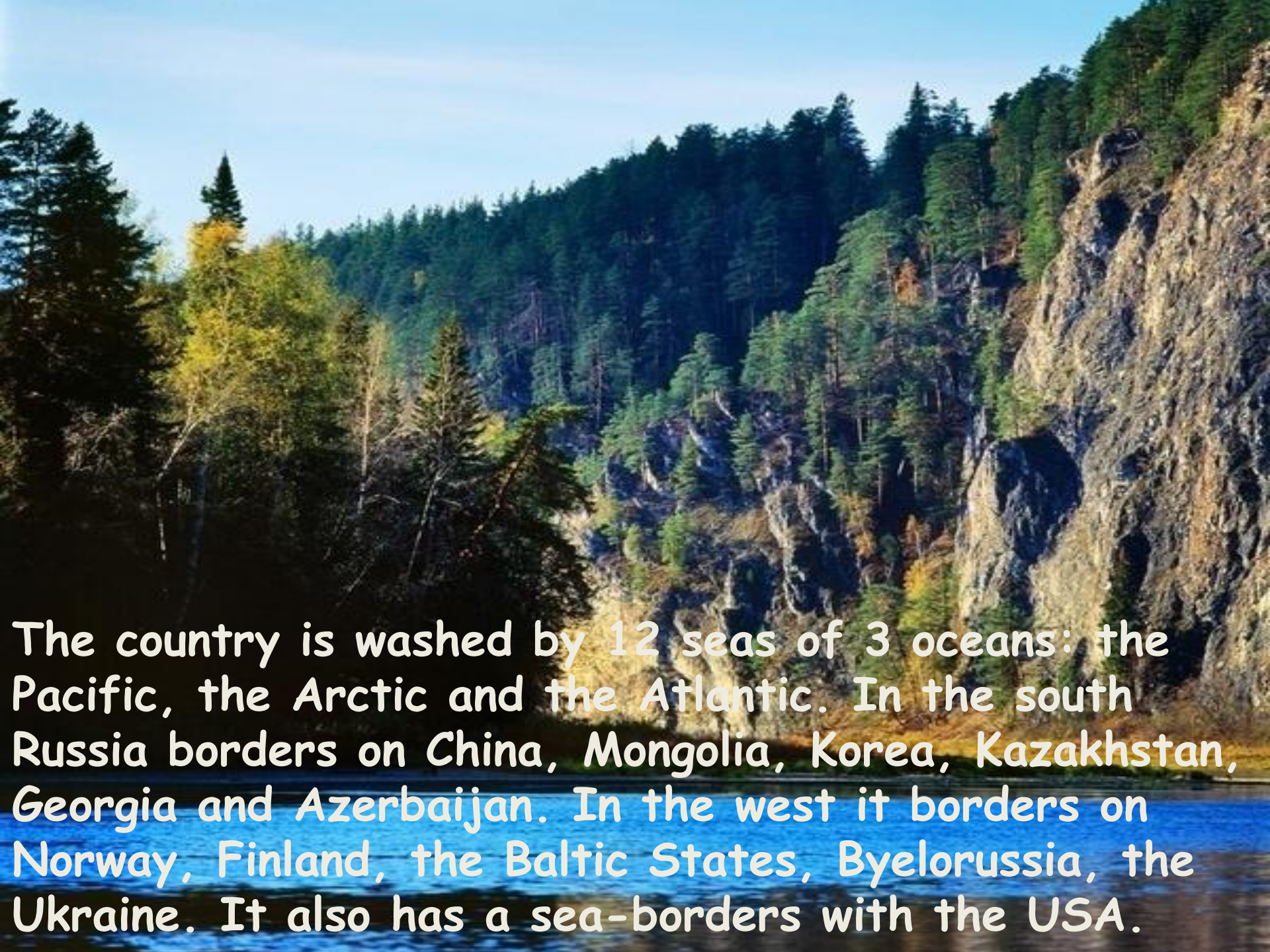
Russia- is my
Homeland!




A satellite-style map of the Russian Federation, showing its vast territory across Europe and Asia. The map is framed by a blue circular border. The text is overlaid in yellow on the left side of the map.

The Russian Federation is the largest country in the world. It occupies about one-seventh of the earth's surface. It covers the eastern part of Europe and the northern part of Asia. Its total area is about 17 million square kilometers.






The country is washed by 12 seas of 3 oceans: the Pacific, the Arctic and the Atlantic. In the south Russia borders on China, Mongolia, Korea, Kazakhstan, Georgia and Azerbaijan. In the west it borders on Norway, Finland, the Baltic States, Byelorussia, the Ukraine. It also has a sea-borders with the USA.

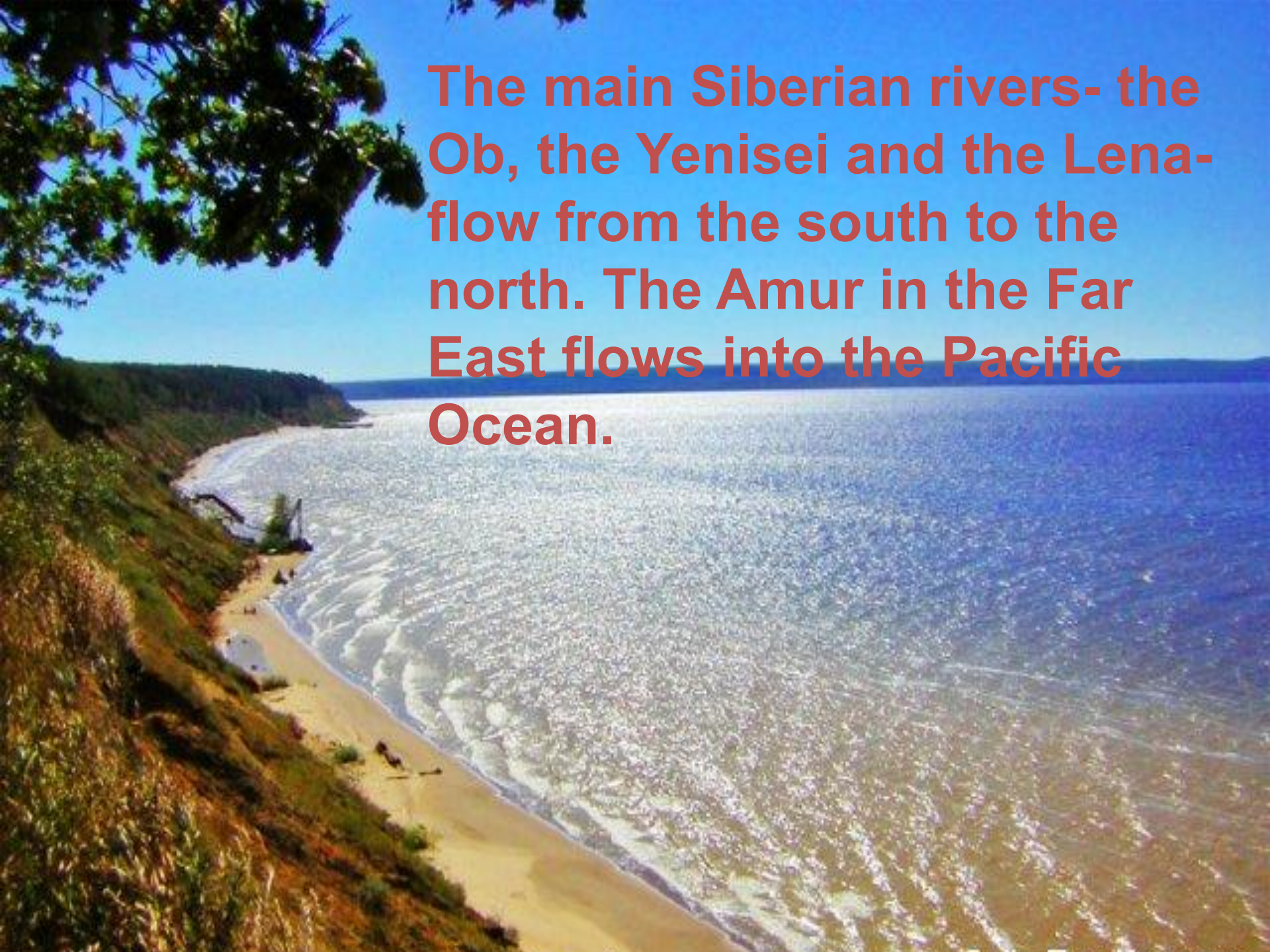
A scenic landscape featuring a calm pond in the foreground that reflects the surrounding greenery and a sky filled with white and grey clouds. The background is dominated by a dense forest of tall, leafy trees. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and natural.

We have very beautiful scenery: steppes in the south, plains and forests in the midland, tundra and taiga in the north, highlands and deserts in the east



There are two great plains in Russia: the Great Russian Plain and the West Siberian Lowland.

There are several mountains chains on the territory of the country: the Urals, the Caucasus, the Altai and others. The largest mountain chain, the Urals, separates Europe from Asia.

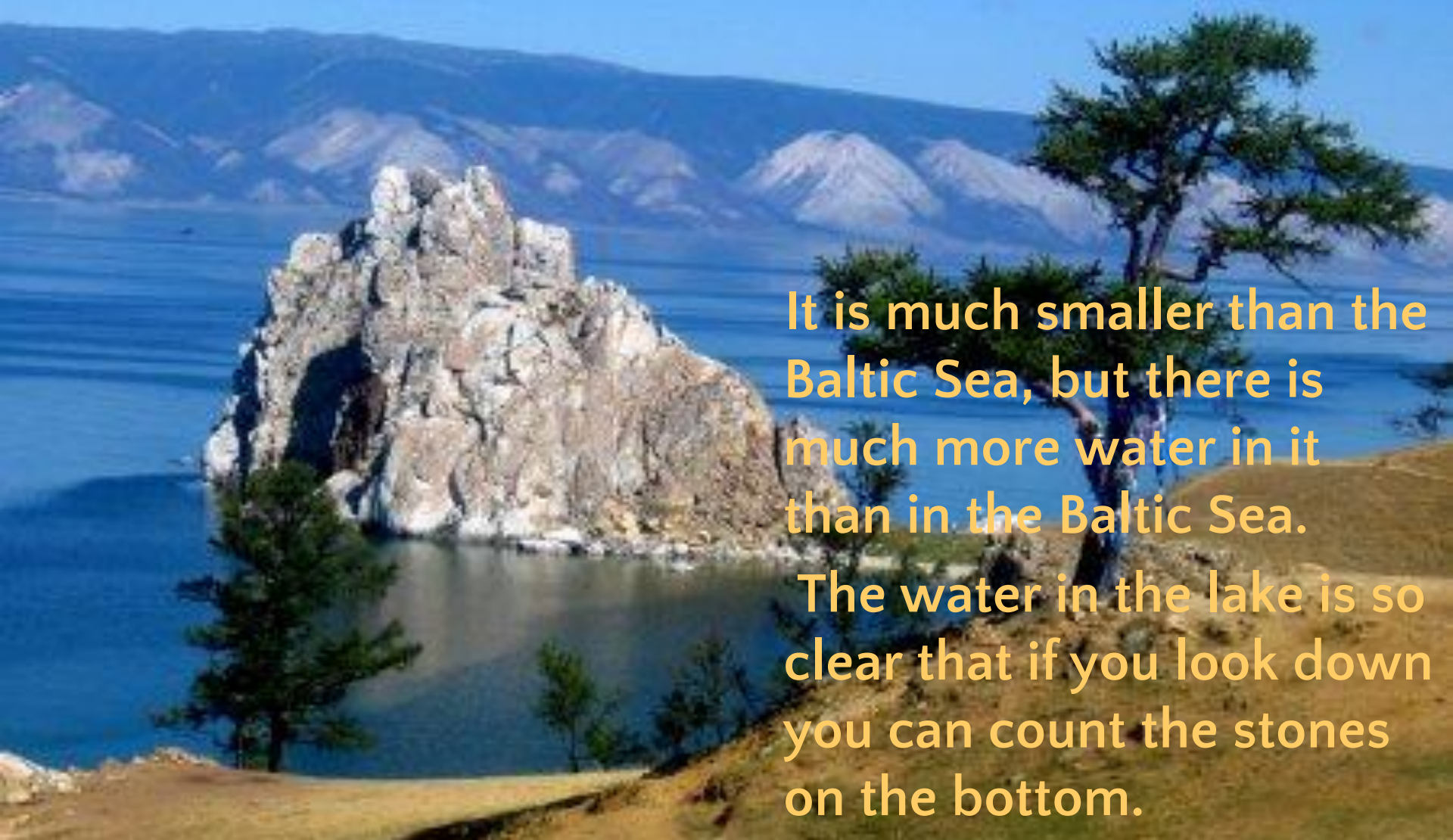
A scenic view of a coastline. In the foreground, there is a sandy beach with some small structures and a few people. The beach curves along a green, grassy hillside. The water is a deep blue, with white foam from waves breaking onto the shore. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

The main Siberian rivers- the Ob, the Yenisei and the Lena- flow from the south to the north. The Amur in the Far East flows into the Pacific Ocean.

Russia is rich in beautiful lakes.
The world's deepest lake is Lake
Baikal.

It is much smaller than the
Baltic Sea, but there is
much more water in it
than in the Baltic Sea.

The water in the lake is so
clear that if you look down
you can count the stones
on the bottom.



Russia has one-sixth of the world's forests. They are concentrated in the European north of the country, in Siberia and in the Far East.



On the vast territory of the country there are various types of climate, from arctic in the north to subtropical in the south.



In the middle of the country the climate is temperate and continental.

A scenic landscape featuring a calm river or lake in the center, surrounded by dense green forests. The water reflects the surrounding trees and sky. In the foreground, there are branches with yellow and orange autumn leaves, partially obscuring the view of the water. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and natural.

**Russia is very rich
in oil, iron, natural
gas, copper, nickel
and other mineral
resources.**

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Russia is a parliamentary republic. The Head of State is the President. The legislative powers are exercised by the Duma.

The capital of Russia is Moscow. It is its largest political, scientific, cultural and industrial centre. It's one of the oldest Russian cities.

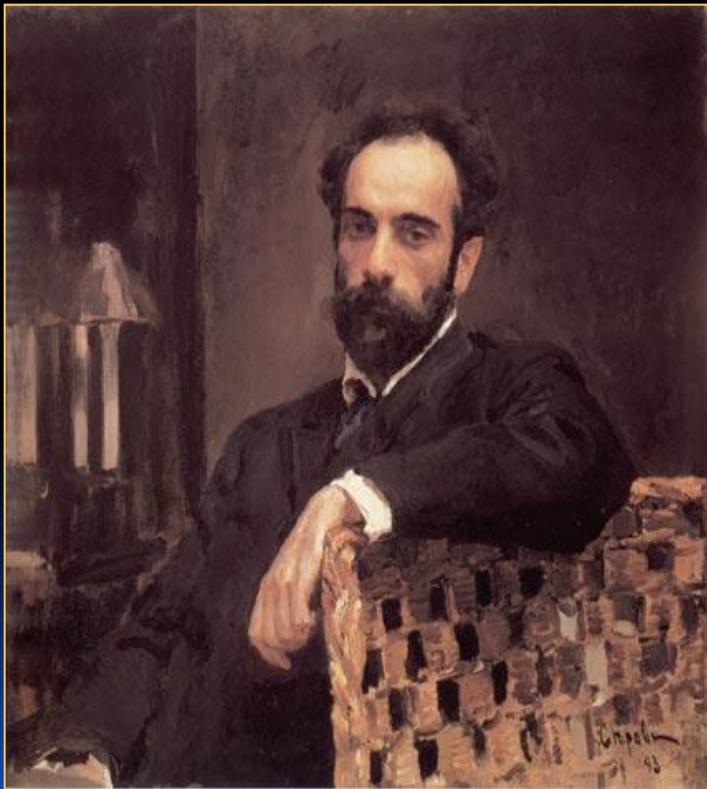




Our people are hardworking, patient, never losing hope for better life.

Firstly, about Russian people. To my mind, the main traits of their characters which differ them from other people are hospitality, their «open heart», «golden hands», wise Russian fairytales reflect this wisdom.

The Russians are the talented nation. Russia gave the world wonderful names of A.Pushkin and M.Lermontov, P.Tchaikovsky and I.Repin, thousands of names of world famous poets, writers, composers, scientists.



I. Levitan – a famous Russian artist



P. Tchaikovsky – a composer



Y. Gagarin –
the first Russian
cosmonaut



D. Mendeleev – a famous
scientist

All of them are the pride of the
nation because they send the
beauty of our nature and
people.



Besides these great names in literature and music, our country is famous for Russian traditional specific crafts, its skilled craftsmen.

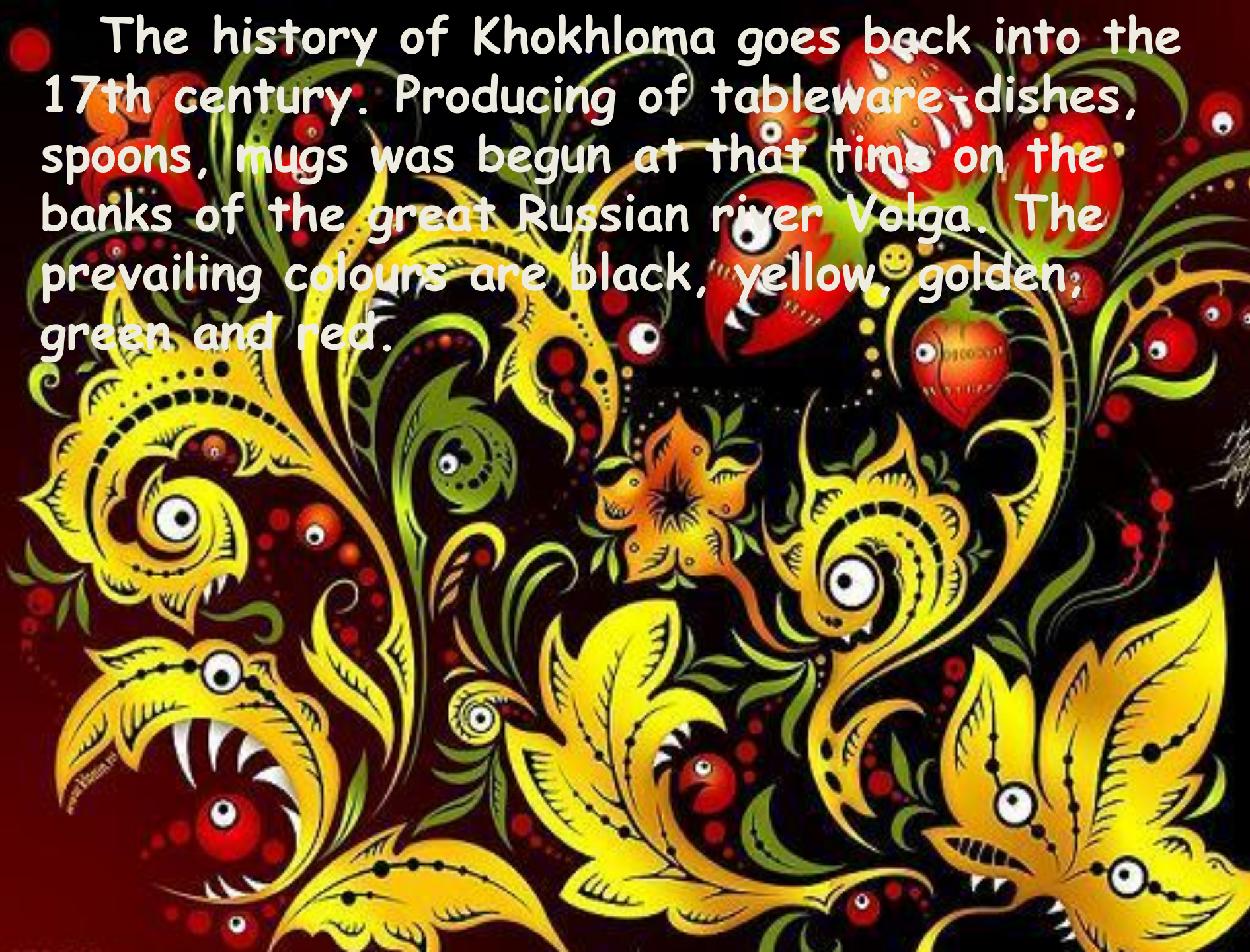
Painted boxes of Palekh, colored shawls of Pavlov Posad, clay toys of Dymkovo, laces of Vologda are known all over the world.





The names of Gzhel and Khokhloma are considered to be the symbols of Russia as well as matryoshkas and samovar.

The history of Khokhloma goes back into the 17th century. Producing of tableware-dishes, spoons, mugs was begun at that time on the banks of the great Russian river Volga. The prevailing colours are black, yellow, golden, green and red.





And nowadays this craft is sure to be saved, it will be developed and brought into the future by the new generation of painters.



There are many national holidays in Russia, when people all over the country do not work have special celebrations. The major holidays are: New Year's Day, Women's Day, May Day, Victory Day and

**That`s all that I would
like to tell you about
Russia!!!**