



***Beyond Travel Proposal
Scandinavia Group Tour
For Travel Planner***
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ABOUT BEYOND TRAVEL

Established in 1994 and celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2019, Beyond Travel is the leading destination specialist in Australia & New Zealand for travel to unique destinations such as Russia, Croatia, Central & Eastern Europe, Scandinavia, Turkey, Greece, Croatia & the Balkans.

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NORWAY

Experience Norway's breathtaking beauty with Beyond Travel, from cruising to Northern Lights we offer the widest range of services. The spectacular coastline and fjords are not to be missed, whilst the capital city of Oslo offers Viking history, and a vibrant arts scene including its famous Opera House architecture and the Vigeland Sculpture Park.

FINLAND

In a land of picturesque lakes and forests and of pristine landscapes with strong traditions and a modern sense of style, there's plenty to see and do, from the Gulf of Finland to the Arctic Circle - the home of Santa Claus! In the stylish capital Helsinki, there is the chance to take in the harbour, taste local seafood or purchase some famous Marimekko wear. Helsinki also makes a great gateway to both Russia and the Baltic States.

DENMARK

Welcome to Scandinavia's greatest little Kingdom, experience the best Denmark has to offer from North Jutland to South Zealand and everything in between with the experts at Beyond Travel. Stay a while in Denmark' romantic Capital Copenhagen, visiting iconic locations such as the Little Mermaid and the quaint Nyhavn harbour area.

10 February – 2 March 2024

Day 1 Saturday 10 February 2024 BERGEN

Welcome to Norway

Upon arrival you will be met at the airport and transfer to your hotel by coach. Check in to your hotel and the rest of the day is free and at leisure

Overnight : Grand Terminus Hotel – Standard Room or Similar

Day 2 Sunday 11 February 2024

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Day at leisure to relax before you set out on your exciting tour and explore this amazing city. Bergen is a city on Norway's southwestern coast. It's surrounded by mountains and fjords, including Sognefjord, the country's longest and deepest. Bryggen features colorful wooden houses on the old wharf, once a center of the Hanseatic League's trading empire. The Fløibanen Funicular goes up Fløyen Mountain for panoramic views and hiking trails. The Edvard Grieg House is where the renowned composer once lived.



Day 3 Monday 12 February 2024 BERGEN

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During the Viking Age, Gudvangen was an important place for trading. Gudvangen, by Nærøyfjord, is known as "the place of the gods. Nærøyfjord is dedicated to Njord, the god of trading and sailing. In the Viking village of Njardarheimr, you will experience an authentic village that shows how the Vikings lived 1,000 years ago when Gudvangen got its name. These are not actors in costumes, but "real" Vikings of all ages, who adopt the Viking Age as a lifestyle. They know their history and have unique knowledge about Viking life, which they would love to share with you! The food in the camp is prepared from traditional recipes with ingredients that were available in the Viking Age. The Viking village is a place for memorable experiences, learning and fun activities. A place where you can interact with people who re-enact the past, all in accordance with historical elements.

Regardless of the season, a cruise on the Nærøyfjord will be an unforgettable experience. Every season leaves its own unique touch on the fjord landscape, Frosty colours, white mountain peaks, and ice-covered waterfalls during wintertime; blooming deciduous trees and birds chirping during the spring; green trees and long, bright nights during the summer. and a golden terrain with fresh and clear air during the autumn. With large windows and walkways inspired by the winding trails of steep mountain terrain. Passengers are encouraged to go out on the top deck and enjoy a very different experience compared to traditional passenger vessels. Inside you will find Nordic-inspired interior design offering a *high level of comfort*.

Private guided tour – Full day:

English Speaking Guide – Full Day

Transfer from Bergen to Gudvangen – 2 hours

Visit to Njardarheimr Viking Village – 45 minutes

Nærøyfjord Fjord Cruise from Gudvangen to Flåm

Packed lunch box

Flåmsbana Historical train from Flåm to Myrdal

Train from Myrdal to Bergen

Overnight : Grand Terminus Hotel – Standard Room or Similar



Day 4 Tuesday 13 February 2024 BERGEN

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A guided tour of the city, including a visit to the famous Fish and Flower Market, the old Bryggen Harbour with its gabled pack houses, the popular Hanseatic Quarter and the ancient Maria Church. Bergen was founded in 1070 A.D. During the 12th and 13th centuries, when the Kingdom of Norway was at the peak of its power, Bergen was the capital of Norway. The Norwegian kings resided here, and many historical events took place in this busy port, which in those days had no fewer than 27 churches and abbeys. Bergen owed wealth and prominence to the fish export trade - mainly dried fish which was one of the most important products of the Middle Ages.

Private guided tour – Half Day – 3 hours
English Speaking Guide – Half Day 3 hours
Coach : 3 hours
Transfer to harbor to join Hurtigruten Cruise

Day 4 – 13 Feb – Day 10 Monday 19 February

Hurtigruten Cruise Kong Harald (North Bound) – Arctic Superior.

Day 10 Monday 19 February 2024 KIRKENES

Kong Harald arrives in Kirkenes. Met on arrival and transfer to hotel
Overnight: Thon Kirkenes or similar



Day 11 Tuesday 20 February 2024 KIRKENES – SAARISELKA

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Transfer from Kirkenes to Saariselka

Arrive at Saariselka and check into your hotel. Rest of the day at leisure.

Activities not included and will be optional extras

Overnight: Dinner and overnight in Aurora Cabin HB at Northern Lights Village Saariselkä or similar

Day 12 Wednesday 21 February 2024 SAARISELKA

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At leisure to enjoy activities

Overnight: Dinner and overnight in Aurora Cabin HB at Northern Lights Village Saariselkä or similar



Day 13 Thursday 22 February 2024 SAARISELKA

B D

At leisure to enjoy activities

Overnight: Dinner and overnight in Aurora Cabin HB at Northern Lights Village Saariselkä or similar

Day 14 Friday 23 February 2024 SAARISELKA - SINETTA

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Transfer to Sinetta via Santa Claus Village Time at leisure.

(Activities not included)

Check in to the Glass topped Igloos

Overnight: Arctic Snow Hotel



Day 15 Saturday 24 February 2024 SINETTA

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Day at leisure

Transfer to the Santa Hotel

Overnight: Santa Claus Hotel



Day 16 Sunday 25 February 2024 SINETTA

B

Day at leisure

Overnight: Santa Claus Hotel

Day 17 Monday 26 February 2024 ROVANIEMI - HELSINKI

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Transfer to station for the overnight train from Rovaniemi to Helsinki –

Overnight train – includes train cabins with private bathroom.



Day 18 Tuesday 27 February 2024 HELSINKI

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Train arrives in Helsinki

On arrival transfer to the hotel.

Overnight: Original Sokos Hotel Presidentti



Day 19 Wednesday 28 February 2024 HELSINKI - COPENHAGEN

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Transfer to Airport for morning flight to Copenhagen (flight not included)

- Coach at disposal for 3 hours starting from the airport
- Local guide for 3 hours starting from the airport
- o on this tour, your private driver and licensed guide will take you to the main sights that give Copenhagen its old world charm. You'll pass by Ny Carlsberg Glyptotek, Tivoli Gardens, the world's oldest Royal Stock Exchange, and Christiansborg Castle, which today houses the Danish Parliament and the Supreme Court. Next, you'll visit the charming harbor, Nyhavn, before reaching Amalienborg Castle, the prime residence of the Danish Royal family. You'll also pass by Rosenborg Castle where the Royal collections, including the Crown Jewels, are protected by the Royal Guard. And of course, no tour of Copenhagen would be complete without visiting The Little Mermaid, inspired by Hans Christian Andersen's fairytale.

Overnight in Standard Room FIT at Scandic Copenhagen or similar



Day 20 Thursday 29 February 2024 COPENHAGEN

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Day at leisure

Overnight in Standard Room FIT at Scandic Copenhagen or similar

Day 21 Friday 01 March 2024 COPENHAGEN

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Day at leisure

Overnight in Standard Room FIT at Scandic Copenhagen or similar

Day 22 Saturday 02 March 2024 DEPART COPENHAGEN -

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Transfer to the airport for your flight home

END OF SERVICES

Package Inclusions:

- 14nights' accommodation at the following hotels or similar:
 - 3 nts Hotel Grand Terminus or similar Bergen
 - 1 nt Hotel Thon or similar Kirkenes
 - 3 nts Aurora Cabin Northern Lights Village Saariselka
 - 1 nt Arctic Snow Hotel Igloos Sinetta
 - 2 nts Santa's Hotel Santa Claus Rovaniemi
 - 1 nts Sokos Hotel Presidentti Helsinki
 - 3 nts Scandic Copenhagen or similar Copenhagen
 - 1 night cabins in overnight train Rovaniemi to Helsinki
- Breakfast daily
- 4 x dinners (Northern Lights Village x 3; Arctic Snow hotel x 1)
- English-speaking guides for transfers and sightseeing for the following days only:
 - 10 Feb arrival transfer Bergen
 - 12 Feb Full day Bergen, Sognefjord area
 - 13 February Half Day Bergen Tour
 - 27 Feb Half day Helsinki
 - 29 Feb half day Copenhagen
- 1 Mar Departure transfer Copenhagen hotel to airport
 - Private air conditioned coach for transfers and sightseeing as per the itinerary above
 - Road tolls where required
 - Train Rovaniemi-Helsinki (Overnight Cabin 26 Feb
 - Panoramic Train from Flåm → Myrdal
 - Train from Myrdal → Bergen
 - Mini cruise: Gudvangen → Flåm
 - Entrance - Gudvangen Viking valley

Not included:

- Porterage
- Flights
- Water on coaches (for environmental reasons we are moving away from providing this but can be arranged if required; refillable flasks are recommended)
- Any entrances not mentioned in inclusions
- Tips for guides/drivers
- Covid-19 tests
- Meals not specifically listed in the inclusions
- Insurance
- Passport and visa costs
- Items of a personal nature such as laundry, room service, telephone charges or other hotel extras. Passengers are responsible for settling such costs incurred before departure.

Available Activities in Saariselka (Northern Lights Village 20-23 Feb):

Snowmobile 2h:

Snowmobile 4h:

Husky Safari 5 km:

Husky Safari 10 km:

Reindeer Safari 3h:

Aurora hunting by snowmobile 3h:

Aurora hunting on snowshoes 2,5h:

Aurora camp by the lake 3h: