



Scandinavia Four Country Small Group Tour

August 14 – 27, 2022

Join Jeanie & Dave Johnston in visiting Norway, Denmark, Sweden & Iceland on this exclusive super small group tour of Scandinavia! Living in Norway for two years, Jeanie welcomes you to experience the best of Scandinavia! **Limited to just 7 people**, enjoy the trip of a lifetime & dine in the homes of Swedish & Norwegian locals! Skip the big tour bus to see these beautiful countries in a whole new way!

Day 1 | Flying To Scandinavia

Meet Jeanie at the Icelandic Air Check-in at the MSP Airport in Terminal 2 for your 7:20 PM departure. Sit back & relax as you embark on this trip of a lifetime! This is an overnight flight that connects through Iceland.

Day 2 | Hello Norway

This afternoon, arrive in Bergen, the second largest city in Norway, charmingly placed between mountains & fjords. Founded in 1070, Bergen is the main capital of the fjord country. Check in to your centrally located hotel right by the German Wharf. The remaining of the day is at leisure to explore this beautiful old city. This evening, enjoy dinner on your own at one of the local restaurants.

Hotel: Radisson Blu Royal Hotel (2 Nights)

Day 3 | Beautiful Bergen

Start the day off with a walking tour of Bergen. A UNESCO World Heritage city, ancient Bergen looms large in Viking sagas. Until the 14th century, it was the seat of the medieval kingdom of Norway. In 1360, the German Hanseatic League set up one of its import & export offices at The German Wharf - Bryggen, dominating trade for almost 400 years. History comes alive as you walk along the historic Bryggen wharf & visit the Hanseatic Museum, in an old merchant house. Stroll through the narrow alleyways & overhanging galleries of a bygone era, from the lively Fish Market to the Bergenhus Fortress, with cafés & boutiques selling traditional, unique crafts. Perhaps climb Rosenkrantz Tower for a panoramic view of Bergen's seaport. At the end of the day, you will take a funicular trip to the top of Mt. Fløyen to enjoy a magnificent view of Bergen & surroundings. Once at the top, you will dine overlooking the fjords! **Included Meals: Breakfast/Dinner**

Day 4 | The Magnificent Fjords

Over the next few days, you'll venture into the heart of Norway's Fjord region & admire some of the world's most breathtaking scenery! A day of scenic splendors begins with a drive to Voss, where you will embark on an express train to Myrdal. Here you will board the world-famous Flam Mountain Railway for an hour-long thrilling ride descending 2,600

PER PERSON RATES:

\$6,998 per person Sharing Single \$7,989

Travel Insurance: \$483 Double per person
\$579 Single per person

Deposit: \$200 deposit per person due at time of reservation.

Final Payment due: Full payment due 90 days prior to departure.

Cancellation Policy: Without insurance full refund up until two months before departure, after that date refunds are based on recoverable expenses.

feet & passing through 20 tunnels, thundering waterfalls & towering mountains en route to the quaint village of Flam! After arriving in Flam, depart for a delightful leisurely cruise through majestic Sognefjord & its smaller arms to admire the grandeur of the sheer cliffs that flank the fjord. Disembark in Gudvangen where you will rejoin your van for a drive through the bends of the Stalheim Canyon to Lofthus, an enchanting village on the shores of Hardangerfjord, Norway's second largest fjord. Jeanie's Journeys has chosen one of the best hotels in Norway, perfectly set on the fjord with snow-capped mountains as a backdrop. Evening dinner will be served at the hotel. **Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

Hotel: Ullensvang Hotel (2 Nights)

Day 5 | Beautiful Hardangerfjord

Explore the village or soak up the scenery after breakfast! Lofthus is located on the shores of the Hardangerfjord, in a region that is blessed with stunning natural beauty & is surrounded by snowcapped mountains. The area is abundant with pristine fjords & fertile land that is home to many fruit orchards. The day is at leisure to explore at your own pace from your ideally located resort hotel. This evening we will enjoy dinner at the hotel. **Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner**

Day 6 | Sightseeing Across Norway

Today journey through Norway's scenic countryside with a stop to view the mighty Vøringfossen Waterfall cascading 600 feet! Scenery will include farm-dotted landscapes with brilliant blue lakes, rushing rivers & impressive waterfalls. Motor through tunnels, along sheer rock walls & around hairpin turns to arrive in Oslo where you will enjoy a driving tour around this old Viking capital. Visit Frogner Park, famous for its impressive Vigeland Sculptures. You will also view City Hall, the waterfront & the Holmenkollen Ski Jump. Then



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check into your centrally located hotel where Jeanie used to work back in the 70's, The Radisson Blu!

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Day 7 | Touring Oslo & a Special Dinner!

Today go on a trip to the peninsula of Bygdoy, where you will visit the Viking Ship Museum. View ships dating back to 800 AD, along with artifacts from the Viking age. Marvel at City Hall's colorful murals depicting the modern history of Norway & the location from where the Nobel Peace Prize announcement is made annually. Finished in the 1950s, Norway's leading artists, including Edvard Munch, contributed to the interior artwork. Enjoy some free time to take a stroll along the main street Karl Johan, a short walk to the Royal Palace, or ride a streetcar. The evening enjoy dinner at the home of Marit Landro, Jeanie's former teacher in Norway. She is a gracious elderly lady that loves to entertain American visitors & is fluent in English. She warmly welcomes you to her condominium home!

Included Meals: Breakfast/Dinner

Day 8 | Wonderful Copenhagen!

This morning head to the Oslo airport where you will take a short plane ride to Copenhagen, Denmark! Here, past & present meet in a lively, cosmopolitan city that dates back in time to the Vikings! Enjoy a sightseeing tour of this beautiful city en route to your hotel. On the drive down Hans Christian Andersen Boulevard, see the Ny Carlsberg Glyptotek, the renowned Little Mermaid, the magnificent Grundtvig Church, the old Stock Exchange, & Kongens Nytorv. See Christiansborg Palace, seat of the parliament & Nyhavn, the world famous, recently restored district. View Old Town with its harbor & quaint painted houses. The remainder of the day is free to explore Copenhagen's shopping district, "Stroget" a shopper's & stroller's delight. Your hotel is centrally located in the lively & colorful city center, bustling with parks, cafes, restaurants & shops. Tonight, experience the world-famous Tivoli Gardens, a famous amusement park & festive garden in Copenhagen. From fountains & lakes to brass bands, stroll among the beautiful flowers & listen to the music. The park opened on August 15, 1843 & is the second-oldest operating amusement park in the world. Enjoy dinner on your own in the park & some free time to explore & perhaps enjoy some of the rides!

Included Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Scandic Front (2 Nights)

Day 9 | Hamlet's Castle & Dinner in Sweden!

Today enjoy a trip to North Zealand, where you will enjoy a stroll in the courtyard & to the immaculate grounds of the legendary home of Hamlet, Helsingør Castle, also known as the Kronberg Castle, made famous in Shakespeare's Hamlet, now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Have lunch on your own on the castle grounds. Then take a ferry ride across the water to Sweden! Then head south through country that many folks

immigrated from to America. Travel past thatched-roof inns, posh palatial residences & magnificent forests embracing tranquil lakes as you journey to Lund, Sweden. There, Anders Eriksson invites you to his home for dinner! Anders studied in the Twin Cities for several years & is a good friend of Dave & Jeanie Johnston. Enjoy a traditional Swedish dinner with songs afterward!

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 10 | Copenhagen to Stockholm

After breakfast, bid goodbye to Denmark & board the high-speed train to Stockholm, Sweden. Enjoy views of the Swedish countryside & mingle with locals & other travelers on-board the train. You will arrive in the early afternoon into Sweden's capital city where you will check into your centrally located hotel right in Gamle Stan, the Old City. Stockholm is comprised of fourteen islands with over two thirds of the city consisting of water, forest, or parks. Begin your stay with a walking tour, led by Mats Sjöholm, good friend of Dave & Jeanie Johnston, through the cobblestone streets of Gamla Stan, Old Town, lined with cafes, antique shops, lanterns & museums. View Stockholm's Cathedral, the Royal Palace (which is the largest castle in the world still in use by a king) and Stortorget Square, the heart of Old Town.

Included Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Scandic Gamle Stan (2 Nights)

Day 11 | Stockholm Touring

Today visit to Djurgården Island to visit Skansen, an open-air history museum depicting Swedish life and culture from the 19th century. Explore the grounds with rebuilt traditional cottages, farms & workshops. Enjoy lunch on your own on the grounds. Then visit the Vasa Ship Museum, displaying the 200 foot warship that sank on her maiden voyage 400 years ago. The ship was salvaged in 1961 & restored using nearly all original materials. It is absolutely amazing! This evening, an included dinner at a special local restaurant!

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 12 | Stockholm To Incredible Iceland!

Depart Stockholm today for your three-hour flight to Iceland! After arrival, you will dip into the world famous Blue Lagoon, a naturally heated lagoon with healing properties! Dinner is on your own at the lagoon. Then head to Reykjavik & check in to your hotel for the next two nights.

Included Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Hótel Leifur Eiríksson (2 Nights)

Day 13 | Golden Circle Tour

After an included breakfast, depart for a tour on The Golden Circle. This route travels to the three most popular natural attractions in Iceland: the Geysir Geothermal Area, Gullfoss Waterfall (the largest waterfall in Europe) & Þingvellir National Park. You will be awestruck at the amazing beauty of these destinations. Then head to one last local restaurant for your farewell dinner. A wonderful ending to a wonderful tour!

Included Meals: Breakfast/Dinner

Day 14 | Head Home

After breakfast we'll have some free time before flying home. Return home with newfound friends & rich memories of Spectacular Scandinavia at around 6:30 PM.

Included Meals: Breakfast

TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- Flam Railway Train Excursion
- Sognefjord & Hardangerfjord
- 2 night stay in 5 star hotel on Hardanger Fjord
- Viking Ship Museum & Resistance Museum
- Kronberg Castle (Hamlet's Castle)
- Tivoli Gardens
- High Speed Train across Sweden
- Vasa Ship Museum & Vigeland Sculptures
- Funicular ride to Mt Floyen with included dinner
- 2 dinners with local families in their homes
- Tour of Iceland's Golden Circle & Blue Lagoon
- Roundtrip airfare from MSP including all taxes, surcharges, & baggage fees
- 20 Meals plus In-flight Meals
- Hotels
- All Activities as stated in brochure
- Fully escorted by Dave & Jeanie Johnston from MSP
- Gratuities to Local Guides Included.

NOT INCLUDED: Optional sightseeing, meals in airports coming & going, phone calls • Tips to Tour Director • Any other items not specifically mentioned as included in the itinerary

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