Norway in a Nutshell

Considered as one of the most beautiful journeys in Europe, the **Norway in a Nutshell*** tour between Oslo and Bergen highlights the rugged and breathtaking beauty of this Nordic country. This tour can be taken in reverse, beginning in Bergen and ending in Oslo.





5 days/4 nights

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Day 1: Arrive Oslo

Arrive to Oslo by air or train and make your own way to your centrally located hotel. If you are flying in to Oslo there is an Express Train to the Oslo Central Station or we can arrange a private transfer for you (additional cost). Oslo is the Viking city and the capital city of Norway, since 1814 when Norway was declared independent of Denmark. The city is situated at the northernmost point of the 100km long Oslo Fjord. Explore the city by foot, visiting sites such as the Royal Palace, Akershus fortress, Oslo City Hall, Opera House the Aker Brygge area, the Vigeland Sculpture Park and the Viking Ship Museum. Accommodation at a centrally located, moderate category hotel in Oslo.

Day 2: Oslo - Flåm

After breakfast make your way from your hotel to Oslo's central train station and depart for one of the most beautiful trips in Europe; the Norway in a Nutshell® tour. Depart from Oslo by train in the morning, at the latest by noon. This unique and popular day-excursion takes you through some of the most magnificent scenery to be found on the west coast of Norway. Today skilled workers, effective equipment, tunnels and snow tunnels make the railway one of the safest and most comfortable ways of travelling between Oslo and Bergen. The journey on the Flåm Railway is regarded as one of the high points on the Norway in a Nutshell® tour. The 20 km-long train journey from the mountain station of Myrdal and down to Flåm, located beside the fjord, takes around 55 minutes. On the journey you have views of breath-taking scenery with an ever-changing panorama of tall mountains and thundering waterfalls. The Flåm Railway train moves slowly or stops at the best views. Down at the idyllic town of Flåm you will walk to your hotel for check in. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure to explore this lovely place. Overnight in Flåm.

Day 3: Flåm - Bergen

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel and enjoy some leisure time, perhaps with a walk along the fjord. Midday you'll board a boat to sail through Aurlandsfjord and into the Naerøyfjord, the narrowest fjord in Europe, included on UNESCO's World Heritage List. Surrounded by mighty mountains of up to 1,800 metres high, this branch of the Sognefjord is perhaps the most beautiful arm of the fjord. On the journey there are views of small, traditional farms clinging to the steep mountains and waterfalls cascading down. The boat docks at Gudvangen, from where you'll be transported by coach up to Stalheimskleiva, Northern Europe's steepest stretch of road. After a thrilling ride around 13 hairpin bends with amazing views of the Stalheimsfossen and Sivlefossen waterfalls we continue on to Voss. Here, board the train for the final stretch of this spectacular journey on to Bergen. You will make your own way from the train station to your hotel in central Bergen.

Day 4: Bergen

Bergen, "The Capital of the Fjords", has all the charms of a small town. Here you'll find Bryggen, a UNESCO World Heritage site, with remarkably preserved old houses, a lively fish and flower market, cable cars offering stunning views, great museums and more. Ride the Floibanen Funicular up Mount Floyen to enjoy a panoramic view of the city or take the cable car up Mt. Ulriken. Spend a second night in Bergen.

Day 5: Bergen

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before checking out and departing Bergen. We can extend your stay in beautiful Bergen, giving you more time to explore this city. Other options are a Norwegian Coastal Voyage cruise up the stunning coastline to the northern tip of the country or a self-drive tour. Or, we can arrange for the train back to Oslo. Talk to us about what you would like to do and we can arrange it for you.

Details

2020 & 2021 Dates:

Daily, May to September

2020 & 2021 Prices:

From US\$1,449 - twin

Prices are "starting from" rates, shown in US\$, per person based on two people sharing a twin room (Comfort category - accommodation may be upgraded to Quality category). Rates for single occupancy are also available as are CA\$ rates, please inquire.

Trip Code:

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INCLUDED

- 4 nights of accommodation, comfort category
- Breakfast daily at hotel
- Norway in a Nutshell®program, as outlined, from Oslo to Bergen
- Norway travel guide
- 24/7 helpline while travelling

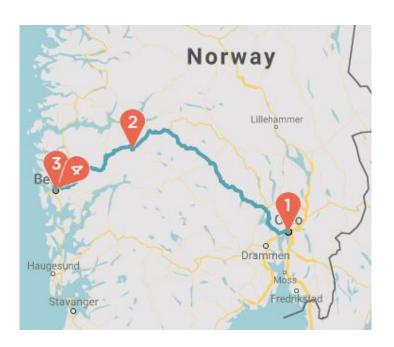
NOT INCLUDED

- Transportation to Oslo and return from Bergen
- Transfers in Oslo
- Transfers in Bergen
- Meals not specified
- · Luggage handling from hotel in Oslo to hotel in Bergen, arrange at time of booking tour
- Gratuities to local staff
- Travel insurance
- Passport and/or visa fees, if required
- Items of a personal nature

TOUR NOTES

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