



BEST OF NORWAY

Tour A: June 22 - July 2, 2024
Tour B: July 11 - 21, 2024
Tour C: August 12 - 22, 2024

HIGHLIGHTS

City sightseeing in Oslo, Bergen and Stavanger
 • Lunch at a family farm • Excursion to Briksdal Glacier by Troll Cart • Flåm Railway • Aurlandfjord and Nærøyfjord Cruise • Nordvegen History Centre in Avaldnes (home to the first kings of Norway)

ITINERARY | 11 DAYS



DAY 1 JUNE 22 / JULY 11 / AUGUST 12

Mpls/St. Paul—Oslo: Depart on your transatlantic flight. To request alternate dates or for estimated airfare supplements from other US cities, please note on application.

DAY 2 JUNE 23 / JULY 12 / AUGUST 13 [D]

Oslo: Arrive at Oslo Gardermoen Airport. Transfer to hotel. Balance of day free to relax and adjust to time change. Welcome dinner and overnight at the Grand Hotel.

DAY 3 JUNE 24 / JULY 13 / AUGUST 14 [B]

Oslo: Morning sightseeing tour of Oslo includes a visit to Vigeland Sculpture Park and the Norwegian Folk Museum featuring the Gol Stave Church. Balance of day free. Dinner on own. Overnight at hotel.

DAY 4 JUNE 25 / JULY 14 / AUGUST 15 [B,L]

Oslo—Hamar—Lillehammer: Depart Oslo for Hamar. Tour the unique Glass Cathedral, an architectural and technological masterpiece created to protect cathedral ruins from the Middle Ages. Proceed to a local farm. Along with a tasty lunch, you will receive an introduction to agriculture and farm life in Norway. Continue to Lillehammer. View the sites of the 1994 Winter Olympics. Overnight at Scandic Victoria Lillehammer Hotel.

DAY 5 JUNE 26 / JULY 15 / AUGUST 16 [B,D]

Lillehammer—Geiranger—Loen: Travel through the Gudbrandsdal and Otta Valleys to Lom. Visit the Fossheim Steinsenter in Lom for a chance to explore the Stone Museum and shop in the jewelry gallery. Continue across the Grotli Mountains to the fjord country. Weather permitting, drive to Dalsnibba Observation Point for a view of the Geirangerfjord, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2005. Continue to Loen for dinner and overnight at Alexandra Hotel.

DAY 6 JUNE 27 / JULY 16 / AUGUST 17 [B,D]

Loen—Flåm: Morning excursion to the sparkling Briksdal Glacier. Travel to Skei. Opportunity to purchase quality crafts and woven products at Audhild Viken's Weaving Workshop. Drive to Mannheller. Ferry across the Sognefjord to Fodnes. Drive the world's 2nd longest tunnel (15.2 miles) from Lærdal to Aurland. Continue to Flåm for dinner and overnight at Fretheim Hotel.

DAY 7 JUNE 28 / JULY 17 / AUGUST 18 [B,D]

Flåm—Norway in a Nutshell Excursion—Bergen: Board the famous Flåm Railway, ranked as one of the top 20 train rides in the world, for a roundtrip ride up and down the Flåm Valley. Cruise the dramatic Aurlandfjord and Nærøyfjord (placed on UNESCO's World Heritage List in 2005) from Flåm to Gudvangen. Meet the motorcoach and drive to Bergen, Norway's second largest city. Dinner. Overnight at the Clarion Hotel Bergen.

DAY 8 JUNE 29 / JULY 18 / AUGUST 19 [B]

Bergen: Morning walking tour of Bergen includes a stroll through the historic Hanseatic Wharf. Balance of afternoon and evening free. Dinner on own. Overnight at hotel.

DAY 9 JUNE 30 / JULY 19 / AUGUST 20 [B]

Bergen—Stavanger: Travel the coastal route to Stavanger via Stord. Ferry from Halhjem to Sandvikvåg. Visit the Nordvegen History Centre in Avaldnes, home to the first kings of Norway and the legendary figures who appear so often in sagas and songs. Drive the underwater tunnels from Rennesøy to Randaberg. Continue to Stavanger. Dinner on own. Overnight at the Clarion Hotel Stavanger (Tour A) / Radisson BLU Atlantic (Tours B & C).

DAY 10 JULY 1 / JULY 20 / AUGUST 21 [B,D]

Stavanger: Sightseeing tour of Stavanger. This modern Norwegian city, a hub of the North Sea oil exploration and development operations, is a charming mixture of old and new, retaining much of its 18th century charm. Afternoon free. Farewell dinner and overnight at hotel.

DAY 11 JULY 2 / JULY 21 / AUGUST 22 [B]

Stavanger—Depart: Tour ends following breakfast. Transfer to Stavanger Sola Airport for return flight. Longer stays may be requested upon registration for a minimum charge of \$250.

ITINERARY INCLUDES

- Roundtrip airfare from Mpls / St. Paul, including taxes, fees & fuel surcharge
- 9 nights accommodations, double occupancy, with private facilities
- Daily breakfast [B], 1 lunch [L] and 5 dinners [D]
- 1st-class touring coach, train & ferries per itinerary
- City sightseeing in Oslo, Bergen and Stavanger
- Excursion to Briksdal Glacier
- Entrance fees to all sites including: Norwegian Folk Museum, Fossheim Steinsenter, and Nordvegen History Centre
- Luggage handling at hotels for 1 suitcase (subject to availability)
- Tour Director for Days 2 - 11

TOUR PRICING

Price with air/taxes/fuel from..... \$5695

Price includes airfare from Mpls/St. Paul plus taxes/fees and fuel surcharge. Fuel and all taxes are subject to change and if needed, will be re-assessed in your statement prior to final payment. Inquire about airfare from your home city.

Land Only from \$4395

Services begin in Oslo and end in Stavanger

Single Room Supplement.....\$1125

EXTEND YOUR STAY

Add an extra night in Oslo or Stavanger, a 4-day Iceland Stopover, or explore the capital cities of Copenhagen or Stockholm before joining the tour in Oslo.

See page 13 for details or visit our website for additional pre- & post-tour options.