



COACH TOUR - SCENIC SCANDINAVIA & ITS FJORDS - 13N/14D



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Scenic Scandinavia & its Fjords:
14days Tour (Trafalgar)

Dramatic fjords. Quaint 'stave' churches. Cosmopolitan capitals. Denmark, Norway and Sweden's charm and traditions pack every moment of this beautiful trip, taken by rail, road and water. You'll enjoy Insider moments like...indulging in 'Kransekake-stenger' cake at a working farm and pastry school in Bergen, where the hosts explain how rural life has changed since the Vikings first set up the farm.



Day 1 : ARRIVE COPENHAGEN (2 NIGHTS)

Welcome to Copenhagen. Unwind after check-in or spend time exploring Scandinavia's liveliest city. Enjoy an evening drive - the perfect introduction to Copenhagen, followed by a Welcome Reception to get to know your Travel Director and travelling companions.

Meal(s)

Welcome Reception

Hotel : Marriott



Day 2 : COPENHAGEN SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Your Local Specialist takes you on a fascinating sightseeing and walking tour in the vicinity of the Amalienborg Palace - an elegant quarter featuring 18th century buildings. In Copenhagen's historic centre, view the 17th century Stock Exchange, the Christiansborg Palace and the Neo-Classical Cathedral. View the Little Mermaid - the statue inspired by Hans Christian Andersen's sad fairytale - sitting on a rock in the harbour. Later perhaps enjoy a canal cruise with stunning city views.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast





Day 3 : COPENHAGEN - ODENSE - RANDERS

Cross the bridge to the Island of Funen and the town of Odense, Hans Christian Andersen's birthplace. Continue across the Jutland Peninsula en route to Randers for an overnight stay.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Hotel : Randers Authentic Accommodations/Best Western Plus Kronjylland



Day 4 : RANDERS - STAVANGER

Sail from Hirtshals across the Skagerrak to the port of Kristiansand in Norway. Enjoy a scenic drive by fjords and lakes to Stavanger, Norway's third city and one of the oldest.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Dinner

Hotel : Scandic Forum/Clarion Energy



Day 5 : STAVANGER - BERGEN (2 NIGHTS)

Your journey is spectacular as you island-hop from Stavanger, sailing across fjords and passing islands along this impressive coastline. Arrive later in Bergen and experience the history of this picturesque city on your orientation tour. See the 13th century Haakon's Hall and the bustling fish market. This evening enjoy a delicious Be My Guest dinner of Norwegian specialities.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Be My Guest Dining

Hotel : Clarion Admiral/Scandic Neptun

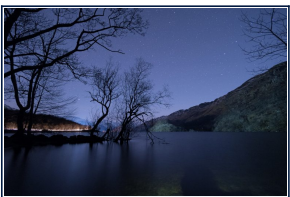


Day 6 : BERGEN FREE TIME

Explore Norway's most naturally beautiful city during your free day and consider a morning Optional Experience to the tiny village of Telavag and learn about its powerful Second World War history.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast





Day 7 : BERGEN - FLAM RAILWAY - SOGNEFJORD (LEIKANGER)
From the ski resort of Voss take a train journey that ascends to nearly 3,000 feet above sea level. Admire the scenery and ride on the famous Flåm railway for a Cultural Insight into one of the most exciting train journeys in the world. Appreciate breathtaking views of mountains and waterfalls, then cross the magnificent waters of Sognefjord to your hotel in Leikanger.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Dinner

Hotel : Authentic Accommodations Sognefjord/Leikanger Fjord

Day 8 : SOGNEFJORD (LEIKANGER) - GEIRANGER (2 NIGHTS)

Follow the spectacular Sognefjord through incredible glacier country. Enjoy wonderful views of Geirangerfjord as you descend to Geiranger village.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Dinner

Hotel : Geiranger Authentic Accommodation

Day 9 : GEIRANGER FREE TIME

Spend the day surrounded by amazing scenery, relaxing and breathing clear mountain air. Perhaps take an Optional Experience along the Trolls' Road and see Norway's most famous mountain road, past tumbling cascades and fertile valleys.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Dinner

Day 10 : GEIRANGER - LOM - LILLEHAMMER

A scenic drive from Geiranger brings you to Ottadalen to visit the traditional Stave Church at Lom. Continue through the Gudbrandsdalen Valley, the inspiration for Ibsen's 'Peer Gynt'. Arrive in Lillehammer, host to the 1994 Winter Olympics. Before dinner at the hotel, consider a walk along Storgata or visit the open-air museum at Maihaugan.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Dinner

Hotel : Lillehammer Hotel

Day 11 : LILLEHAMMER - HAMAR - OSLO

View the unusual Olympic ice rink beside the lake at Hamar. In Oslo, your Local Specialist takes you on a sightseeing tour which includes views of the medieval fortress of Akershus, the Opera and the Royal Palace, finishing with a visit to the Vigeland Sculpture Park. Spend the rest of the day relaxing, shopping for unique souvenirs or perhaps visit the Fram Polar Ship Museum and Viking Ship Museum.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Hotel : Scandic Vulkan/Radisson Blu

Day 12 : OSLO - STOCKHOLM (2 NIGHTS)

Cross the border into Sweden and continue via Karlstad on Lake Vänern. Pass Örebro to the island-ringed capital of Stockholm for your two-night stay.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Hotel : Clarion/Scandic Malmen

Day 13 : STOCKHOLM SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Admire this charming city during your sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. View the medieval Storkyrkan, Riddarholm Church and the Royal Palace. Explore the waterside City Hall where Nobel Prize banquets are held. Spend time later shopping in fashionable stores or consider an Optional Experience. Tonight celebrate with your fellow travellers at a Farewell Dinner.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

Farewell Dinner

Day 14 : DEPART STOCKHOLM

Say goodbye to Scandinavia as your memorable holiday draws to a close. Airport transfers are available. Conditions apply.

Meal(s)

Scandinavian Breakfast

INCLUSIONS:

Sightseeing Highlights:

City tour in Copenhagen, Oslo and Stockholm

Orientation of Bergen

Visit Odense where Hans Christian Anderson was born, Stavanger, the Sognefjord, Geiranger, the Stave Church at Lom, the Olympic town of Lillehammer, Hamar, Vigeland Sculpture Park in Oslo and Stockholm's City Hall

View The Little Mermaid in Copenhagen, Haakon's Hall in Bergen, the Geirangerfjord and Oslo's Royal Palace

Dining

13 full Scandinavian breakfasts.

8 dinners

(including Be My Guest).

Travel Highlights:

Luxury air-conditioned coach with WiFi in most countries or alternative transportation (such as rail journeys)

Hand-picked 4 and 5 star accommodation

Hand-picked Insider Experiences

Optional Experiences and free time

All portage and restaurant gratuities

Must-see sightseeing and surprise extras

An expert Travel Director and separate Driver

All hotel tips, charges and local taxes

VIP entry to many sights

Audio Headsets for flexible sightseeing

Ferry from Denmark to Norway.

Ferry across the Boknafjord.

Ferry across the Sognefjord.

Train journey on the famous Flam Railway.

Airport Transfers