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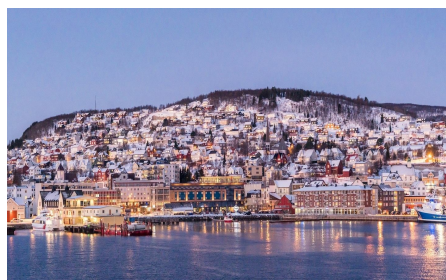
NORTHERN LIGHTS & NORDIC FJORDS.



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TRAVELLED TEAM OF
EXPERTS

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Monday to Friday 09:00 - 18:00
GMT



JOURNEY SNAPSHOT

ACTIVITY LEVEL:

Level 2

DESTINATION:

Northern Lights & Nordic Fjords

DURATION:

9 days / 8 nights

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Please arrange your flights to arrive into Bergen
Airport [BGO] on Day 1 and depart from
Tromsø Airport [TOS] Day 9

PICKUP LOCATION:

Bergen Airport [BGO]

OVERVIEW

December 2027 - COMING SOON

Enjoy Norway's spectacular fjords and mountain landscapes by train and by boat, before chasing the elusive Northern Lights!

Have you ever dreamed of seeing the Aurora Borealis or sailing down a spectacular Norwegian fjord? Join us on this trip of a lifetime to Norway and make those dream come true!

This escorted journey starts in the coastal town of Bergen - gateway to the fjords. It then heads inland by train to Voss and then on to a fjord cruise to Flåm. Your winter adventure continues onboard the scenic Flåm Railway to Oslo, Norway's capital, passing through wild and beautiful mountain scenery with frozen waterfalls and steep mountain sides. After visiting artistic Oslo, we fly north to the Arctic Circle and the city of Tromsø. Heading out on a dog sled ride and driving a snowmobile, you will get to discover the breath-taking scenery and learn of the local customs! And as darkness falls, we will head out in search of the elusive, night-time spectacular - the Northern Lights, dancing and whirling across the expansive skies of the Arctic, a truly memorable experience!

ITINERARY SUMMARY

DAY 1 - Arrive in Bergen, Gateway to the Fjords

DAY 2 - Discovering Bergen

DAY 3 - Into the Fjords to Flåm

DAY 4 - The Flåm & Bergen Railways to Oslo

DAY 5 - Oslo at Leisure

DAY 6 - Into the Arctic: Oslo to Tromsø

DAY 7 - Sledding with Huskies & Chasing the Northern Lights

DAY 8 - Reindeer Sledding & Sami Culture

DAY 9 - Depart Norway

FULL ITINERARY

DAY 1 - ARRIVE IN BERGEN, GATEWAY TO THE FJORDS

Upon arrival at Bergen Airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel.

Bergen, Norway's second-largest city, is known as the gateway to the fjords and is home to the UNESCO-listed Bryggen Wharf. After time to settle in, join your fellow travellers for dinner at the hotel this evening.

Included meals: Welcome Dinner

Accommodation: Radisson Blu Royal Hotel, Bergen

DAY 2 - DISCOVERING BERGEN

This morning, enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of Bergen with a local expert.

Wander through the historic Bryggen Hanseatic Wharf, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with its colourful wooden buildings dating back to the 14th century. Stroll past the lively Fish Market and Flower Market and learn about Bergen's important role in Norway's maritime history.

We also visit Bryggens Museum, built over the remains of the city's earliest settlement, offering fascinating insight into medieval life.

Later, ride the Fløibanen Funicular to the summit of Mount Fløien. From here, take in panoramic views over Bergen, its harbour and the surrounding fjords framed by snow-dusted peaks.

Enjoy a relaxed lunch with coffee at a local restaurant before returning to your hotel.

The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore at your own pace.

Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch

Accommodation: Radisson Blu Royal Hotel, Bergen

DAY 3 - INTO THE FJORDS TO FLÅM

After breakfast, we begin one of Norway's most scenic journeys.

Travel by rail from Bergen through dramatic mountain landscapes to Voss, passing frozen lakes, waterfalls and rugged terrain along the way. From here, continue by coach before boarding a breathtaking fjord cruise along the UNESCO-listed Nærøysfjord.

Glide silently through this narrow fjord, surrounded by towering cliffs, snow-covered peaks and cascading waterfalls. The stillness and scale of the landscape make this one of Norway's most unforgettable experiences.

Arriving in the charming village of Flåm, nestled at the head of the Aurlandsfjord, enjoy dinner at your hotel this evening.

Included meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Accommodation: Fretheim Hotel, Flåm

DAY 4 - THE FLÅM & BERGEN RAILWAYS TO OSLO

This morning, your luggage is transferred ahead to Oslo, allowing you to travel comfortably.

Board the world-famous Flåm Railway, one of the steepest standard-gauge railway lines in existence. The train winds its way through spectacular mountain scenery, passing frozen waterfalls, deep ravines and dramatic valleys as it climbs toward Myrdal.

From here, continue on the Bergen Railway across the snow-covered Hardangervidda mountain plateau to Oslo, Norway's vibrant capital.

Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure.

Included meals: Breakfast & Lunch Box

Accommodation: Thon Hotel Opera, Oslo

DAY 5 - OSLO AT LEISURE

Today, discover Norway's stylish capital on a guided sightseeing tour by coach.

Beautifully positioned at the head of the Oslofjord, Oslo combines striking modern architecture with fascinating Viking heritage and rich cultural history. During your tour, take in some of the city's most notable landmarks and districts, including its revitalised waterfront areas and green parklands.

The remainder of the day is free for you to explore independently. You may wish to visit one of Oslo's renowned museums, stroll along the harbour promenade, or simply enjoy a coffee in one of the city's welcoming cafés.

Included meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Thon Hotel Opera, Oslo

DAY 6 - INTO THE ARCTIC: OSLO TO TROMSØ

Today we journey north into the Arctic Circle as we travel to Tromsø, often referred to as the "Gateway to the Arctic."

Surrounded by dramatic mountains and fjords, Tromsø is one of the best places in the world to witness the Northern Lights.

On arrival, enjoy a two-course lunch before visiting the striking Arctic Cathedral, known for its distinctive triangular design and beautiful stained-glass window.

We then ascend Mount Storsteinen via the Fjellheisen cable car for panoramic views over Tromsø, its surrounding islands and the vast Arctic landscape.

After dinner at the hotel, we head out on a private Northern Lights chase. With the guidance of experienced local experts, we travel to the best possible viewing locations based on weather and aurora forecasts. Your guide will also offer helpful tips for photographing this natural phenomenon.

Please note: Sightings of the Northern Lights cannot be guaranteed and are dependent on weather conditions.

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Accommodation: Scandic Ishavshotel, Tromsø

DAY 7 - SLEDDING WITH HUSKIES & CHASING THE NORTHERN LIGHTS

Today brings one of the highlights of your Arctic experience — private dog sledding.

After transferring to the sledding camp, meet the eager Alaskan huskies and experienced mushers who will guide you through this unforgettable adventure. Glide across snow-covered landscapes, surrounded by pristine wilderness and Arctic silence.

This authentic winter experience offers a unique connection to Norway's northern traditions.

Return to Tromsø for time at leisure before dinner.

In the evening, venture out once more in search of the Northern Lights, maximising your chances of witnessing this extraordinary spectacle dancing across the Arctic sky.

Included meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Accommodation: Scandic Ishavshotel, Tromsø

DAY 8 - REINDEER SLEDDING & SAMI CULTURE

Today we delve into the traditions of the indigenous Sami people.

Travel through scenic Arctic landscapes to experience reindeer sledding and learn about Sami culture from local hosts. Hear stories passed down through generations, gain insight into traditional livelihoods and experience the hauntingly beautiful Sami "joik" song.

Enjoy a warm meal and hot drinks as you embrace the atmosphere of Arctic life.

Later, visit the Magic Ice Bar in Tromsø. Wrapped in warm ponchos and gloves, sip a drink served in an ice glass while admiring intricate ice sculptures inspired by Arctic explorers and local history.

Return to your hotel for a final dinner together, celebrating an unforgettable journey through Norway.

Included meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Accommodation: Scandic Ishavshotel, Tromsø

Optional extras: Evening Snowmobile Excursion – Signaldalen (Best Arctic) For those seeking an additional Arctic adventure, an optional evening snowmobile excursion is available in the Signaldalen valley. Venture into the wilderness on guided snowmobile trails, surrounded by dramatic Arctic scenery. This experience operates subject to weather conditions and is available at an additional cost.

DAY 9 - DEPART NORWAY

After breakfast, transfer to Tromsø Airport for your onward journey, taking with you memories of fjords, mountains and the magic of the Arctic.

Included meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: None

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- One-way flight: Oslo Airport [OSL] - Tromsø Airport [TOS]
- Meet & Greet at Bergen Airport on arrival
- Accommodation as detailed in the itinerary
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers/touring and excursions in air-conditioned deluxe motor vehicles
- All entrances, English-speaking guides and visits as indicated in the programme.

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Return international flights to Bergen Airport [BGO] and returning from Tromsø Airport [TOS]
- Drinks
- Gratuities
- Luggage handling
- All entrance fees to non-stipulated and optional additional attractions
- Visas, travel or medical insurance
- Any personal items and anything not mentioned under included in price above
- Any meals not mentioned in itinerary
- Any optional activities offered
- Increases in government taxes or fuel surcharges
- Any COVID tests or related entry & exit requirements

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Arctic Circle Travel:** Part of this escorted journey takes place within the Arctic Circle. Appropriate winter clothing, including insulated boots, is essential to ensure your comfort throughout the experience.
- **Snowmobile Safari:** Guests under 18 years of age and those without a valid driving licence are not permitted to drive snowmobiles. Please note that if local weather conditions change, the supplier reserves the right to adjust the duration or operation of the snowmobile experience for safety reasons.
- **Northern Lights:** Sightings of the Northern Lights cannot be guaranteed and are entirely dependent on prevailing weather and atmospheric conditions.
- **Flights:** International flights to/from your chosen destination are not included in this package. The Big Journey Company will be happy to provide a quotation for your flights—please contact us for further details.
- **Vaccinations & Health:** Vaccinations may be recommended depending on your destination. Please consult your doctor or travel clinic for the most up-to-date medical advice.
- **Visas & Entry Requirements:** Entry requirements vary by destination, and a visa may be required. Please refer to the travel tips section for full details. It is your responsibility to ensure you have the necessary travel documentation prior to departure.
- **Medical Needs:** Please inform The Big Journey Company prior to travel of any medical conditions or medications you take that we should be aware of to help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.
- **Accommodation Check-in/Out:** Unless otherwise stated in your itinerary, check-in is after 2–3pm and check-out is before 10am. Please note that hotels may be subject to change to the same or similar standard due to availability.
- **Cancellation Policy:** Cancellations made within 90 days of departure are subject to a 100% cancellation fee. Deposits are non-refundable, and balance payments are due 14 weeks prior to departure. It is your responsibility to ensure adequate travel insurance is in place to protect against the need to cancel your holiday.
- **Minimum Numbers:** The Big Journey Company host will accompany the tour should minimum guest numbers be met. We will confirm this closer to the departure date.
- **Terms & Conditions:** Further terms and conditions apply and will be provided upon request or at the time of booking. The Big Journey Company reserves the right to withdraw any offer prior to accepting a reservation. This does not affect your statutory rights. All offers are subject to availability and space is limited.

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