

St. John the Baptist Church in Yaroslavl

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

St. John the Baptist Church, dating from the 1680s, is the acme of traditional Russian architecture.



WHERE IS LOCATED

It was built in 1671-1687 on the bank of Kotorosl river in the Tolchkovo Sloboda (district) which at that time was the largest and wealthiest part of the town.

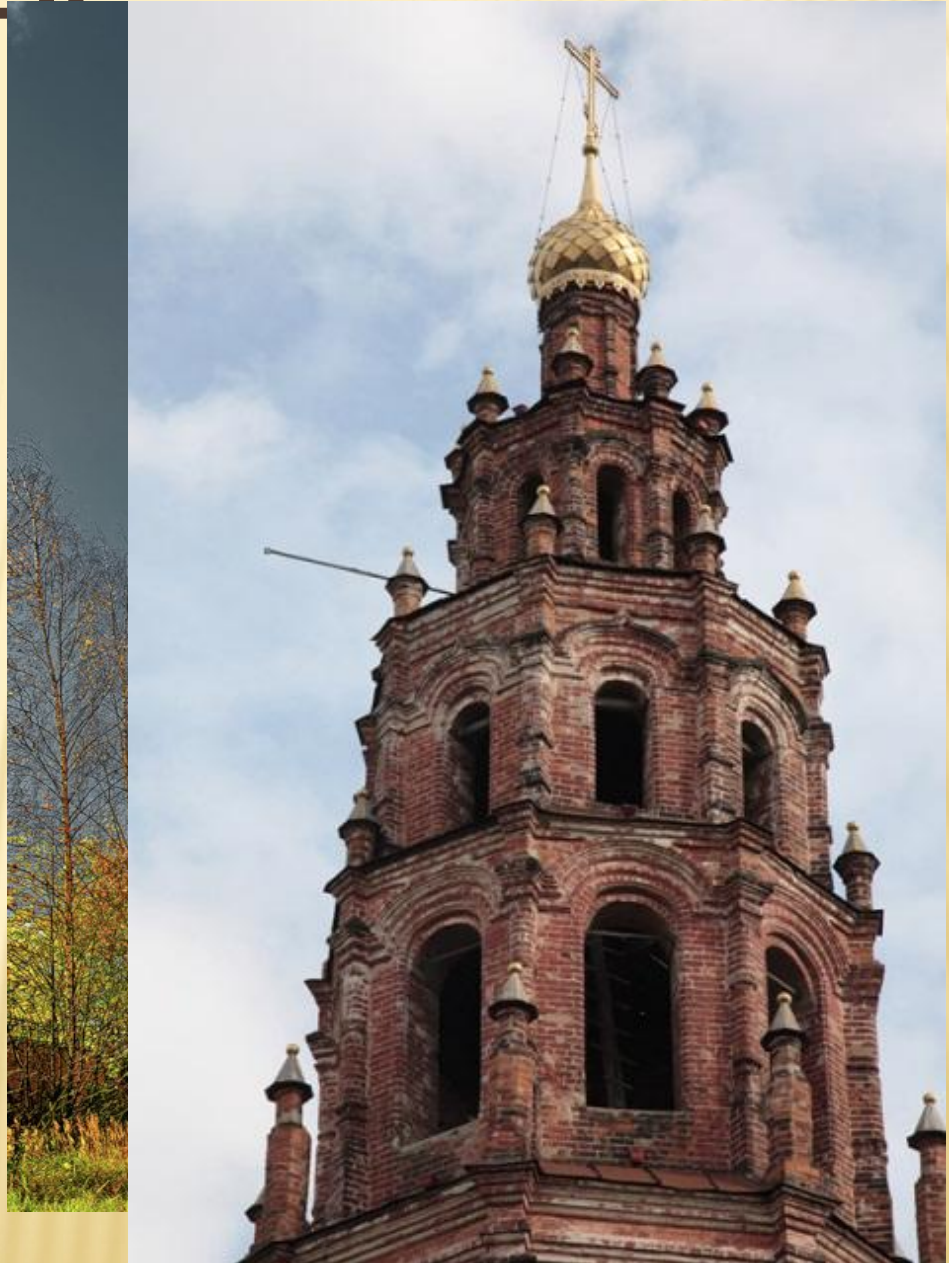


Its walls and dome drums are covered with richly glazed tiles; the temple's fifteen onion domes are assembled in three groups.



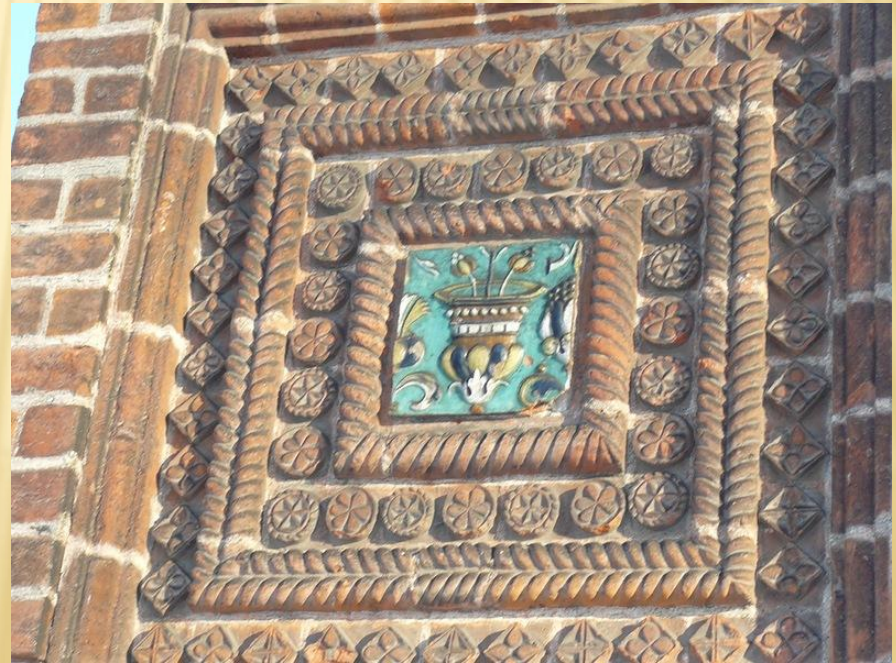
THE BELL-TOWER

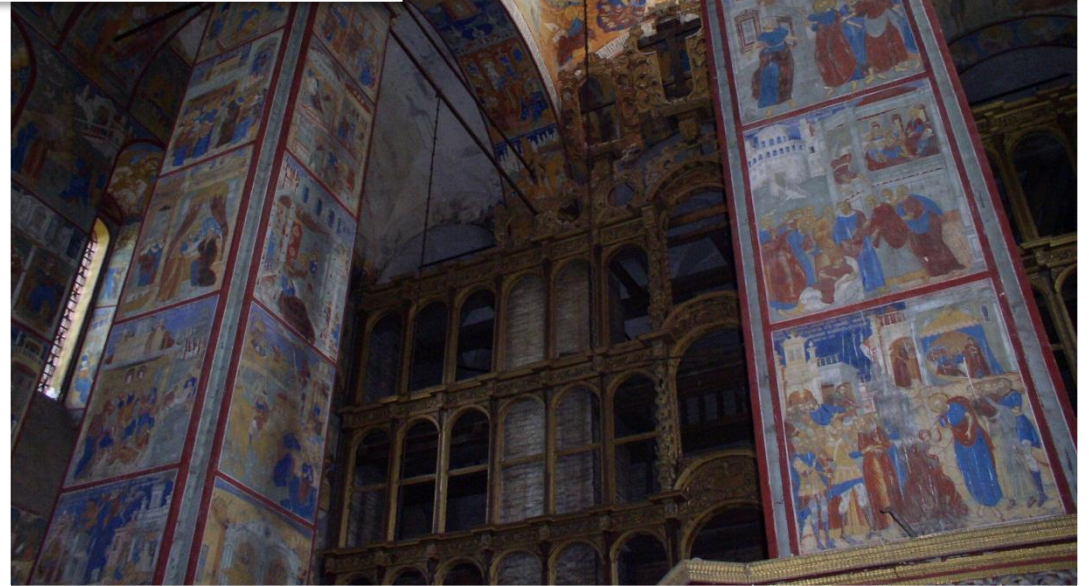
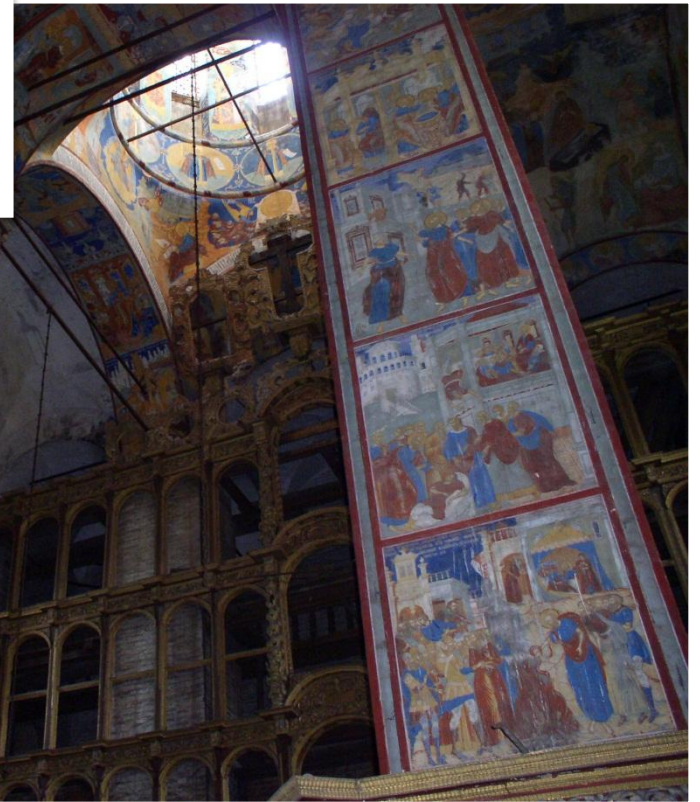
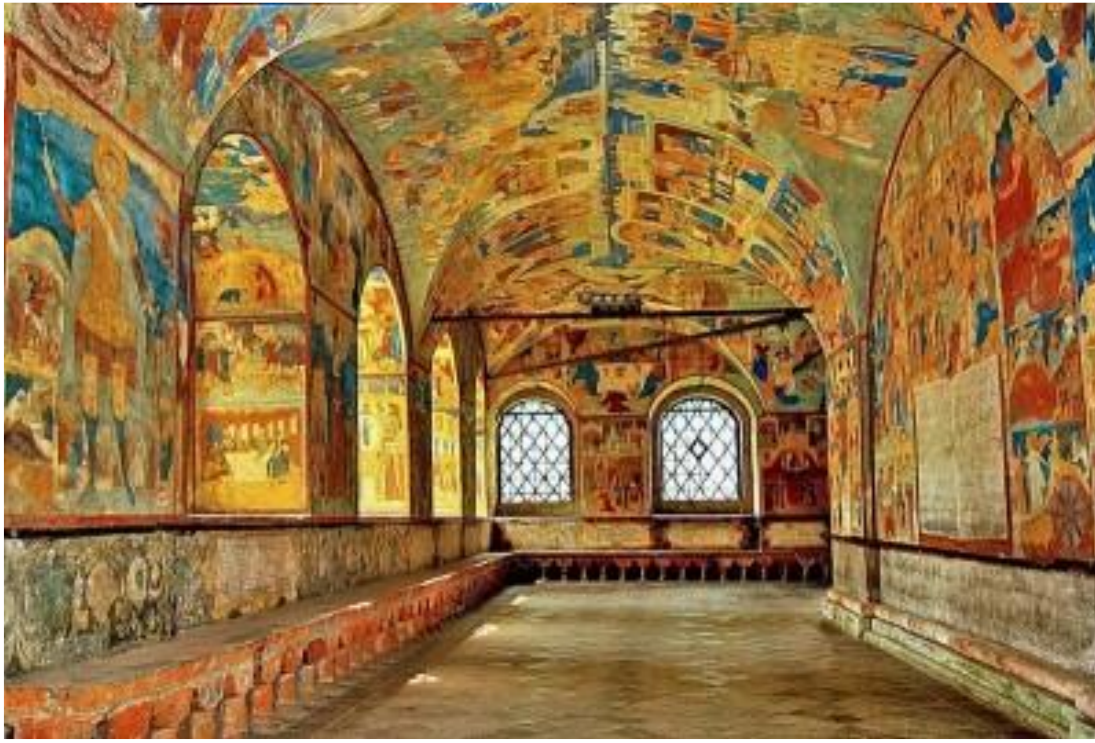
The 7-storey,
45-metre high
bell-tower was built
later than the
church itself in
mid-1690s.



The entire interior is covered with frescoes depicting Christian saints, St. John the Baptist hagiography and biblical topics. They were painted by Dmitry Plekhanov and Fyodor Ignitiev in 1694-1695.







You can see the Church of St. John the Baptist in Yaroslavl on the 1000 ruble banknote.



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