

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO VLADIVOSTOK AND THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST

LOCATION: Vladivostok is located in the southeast corner of Russia. The city is situated on a hilly peninsula separating Amurskiy Bay on the west from Ussuriyskiy Bay on the east. Both bodies of water are inlets on the Sea of Japan. Elevations are generally close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:24	10:30	11:54	13:23	14:39	15:19	15:02	13:58	12:33	11:05	9:47	9:04
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:58	6:45	6:48	6:18	6:05	4:26	3:59	5:02	6:41	6:37	5:37	5:18
AREA OF BLUE SKY	70%	66%	51%	36%	31%	20%	17%	23%	40%	52%	58%	65%
LOW FOR MONTH	-12°	-7°	5°	26°	36°	45°	53°	57°	44°	26°	8°	-6°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	1°	6°	20°	34°	44°	52°	61°	65°	56°	42°	25°	9°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	16°	22°	34°	48°	57°	63°	71°	76°	69°	56°	38°	22°
HIGH FOR MONTH	30°	36°	47°	60°	72°	77°	83°	84°	76°	67°	52°	39°
FROSTY MORNINGS	100%	100%	96%	31%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	15%	79%	99%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	55%	53%	54%	57%	64%	80%	82%	76%	65%	54%	53%	54%
NEARBY WATERS	32°	33°	32°	38°	45°	53°	63°	68°	64°	56°	45°	38°
DRY DAYS	86%	85%	79%	70%	59%	45%	44%	56%	66%	76%	79%	84%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	96%	94%	90%	84%	78%	68%	68%	70%	77%	86%	89%	94%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.06	0.08	0.12	0.24	0.38	0.55	0.60	0.86	0.76	0.33	0.21	0.10
LIKELY SNOWFALL	4.6"	6.9"	7.1"	4.6"	0.7"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	2.2"	6.6"	7.9"
SNOWY DAYS	11%	15%	17%	10%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	11%	13%
THUNDER DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	5%	5%	5%	5%	3%	1%	0%
FOGGY DAYS	3%	3%	11%	25%	36%	53%	62%	29%	9%	6%	9%	3%

COMMENTS: The region has a continental version of the Asian monsoon climate. Precipitation is light, and is concentrated in the summer months when the southwest monsoon brings in the moisture. Summer afternoons are quite cloudy, very humid, and generally warm, rather than hot. The fogs that are so characteristic of the city during the early summer are shallow ones that drift in from Amurskiy Bay. The upper slopes and terraces of the city frequently escape them altogether, while the lower elevations will see them burn off well before noon. Winter afternoons tend to be short, but quite sunny, only moderately humid, and very cold. They run from November through early April, and most winter days remain well below freezing. The ground will be frozen and snow covered from November through early April. The Bay freezes over during most of the winter, usually from late December through early April.