We arrived at Yaroslavl in the morning, and right after breakfast we started the sightseeing by bus.

In the 700s and 800s there were viking settlements as Timerevo where Yaroslavl is today. Yaroslavl is to have been founded in 1010 as an outpost of the Principality of Rostov Velikij, and was first mentioned in historical documents in 1071. The city was the capital of an independent principality from 1218. It was incorporated into The Grand Duchy of Moscow in 1463. In the 1600s it was Russia’s second largest city. Under the Polish occupation of Moscow in 1612 it was the country’s de facto capital. The old downtown area was in 2005 included on the UNESCO World Heritage List. Today it has over 600 000 inhabitants.

To the right we see Yaroslav who killed a bear before he founded the city. It is this that is the background of the coat of arms.

Nice sunrise before arriving to Jaroslavl.

Here we see a bit of the town.

On our way to the place where Jaroslavl was founded.

A statue of Jaroslav the Wise who founded the city.
Out on the tip of the headland where the rivers Volga and Kotorosl meet was the first fortress built. It was easy to defend and it controlled both of their rivers. The city became rich by taxes from them who traveled past. Today there is a park here, the Strelka park.

Further in on the headland lies The Assumption Cathedral. It was originally first built in 1210, but was rebuilt in 2010.

A statue, The Trinity, outside the church.

Still further in lies the grave of the unknown soldier.

The flame is burning all the time.
Church of Elijah the Prophet is known for all the frescoes. It was built 1647-1650 by the brothers Anikey and Nifantey Skripin, trader who had earned fortunes on trade with Siberian fur. Below follows some pictures from inside the church.
Here we are inside the winter church. It is smaller and easier to warm up. This is the heater.
Alexander Nevsky Chapel built in 1892.

The pedestrian area in the Kirov street.

Here we are inside the market hall.

One of the main streets in the city.

Inside this house is the production of hand painted boxes, which Yaroslavl has been known for.

This rider is meeting us inside the door.
Here is explained about the production.

The price is given in US dollar.
On our way upstream Volga again. One of the churches in Yaroslavl.

Arriving at the double lock again.

Here we are going into the lock.

Another boat has entered the lock in front of us.
There are a lot of birds near the locks, but it is not easy to see them on the picture.

The lock gates are closing.