

Scandinavian Tours 2016

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Land of the Fjords

5 nights Bergen - Oslo

Guaranteed departures: Thursdays – June 09, 16, 23, 30 July 07, 14, 21, 28 August 04, 11, 18



Day 1: ARRIVE BERGEN

Transfer from Bergen Flesland Airport or Coastal Express quay to hotel. **Accommodation at Rica Hotel Ørnen,** a new hotel centrally located close to the pedestrian shopping streets and within walking distance of the old Bryggen harbour. Your tour escort will meet you at 1830 hrs in the hotel lobby

Day 2: BERGEN - FLÅM - BALESTRAND

After breakfast departure from Bergen and drive via Dale to the town of Voss. Board the train in Voss for a ride on the beautiful Bergen Railway to the mountain station of Myrdal. From Myrdal ride on the amazing Flåm Railway, a masterpiece of engineering descending 2.838 feet in less than one hour. The descent to the fjord side village of Flåm offers

opportunities for photo shots of exciting waterfalls and mountain scenery. After a short rest in Flåm, start of approx. 2 hours cruise by boat along the narrow Aurlands and Nærøy Fjords, both branches of the Sogn Fjord, the longest and deepest fjord in the world. Enjoy the spectacular scenery of cascading waterfalls, sheer mountain cliffs, snow-clad peaks, and a variety of wildlife. After disembarking in Gudvangen at the head of the Nærøy Fjord, continue by coach through the amazing Stalheim



Canyon and Nærøy Valley, across the Vika Mountains to Vangsnes, for the short ferry crossing to the beautiful resort of Balestrand. **Dinner and accommodation at Kvikne's Hotel,** superbly located on the banks of the fjord and surrounded by mountains.

Day 3: BALESTRAND - A DAY IN THE FJORDS

Day free in Balestrand, giving you the opportunity to enjoy the outstanding beauty and nature of the fjords. The day starts with a traditional Norwegian buffet breakfast in the hotel's elegant dining room. You may want to spend the morning relaxing on the hotel terrace, breathing in the fresh mountain air and enjoying the spectacular views. We can also recommend a visit to the local aquarium and art gallery, or you may prefer to rent a bike or rowing boat from the hotel, or even go on foot up to the nearest mountains. A walking tour of the village of Balestrand, with its historic buildings and other interesting sites can also be arranged. **Dinner and accommodation at Kvikne's Hotel.**

Day 4: BALESTRAND - GEIRANGER

After breakfast departure from your hotel by ferry from Dragsvik to Hella, followed by a scenic tour along the northern side of the Sogn Fjord to Sogndal. The tour continues by road to Fjærland, passing under the Jostedal Glacier, the largest in Europe, to the village of Skei at the northern end of beautiful Lake Jølster. Descend to the beautiful Nord Fjord, making a detour at Olden to visit the world-famous Briksdal Glacier. The journey up to

the glacier will be made in open cars to give you the best views. Afterwards a typical Norwegian **lunch** will be served in sight of the glacier. During the afternoon the tour continues via Loen and Stryn, to the picturesque village of Hellesylt. From here you go on board the ferry for the one hour's cruise along the spectacular Geiranger Fjord, possibly the most impressive of all the Norwegian fjords. During the cruise you will pass close by some magnificent waterfalls, such as the Bridal Veil the Seven Sisters. and Dinner and



accommodation at the excellent Union Hotel, overlooking the Geiranger Fjord.

Day 5: GEIRANGER - OSLO

From the top of the famous Serpentine Road, you have the opportunity to digest some amazing views of the fjord, before crossing the rugged Grotli Mountains to Lom, well known for its 14th century stave church. The tour continues via Lake Vågå, before descending the magnificent Gudbrands Valley to the popular tourist town of Lillehammer. Stop for lunch in Lillehammer. After lunch the journey continues alongside Lake Mjøsa, Norway's largest lake, back to Oslo. Dinner and accommodation at Radisson BLU Plaza Oslo, centrally located close to the Karl Johan shopping boulevard.

Day 6: OSLO DEPARTURE

Buffet breakfast at your hotel, followed by transfer to Oslo Gardermoen Airport in connection with your flight home.

Price includes:

- * 5 nights' accommodation incl. daily 3-course or buffet dinner (except on 1st night in Bergen and Scandinavia buffet breakfast, in first class hotels, all rooms with private facilities.
- * 2 lunches on days 4 & 5.
- * Ride on the Bergen and Flåm Railways, Voss Myrdal Flåm.
- * Approx. 2 hours cruise on the Aurlands and Nærøy Fjords, and 1 hours cruise on the Geiranger Fjord.
- * Excursion in open car to the Briksdal Glacier.
- * All visits as described in itinerary.
- * Luggage assistance at all hotels while with the group.
- * English speaking tour escort throughout.
- * Transportation by modern de luxe coach with reclining seats and seatbelts
- * Transfers airport or quay/hotel on first and last days to correspond with arrival/departure times. Transfers to/from a different airport than the one mentioned in the tour programme may incur a supplement. Please refer to Airport Transfers under General Information & Conditions.

Prices:

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USD 1900.00 per person double occupancy USD 325.00 single supplement

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