

Join us during the charming early autumn in Scandinavia as we uncover the spectacular beauty of the Nordic lands. Dive into the vibrant essence of Stockholm, where you'll wander through the storied halls of the Vasa Museum and glide through the city's enchanting archipelago on a scenic dinner cruise. In Copenhagen, be captivated by the grandeur of Frederiksborg Castle and the charm of its historic canals. Oslo invites you to delve into its rich heritage through world-class museums and the striking Oslo Opera House, offering a taste of modern elegance.

As you journey through Norway, let the breathtaking views from the Flam Railway and a serene cruise along the majestic Sognefjord leave a lasting impression. Conclude your adventure in Bergen, where the charm of its historic streets and the lively fish market will captivate your senses.

Inclusive Features

- Return economy group airfare from Canada to Europe
- Internal flight between Stockholm and Copenhagen (also included in land only price)
- Carefully selected comfortable and first class hotels as indicated or similar
- Overnight ferry between Copenhagen and Oslo with private facilities
- 24 meals as indicated (B 12 breakfasts, L 3 lunches, D - 9 dinners)
- · Travel by deluxe coach throughout
- All gratuities, surcharges, taxes and fees for included services
- Services of your journey leader and experienced professional Scandinavian guides
- Airport transfers in Canada or equivalent value with purchase of group airfare



Tour Highlights

- Bergen with its fish market, medieval buildings and funicular ride up Mount Fløyen
- Ferry through breathtaking Sognefjord
- The world's most exciting rail journey from Myrdal to Flam
- Oslo, home to Frogner Park, the Norsk Folkemuseum, the Fram and Kon-Tiki Museums
- Copenhagen's Little Mermaid, Nyhavn canal, Amalienborg Palace, Rosenborg and Frederiksborg Castles
- Stockholm's City Hall, the Vasa Museum, and Drottningholm Palace
- Dinner cruise through the Stockholm Archipelago



Embark on a scenic ride aboard the iconic Flam Railway

Journey Leader

Susanne Collins is a lifelong traveller, excited to share her curiosity for new destinations and cultures with others. Susanne and her husband, Terry, split their time between Muskoka, Ontario, Tampa, Florida, and various global destinations. Since retiring from her role as a senior partner at a global financial



services firm, Susanne has been able to dedicate more time to pursuing her passions, including travel, pottery, photography, hiking, and other outdoor activities. Her travels have taken her to six continents, with too many favourite destinations to list! This combination of travel and professional experience gives Susanne the perfect background to host tours that are sure to become treasured memories. She looks forward to you joining her!

SEP 4, Thursday DEPART CANADA

Travellers gather in Toronto for the flights to Sweden.

SEP 5, Friday ARRIVE STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

Upon arrival in Stockholm, we will be greeted and transferred to our hotel. The remainder of the day is free to relax before we meet for dinner. Nearby, you'll find Drottninggatan, Stockholm's renowned 1.5 km pedestrianonly shopping street. Clarion Hotel Sign (3 nights)

SEP 6, Saturday STOCKHOLN

This morning, we start our tour with a visit to one of Stockholm's most popular attractions, the Vasa Museum, where you'll marvel at the preserved remains of the country's largest warship. Next, we'll visit City Hall to admire the stunning Golden Hall, adorned with mosaics that tell the stories of Swedish legends. After some free time this afternoon, we'll come together for a scenic dinner cruise through the Stockholm archipelago, which boasts over 1,000 islands.

SEP 7, Sunday STOCKHOLM

A true highlight awaits as we tour Drottningholm Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a beautifully preserved example of 17th-century European Baroque architecture. After the tour, we'll board a short cruise back to the city centre, where we'll enjoy lunch. The rest of the day is at leisure before dinner at the hotel.

SEP 8, Monday COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

Early this morning, we bid farewell to Stockholm and take a short flight to Copenhagen. Upon arrival in Denmark's capital, we'll explore some of the city's iconic highlights, including the Little Mermaid, the Gefion Fountain, and the Royal Residence, Amalienborg Palace. After, we'll check into our hotel and relax before gathering for dinner.

Tivoli Hotel or similar (2 nights) BD

SEP 9, Tuesday COPENHAGEN

Today we drive through the picturesque Danish countryside to Hillerød, where we'll visit the stunning Frederiksborg Castle, built by Christian IV in the 17th century. Now home to the National History Museum, it showcases a wealth of treasures, including paintings, tapestries, and porcelain. Next, we head to the coast to admire the magnificent Kronborg Castle in Elsinore, famously known as the setting of Shakespeare's *Hamlet*.

SEP 10, Wednesday COPENHAGEN

In the heart of the city, we'll visit Rosenborg Castle, built in the early 17th century for Christian IV. This ornate castle houses a remarkable collection of Venetian glass, tapestries, life-sized silver lions, and Denmark's crown jewels. After exploring the castle, we head to Nyhavn Canal for lunch. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to stroll along the vibrant canal or explore the nearby pedestrian-only streets. Later, we'll board our overnight ferry bound for Norway. **DFDS Seaways** (1 night)

SEP 11, Thursday OSLO, NORWAY

For those who wish to start their day early, you can enjoy serene vistas as we sail through Oslo Fjord. Upon arrival, we'll take in panoramic views of Oslo and enjoy a guided tour of the iconic Oslo Opera House. For those interested in history, art, and architecture, optional visits to the Royal Palace and City Hall, are highly recommended.

Clarion Hotel The Hub (2 nights)



Cruise through the breathtaking Sognefjord



The colourful Nyhavn canal



Ride to the top of Mount Fløyen



Stockholm's historic Old Town

SEP 12, Friday OSLO

Our day in Oslo will be dedicated to exploring the city's renowned museums. We'll visit the Norsk Folkemuseum, Norway's largest museum of cultural history, which showcases how people lived from 1500 to the present. Next, we'll explore the Fram Museum, which highlights Norwegian polar explorations, and the Kon-Tiki Museum, home to Thor Heyerdahl's balsawood raft used for his historic Pacific voyage.

SEP 13, Saturday OSLO / FROGNER PARK / GEILO Start the day at a relaxed pace before we visit one of Oslo's unique attractions. Gustav Vigeland (1869–1943) designed Frogner Park and created over 200 granite, bronze, and cast iron sculptures that adorn this expansive green space. From there, we'll travel north into Norway's heartland, passing through the tundra-like landscape of Hardangervidda National Park on our way to the charming ski town of Geilo. Bardola Hoyfjellshotell (1 night)

SEP 14, Sunday FLAM / SOGNEFJORD / BERGEN Today, we'll journey through some of the most scenic landscapes in Scandinavia. We begin with a ride on the famous Flam Railway, which winds through mountains from Myrdal to the town of Flam. From there, we'll board a fast ferry that takes us through Sognefjord to the coastal city of Bergen.

Clarion Hotel Bergen or similar (3 nights)

SEP 15, Monday BERGEN

Our exploration of Bergen will start with a visit to the famous open-air fish market and a stroll through Bryggen, where the traditional wooden medieval buildings from the Hanseatic League era still stand. Next, we'll take the funicular to the top of Mount Fløyen for a breathtaking view of Bergen. We'll also visit the Fantoft Stave Church, an iconic cultural site made without nails, which exemplifies Norway's historic stave churches. The evening is free for you to explore the city and dine at one of the excellent local restaurants.

SEP 16, Tuesday BERGEN

Today is yours to fully explore this charming coastal town at your own pace. You'll find plenty of shops offering local treats and goodies. Bergen is also home to the KODE Museums, a complex dedicated to the arts, crafts, design, and music.

SEP 17, Wednesday BERGEN / CANADA

All too soon our Scandinavian adventure comes to an end as we gather for our homeward journey.



Enjoy a dinner cruise along the Stockholm Archipelago

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CT Rating 2.5/5 - Slightly Challenging: While relatively easy, this journey features some long travel days, an overnight ferry ride and a number of walks over uneven ground (often including steps). As with a journey of this type, members should be physically active to fully enjoy this tour. Hotels are comfortable, roads are good and the food is excellent throughout the region.



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Cost in Canadian Dollars Per Person

Land Only* (Join / Leave at hotel)	\$9,148
Toronto	\$10,665
Ottawa / Montreal	\$10,865
Halifax / Winnipeg	\$10,965
St John's / Regina / Saskatoon	\$11,095
Vancouver / Calgary / Edmonton	\$11,015
Victoria	\$11,095
Single Supplement	\$2,455

*Land-only price is based on joining at the hotel in Stockholm and departing from the hotel in Bergen. It includes internal in-destination flights but excludes international flights and airport transfers.

Airfares from other gateways are available on request. Air inclusive prices are estimated and subject to confirmation before final payment. Refer to inclusive features for details.

Tour price is based on sharing a twin room at hotels and on a minimum of 20 members, based on rates, taxes and fees effective November 2024 and are subject to change due to factors beyond our control. Group to be escorted from Canada with a minimum of 20 group members.

Insurance is NOT INCLUDED but is highly recommended. Premiums are calculated based on the individual's age, destination (country), trip length, and trip booking window – please contact our staff to receive a quote. Your coverage starts on the effective date of your confirmation of coverage. Please discuss your insurance coverage prior to booking. Check our website for the most current information. Refer to the enrollment form for terms and conditions.

Final payment is due June 3, 2025 Deposit is \$800 per person

To reserve your spot on this tour, you can either book online through our website or submit an enrollment form along with your deposit to:



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