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Denmark, Sweden, Finland & Norway

SCANDINAVIA TRIANGLE

Discover the best of the Nordic countries from bottom to top and back again. It's a fusion of sights, lights and action, cosmopolitan cities and rural countryside. Explore medieval capitals, sail the seas, revel in the fun and magic of huskies, reindeers and snowmobiling. Just in case you don't get to see the Northern Lights in this time, we've added a cruise down the coast of Norway to maximize your chances. Round off with a couple of days in picturesque Bergen and explore Oslo.

DAY 1: ARRIVE COPENHAGEN

Arrive Copenhagen and transfer to your central hotel.

DAY 2: COPENHAGEN

Copenhagen's a charming city with a thousand years of history. These are the same medieval streets; the same streets walked on by every generation of the world's oldest royal family, the same streets and canals which have inspired artists for centuries. Copenhagen has many attractions: Tivoli amusement park, the statue of the Little Mermaid, Gefion Fountain, Royal Palace Amalienborg and much more. This is a city also famous for its cafes and bakeries so don't miss out on a coffee and pastry. Your guided sightseeing tour this morning will take in the must see sights.

DAY 3: STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

Check out after breakfast and travel by train to Stockholm. This is a charming city with harbour side elegance where the old and new together in complete harmony.

DAY 4: STOCKHOLM / CRUISE TO HELSINKI, FINLAND

Built on 14 islands, in Stockholm you're never far from the water with lots to see: Vasa Museum, the Skansen Open Air Museum, City Hall, the Old Town (Gamla Stan), Abba Museum and much more. Join your guide after breakfast for a tour of the must see sights. Free time this afternoon to explore the Old Town before your departure on your overnight cruise to Helsinki, Finland.

DAY 5: HELSINKI

Mid morning arrival in Helsinki. Afternoon at leisure.

DAY 6: HELSINKI / OVERNIGHT TRAIN TO ROVANIEMI

Helsinki is an easy and compact city to move around and this morning take a audio sightseeing tour of the most interesting parts of the city. Visit the historical centre, the City Hall, The Parliament buildings, Finlandia Hall and the Opera House. See the Sibelius Monument and the Temppeliaukio Church (Rock Church). Afternoon at leisure.

Evening departure on overnight train to Rovaniemi, the capital of Finnish Lapland. Drop your luggage off in your sleeper compartment and head for the restaurant where we recommend trying Finnish meatballs and mash (better than Ikea's!).

DAYS 7 to 10: INARI

Fly to Ivalo and transfer to your Wilderness Lodge. Over the next days you'll experience all Lapland has to offer: the exhilaration of gliding across the snow on a snowmobile; the challenge and freedom of driving a husky team; relaxing on a sedate reindeer sleigh ride through snow laden forests; icefishing; burning those calories off with snowshoe walking; testing your balance with cross country skiing and a definite



Copenhagen



Meet the reindeers



Mush mush

highlight, searching for the Northern Lights. Your final night will be spent in an Aurora Hut with a clear view of the sky. Keep your eyes peeled for those Lights!

DAY 11: KIRKENES, NORWAY

Time to leave your wilderness experience behind and travel further North to Kirkenes in Norway. Afternoon is at leisure so time to try one of the unusual optional activities – catching a King Crab or spending the night in the Snowhotel?

DAY 12: HURTIGRUTEN CRUISE: KIRKENES / BERLEVAG

Departing Kirkenes around midday, cruise Norway's coastline to the small port of Båtsfjord, then on to Berlevåg where you may be able to make out Mount Tanahorn to the west or see the flashes from Kjølnes Lighthouse which overlooks the Barents Sea.

DAY 13: MEHAMN / TROMSO

Stop at Hammerfest, the world's most northerly town, before the ship continues to Tromsø, where you have the chance to witness an unforgettable midnight concert at the Arctic Cathedral. (This along with other activities, must be reserved in advance.

DAY 14: TROMSO / STAMSUND

Today the ship negotiates an intricate network of isles and inlets passing through the legendary Lofoten Islands, one of the most beautiful stretches of the Norwegian coastline.

DAY 15: BODO / RORVIK

Your cruising today takes you to a world of legends and folklore as you cross the Arctic Circle and sail past the famed peaks of the Seven Sisters. Mid-afternoon brings you to Brønnøysund where you'll have time to explore the bustling marina on a walk along Havnegata. The last stop of the day is the cosy fishing port of Rørvik in the picturesque Vikna archipelago.

DAY 16: TRONDHEIM / ALESUND

Early morning arrival in Trondheim where you can take advantage of the quiet streets to explore. Continue your cruise to Kristiansund, spread over three islands and known for being Norway's "Bacalao Capital" for the salted cod that's dried on the surrounding cliffs. Stroll along the cobblestone streets and enjoy a panorama view of the area from the old watchtower at Varden viewpoint. Final port before Alesund is Molde, nicknamed "The City of Roses" when the flowers are in bloom between mid-June and late August.

DAY 17: ALESUND / BERGEN

The home stretch today takes in the sights of the many fjords along the route and as you reach Bergen, the ship navigates the final islands and skerries sailing down the Hjeltefjord to arrive into Bergen.

DAY 18: BERGEN

Day at leisure to explore the picturesque city of Bergen. Founded in 1070, Bergen has gained a place on UNESCO'S World Heritage List and the old architecturally unique Hanseatic wharf is a delight to explore.

DAY 19: OSLO

Depart by train for Oslo travelling through picturesque countryside and over mighty glaciers.



King Crab Safari



Hurtigruten MS Midnatsol



Tromsø



Lofoten Island

Highly recommended to add to your holiday at this point is the famous Flåm Railway, claimed to be the world's most beautiful train journey. Options of day or two day available. Information available on request.

DAY 20: OSLO, NORWAY

The original Oslo, established a millennia ago by the Vikings, was destroyed in a fire in 1624. The king of the time ordered a new town to be constructed further west and to be called 'Kristiania' where buildings should be constructed not of wood but of stone and brick. Those who couldn't afford entire structure of brick were permitted to mix the brick and wood, as was the Danish style. Reverting back to it's original name Oslo in 1925, Oslo is probably best known today for being the home of the Nobel Peace Prize. This morning you'll join your guide for a tour of the city.

DAY 21: DEPART OSLO

Check out from your hotel and transfer to the airport for your return flight.

INCLUSIONS & HIGHLIGHTS

- 10 nights hotel accommodation inclusive of breakfast: Copenhagen, Stockholm, Helsinki, Kirkenes, Bergen & Oslo
- Five nights selected accommodation in Lapland
- Overnight in Aurora Hut
- Overnight cruise from Stockholm to Helsinki inclusive of breakfast
- Transfers
- Sightseeing tours Copenhagen, Stockholm, Helsinki, Bergen & Oslo
- Aurora Alerts
- Husky & reindeer safaris
- Aurora Snowmobiling
- Ice Fishing
- Aurora Campfire Night
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ACCOMMODATION

NANGU WILDERNESS LODGE

Sheltered in the forest on the banks of Lake Inari, Nangu Wilderness Lodge, constructed in traditional round logs, is everything one imagines Lapland to be. With the unique situation beside the lake with no city light pollution, the clarity of the Northern Lights is spectacular. If the Lights are not dancing in the sky, the view of the inky black skies with stars and planets shining at their brightest, is breathtaking. During winter Nangu's an adult only resort and families have the choice between two sister resorts, equally magical. Accommodation options are varied:

WILDERNESS ROOMS

Housed in a separate log building in the resort area, Wilderness rooms have a rustic wilderness style decoration with the log walls adding to the Lappish atmosphere. Rooms have en-suite facilities.

SUPERIOR WILDERNESS ROOMS

As above but with private entrance and view of the tranquil surroundings.

SUPERIOR SAUNA WILDERNESS ROOMS

If you fancy your own sauna, then this is the one for you. Views of the surrounding nature give you the feel of being one with nature.

PANORAMA LOG CABIN

Providing a panoramic view of the lake, the log cabins are the perfect way to get the real Lapland feel. They are semi-detached with each suite accommodating two persons and come equipped with bathroom, private sauna, kitchenette, interior fireplace, jacuzzi and terrace.

AURORA LOG CABIN

Aurora Log Cabin is an extraordinary way to experience the wilderness. Lying in your bed, you'll have clear views of the star filled night skies and Northern Lights when they choose to reveal themselves. The laser heated glass roof opens up into the northern sky, directly above the bed.

AURORA HUT

Aurora Hut is another wonderful way to experience the lake and the sky. The sky is star-filled sky with the Northern Lights or Midnight Sun clearly visible. The environmentally friendly Aurora Hut is equipped with double bed and eco-toilet. They do not have a shower or running water but these are available in the main building.

ACTIVITIES

All activities are available in Nangu—huskies, reindeers, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, ice fishing and searching for the Northern Lights.



Wilderness Room



Panorama Log Cabin



Panorama Log Cabin Jacuzzi



Aurora Hut



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