Peoria Charter Travel presents...

## **Highlights of Norway**

with Optional 3-Night Stockholm Pre Tour Extension with Optional 3-Night Iceland Post Tour Extension

August 4 – 12, 2023



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9 Days • 12 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Oslo, Fram Museum, Stave Church, Flåm Railway, Sognefjord, Briksdal Glacier, Geirangerfjord Cruise, Bergen

#### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Hotel Bristol Oslo, Oslo
Day 4	Fretheim Hotel, Flam
Days 5, 6	Alexandra Hotel, Loen
Days 7, 8	Scandic Neptun, Bergen
	On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

**Day 1: Friday, August 4, 2023 Overnight Flight** Begin your journey to a land of mountains, glacial fjords, legends, and charming people, as you set off for Norway. Dive into the culture of the region, connecting with layers of Viking history, attention-grabbing nature, and a sense of refined traditions.

**Day 2: Saturday, August 5, 2023 Oslo, Norway - Tour Begins** Arrive in Oslo, Norway's grand capital. An up-and-coming foodie destination, Oslo combines classic tastes with modern twists. Meet your fellow travelers for a hearty and delicious welcome dinner. (*D*)

**Day 3: Sunday, August 6, 2023 Oslo** Join a local guide and begin your day at the Fram Museum, dedicated to telling the story of Norwegian polar exploration. Venture down Karl Johan Street, passing by iconic buildings such as the Royal Palace and city hall as you take in the charming heart of downtown Oslo. Make your way to Vigeland Park, home to a collection of statues and sculptures that the legendary artist Gustav Vigeland constructed during his life. This afternoon, enjoy free time to relax or continue discovering the hidden secrets of Oslo on your own. (*B*)

**Day 4: Monday, August 7, 2023 Oslo - Flåm** Heading north of Norway's capital, enter the majestic and unique landscapes of the fjord region. Visit the Borgund Stave Church, an awe-inspiring building dedicated in honor of the Apostle Andrew in 1180. Continue to the quaint village of Flåm, your gateway to the grandeur of Aurlandsfjord. Traverse the terrain on the renowned Flåm Railway, one of the steepest train rides in the world, and climb 3,000 feet past rushing waterfalls, looming mountains, and picturesque valleys. Admire the scenery along the mountain plateau of Myrdal before descending into the fjord of Flåm. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 5: Tuesday, August 8, 2023 Flåm - Loen** Immerse yourself in the striking nature of the Sognefjord before traversing the Briksdal Glacier. Surrounded by thundering waterfalls and towering mountains, the glacier is considered to be one of the most awe-inspiring in all of Norway. Climb the glacier in a traditional "troll" car (the park's open-air vehicles), and arrive for a relaxing stay in Loen, a welcoming village situated in the heart of Norway's fjord region. (*B, D*)

**Day 6: Wednesday, August 9, 2023 Loen - Geiranger - Fjord Cruise - Loen** Find yourself immersed in the enchanting landscapes of Norway's fjord region. Soak up the mesmerizing landscape on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise in Geiranger (UNESCO). Discover Norway's mightiest waterfalls - the Seven Sisters, the Bridal Veil, and the Suitor. Marvel at the homesteads built along the steep sides of the mountains, where farmland has endured for centuries. (*B, D*)

**Day 7: Thursday, August 10, 2023 Loen - Bergen** Norway's impressive landscapes continue to weave their spell on you as you travel to Bergen, the portal from the fjords. The Bergen of today – charming, old-world, and scenic – is much different from when it was founded by the legendary Viking warriors of the past. Enjoy a free evening to uncover the mysteries of this former Viking seaport, nestled against the imposing mountain range. (*B*)

**Day 8: Friday, August 11, 2023 Bergen** Stroll along the historic and iconic Bryggen harbor front (UNESCO) on a guided walking tour of Bergen. This afternoon you may join an optional tour to taste the cuisine of Bergen or enjoy an afternoon at leisure. Reunite with your fellow travelers at an atmospheric farewell dinner in the historic Bryggen neighborhood, home to pleasant little houses stacked side-by-side against the harbor. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 9: Saturday, August 12, 2023 Bergen - Tour Ends** Say "*ha det*" to Norway and depart for home with incredible memories of your adventures. (*B*)



## **Book Now & Save \$150 Per Person:**

Double <del>\$4,899</del>; Single <del>\$5,599</del> **Double** \$4,749\* **Single** \$5,449

#### For bookings made after Feb 05, 2023 call for rates.

**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from OHare Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers **Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$399 per person

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from ORD

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#### PLEASE NOTE:

## Book Now rates valid until Feb 05, 2023, valid on air inclusive packages only. IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel after May 2023, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorization, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit https://www.etiasvisa.com/

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Triple rooms are not available.

Museums may close unexpectedly or for the observance of holidays.

#### Experience It! Norwegian Fjords

The evolution of the fjords began some three million years ago, when Norway was covered by an ice cap thinner along the coast than inland. With the arrival of a milder climate, the ice began to melt and produce great waterfalls that logged the soil and descended to the sea. Valleys were filled in by the ocean, creating the fjords. Surrounded now by steep rocky mountains, dissected by cascading waterfalls, and decorated with thriving fruit trees, the fjords are among Earth's most inspiring landscapes. You'll often find the Fjords of western Norway at the top of annual must-see lists alongside the Pyramids of Egypt and the Grand Canyon. This dramatic masterpiece of nature is a true wonder of the world; where the air is pure, the water is clear, and nature is unspoiled. No photograph can ever do justice to the Norwegian Fjords; it is a place that must be seen to be believed.

### **EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH**

**Optional 5 Days 3-Night Stockholm Pre Tour Extension** 

Rate: \$1,249.00 USD per person, double, land & air inclusive

**Optional 4 Days 3-Night Iceland Post Tour Extension** 

Rate: \$1,249.00 USD per person, double, land & air inclusive

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1075356



Due to the remoteness of Loen, the hotels are carefully chosen yet reflective of the rustic nature of the landscape. Hotel Loenfjord is a 3-star property used on select departures.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. You feel confident walking at least 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains – from cobblestone streets to easy pathways; a couple of hills or a few flights of stairs. You're comfortable walking a few city blocks at a time, but need some time to unwind and relax.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of January 29, 2023 are based upon availability. Final payment due by June 05, 2023. Deposits are refundable up until February 05, 2023.

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#### **Available Options**

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

#### Bergen

#### The Tastes of Bergen

Come to know the flavors of Bergen on a locally-guided, food sampling tour. Visit a host of local cafes, markets, bakeries and historic buildings while hearing about Norwegian and Bergen food traditions and specialties. Become familiar with the cuisine through sampling local cuisine including fish, cheese and other typical local dishes. *Duration: Approximately 2 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is not included.

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## Optional 5 Days 3-Night Stockholm Pre Tour Extension

Rate: \$1,249.00 USD per person, double, land & air inclusive 4 Meals: 3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Make your way to Sweden, a country that features the perfect combination of floral nature and innovative cities.

#### Day 2: Stockholm, Sweden - Tour Begins

Arrive in Stockholm, Sweden's capital city. A lively hub for tech startups and picturesque harbors, the city has the highest population in all of Scandinavia. Spend the day exploring on your own. Perhaps you'll stroll along the waterfront, grab a bite of local seafood, or pop into a museum to get a glimpse into the country's centuries-old culture. Settle into your hotel, your new home for the next 3 nights, located in the bustling city center.

#### Day 3: Stockholm

View Stockholm's greatest vistas and attractions with a local guide, passing through the city via public transportation. Venture inside Stockholm's stunning City Hall which displays towering brick walls paired with an opulent interior. Visit the Vasa Ship Museum and see a 17th-century vessel that was sunk on its maiden voyage. Explore *Gamla Stan* (Old Town). The remainder of the afternoon is yours to explore Stockholm independently. After some free time on your own, gather in the evening to enjoy a twist on modern dishes from Swedish and European cuisine at a local restaurant. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included*.

#### Day 4: Stockholm

The day is yours. Maybe you'll visit the ABBA Museum, an interactive exhibition that gives an in-depth look at the Swedish pop sensation. No matter how you spend the day, you're bound to encounter a Swedish way-of-life that will capture your heart. *Today breakfast will be included.* 

#### Day 5: Stockholm - Oslo, Norway

Fly to Oslo, Norway to start your tour. Today breakfast will be included.

Please Note:

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

During this extension, you can expect to have a **hosted** experience or two, with a local representative revealing more of what this destination has to offer. Enjoy a mix of independent exploration and guided sightseeing and experiences.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

The internal flights for this extension are not included in the land price of your tour. The purchase of an additional air segment is required. Please inquire for air rate at time of booking.

The overall activity level of this extension is a level 2. This means you feel confident walking at least 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains – from cobblestones streets to easy pathways; a couple of hills or a few flights of stairs.

## Optional 4 Days 3-Night Iceland Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$1,249.00 USD per person, double, land & air inclusive 4 Meals: 3 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

#### Day 9: Bergen - Reykjavík, Iceland

Discover Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice. Steaming lava fields reflect a volcanic nature. Massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving thundering waterfalls and breathtaking landscapes. Tonight, enjoy an Icelandic dinner at a popular local restaurant. *Today dinner will be included.* 

#### Day 10: Reykjavik

This morning, join a local expert for a walking tour of the city's old section featuring Hallgrimskirkja church, city hall, the harbor, and Reykjavík's oldest building – home of the Kraum Icelandic design center. Enjoy the remainder of your day at leisure. Perhaps you will choose to relax on a scenic whale watching cruise; venture out on a horseback riding excursion; or travel out to the Reykjanes peninsula to spend quality time relaxing in the geo-thermal waters of the famed Blue Lagoon. *Today breakfast will be included.* 

#### Day 11: Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Reykjavík

Travel the incredible Golden Circle, a route that encompasses many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders. Marvel at the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Journey to Thingvellir National Park, the nation's most historic area. Here, Icelanders gathered in A.D. 930 and established what is considered to be one of the world's first parliaments. Find yourself standing upon one of the globe's most geologically significant landscapes, Thingvellir's rugged rift valley (UNESCO) that marks the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Return to Reykjavík and have time to explore the city on your own. *Today breakfast will be included*.

#### Day 12: Reykjavík - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today. Today breakfast will be included.

#### Please Note:

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 6 passengers is not met to operate.

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

During this extension, you can expect to have a **hosted** experience or two, with a local representative revealing more of what this destination has to offer. Enjoy a mix of independent exploration and guided sightseeing and experiences. A meet-and-greet service will be available at the airport upon arrival in Reykjavik.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

Due to flight schedules, a post night may be required in some Icelandair gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please inquire at time of reservation.

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