



Scandinavian Panorama

This Scandinavian tour through Denmark, Sweden and Norway will delight you with stunning scenery, cultural treasures, exciting cities and memorable experiences.



YOUR
ADVENTURE
AWAITS

14 days/13 nights

ITINERARY

Day 1: Copenhagen

Welcome to Denmark! Transfer on your own from Copenhagen Kastrup Airport to your centrally located hotel. This evening you will meet your guide and travelling companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel. Meals: D

Should you wish to have an extra day to rest up before your tour begins we can arrange for an additional night of accommodation in Copenhagen and a leisure day to recover from jet lag.

Day 2: Copenhagen

Breakfast at the hotel followed by a guided tour of the city. You will see the Church of Our Savior and the Stock Exchange on the way to Christiansborg Palace (Danish Parliament buildings), where you visit the elegant Royal Reception Rooms. Drive past the National Museum and Royal Theater and stop for pictures at the Amalienborg Palace, residence of the Danish royal family, the old harbour of Nyhavn, and of course the famous statue of the Little Mermaid. Afternoon free for exploring this fairytale city. Tonight visit Tivoli Gardens, the world's second oldest amusement park. Meals: B

Day 3: Copenhagen - Odense - Aarhus

Today we drive to the fairytale island of Funen, crossing one of the world's largest suspension bridges constructed off-shore. In Funen you'll visit the Hans Christian Andersen Museum at Odense and then cross the Little Belt waterway to Jutland. In Aarhus we visit Den Gamle By, a fascinating collection of completely furnished old Danish townhouses. This evening, we'll have a group dinner at a restaurant featuring local specialties. Meals: B, D

Day 4: Aarhus - Gothenburg, Sweden

From Aarhus we drive to the naval town of Frederikshavn and, from there, cross beautiful Kattegat by ferry to Sweden's largest port city, Gothenburg. An orientation drive takes you past its landmarks before you have some free time to enjoy this charming city on your own. Meals: B, D

Day 5: Gothenburg - Stockholm

Today we'll drive through miles and miles of fertile farmland with tidy farms, an area known as the "breadbasket" of the country. We pass industrial towns like Huskvarna and Norköping, a major Baltic seaport. We finally arrive to Stockholm, a beautiful city settled on 14 islands between Lake Mälaren and the Baltic Sea. Meals: B

Day 6: Stockholm

Morning sightseeing tour of Stockholm with a local guide including the Royal Palace, Riddarholm Church, a walk through the Old Town and the festive blue and gold chambers in the City Hall, where the annual Nobel Prize banquet is held. There are some optional excursions to choose from to make the most of your stay or decide to simply explore on your own. Meals: B



Day 7: Stockholm - Gripsholm Castle - Karlstad

Today we visit King Gustav Vasa's Gripsholm Castle on the shores of Lake Mälaren before continuing westward through the scenic Lake District. On the way, there will be glimpses of the ancient garrison town of Örebro and Bofors, site of Alfred Nobel's ammunition factory. Overnight in Karlstad on Lake Vänern. Meals: B, D

Day 8: Karlstad - Lillehammer, Norway

Today is a very scenic day! Drive through Värmland, a giant nature attraction with 10,000 lakes dotting a forested landscape. Sweden's longest river, the Klarälven river, splits the province down the middle before flowing into one of Europe's largest lakes, Vänern, near the city of Karlstad. We'll cross the Norwegian border and visit the fortress town of Kongsvinger and Lake Mjøsa before arriving in Lillehammer. Enjoy a guided visit of the Maihaugen Open-Air Museum, featuring Norway's culture and history along with a fascinating collection of artifacts. Meals: B, D

Day 9: Lillehammer - Borgund - Sognefjord & Nærøfjord-Flåm

The leisurely journey today includes majestic mountains, dark-pine forests, sparkling lakes, and silvery trout streams. We'll visit the well-preserved, wooden Borgund Stave Church before arriving in Flåm, where a true highlight awaits: a leisurely cruise on the spectacular Sognefjord and Nærøfjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Meals: B, D

Day 10: Flåm - Voss - Hardangerfjord - Bergen

This morning there is an optional panoramic Flåm train ride. See the popular lakeside resort of Voss and drive south to the Hardangerfjord, where you will be met by the family that has owned the Steinstrø Fruit Farm for eight generations. They will tell us about their history and offer home-made apple juice and cider along with lunch. Continue to Bergen. Meals: B, L

Day 11: Bergen

Our guided sightseeing tour of Bergen begins with an orientation drive to see the main sights like Bergenhus Fortress with its medieval Håkon's Hall and Rosenkrantz Tower, the charming Hanseatic Wharf, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the harbour, and the famous Fish Market. There will be time to explore Bryggen on foot along narrow, cobblestone alleyways and past colorful wooden houses. Also see the 12th-century St. Mary's Church, where Hanseatic merchants attended religious services until the 1870s. Balance of the day is at leisure. Meals: B

Day 12: Bergen - Oslo

After breakfast we transfer to the railway station to board the train to Oslo. Enjoy a scenic ride across the Hardangervidda mountain plateau with views of sparkling lakes, rivers, streams, and snow-capped mountains. On arrival in Oslo we proceed to our hotel from the train station. Meals: B

Day 13: Oslo

Sightseeing in Oslo with a local guide features the National Theater, home for Ibsen's plays; the unique Storting building, seat of Parliament; and the Royal Palace, residence of Norwegian monarchs since 1849. Stroll through Frogner Park with the extraordinary sculptures by Gustav Vigeland's, and visit Oslo City Hall, where the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony is held each year. This afternoon you may choose to join an optional excursion to see the relics of a glorious seafaring past. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner with your traveling companions. Meals: B, D

Day 14: Depart from Oslo

Your tour ends after breakfast this morning. Meals: B

Details

Trip Code:

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INCLUDED

- English speaking tour manager throughout the program
- Transportation by private, deluxe motorcoach, with professional driver per the itinerary
- Twelve nights of accommodation at superior, centrally located hotels
- Breakfast daily, except on day 1
- Meals as specified in itinerary, per day
- Guided sightseeing and touring as outlined in itinerary
- Luggage assistance at all hotels while with the group

NOT INCLUDED

- International airfare to Copenhagen/from Oslo
- Meals not specified in the itinerary
- Gratuities to driver and guides

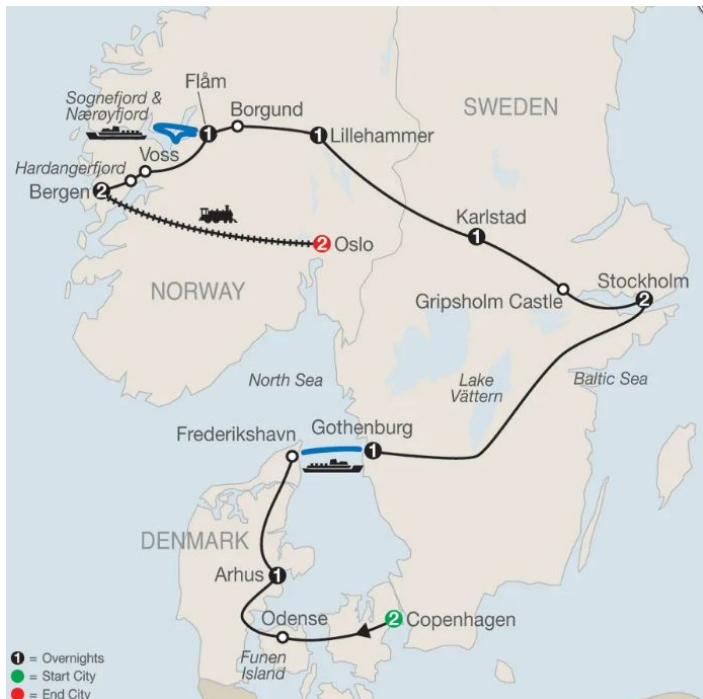


- Optional tours and entrance fees not listed
- Passport and visa fees, vaccinations as needed
- Travel Insurance
- Items of a personal nature

TOUR NOTES

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