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Mystical Solovki



Photo Gallery

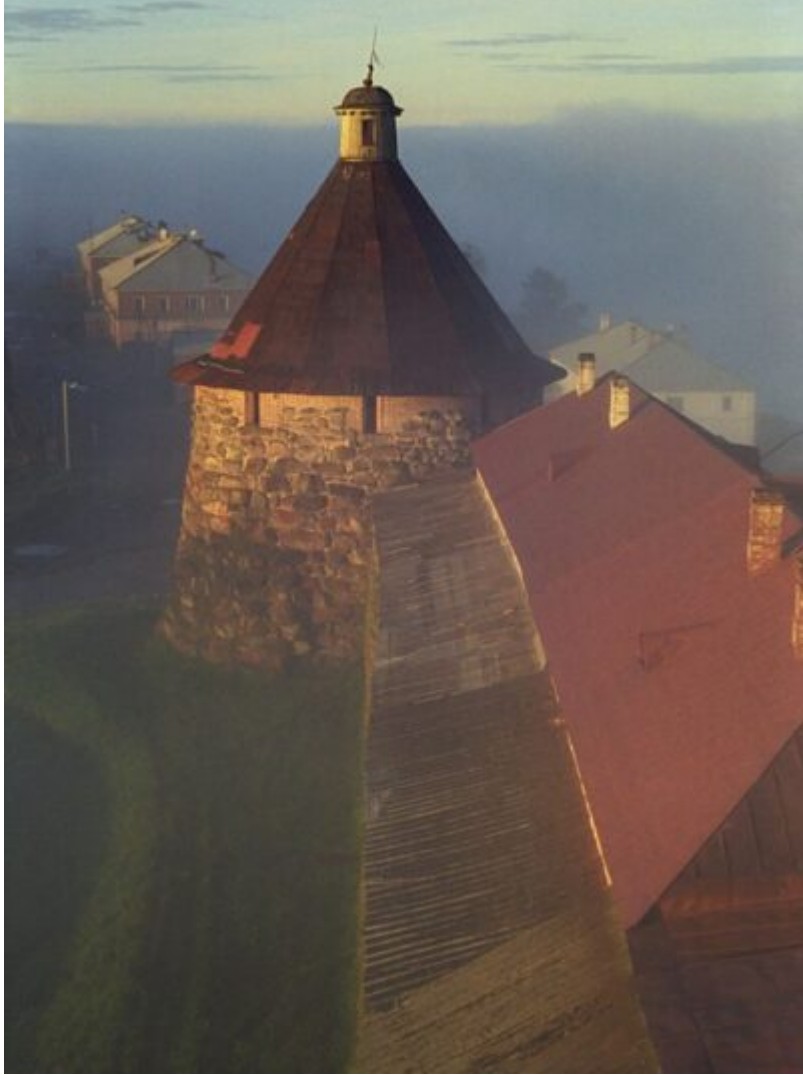
The Solovki archipelago has often been called the “Northern Thebaid” or the “Northern Athos”. It is a group of islands located at the entrance of Onega Bay, in the southwestern part of the White Sea—the only inland sea of the Arctic Ocean. The White Sea itself is fascinating for its unique history and its flora fauna. For nearly half the year it is covered with drifting ice floes, but when they melt back in summer the sea and islands become a mystical world of northern sea animals, and tidal ebbs and flows revealing uncanny rock formations against the luminescent dawns and sunsets of arctic “white nights”. It is no wonder that men desiring the life of strict asceticism and divine contemplation have always been drawn to the monastery of Solovki and its sketes, scattered across its islands. But Solovki also draws artists and photographers, who find there a constantly changing play of light and natural beauty.

We have chosen for this photogallery on the feast of the Synaxis of Solovki Saints a



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